

Newsletter and Calendar of Events

Points of Interest:

- Sunday Morning Worship Service starts at **10:30 AM** each week, and Sunday Bible Fellowship begins at 9:30 AM, with classes being offered for all ages & interests
- Monthly Prayer Service
- First Father/Daughter Banquet
- Spring 2012 Focus Groups — Begin on February 12th

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Father-Daughter Banquet *On His Image*

There will be a Father/Daughter Banquet based on the theme *In His Image* on Saturday, February 18th, at 1:00 p.m. Fathers & daughters will want to **dress up** for this special date. Tickets are available in the lobby at a cost of \$10 per couple (father & daughter), with the cost of each additional daughter only \$5.00. Moms should consider pairing daughters without a dad available with another family member or close friend and make this day special for all our girls. Please contact Pastor Brent for more information.



Musical Group G-Three Sunday, February 19th

On February 19th, we will be blessed by the return of the Hardaway Brothers who comprise a Contemporary Gospel Group called **G-Three**, which translates to "Giving God Glory!" Those who remember this group from last year know that we are in for a treat. Their appeal is broad, bringing enjoyment for all ages and music style preference. They come expecting to share in our worship experience and will lead us into God's presence as they sing. Their fourth musical CD will be released this summer. Come expecting a great day of worship and be sure to invite someone to come with you.

Women's Ministries presents *The Tenth Annual Ladies Tea Party & Auction*

Saturday, March 3rd



It's "tea time" again, and all ladies are invited to attend our tenth annual Ladies Tea and Auction on Saturday, March 3rd, at 1:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. With so many ways to be involved, every lady has an opportunity to participate.

The previous tea events have raised thousands of dollars in funds for various projects, while those in attendance enjoyed the fellowship and the excitement of the afternoon. This year, in addition to the typical social event that every lady looks forward to, the auction promises to be full of wonderful surprises.

Ladies, don't miss out on this exciting annual social event and fundraiser. Tickets are available in the Church lobby at the display table for \$10 each and the deadline to purchase is Sunday, February 12th. (See Women's Ministries on Page 2 of this Newsletter for more information.)

Starting on February 12th: Spring 2012 Focus Groups



Women's Ministries



Tenth Annual Ladies Tea — Details

Ladies, there is still time to plan your participation in the annual tea! A great amount of planning and preparation goes into the Ladies Tea each year in order to make it a success. If you would like to sign up to hostess your own tea table, information is available in the Lobby.

Please note that auction item donations for the fund-raising auction are still needed. Items donated for the auction may be left at the Distribution Desk in the lobby, and the deadline is Sunday, February 12th. Please remember that donated items should be *new or in like-new condition!*

Notes & News

Announcements You May Have Missed!

Monthly Prayer Service

Everyone is invited to join us for our monthly Corporate Prayer Service on Saturday, February 4th for a time of meaningful prayer, praise & worship.

Annual Business Meeting

The 2012 Annual Business Meeting begins at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, February 29th. The business will include the Annual Report and elections for the expiring board terms. Members who are eligible to vote are urged to attend. *There will be no Kaio, Kids Breakout, or Rainbows that night, and the vans will not run.*

Focus Groups

Beginning Sunday, February 12th, small groups will form for the Spring 2012 Focus Group season. Choices range from *Absolutes for Revival*, *Believing God*, *Courageous* and *Four Basic Coverings of Marriage* on Sunday nights, to a Thursday morning *Renovation of the Heart*, a Saturday morning *Believing God*, and a Wednesday night *Study of John*. With a variety of groups offering different subjects, times and interests, be sure to find what fits *your* focus! A sign-up sheet and general information is available in the lobby.

Rescue by Navy SEALs

Jessica Buchanan, a graduate of Valley Forge Christian College (A/G), was on a teaching mission in Africa when she was kidnapped in October with a co-worker. They were rescued on Wednesday, January 25th, by the same unit that tracked down Osama Bin Laden. Buchanan considered her call to Africa a window to see how mission, conviction, and obedience to God can change the world. We rejoice with the Buchanan family, but we must not fail to pray for those in missions all over the world.



YOUTH ACTIVITIES FEBRUARY OVERVIEW

Every Wednesday

*Kaio at 6:30 p.m.
(Bring friends with you!)*

Every Saturday & Sunday

Kaio Drama Team Practice — 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 8th

STL Celebration Pizza Party!

Tuesday, February 21st

Youth Leader Team Meeting 7:12 @ KAIO

Friday, February 24th

Girls Movie Night @ KAIO - 7:00 - 11:00pm

Saturday, February 25th

Guys Night @ PJ's (Bring \$5 for Pizza/Pop) - 7:00 - 11:00pm

Wednesday, February 29th

No KAIO due to the Annual Business Meeting

Visit KAIO on Facebook

Coming Events

- **Saturday, February 18th — Father/Daughter Banquet.** Dads & daughters should dress up for this special date. See details on Page One of this Newsletter.
- **Also in February** — A new series in Kids Church Live: *How to Use My Bible.*
- **Coming in March . . . Ice Skating at The Edge!** Watch for details



Please Note ... regular schedule of activities:

- Sundays at 10:30 a.m.**
Kids Church Live!
(during the Morning Worship Service)
- Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.**
Kids Break-Out
& Rainbows for the Little Guys & Gals!

