

August 2019

Life Together

Lindsborg Covenant Church

Message from Pastor Jeff

On May 26, 2013 a tugboat off the coast of Nigeria, sank 100 feet to the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean. Harrison Odjegba Okene, the tugboat's 29-year-old cook, was trapped below deck, but managed to find a four foot air pocket.

The thought of being rescued seemed remote. So Okene, a follower of Jesus, started to pray the Psalms: "Oh, God, by your name, save me," and "The Lord sustains my life." Okene told reporters, "I started calling on the name of God ... reminiscing on the verses I read before I slept. I read the Bible from Psalms 54 to 92."

Two-and-a-half days later, Okene heard the sound of rescuers and started banging on the steel walls of his cabin with a hammer. The Dutch divers who found him couldn't believe Okene had survived.

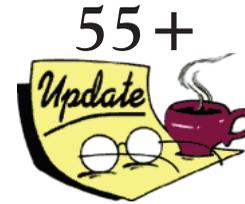
To this day, Okene believes his rescue after 72 hours underwater was the result of divine deliverance. He told a Nigerian newspaper, "The rest of my life is not enough to thank God for this wonder. It is incredible."

Okene believes he was rescued because of prayer.

And the Bible teaches that prayer is important for another rescue effort - evangelism. In fact, prayer is fundamental to evangelism because the work of redemption is the work of God.

When we witness, we plant the seeds of the Gospel, but it is God who causes the growth. The Apostle Paul said, "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow" (1 Corinthians 36). God is the One who convicts us of sin, and this is why prayer is such an important part of witnessing - without God, no matter how good our effort is, nothing is going to happen.

As Fall approaches, our church is preparing to kick off four major outreach ministries: HIS Kids, The Station, Youth Group and Alpha. These ministries will be more effective as we cover them in prayer. This is why we are having a special prayer service on Sunday, August 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please put that date on your calendar and come join me as we ask God to use our ministries to draw people into a relationship with Him through Jesus.



55+
Update
Potluck
Sunday, August 18,
Noon
The traditional 55+ bi-monthly potluck will be held in the Multipurpose Room at noon Sunday, August 18. Make your favorite recipe to share or, if you don't cook, let Scott's do it for you—chicken, a bag of potato chips, a jar of pickles, a bag of salad, or whatever. Don't forget your table service, but we've got you covered if you don't remember.

Road Trip
Saturday, August 31

A trip to the Salt Mine in Hutchinson is set for Saturday, August 31. We'll gather in the parking lot and leave at 10:30, stopping in Inman for lunch. Then, on to the Salt Mine for a tour (cost of \$17). For the two-hour tour, the temperature is 68°, so dress accordingly! A couple more stops, too.

See detail sheets and sign-up at the Information Table.

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Planning Meeting - 10:00
Thursday, August 15
Room 117



Summer is here and so is the heat! The next Men's Encounter is September 6-8. It will be held at the Webster Conference Center in Salina, KS. If you are interested in deepening your relationship with Jesus Christ, please consider Encounter—details can be found on the website: <http://www.encounterthecross.com/men>. Willard Keding and Roy Rogers continue having Bible study at 7:00 Saturday mornings in the church library.

Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.

-- I Corinthians 16:13 (NIV)

Blessings to all...

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. --Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)

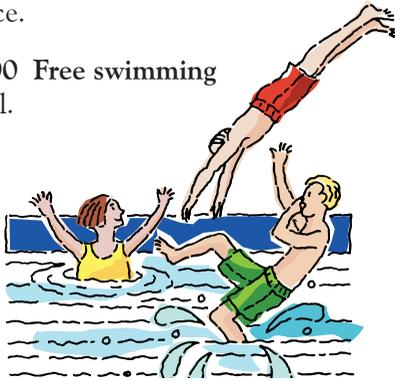
Potluck Picnic and Baptismal Service

August 4 at Lindsborg Swimming Pool

5:30 All-church Potluck Picnic under the shelter at South Park. Bring generous servings of food to share and table service for your family. Beverages provided.

7:00 Baptismal Service: Share with those being baptized at the service which will be held at the Lindsborg Swimming Pool. Bring lawn chairs if you wish to sit closer to the pool. There are bleachers outside of the fence.

7:30 - 9:00 Free swimming at the pool.



Svensk Hyllningsfest



Our church has been asked again to provide tea rings for the Svensk Hyllningsfest smorgasbord, Friday, October 18. Look for a sign-up sheet on the Information Table coming soon.



Praise & Prayer Fellowship

August 25, 5:30 p.m.

