



Ridgeview

Where the Love of Christ is Proclaimed, Shared & Felt

February 25, 2015



A Message from Pastor Mark...

There are doubtless many different languages in the world, and none is without meaning, but if I do not know the meaning of the language, I will be a foreigner to the speaker and the speaker a foreigner to me.

1st Corinthians 14: 10-11

Things are changing dramatically and quickly in the day in which we live. Particularly in the area of technology. Things are advancing so quickly that many people have simply refused to try and keep up. Actually, I suspect we all do that in one way or another. Even if we are well versed in one area of technology, we are lacking in another.

In some ways, the problem is language. These days, not only are our computers complicated, but our telephone systems, our sound system, and just about everything else must be described in the language of technology. Just this past week I was talking with someone about the church phone system, what it can do and what it cannot do, and they described it to me in great detail. I have no doubt that they were describing it to me clearly and accurately, however I didn't understand the language. I was listening as they were saying, but I was only understanding part of what they were trying to tell me. Not only that, I have little doubt that what I think I finally understood was distorted rather than an accurate reflection of what they told me.

I thought about how the same thing is true when we try to communicate the good news of Jesus to those in the world today. Many are of a different generation or culture than the biblical one in which I was raised. Things that make sense to me, are very hard for them to understand. Part of the reason is that they don't understand theological or sometimes biblical language. They don't use it, they very seldom hear it and when they do, what they understand it to mean can be distorted from what I think I am saying.

In 1 Corinthians Paul tells us,

If even lifeless instruments, such as the flute or the harp, do not give distinct notes, how will anyone know what is played? And if the bugle gives an indistinct sound, who will get ready for battle? So with yourselves, if with your tongue you utter speech that is not intelligible, how will anyone know what is said? For you will be speaking into the air. There are doubtless many different languages in the world, and none is without meaning, but if I do not know the meaning of the language, I will be a foreigner to the speaker and the speaker a foreigner to me.

1 Corinthians 14: 7-11

The very reason that Jesus was born as a man and lived among us was partly to help us understand who God is, what His will for us is and how we might be saved. Without Jesus demonstrating that for us and explaining that to us, we cannot understand the things of God. Even those who were experts in the Old Testament Scriptures misunderstood what the Bible was. As a result, when Jesus came they accused Him of blasphemy.

The mission that we have been given as Christians is to share the Good News of Jesus' love with the world. But I am convinced that in order to do so we must be able to simplify the truth of the Bible into language that people are familiar with and understand more clearly. That's what Paul is trying to say in the passage above, and if you read it in context, that becomes even more clear.

Will you join us in asking God to give us an increasing passion for those who do not yet know Him? And will you join us as we allow God to help us know how we might share the truth about God and His Son and their plan of salvation in a way that people can understand? Let's not assume that because it makes sense to us, that it makes sense to them; and if they don't get it, it's because they have not tried. My friend could have thought that way about me and techno speech. But it's not so much that I haven't tried. Rather, it's difficult for me to really understand the language he is using. I really want to know more about technology, but I find it very hard to learn and understand. May God help us to be compassionate with those who give up on trying to understand what Christians



News Update On Parent's Night Out

THANK YOU to those who signed on to help make our first **PARENTS NIGHT OUT** possible on **Good Friday, April 3 from 5-9pm**. We are excited about the opportunity to minister to the families of our community. Now it's time for you to start inviting those you know who would be blessed by this ministry. This is open to children in **grades Kindergarten to 5th grade**. For our Ridgeview families we will provide nursery and toddler care as well.

The plans for the evening include a light meal, games, and a faith-based movie. If they cannot get there at 5pm they are welcome to come later. It will just be important that they are picked up at 9pm. Those wishing to participate will need to sign up in advance to reserve a spot. We may be able to expand to more kids in the future, but want to see how we do with 50 this first time around. So while it **IS FREE**, there are a **LIMITED NUMBER** of spots available to those who sign up first.

Registration sheets with details will be available at the **WELCOME DESK** in the coming weeks. Sign up your grandkids and surprise their parents with our gift to them. Give one to your neighbor, co-worker, etc. We may fill up fast, so don't procrastinate! We will let you know when registration is closed.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Tony for more info.

Comptroller Position Will Be Open:

Our comptroller, Shirley Boatman is retiring effective on Tuesday, March 31st. If you are interested in this position, please bring your resume' to the church office. If you have any questions, you may call the church office during the day. You may also call Bill Stuckemeyer and receive a job description. Call Bill at anytime at 474-8236.



Team Outreach Tail Gate Party



Meal Provided
on March 15 at 11:45am
Come into the Sanctuary following
Pour Hour (Sunday School)
After the presentation we will meet
in the Fellowship Hall for our party.

Sympathy & Prayers for:

Elizabeth (Libby) Bean in the passing of her uncle, James Britton
 Rose Walker Epmeier & family in the passing of her husband, Bob
Elsie Williams' Family in her passing
Genny Citizen and family in the passing of her sister, Mary Lou Jaeger

Recent Requests

James Britton
 Zoe Chidlaw and Mom, Elizabeth Auggie Cooper
 Warren Greene
 Brad Logan
 Jennie Magnuson
 Claire Manning
 Juan Romero
 Chris Wells

Continue To Pray For...

