

MARCH
2010



NEW BRIGHTON CHRISTIAN CHURCH BROADCASTER

A Note From the Senior Minister

Broadcaster Delivery Changes

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As is the case with many households, corporations, and non-profits, the economic reality of the times we live in is hitting close to home at New Brighton Christian Church. We praise God that whatever financial issues we're encountering are relatively minor, but at the same time, it is incumbent upon us to identify ways we can become better stewards of the resources God has blessed us with.

In looking at our operations, we have identified printing and mailing as two areas where expenditures could be decreased. A significant portion of the resources in these areas are currently allocated to our monthly newsletter, the New Brighton Broadcaster.

We're not proposing that we discontinue the Broadcaster; what we would like to do is deliver the Broadcaster in the most effective and cost-efficient means possible. For many people, this will mean reading the Broadcaster online, rather than on paper.

We already publish the Broadcaster on our web site, www.nbcc.cc. If we have your e-mail address, we will send you a reminder that the Broadcaster is ready for viewing. If you're not sure we have your e-mail address, and you'd like to receive a reminder about the Broadcaster, please send it to office@nbcc.cc. For many people, this will reduce the amount of paper coming into your home.

We also understand that some people would prefer to continue receiving a printed copy of the Broadcaster. We can place one in your church mailbox, or if getting to the church isn't possible (for example, because of illness) we will be happy to mail the Broadcaster to you. If you prefer a printed copy, please send an e-mail to office@nbcc.cc, or call 651-633-7152 between the hours of 9:00AM-1:00PM Monday-Friday, or any other time if you'd like to leave a message.

Even though we've had to scale back our budget for this year, and are continuing to look for ways to cut our expenses, we want to assure you that **our primary purpose continues to be to love God, love people, and share the good news**. If you have ideas as to how we can best accomplish that, or accomplish it more efficiently and effectively, please let us know.



*New Brighton
Christian
Church*

*strives to be a
healthy, growing
church that has a great
passion to live the Great
Commandment and the
Great Commission by
loving God,
loving people, and sharing
the Good News.*

*As a congregation we will
focus upon growing
warmer through
fellowship, stronger
through worship, deeper
through discipleship,
broader through ministry,
and larger through
evangelism.*

Sunday Schedule

8:30 am

Coffee & Donuts

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9:00 Sunday School

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10:00 am

Blended Worship

.....

1:00 pm

Korean Grace
Church

From the Children's Minister



Extra Baggage

Before I was a mom, I carried a small, cute purse. It was tiny, but it had all I needed inside. However, once I had children, I quickly learned that traveling light was no longer an option. You can't leave the house without a fully-stocked diaper pack: diapers, wipes, toys, snacks, extra clothes. The goal is to be prepared for any situation; to have the necessary items with you at all times.

The idea of carrying things with you is fine for purses and diaper bags. But in our lives, too many of us carry around things that are unnecessary. We struggle as we walk around with a bag full of guilt and pain and past hurts. We let the stress of our lives pile up. But there's no good reason for us to carry them.

Jesus tells us "*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.*" (Matthew 11:28-30)

There is someone who wants to take the heavy load from us. It's time to turn in our giant, burden-filled suitcase.

Kristie

from the **YOUTH PASTOR**

God our Father

As many of you know, I will soon be a father. With Miriam being due this month, my thoughts are becoming more and more filled with how I will feel once this child enters our lives. Although the frequency of these thoughts is now increasing, the truth is, I have had these thoughts since adolescence. Furthermore, since accepting Christ into my life I have looked forward to parenthood to become better acquainted with some of the feelings God shares for us as he is **our Father**. I think the reason I have had these thoughts is because of a devotion I once heard from Calvin Miller, a retired minister. He described the enlightening experience he had when he saw David, his own son, acting out Jesus' role on the cross during an Easter cantata. Being David's father, Calvin pictured his son on that fake cross as an actual sacrifice and this gave him a newfound understanding of what God had given as a gift for us. Since hearing that story, I have wondered what it would be like to have this deep unconditional devotion to one that I participated in giving life too. Would I better be able to understand God's love for me once I understand what being a father is like?

I try to think of myself from my future son's perspective. Will he know that I will provide for him? Will he know that I will take care of all of his needs? Will he know that he can trust my judgment and put his well-being in my hands? Will he know that he can have faith in his father? I ask these questions here, publicly, because they are the same questions that we need to ask ourselves daily in regards to our heavenly Father. Do you **know** that he will provide for you? Do you **know** he will take care of your needs? Do you **know** that you can trust his judgment and put your well-being in His hands?