Thoughts & Reflections . . .

Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time . . .
(Ephesians 5:15-16a)

My Dad was very studious. As a pastor, he could usually be found at church or at home with his nose in the Bible and other books in preparation for his next opportunity to preach or teach. He was a very sharp individual and yet he had a tremendous issue with time: the fall and spring rituals of changing the clocks and adding another day when leap year rolled around was almost debilitating to him. Every year when it came time to change the clocks, he was so diligent about always being early to be "on time" that he would even set his alarm clock at 2:00 a.m. to change the clocks for the annual time changes so that he could go back to sleep and wake up in real time! He was never late for anything, but he felt that you had to *be early* to be *on time!*

Daddy may have gone a little overboard with his time issues, but he was right about one

thing: time is the most valuable asset we have to spend. Being a leap year, 2012 has one more day than last year or next year. This is no small matter. Days are the building blocks with which we construct our lives. Any single day can change a life dramatically: a chance meeting, an unexpected triumph, a sudden tragedy, or an opportunity seized. *What a difference a day makes!*

There are never any circumstances under which we can stop the clock. Likewise, we cannot save, store, or stretch time. We may use time wisely or we may abuse it, but the clock keeps on ticking. Each moment we live is the one moment we are given to redeem, and like the Sunday newspaper coupons that are worthless in themselves until you redeem them, our time redeemed wisely has immeasurable value.

This leap year as we approach the annual Valentine's Day celebration, let's be mindful of spending our most valuable gifts on our loved ones. If you are happily married or are in a Godly relationship, enjoy a special celebration of the gifts you have in each other. If you are single or single again, do something special for a family member or close friend that will make a memory, spending time with them in a special way. If you are in the middle of a heartbreak this Valentine's Day, know that God can do miracles to restore and renew. Spending time with Him is far better than wasting time in isolation that will be lost to you forever.

Our times *are* in His Hands! Perhaps knowing we have an extra day this year may even help us to make better use of the other 365 days we are given to rejoice and be glad in!

. . . Think About It

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February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sun. Sched. SBF-9:30am MW-10:30am Focus - 6:00pm			1 Wed@6:30 Bible Study Youth Kids Breakout	2	3	4 Monthly Prayer KAI O Drama Team Practice
5 Missions Sunday	6	7 KAI O STL Pizza Party Celebration	8 Wed@6:30 Bible Study Youth Kids Breakout	9	10	11 KAI O Drama Team Practice
12 Pastor Brent Speaking (AM) Focus Groups (PM)	13	14 Missionary Stephen Turley	15 Wed@6:30 Bible Study Youth Kids Breakout	16 Board Mtg	17	18 Father- Daughter Banquet KAI O Drama Team Practice
19 G-Three (AM) Focus Groups (PM)	20	21 Youth Leader Team Mtg	22 Wed@6:30 Bible Study Youth Kids Breakout	23	24 KAI O Girls Movie Night	25 KAI O Drama Team KAI O Guys Night
26 Building Fund Focus Groups (PM)	27	28	29 Annual Business Meeting (No Other Activities)			

Schedule of Events

- February 4 — Monthly Saturday Prayer Service
- February 4 — KAI O Drama Team
- February 5 — Missions Sunday
- February 8 — KAI O STL Pizza Party
- February 11 — KAI O Drama Team
- February 12 — Pastor Brent Speaking (AM)
- February 12 — Focus Groups Begin (Check Topics & Group Schedules)
- February 15 — Missionary Stephen Turley, Missionary to Belgium
- February 16 — Board Meeting
- February 18 — Father/Daughter Banquet
- February 18 — KAI O Drama Team
- February 19 — G-Three (AM)
- February 19 — Focus Groups (PM)
- February 21 — Youth Leaders Meeting
- February 24 — KAI O Girls Movie Night
- February 25 — KAI O Drama Team
- February 25 — KAI O Guys Night
- February 26 — Building Fund
- February 26 — Focus Groups (PM)
- February 29 — Annual Business Meeting (No Other Activities)

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**GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Sunday

Sunday Bible Fellowship (SBF)9:30 AM
Morning Worship Service.....10:30 AM
Kids Church Live!.....10:30 AM
Choir Rehearsal (Seasonal) 4:30 PM
Focus Groups (Seasonal)..... 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 6:30 PM
Youth Service at Kaio 6:30 PM
Kids Summer Break-Out/Rainbows 6:30 PM