



The Flock That Rocks!

Westmoore Community Church Newsletter

May 2009

Pastor's Memo

In our creative team meeting (our weekly meeting where we discuss the upcoming worship services) we were trying to think of some TV shows that we could use for the name of the series. We came up with names like "Family Ties", "The Brady Bunch" and a few others. Then someone made the comment that these were names of family shows from years ago. We tried to think about movies about families today and the reality hit me that there were only a couple that resembled it. In fact, many of the new shows have kids without parents in them or only one parent. This really is a picture of our society today. The family is fractured, the family is in crisis and for many people a sense of family is not there anymore. We are going to start a new series at the end of the month to give some Biblical direction to helping all of us become the family that God wants us to be.

We have a few weeks left of "God's Stimulus Package". It has been a fun and practical series to look at what God's principles are for managing money. If you have missed them, go online to listen or get the CDs in our FlockStock Bookstore.

See You Sunday!

Pastor Paul

WCC BAND ROCKS LARC!!!

The band and I went to LARC Men's Correctional Facility April 25th—what an amazing event! Funny how doing prison ministry can really put the perspective back into your life! Those men are so hungry for the Truth that it makes me ashamed of my own selfishness. I feel so fortunate to be called by God to do this ministry because I know I am not worthy but I am very willing! Thanks to you guys I have the opportunity to each and every week and minister at the prisons and I love it!



We saw a few men give their lives to Christ at the concert which was really awesome to be a part of. More powerful than this, I think, is the consistent prison ministry we are doing each week. Different groups from WCC go into these facilities and equip inmates, male and female alike, with life and spiritual skills. The hope is that they will one day be able to reintegrate into society equipped with a knowledge of practical living and armed with a spiritual strength and power found only in Christ. What we are doing is showing them how to be free by accepting Jesus as Lord and Savior. We are also trying to help them know, spiritually,

how to also stay free in Christ as well. Galatians 5:1 reminds us that "Christ has really set you free—make sure you stay that way!"



Isn't this difficult for any Christian, new or old? How much more difficult would this be behind bars? This church is making a difference one inmate and one small group at a time! Keep us and all of the prison ministry volunteers in prayer. You guys ROCK!



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Many Thanks!

I want to thank the over 140 people who participated in The Journey to the Cross at Easter. What an awesome experience and a great way to prepare for Easter Sunday. If you missed it, make plans for next year!

The next Prayer Power service will be held May 30th from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be an awesome new prayer guide. Sign-up at the Information Center for this great chance to pray without

| Budget Update | | |
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| April | Contributions | \$156,098.06 |
| | Budget | \$166,249.92 |
| | Deficit | \$ 10,151.86 |

2nd Annual WCC Car Show "Show Your Ridez"

May 16th 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Make plans now to enter your classic car, truck or motorcycle. We have dozens of door prizes and other goodies, as well as awards, for each category from pre-50s to 2000s. The registration fee is \$20—sign-up at Information Center.

We also need sponsors! If you want your name on the car show t-shirt, email margotwcc@westmoorechurch.com. Donations for door prizes are needed. If you have goods or services you would like to donate, please email Margot that information. Help us make this year's show a success!



As a follow up to the God's Stimulus Package series, we will be offering a 13-week Financial Peace on Sunday nights. Watch the bulletin for details in the coming weeks.



KIDS ROCK CAMP '09— OLYMPIC SPIRIT THE ROAD TO THE GOLD

One of my favorite times of year is rapidly approaching! The summer means no school, lots of sunshine and warm weather, swimming pools and camp, camp, camp! If you've been, you know what I mean! Summer camp . . . it's an experience that churches try and try to bring home and replicate and just can't no matter how hard we try. Whether it's kids' camp or youth camp, one thing is for sure—God shows up in a big way! Lives are changed. Hearts are given over to the Lord. Friendships are made that last. So much fun is had that we can't even make you understand. The camp experience. Every kid should have it. Every kid needs it. So, where will you be this summer? The Road to the Gold is calling your name . . .

Who: Kids completing 2nd –6th grades in May '09

Why: To change lives, have fun & worship Christ!

Cost: \$175 all inclusive –payments now through payment deadline of June 14th

Registration Deadline: June 7th

Payment Deadline: June 14th

Mandatory Parent Meeting: June 14th at 5 pm

Adults, are you wishing you could be there?

Sign-up to be a sponsor! \$87.50 all-inclusive

Can't go but still want to help?

Sponsor a child!



FAM JAM LIVE—A REAL "KICK"!

If you missed the last Fam Jam Live for the spring, you missed a historic event! In addition to the awesome worship, message, skit, games and ice cream sundae bar, ATA karate came to WCC and led an action-packed family activity for everyone to enjoy. Kids and adults alike learned life skills that could literally save their lives. Get back! Protect! React! Eye-ya! If you were there, you know what I mean! If you missed it, Pastor Paul inspired the group by breaking a board with his bare hands. Look at that intensity! Fam Jam Live will resume in the fall. Watch for dates. It's a family experience you don't want to miss!

YOUTH

Greetings people of WCC! Student Ministry is awesome! Our God continues to do amazing things in the lives of our students. At the MIX we've been involved in a series called "The Power of Sex". We've really focused on God's truth about this subject. As you know, kids are lied to by the world on a daily basis. The world tells our kids that sex is no big deal, that sex is just a game and there are really no consequences for it outside of marriage. That is a lie! The truth is the sexual decisions our teenagers are making today will leave life long consequences. God is not down on sex, in fact He created it. God is down on pain and hurt. Therefore, He created sex to be in the context of marriage. In this series, we have seen students healed from a lot of pain. There can be a lot of freedom in knowing that we serve a God who dumps a huge grace bucket on his children. Let me encourage you parents to talk about this with your students. All of the sermons are online under the Youth Section. This is a HUGE issue that students deal with on a daily basis.

CAMP WOW is just around the corner! June 11th –15th this year! Camp is a great time for our ministry. It is a concentrated five days with us and the Lord. When you spend five solid days with the Lord, great things can happen. I do want to make a plea to our congregation to help support our students with camp. The cost for a student to go is \$199. If you would like to sponsor a student, call the church office at 378-0100. I will guarantee a return on your money!

Student Ministry is incredible! If you are looking for a place to serve, we are always looking for lovers of Christ! Our strategy in Student Ministry is to build a team of adults who are willing to invest in the lives of students and make a difference for the Kingdom.

In His Grip,
Matt

Sharefest A Huge Success!



Westmoore crew working at the OKC Compassion transition house

Westmoore Community Church was out in full force on Saturday, April 16. About 70 people donated their time to lend a hand to 3 separate projects---a Transition House for OKC Compassion, Oakridge Camp, and repairing a front porch for a family. Over 100 churches participated in Sharefest...a city-wide project. The goal was to simply show the love of Jesus in a hands on way. Thanks to all who participated in giving of money and time.