May we gather together, all ages, to sing praises to Jesus our Savior, listen to His word, and pray in His name. Bring your family, bring your friends -- be sure to come meet Jesus for an hour of a summer Sunday night.

2019 Photo Directory

Sign-up for the 2019 photo directory is open. There will be a table set up in the hospitality area and sign-up may be done following the early service or prior to the late service on August 4. You will also be able to sign-up and change your appointment time, if necessary, online. You should have received an e-mail with details. Contact Judy Pilewski if you have questions. Photography will be August 20-23 (Tuesday-Friday) from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and on Saturday August 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you have kids going to college who won't be available at this time, contact Judy Pilewski for an alternate time.



Leadership Team: Suzanna Swenson, Pam Kellogg, Debbie Johnson, Abby Hinman, Marla Peterson, Micki Swenson

Upcoming CWM Events

Trip to McPherson Movie in the Park Saturday, August 3, 8:30

Bring blankets, lawn chairs & bug spray to enjoy "Mary Poppins Returns" outside at McPherson's Lakeside Park Bandshell! Bring your whole family and meet us there or meet at the church @ 8:00 PM to ride together.

Pool & Patio Party Wednesday, August 7, 6:30 PM

At Lisa Christopher's Home. Bring a friend, a snack to share, & your suit if you want to swim!

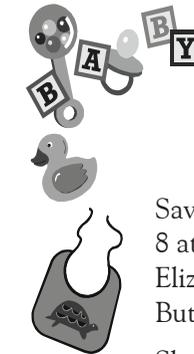
Mentoring Kickoff Sunday, September 22, 2:00 PM

We are looking for women of all ages interested in a 6 month mentoring program to pray & encourage each other in three different styles: Heart to Heart (traditional one on one), Heart to Heart to Heart (one or two mentors leading a small group of three to seven total women), or Tech Hearts (partners using text or email messaging rather than meeting face to face).

September 22 will be our kick off event -- find more information & let us know you're interested at the Church Information Table.

Retreat at Rock Springs October 4-6

Join us as we "Renew Refresh Restore" with 5 women from around our Covenant conference sharing: Jael Boeschling (Clay Center), Malinda Just (Hillsboro), Lexi Lang (Lenexa), Cheryl Meakins (Arvada, CO), and Patty Thompson (Salina). Early bird deadline is August 1; please register by September 15 to help with housing. There is a split payment option that could be helpful for you. For more information, contact Suzanna Swenson or Marla Peterson.



Baby Shower Sunday, September 8

Save the date! Sunday, September 8 at 2:00 p.m. is a Baby Shower for Elizabeth Butterfield! Baby girl Butterfield is due mid-October.

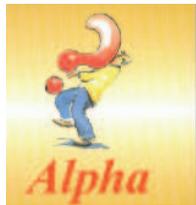
She is registered at Target and Amazon.





**4-year olds through 6th grade
Kick-off Carnival
Wednesday, September 4th
from 5:30 to 7:30**

The regular HIS Kids program will begin the following Wednesday, the 11th. It's going to be a great year at His Kids! We will be covering the life of Jesus and need LOTS of help. If you haven't helped with HIS Kids in the past pray and consider jumping in this year. Contact Stacey Lott or the church office to volunteer: office@lindsborgcov.org, 227-2447.



The Alpha Course
A 10-Week Practical Introduction to the Christian Faith
Dinner ~ Video Teaching ~ Small Group Discussion

- A 10-week program for those who wonder:
- * Christianity: Boring, Untrue, & Irrelevant?
 - * Who Is Jesus?
 - * Why Did Jesus Die?
 - * How Can I Be Sure of My Faith?
 - * Why and How Should I Read the Bible?
 - * Why and How Do I Pray?
 - * How Does God Guide Us?
 - * Who Is the Holy Spirit?
 - * How Can I Be Filled with the Spirit?

- * What Does the Holy Spirit Do?
 - * How Can I Resist Evil?
 - * Why and How Should We Tell Others?
 - * Does God Heal Today?
 - * What About the Church?
- When: Tuesday Nights, 6:00 p.m.
(September 3 - November 19)
- Where: Lindsborg Covenant Church
Childcare will be provided

Standards of Conduct: The Christian Education (CE) Board wishes to keep all of us informed as to the conduct we expect from our children while they are in the building or on the grounds.

Objective: We desire that the children of our church be held to a high standard of conduct and reflect Christ in their lives.