We live to constantly add to our independence, but in turn give up the dependence that God wants us to have on Him. God is waiting to be our **providing, caring, trustworthy, faithful** father, and sometimes we don't see this because we are too busy foolishly trying to take care of ourselves.

Reggie



MARCH SERVERS

	7	14	21	28
Nursery 9:00 AM 10:00 AM Teen helper	Judy Hanson Gloria Rosenstiel Vanessa Stone	Markita Stone Kathy McNaul Rebekah Hanson	Cindy Winter Tammy Norlin Lindsey Angelo	Linda Steele Shirley Mens Katie Kalvig
Greeters	Terry & Shirley Mens	Ed Jonak Lee Tate	Terre Stevens Beulah Carlson	Dave & Patti Gantz
At The Table	Aaron Cocking Paul Stone	Aaron Cocking Paul Stone	Aaron Cocking Paul Stone	Aaron Cocking Paul Stone
Front Ushers Back Usher	Steve Zacharias Doug Corcoran	Rod Haggard Dale Brothanek	Terry Mens Nick Hanson	Ed Jonak Brian Sladek
Media Arts	Nick Hanson	Maureen Nielsen	Trinna Nelson	Tom Ramisch
Sound	Brian Kirkman	Denise Ramisch	Paul Stone	Roger Entinger
Wee Worship 10:00 AM Junior	Becky Lane Bill Sellwood	Miriam Camarse Shane & Natalie Cocking	Randy Steele Nick & Jadee Hanson	Kristie Cocking Alyssa Lane
Communion To Shut-Ins	Aaron Cocking Brian Kirkman	Lee Tate Randy Steele	Doug Winter Roger Entinger	Ron Hanson Dick Emery
			Nursing Home	Brian Kirkman
Deacon of The Month	Brian Sladek		Communion Prep & Clean-up	Terry & Shirley Mens

Newsletter & Bulletin Information:

Next month's newsletter and calendar items must be turned into the church office by **March 18**. Items for the weekly bulletin need to be in by Thursday at 11:00 am. Please call 651/633-7152.



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES MARCH CRAFT AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Join us on Thursday, **March 18, 2010 at 7:00 PM** for a special fellowship and craft evening! You can work on your own crafts or scrapbooking, or try

your hand at the crafts we will provide.

Join us for fun, prayer, food, and fellowship.





This
Month's
Birthdays

March Birthdays

- 3 - Ethan Steele
- 7 - Grace Henry
Niel Banta
- 8 - Aaron Cocking
Amy Rosendahl
Bryan Ferrell
- 10- Ernie Goodrich
- 11- Linda Brothnek
- 12- Amanda Steele
- 13- Lee Tate
- 16- Sue Leary
- 17- Gordon Lloyd
Jack Domeyer
- 18- Heidi Barber
- 20- Jared Aamot
Michael Fuller
- 23- Madison Postuma
- 24- Diane Amos
Natalie Cocking
- 25- Tyler Reber
- 26- Joan Henry
- 29- Rebekah Hanson



**Anniversaries
this Month**

Anniversaries

- 24 - Bruce & Kim
Plochocki
- 28 - Don & Beulah
Carlson
- 30 - Dave & Terre
Stevens

**God Bless You On
Your Special Day!**
*If you are not listed,
please contact us.*

The following letter was written by a Naval Medic aboard the USS Bataan, which is the hospital ship servicing the severely injured of the earthquake in Haiti. Members of the Lifeline Mission staff visited on this ship recently.



Hello everyone,

*Today we had the rare opportunity to welcome some guests that rarely if ever get to see a naval warship at sea. The amazing people of **Lifeline Christian Ministries** came to us from the clinic in Grand Goave. They are the real humanitarians who have been coming to Haiti for over 30 years to help heal, nourish, and minister to the people of Haiti. We have come to know them very well in such a short period of time working side by side with them in the devastated village of Grand Goave. They come from all walks of life; there is a dentist, an emergency room physician, a nurse practitioner, family practice doctor, a pastor, and a Gastroenterologist, just to name a few. They drop everything from their lives at home, from Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania etc, to come here to help. They receive no pay, they do not do this for recognition or fame, they seek no special favors, and they work in the most austere conditions all with a never ending smile. They are missionaries with hearts of gold and everything they do is in God's name. I am proud to know them and look forward to each and every encounter.*

*Interestingly, one of our patients onboard is a glorious product of their ministry. **Ann Rose** is a nurse at Lifeline's clinic and she was severely injured. What makes her so very special is that she is an alumnus of the orphanage that so many of the people of **Lifeline** helped build. She is family to them and even a "daughter" to Dr. Bill Rutherford and his wife Linda. She is a bold reminder once more of the resilience and heart of the people of Haiti.*

As her extended family toured the medical department, we ended in the most serene of all areas, the Ward (also known as Wilson's Ward) and Ann Rose's face lit up like a christmas tree! Priceless. I think having them here today helped bring our missions, parallel to each other, full circle. As we go ashore we are able to see where our patients come from. Now they are able to see where their patients go. If anyone is interested in learning more about these wonderful people, check out <http://www.lifeline.org>.

