

AM Outline ~ May 02, 2010
“Heroes of Faith ~ Unanswered Prayer”
 Hebrews 11:1-2, 32-40 (NIV p. 1874, 1876)

Introduction

- I. Faith Sometimes Changes Our Circumstances
 - A. Hebrews 11 ~ The Hall of Fame of Faith
 - B. For example:

- II. Faith Sometimes Does Not Change Our Circumstances
 - A. Hebrews 11:35b-37
 - B. For example:

- III. Faith Never Judges God by Circumstances
 - A. By faith...yet
 - B. Keep on believing, no matter what
 - C. Romans 8:35

- IV. Faith Always Leads to Ultimate Victory
 (Hebrews 11:39-40)

Conclusion

WORSHIP NEWS

Music for (am) *Hosanna, All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises* and *Revelation Song* will be on the Sound Board.

Mark Your Calendar:

Sunday, May 16: “Graduate Recognition” Sunday ~ Shalom team helping with music
 Sunday, May 23: Pentecost ~ Communion ~ Rev. Bill Huyser leading worship ~ Flag procession of countries / Choir sings
 Sunday, June 6: Year-end Wrap-up on Power Point ~ Combined worship teams participate

Worship Participants Today:

Morning:

Accompanist: Carol Offringa
 Guitarists: Andrea Campo, Mike Campo
 Percussion: Rick Bishop
 Singers: Sandy Bishop, Sandy Campo, Julie Stienstra, Joy Stienstra
 Praise Band Leader: Joy Stienstra
 PowerPoint Tech: Paul Galinski
 Sound Tech: Curt Stienstra

Evening:

Accompanist: Merrie Mulder
 Singers: Derrin Derrick, Carol Offringa, Joy Stienstra
 PowerPoint Tech: Paul Galinski
 Sound Tech: Curt Stienstra

Classical Joint Worship Service: At its February 18, 2010 meeting, the delegates of Classis Grandville approved a classis-wide, joint evening worship service featuring one of the international ministries represented at the World Council of Reformed Churches meeting in Grand Rapids on June 18-28. This new ecumenical union will be celebrated in the gathering of more than 1000 delegates, guests, visitors, volunteers, and staff at Calvin College. **However**, our classical joint evening worship service will take place on Sunday, July 11, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. at First CRC in Byron Center.

The speaker for the evening will be Rev. Chan Thleng, a graduate of Calvin Theological Seminary and presently General Secretary of the Christian Reformed Church of Myanmar. Rev. Thleng is also a professor at the Reformed Theological College of Myanmar and in 2005 completed the translation of the Bible in the Matu language.

We look forward to this time to worship together.

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**You are encouraged to Walk through the Bible in a Year.**

| Date   | AM          | PM            | Date   | AM             | PM           |
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| May 02 | 1 Kings 1,2 | Luke 23:27-38 | May 06 | 1 Kings, 10,11 | John 1:1-35  |
| May 03 | 1 Kings 3-5 | Luke 23:39-56 | May 07 | 1 Kings 12,13  | John 1:36-51 |
| May 04 | 1 Kings 6,7 | Luke 24:1-35  | May 08 | 1 Kings 14,15  | John 2       |
| May 05 | 1 Kings 8,9 | Luke 24:36-53 | May 09 | 1 Kings 16-18  | John 3:1-21  |

## May Monthly Memory Verse Confession and Assurance

**(Psalm 121 NIV)** A song of ascents. I lift up my eyes to the hills-- where does my help come from? {2} My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. {3} He will not let your foot slip-- he who watches over you will not slumber; {4} indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. {5} The LORD watches over you-- the LORD is your shade at your right hand; {6} the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. {7} The LORD will keep you from all harm-- he will watch over your life; {8} the LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

## FELLOWSHIP NEWS CONTINUED

**Don't forget to check** out the church website at [www.fellowshipcrc.com](http://www.fellowshipcrc.com).

**Miscellaneous Items Available at Information Desk:** Check the folders for various items (Budget Reports / Request Announcements / Monthly Calendar / Etc.)

## FROM MISSIONS & COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

**Back Pack Buddies:** Where has the year gone? It is hard to believe that we have provided food for the Central Elementary kids over 24 weekends through the month of March. April donations were again great and we are now working on collecting food items for the last 6 weeks of school. Check out the bulletin board for new slips and please bring your items to church **by today, Sunday, May 2**. Thank you too for all who donated to the program through the offering in April. We were able to use some of the money to purchase spaghetti sauce, tuna, peanut butter, and many snack items through Feeding America. The pantry is full but that doesn't last for long with 17 hungry children.

