

What Now?

Many illustrations have been coined to describe the connection between fasting and prayer. One of them is how fasting has a way of sharpening how much more we listen and perceive God at work in each moment and especially in times spent alone with Him. Did you experience that this past week? Perhaps you found out just how much we often miss life-giving truths and "God-Revelations" because we were in a hurry. One question that has come up is simply, "What now?" How do we follow up? Here are four things to consider:

1. Write it down! Make a record of the things that God has spoken to you about and review them regularly. Luke 8:18 says these powerful words: "Therefore consider carefully how you listen. Whoever has (possesses it) will be given more..."
2. Act on a specific directive. Write that letter, be that friend, forgive that one who hurt you, use that spiritual gift, memorize that verse. Whatever it is...DO IT!!
3. Be encouraged. Perhaps you were seeking a particular breakthrough or a specific point of provision. Don't despair if it is not here yet. Remember, Is. 40:31 "... those who hope (wait with expectation) in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Keep seeking, keep asking, keep knocking...it's his promise that He will answer (Matt. 7: 7-8)
4. Add in Fasting. We hope that you have received the truth that adding fasting to prayer, is a discipline that you can participate in as the Holy Spirit leads you anytime and anywhere. You don't need a church sanctioned fast to do it. Perhaps there will come a day soon that you just need to hear from God on a matter, feel clogged up by all the media voices around you or feel distant from God. For these, and a myriad of other reasons, it may be time to fast. Please remember our High School and Jr. High Students who are continuing their fast through-

out the month of February. Encourage and pray for them as you have opportunity. We have already heard of some breakthrough things that the Lord is doing in individual lives. If there are specific ways in which God met you this past week and as the weeks unfold, would you please take a moment to jot that down in an E-mail to: prayer@statecollegcma.com. We would love to post those on our Prayer Bulletin Board.



Military Ministry Deploying!

If you haven't seen the Hero Board lately, go take a look because it will soon be expanding. Realizing there is a serious need for support and care for deployed personnel and their families, a small group of families continue to realize that it is an incredible open door for ministry for the Church.

If you know a family that has a son or daughter who is deployed, the military ministry is available for much needed support. There are ways a number of us can be involved with sending care packages and other notes of encouragement.

If you were in the second service two weeks ago, you may have additionally noticed that three of the members of the Hero Board were present in the service. We welcomed Sara Parker home from Iraq, Christina Baldwin back from training with the Marines, and Kory Kohr was also with us in the service.

If you have a family nearby that may need support or even a point of connection, please contact Tracie Ciambotti or Paula Parker for information.

Prayer Hour for NCS

Prayer is still God's mighty force that guides our preparation, teamwork, and diligent efforts to carry out His will. Prayer and action go hand and hand. Come join us for an hour of worship and prayer for our school.

WHEN: **February 16th**, 6:30-7:30 PM

WHERE: All-Purpose Room

WHO: Parents, Students, Supporters, Board Members, Faculty, Staff, Administration, Volunteers, Anyone who is interested in praying for Nittany Christian School

LifeLine for Leaders

We want to publicly thank every single LifeLine sponsor for your continual prayer and financial support of our LIFE students. LifeLine itself went so well that we thought it would be great to run it again for our LIFE adult leaders. Why, you may ask? First of all, Lifeline is a great way for you as our church family to engage and support the amazing, committed volunteer leaders that give to our student ministry on a weekly basis. Secondly, there are a number of families and individuals that did not get a chance to sponsor last time. Well, here's your opportunity. Beginning Sunday, February 7th, we will be running Leader LifeLine in the lobby before and after the services. We have 8 leaders going with the need of 3 sponsors each and a total goal of 24 needed sponsors! Would you prayerfully consider sponsoring 1 or 2 leaders for LIFE 2010?

Church Mortgage Information

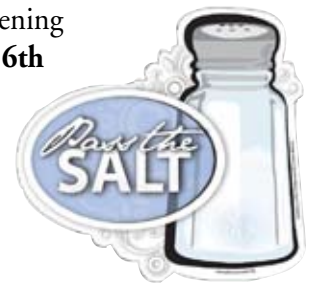
On January 19th a mortgage payment of \$8,450.59 was made. Of this amount, \$6,692.70 went toward principal and \$1,757.89 toward interest. Additional principal payments were made in December/January totaling \$5,000. The balance of the Church mortgage is \$405,068.29.

Ladies, Got Salt?

Time: Tuesday Evening
February 16th
at 7:00 PM

Place: Worship
Center

Focus: Uruguay



Find out how the missionaries in URUGUAY are helping to "pass the salt" with teamwork. Listen to a report from the field. Get up-to-date information so you can better pray for the work in Uruguay.

An offering will be taken for AWM National Expense.

District Alliance Women's Retreat

Retreat in a Box by Beth Moore
March 12-14 in Harrisburg

The retreat will feature four heart-to-heart messages where Beth describes different types of people; some easy to love, and some not so easy to love. Esther Schaeffer and Brenda Knopp will also be sharing. The deadline to register is February 17th. For more information about the retreat, room and carpooling opportunities, please contact Jane Robson (357-8260). Additional information can be found on the Women's Ministry Board in the hallway.

Savor the Savior

Calling all writers, poets, illustrators, sketchers, painters, sculptors, etc. We are looking to create a gallery during our Easter weekend beginning Good Friday through Easter Sunday (April 2-4). Our theme will be Savor the Savior (Ps. 103).

For more information please contact:
Pastor Makhonyola at
makhonyola@statecollegcma.com.

New

SERVICE TIMES 9:00 AM Classic Service
10:30 AM Contemporary Service

Beginning on Sunday, February 21st, the Contemporary Service time will be changed to 10:30 AM. The Classic Service will remain at the current time of 9:00 AM.