*God bless....
Brian*



Food Shelf needs:

The economic situation of families in the area has not improved a great deal in the past months and requests to use our food shelf still come in. Many congregation members have been generous in keeping the stock of items supplied. **THANK YOU!** We continue to be in need of the following items:

Canned fruits, potatoes, cereals (except oatmeal), toilet tissue, baby pampers, baby food.
Please bring in items whenever you can. They will be much appreciated.

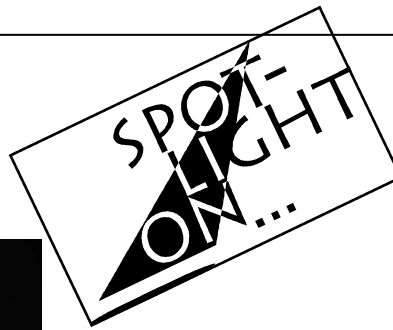


*Join Us for Family Dinner Nights on the
First Wednesday of every month!*

**This month our family dinner night will be on
Wednesday, March 3 starting at 6:30PM**

This is a great way to prepare for the bible activities that are offered for every member of the family immediately following the fellowship and food of the dinner. Just think, you don't have to prepare a family meal at home that week. The kids don't have to do the dishes. In addition, everyone has the opportunity to learn more about the Bible and about Jesus. We hope to see you there.

SHINE!
Children's



Ella Kirkman



The Five Finger Prayer

Use this method to help your kids focus and form their prayers.

1. **Your thumb** is nearest to you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C.S. Lewis once said, a "sweet duty."
2. **The next finger is the pointing finger.** Pray for those who **teach, instruct and heal.** This includes teachers, doctors, and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.
3. **The next finger is the tallest finger.** It reminds us of **our leaders.** Pray for the president, leaders in business and industry, and administrators. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.
4. **The fourth finger is our ring finger.** Surprising to many is fact that this is our **weakest** finger; as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are **weak, in trouble or in pain.** They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.
5. **And lastly comes our little finger;** the smallest finger of all. Which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, "The least shall be the greatest among you." Your pinky should remind you to pray for **yourself.**

(http://www.creativeyouthideas.com/blog/childrens_sermon/five_finger_prayer.html)

Ella Candace Kirkman is 11 months old. Her Mommy and Daddy (Andrea and Brian Kirkman) are her favorite people.

Her favorite color is pink. Her favorite food is whatever someone else is eating. She loves it when they share.

Her favorite things to do for fun include peeking around corners, taking baths, eating books, and blowing raspberries.

When Ella grows up, she'd like to be a comedian because she's so funny. She loves to laugh!

COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS


Sunshine Committee

Chair: Judy Haggard

Members: Betty Zacharias, Connie Kylander, Maureen Nielsen

This ministry provides a service to the congregation by sending messages of encouragement, sympathy, joy, and friendship when a need arises. We remember those who are hospitalized, have lost a loved one, are experiencing illness, welcoming a new baby, and the newly baptized. We send cards, make phone calls, and give gifts, memorials and/or flowers when made aware of needs.

We depend upon the ministers, bulletin, Broadcaster, and prayer chain for information on needs and special events. Our goal is to minister to all those in need.



Through the Bible this Year
MARCH

1	Numbers 1-3	17	John	13-15
2	Numbers 4-6	18	John	16-18
3	Numbers 7-9	19	John	19-21
4	Numbers 10-12	20	Deut.	1-3
5	Numbers 13-15	21	Deut.	4-6
6	Numbers 16-18	22	Deut.	7-9
7	Numbers 19-21	23	Deut.	10-12
8	Numbers 22-24	24	Deut.	13-15
9	Numbers 25-27	25	Deut.	16-18
10	Numbers 28-30	26	Deut.	19-21
11	Numbers 31-33	27	Deut.	22-24
12	Numbers 34-36	28	Deut.	25-27
13	John 1-3	29	Deut.	28-30
14	John 4-6	30	Deut.	31-34
15	John 7-9	31	Acts	1-3
16	John 10-12			

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Youth Volunteer "Huddle"

If you are currently helping with the youth or are interested in helping please come to the Youth Volunteer meeting on **March 10th at 6:15pm**. This meeting will be held at the church. At this meeting we will discuss and gather our thoughts on the progress of our curriculum and we will take this short time to maintain focus and develop strategy. We would very much appreciate your presence.