Rules: The child will show respect, honor, and honesty in dealings with:

1. Authority
 - a. Parents
 - b. Teachers
 - c. Elders
2. Peers and Siblings
3. Property
 - a. Church building and grounds
 - b. Personal property of others

Discipline Policy Outlined:

- I. Correct Behavior—encouraged by:
 - A. Verbal praise
 - B. Recognition
- II. Incorrect Behavior
 - A. Innocent, immature
 1. Admonishment (warning)
 2. Related consequences (the child tells the teacher he is sorry)
 - B. Disobedience, open defiance
 1. Admonishment (warning)
 2. Admonishment and action (reflective time out)
 3. Removal from meeting
 - a. Parental contact
 - b. The child asks forgiveness from teacher upon return, either verbally or written

Fall children's Sunday school classes are beginning September 2. Here is a list of what each age will be studying:

Study Course	Age
Jesus	2½-year olds
1st ⅓ of Bible.....	3-year-olds
2nd ⅓ of Bible	4-year-olds
Last ⅓ of Bible.....	5-year-olds/ Kindergarten
Potpourri I	1st Grade (topical studies)
1st ½ of OT	2nd Grade
2nd ½ of OT	3rd Grade
1st ½ of NT	4th Grade
2nd ½ of NT.....	5th Grade
Potpourri II	6th Grade (topical studies)
Old Testament	7th Grade
New Testament.....	8th Grade (<i>Pilgrim's Progress</i> in summer)
Various Topics.....	High School

Parents are ultimately responsible for their child's behavior.

Missions Reports

From Julie McLaughlin

I've just spent 2 months in Papua New Guinea. Most of that was on our ship the m/v YWAM Liberty in Port Moresby. I was there looking after our current ship leaders as well as many other things. It was a quick visit to set up my Art Exhibit in Greensburg. It was something to see my artwork come out of the books and to be framed and up on the walls. There was a good turnout for the launch and I've sold about 11 pieces which is amazing. That money is going toward scholarships for our PNG crew to do more training with YWAM. I could also use a little personal help with finances to get caught up from my PNG trip if you would like to donate.

I got to catch up with some of the Fathers of our mission in PNG Tom Hallas, Dean Sherman, and Kolafi Moali. They put out a challenge to PNG during the "Go PNG" Gathering to be a mission sending nation. We worked hard for all our crew to be able to attend and hear their great teaching. We hosted on board the ship leaders from YWAM in Papua New Guinea. They met to discuss leadership and to pray into the Nation of PNG. PNG has many training centres including Port Moresby who is partnering with YWAM Liberty for a DTS. Two of our crew are currently doing that training.



Pray for Missions

From New Life Wichita

It seems hardly possible, but on August 1st, New Life Wichita will be 3 years old and will be a self-supporting Covenant Church! And NLW is beginning the process to become an ECC "member church" in Phoenix next June! Praise God for his provision and the ways this church is transforming lives with the love of Christ in Wichita. Here is an update from pastor Chad Pickering: There is NO way...none...that we could have been able to do what we've done and gotten to where we've gotten without the support of the partner churches! We cannot thank everyone enough!! (We have been one of these partners!)

- We have a noticeable presence in our community and serve hundreds of the working poor through our Monthly Project Laundry Ministry.
- We have been able to help many victims of sex-trafficking through our relationship with ICT SOS
- In recent months, we've added several singles, couples and families, some of who are not yet Christians, but they've already stepped into giving and serving.
- We began with 2.5 years ago with a Launch Team of 35, and we celebrated this past Easter with 155 in 2 services.
- A good percentage of our growth are people who were not "church people" or who had given up on church in the past.
- As recent as this past Sunday, we had a guest comment on how amazed they were that we are so "intergenerational." NLW is made up of people from birth to 80+ years of age!
- We are preparing for our first hire (a part-time Children's Ministry Director)!

- Pastor Chad Pickering



THANKS



From Meka & Jody Heizelman

The team is back from Kenya. What a God-anointed trip! Meka & I want to thank all of you who helped make this experience possible through your prayers of support and safety for the journey. Contributions made through donations, coffee and jewelry purchases were an incredible blessing. Thanks so much for genuine interest and support. May the Lord bless you for your participation in furthering His Kingdom!!

From McPherson County Food Bank

Thank you for your gift of food and monetary donations to the McPherson County Food Bank. Your generosity enables the Food Bank to assist the unemployed, the elderly and the hungry with food. The Food Bank depends on the support of those able to give so that others less fortunate might have the basic necessities of life.

Sunday School Teachers Needed



Classes for all Ages

Interested in teaching or facilitating an adult Sunday school class September-November? Would love to help some new people get started in this important ministry. Contact Don Blanchat for more details.

We also need children's teachers for the fall. Please pray about where you can help.

Contact Diane Reece for children's Sunday School.

Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Messiah. Acts 5:42



E-mail office@lindsborgcov.org and asked to be put on the list.