Bob Bouton
 Brian Britton
 Jeff Brooks
 Mitzi Brown
 Jim Burke
 Bill & Genny Citizen
 Myrtle Cox
 Gene Cosgrove
 John Cosgrove
 Pat Dabrowski
 Beveline Danner
 Amber Drullinger
 Mike Ervin
 Daniel Fairchild
 Irma Goodwin
 Shirley Harris
 Lucille Hathaway
 Juanita Hulvey
 John & Karen Jagers
 Tony Johnson
 Charlotte Jones
 Carl Jordan
 Bobby Lewis
 Alexis Lewsader
 Audrey Little
 Norm Lucas
 Natasha MacDonald
 Zach Martin
 Harvey & Shirley Miller
 Norm Modglin

Shut-Ins

Madeline Daily
 Gail Doggett

Missionaries

Kim Brown
 John and Deb Coats
 Scott and Tan Coats
 Jeff and Annie Dieselberg
 Chuck and Ruth Fox
 Taku and Katie Longkumer
 Scott and Cindy Nelsen
 Sarah Komarabathuni
 Ruthe Simpson

Also Continue to Pray For...

Janet Nizet
 Ward Peace
 Leona Perez

Dorothea Perry
 Martha Powell
 Wilma Powell
 Lisa Richardson
 Marjorie Rothwell
 Mercedes Gonzalez Santoni
 Kevin Sherman
 Kyle Shipman
 Allen & Pam Shumate
 Lela Faye Story
 Carol Tabor
 Dalton Trimble
 Bobby Waddell
 Hank & Virginia Walsh
 Chris Walter
 Otis Wells
 Amber Willis
 Bernice Winstead
 Sue Winstead
 Sadie Woodard

Military Service

Amber (Roberts) Blackford
 Justin Chase
 Tyler Brooks
 Merrick Huffstutler
 Tory Owens
 Travis Sentelle
 Eric Sheppard
 Meagan (Walsh) Tabler
 Dalton Trimble
 Adam Waddell
 Matthew Waltzer
 Ryan Williams
 Alexander Wills
 Zach Wills
 Captain Jason Young



Coming Soon

CHILI COOK-OFF AND MOVIE NIGHT!!!

March 22nd at 4:30pm

Movie—6:00pm

WANTED:

Chili Cooks With The “Best Ever” Recipes

(Sign Up Sheets In Classrooms and Various Other Locations Throughout the Church)

Chili “Connoisseurs”

WILL VOTE TO DECIDE WHOSE

RECIPE IS THE BEST

**Not a big fan of chili?? - join in on the fun and bring
YOUR favorite SOUP to share**

Or

You can bring your favorite dessert!

Following our Chili Cook-Off Join Us For

The Movie - “*Monumental*”

Starring Kirk Cameron

“Monumental” is the story of America’s beginnings. Long regarded as “the land of opportunity,” there’s no question the tiny band of religious outcasts who founded this country hit upon a formula for success that went way beyond what they could have imagined. How else can you explain the fact that they established a nation that has become the best example of civil, economic and religious liberty the world has ever known? What formula did they discover? What motivated them to come here in the first place? More importantly, how can we apply these same foundational truths today?

Be inspired by this true story as it follows Kirk Cameron across Europe and the U.S. as he seeks to discover the people, places, and principles that made America the freest, most prosperous and generous nation the world has ever known.

Mark Your Calendars

***You won’t want to miss the return of this
exciting event!!!***

Thank You!

Thank you and God bless you,

Sometimes, God answers our prayers through special people like you. Thank you for all your kindness, prayers and the beautiful flowers. I’ll be back to church when I’m feeling better.

Pat Dabrowski

Thank you to those that furnished meals and sent cards to me while I was sick recently. To those that called and checked on me. I have been so blessed over the last almost 12 years as Ridgeview’s church secretary. Thank you to Becky (my assistant) for filling in for me a couple of days. Especially thank you for the prayers.

God’s love to you all, Kathy Starkey

Mailing Address for Clay & Mary Niehaus

Clay & Mary Niehaus have been in Florida for awhile. While there Clay has become very ill and is in the hospital. His condition is not allowing him to come back home at this point in time. Clay and Mary both could use your prayers. If you would like to send an encouragement to them, we have included an address where Mary has been staying.

Thank you for uplifting them both during this difficult time.

Mary Niehaus

C/O Jean Nasados

970 Virginia Ave

Dunedin, FL 34698

Wool Gathering



Last Friday of Each Month

February 27 from 7pm—8:30pm

March 27 from 7pm—8:30pm

**A time of story telling, music, and Coffee, Tea, Hot
Chocolate and Baked Goodies**

ALL AGES ARE INVITED



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Ridgeview Members

You are cordially invited to a

Baby Shower

For

Travis and Ashley Sentelle

Sunday March 29

12:00pm to 2:00pm

In the Fellowship Hall

Please RSVP

Brynn Chase—597-3437

Or

Toni Chase—597-0584

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Ridgeview Youth News

Dare 2 Share

The March 13th and 14th Dare to Share trip has been canceled. The event was sold out before we were able to purchase tickets. We are currently looking into another date in April. We hope to schedule that soon!

Spring Break!

During the week of Spring Break (March 28th-April 5th) we have several activities planned for the youth! We are scheduling a paintball trip, meeting for lunch one day, going to have a late night youth group activity as well as a few other fun events! For more information contact Joe Mann.