## YOUTH NEWS

### AFC (All For Christ) – students in grades 9-12

- **Next week** – AFC Meeting, 7-9 PM in the fellowship room. We will continue our series of Paul in Rome. Bring a friend!
- **May 12** – AFC Leadership meeting 7-8pm.
- **May 15** – EDGE vs AFC Road Rally, 4-8pm. Meet at FCRC. AFC students are asked to bring a snack to share.
- **June 16** – AFC game night at FCRC. Come hang out from 7-10pm for board games and other fun stuff. Snacks will be provided. Bring your friends!
- **June 26** – West Michigan Whitecaps baseball game.

### EDGE (Everyone Desiring God Everywhere ) – students in grades 7-8

- **Friday, May 7** – EDGE Movie and a Milkshake, 7-10pm. We'll start at FCRC with a movie and then head to Steak 'n' Shake for milkshakes.
- **No meeting** on May 9, Mothers Day.
- **May 15** – EDGE vs AFC Road Rally, 4-9pm. EDGE students are asked to bring a 2-liter of pop or a jug of juice to share.
- **May 21** – EDGE Rockin' Bowling at Hudsonville Lanes. 6<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us! Cost is just \$5. Meet at church at 8:30pm and we will be back at midnight. Bring a friend!
- **June 26** – West Michigan Whitecaps baseball game.

## National Day of Prayer 2010

The 59th Annual National Day of Prayer will take place Thursday, May 6, 2010. Millions will unite in prayer at thousands of events from coast to coast. The theme for this year is “**Prayer for Such a Time as This**” and is based on the verse from **Nahum 1:7** which states: “The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him.”

2010 Prayer for the National Day of Prayer  
by [Franklin Graham](#) – 2010 Honorary Chairman

Lord,

We are thankful for the abundant blessings You have bestowed on America. Our forefathers looked to You as Protector, Provider, and the Promise of hope. But we have wandered far from that firm foundation. May we repent for turning our backs on Your faithfulness.

We pray that this great nation will be restored by Your forgiveness.

From bondage, You grant freedom.

Through Your own sacrifice, You offer salvation.

From the state of despair, You offer peace.

From the bounties of Heaven, You have blessed – not because of our goodness – but by Your grace.

You have given us freedom to worship You in spirit and in truth as Your holy Word instructs. May our lives honor You in word and deed. May our nation acknowledge that all good things come from the Father above.

President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed that our nation should set apart a day for national prayer to confess our sins and transgressions in sorrow, “yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon... announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord.”

“We have vainly imagined in the deceitfulness of our own hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own... we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God who made us! It behooves us then... to confess our national sins and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.”

Help us to pray earnestly for our president and leaders who govern, that they will humble themselves and seek Your guidance so that everything we do will shine the light of Your glory in a darkened world.

May our prayers as a people and a nation be heard and blessed for such a time as this. We make this plea in faith, believing in the mighty name of Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

**Sunday, May 02, 2010**  
**Evening Worship Service ~ 5:30 pm**  
**Pastor Phil Boender**

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**“What Have You Seen In Me?”**  
Philippians 4:4-9 (NIV p. 1830)

*According to John’s Gospel, Jesus prayed to God, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you...” (John 17:1, NRSV). Let us glorify God also by worshipping God in spirit and in truth. Welcome in the name of Christ!*

Prelude.....Merrie Mulder

Welcome and Call to Worship

\*God’s Greeting / We Greet Each Other

\*Opening songs: *Better Is One Day*  
*Speak, Oh, Lord verses 1& 3*  
*More Precious Than Silver*

Share and Prayer

Scripture: Philippians 4:4-9 (NIV p. 1830)

Message: “What You Have Seen In Me”

Prayer

Offering: Volunteers In Service

Offertory & Song of Response

\*Song of Response: *A Christian Home*.....RCH 451:1,3,4

\*God’s Parting Blessing

\*Parting Song: *God, the Father Of Your People*.....GPH 322:1

\*Postlude.....Merrie Mulder

DVD Presentation on Christian Education

Introduction

I. Jesus and Children (Luke 18:16-17)

II. Children Need Christ

A. Many needs

B. Many challenges

III. Christian Education

A. The elephant in the room

B. An observation

C. Home is the primary example  
(Phil. 4:9, 3:12-14, 15-16, 17)

Conclusion

\*Please stand if you are able

Songs are displayed on the screen.

Song books and Bibles are located under your seat.

GPH – Gray Psalter Hymnal RC – Red Celebration