The Bulletin Board

Please let the office know of any changes in your contact information.

Did you leave some hot boxes in the kitchen? If so, please stop by the office and pick them up.

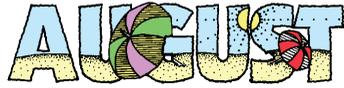
Newsletter Deadline
Monday, August 12

Missions Interest Group

Tuesday, August 20
2:00 p.m.

Church Library

Janice Loring, Hostess
Mary Ann Johnson, Devotions



Birthdays and Anniversaries

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| 1 Brian Eyer | 14 Jalen Elseth | 24 Tanner Lohrey |
| 2 Joyce Huber | Ashley Losey | Johann Rauchholz |
| Ralph and Sue Peterson | 15 Colter Anderson | Caelan Peterson |
| 3 Terence Carlson | Rachel Anderson | 25 Nathan Diederich |
| Marlene Vickrey | Matt Ahlenius | Kent and Caren Ebling |
| 4 Leon and Darline Cummings | Hart Nurnberg | Ed and Jane Radatz |
| Jeremy Elseth | Jamie Weibert | Steve & Sherry Standley |
| Kurt Krehbiel | 16 Esther Kummer | 26 Charissa Ahlstedt |
| Larry and Pat Weibert | Sunny Shultz | Jackson Fisher |
| 5 Porter Butterfield | 17 Tanner Lott | Asher Nichols |
| Rick and Brenda Smith | Norm and Carolyn Yoder | 27 Steve & Pam Bowersox |
| Chad & Kelly Sauvage | 18 Cheryll and Moises Clark | 28 Daryl and Sandra Brunsell |
| 6 Richard & Laura Johannsen | (Ecuador) | Neill & Nancy Walker |
| Richard & Elaine Schmidt | 19 Dale Ade | Tanner & Marisa Lott |
| Faye Terry | Vivian Blanchat | 29 Bradlee Call |
| Sharon Vajgrt | 20 Mike Johnson | 30 Elias Butterfield |
| 7 Audrey Schwindt | 21 Meka Heizelman | Kindra Johnsen |
| Nancy Walker | Brenda Smith | Tabea Rauchholz |
| 8 Jonathan Cooper | Charles Hinman | Billy Huse |
| Daniel and Penny Rauchholz | 23 Scott and Susan Achenbach | Christy Reyes |
| 9 Keith and Micki Swenson | Silas Butterfield | 31 Jan (Skippy) Rathlef |
| 10 Carol Duerksen | Vince and Chris Rocco | |
| 11 Ben and Linda Call | Bethany Shultz | |
| Shelly Carlson | | |
| Joshua Peterson | | |
| Amy Fitzgerald | | |
| 12 Tami Rider | | |
| Claire Schwindt | | |
| 13 Joshua Houghton | | |
| Paul Noren (Congo) | | |
| Roma Roebke | | |

If you should note any discrepancies or omissions in this list, please contact the office.

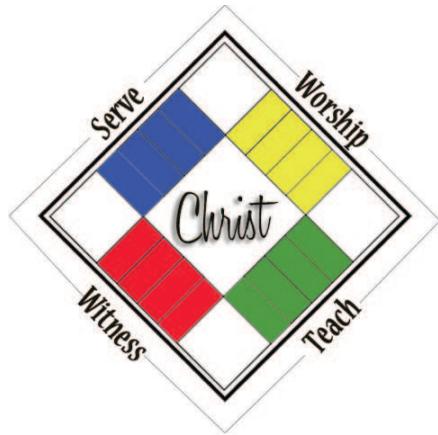
Thanks!

This Is Sunday Night For August, 6:30

- 4th Baptism Service (See page 3)
- 18th Alpha Prayer Night
- 25th Praise & Prayer Fellowship

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>August 2019</i>						
4 8:00 Worship 9:30 Bible Classes 10:55 Worship 5:30 Baptism & Potluck	5 7:00 Individual Bds 8:15 Church Board	6	7 6:30 Bible Study	8 2:30 B. Home Coffee	9 2:30 B. Home Coffee	10 7:00 Men's Prayer
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**AUGUST 2019
PRAYER CALENDAR**

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

Men's Prayer Group Saturday mornings at 7:00 in the Library.

Prayer Chain: To add urgent requests to the prayer chain or to participate, call the church office during the day (227-2447) or e-mail office@lindsborgcov.org. If you need it sent after hours text or call Kristen Carlson (227-5554). The Prayer Chain is intended for urgent prayer requests only. If a request is received that is not urgent it will be printed in the next weeks bulletin.