Teen Night

This month teen night will be on **Friday, March 19**. If you are looking to fill some of those weekend hours with friends, food and a good time come by the church at 7pm and plan to leave by 10pm. We are looking forward to seeing you there! Bring \$5 to cover costs and please bring friends to enjoy the time with us as well.

Teens! YOU DID A SUPER JOB SPONSORING THE SWEETHEART BANQUET!

We have had many compliments from those who came to enjoy the evening. The cooks did a fabulous job on the Italian dinner! The servers were on the ball, polite and cheerful. Everyone enjoyed the variety of talented entertainment. The ambience in the "lobby" and new youth room was romantic! Thanks to all who made it a perfect evening.



Y.A.G

If you are out of High School and looking for some fellowship with people close to your "Young Adult" age, you've found it. On Tuesday evenings at 8pm Y.A.G (Young Adult Group) meets to study, fellowship, or simply to hang out. Locations vary so please contact Reggie via e-mail (Reggie@nbcc.cc) or phone (651.633.7152). We look forward to seeing you!

reFUEL

Week after week we can get easily worn down. With school, sports, events, and everything else it is easy to let our spiritual tank run on empty. At reFUEL you can fill that tank back up at the end of the month, and get ready for the next. Here we meet with our Christian friends from the metro area joining all as one to encourage, help, and hang out while we worship, hear a message, and eat free food. This month it's on **Sunday, March 28**. See Reggie for details.



Family Dinner Night

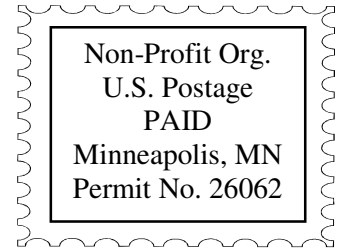
The first Wednesday of the month is "**Family Dinner Night**". If you wish to have a home cooked meal before staying for the Bible study you are welcome to join us at 6:30pm. A donation plate is available.

Students! Save the Dates - April 9-10 for a dynamic Teen Convention at **Hope Summit Christian Church Rochester** - part of the Minnesota Christian Convention. The theme is "*Giving up Your Life and Living it for Christ.*" Danny Curry is the speaker and Jonathan Miller and band are the worship leaders. Plus lots of great workshops, projects and fun!

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*For in the time of
trouble He shall hide
me in His pavilion:
in the secret of His
tabernacle...
Psalm 27:5*

Ron Hanson - Senior Minister
Reggie Camarse - Youth Minister
Kristie Cocking - Children's Minister
Mary Jo Czaplewski - Church Secretary

Minnesota Christian Convention

April 9-10, 2010
Rochester, Minnesota

Adults and Children Sessions at Kahler Grand Hotel
Teen Sessions at Hope Summit Christian Church

Reasons Why You Will Want to Come to the Convention

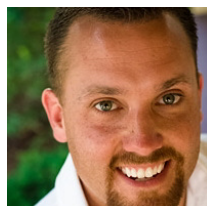
1. To be encouraged
2. For Divine Inspiration
3. To receive Church leadership and ministry training
4. To fill your Thirst for the Word
5. To receive a blessing
6. To enjoy a mini-vacation
7. To meet exhibitors from throughout the World
8. For great fellowship with other Christians from throughout the Midwest

Ben Cacharias, Adult Speaker

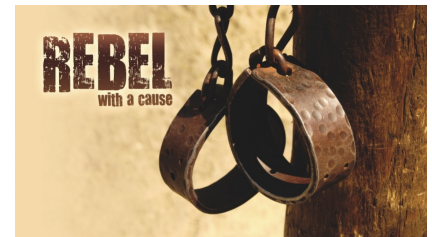


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Danny Curry, Youth Speaker



National Speaker
CIY (Christ in Youth)



Convention Costs

For detailed information and updates, go to:
www.mnconvention.org/

Adults: **\$20 for one person or \$35 for two adults in one household**

Teens (Grades 6-12): **\$25**

Children (Ages 0 - Grade 5):
\$5 per child (Maximum of \$15 per family).

Optional Saturday Noon Lunch - Update of Para-church Ministries: **\$10 for adults and \$5 for children**

Fees for adults and teens increase by \$5 if you wish to register at the Convention.