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| 1 | EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Pastor Jeff Waugh, Pastor Darrell Cooper, Pastor Jeremy Elseth, Craig Lofton, Daniel Rauchholz, Sharon Vajgrt, Vince Rocco | 15 | 55+ MINISTRY
Debbie Johnson, Ruth Ann Leaf, Coordinators |
| 2 | MISSIONARIES
Paul & Sheryl Noren, C.A.R. and Congo
Cheryll Anderson Clark, Christian Ed., Ecuador
Steve & Barbara Swanson, Mosaics Project, Sweden
Dale Lusk, Covenant Merge Ministries
Roy & Joi Christians, Andrea Cooper, Bob & Carolyn Easley, Julie McLaughlin, Kara Peterson, Sarah Shultz | 16 | DISCIPLERS |
| 3 | MEN'S MINISTRY
Brian Bowman, Coordinator | 17 | CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
Nursery & Children's Church teachers & helpers,
Kristen Carlson, Nursery Coordinator |
| 4 | BAPTISMAL SERVICE | 18 | ALPHA COURSE PREPARATIONS
Deepening faith and outreach for Christ |
| 5 | CHURCH BOARD
Pray for church board meeting | 19 | STEPMC |
| 6 | C.E. BOARD
Keith Swenson, Nancy Bolden, Kristi Peterson, Sharon Vajgrt, Fannie Olsen, Kurt Krehbiel, Matt Ahlenius | 20 | MISSIONS INTEREST GROUP
Co-Chairmen Dolores Stevens & Kathy Lindgren,
Secretary/Treasurer Mary Ann Johnson |
| 7 | COVENANT WOMEN MINISTRIES
Leadership Committee: Suzanna Swenson,
Treasurer Pam Kellogg, Debbie Johnson, Abby Hinman, Marla Peterson, Micki Swenson | 21 | WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE
Pastor Jeff, Pastor Darrell, Melinda Hansen,
Caren Ebling, Judy Pilewski, Sharon Schrag,
Vivian Blanchat |
| 8 | BETHANY HOME MINISTRY | 22 | CAREGIVERS |
| 9 | OUR COUNTRY AND ITS LEADERS | 23 | MIDWEST CONFERENCE STAFF |
| 10 | ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES
Don Blanchat, Alan Carlson, Kate Cooper, Steve Borell, Neill Walker, Kurt Krehbiel, Micki Swenson | 24 | WORSHIP LEADERS
Pastor Jeff, Pastor Darrell, Melinda Hansen,
Cheryl Spare, Caren Ebling, Keith Swenson,
Greg Peterson, Elijah Waugh, Micah Waugh, Jim Tillberg, Children's Choir - Chris Rocco, Amanda Houghton |
| 11 | SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS
2 YRS - KINDERGARTEN
Hannah & Hank Kummer, Lynette DeVore, Mary Pywell, Amanda Houghton, Joe Vajgrt, Bruce Peterson, Craig & Fannie Olsen | 25 | SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS
GRADES 1-6
Marla Peterson, Kristi Peterson, Keith Swenson,
Josh Johannsen, Kathy Cooper, Stacey Lott, Kendal & Caelan Peterson, Cheryl Spare, Jody Heizelman |
| 12 | SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS | 26 | TRUSTEE BOARD
Daniel Rauchholz, Craig Lofton, Jim Christopher,
Steve Hansen, Brad Pywell, Chad Sauvage |
| 13 | DIACONATE
Reva Esh, Vince Rocco, Nick Blanchat,
Neill Walker, Suzanna Swenson, David Peterson,
Russ Weibert, Diane Reece | 27 | STAFF
Pastor Jeff Waugh, Pastor Darrell Cooper, Pastor Jeremy Elseth, Kristen Carlson, Caren Ebling,
Keith Swenson |
| 14 | WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM
Stacey Lott, Director; Vision, faithful planning,
wisdom and willing hearts for recruitment | 28 | JR/SR HIGH YOUTH STAFF |
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Willard Keding, Pastor Darrell, Harris Terry,
Pastor Jeff, Lori Shultz, Dolores Stevens, Keith Swenson, Pete Duerksen, Roy Rogers |

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| 30 | SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS
GRADES 7-12
Jodi Duncan, Chad Sauvage, Vivian Blanchat
Pastor Jeremy & Jaime Elseth, Shelly Carlson,
Clark Shultz |
| 31 | SUNDAY SCHOOL ADMIN.
Children's Sunday School Superintendent
Diane Reece; Attendance Secretary Howard
Reece; Adult Sunday School Coordinator, Don
Blanchat; Curriculum Coordinators Cheryl Spare,
Shelly Carlson, Martha Roberts |

