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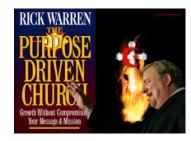
This week at Lincolnshire

<u>Monday, March 12</u> 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study

<u>Tuesday, March 13</u> 9:00 a.m. Kitchen Clean-up

Wednesday, March 14 6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

<u>Thursday, March 15</u> 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study @ Thomases'

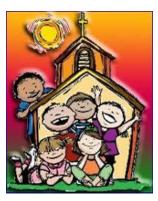


Five Dimensions of Church Growth

Churches grow *warmer* through fellowship. Churches grow *deeper* through discipleship. Churches grow *stronger* through worship. Churches grow *broader* through ministry. Churches grow *larger* through evangelism.



The registration deadline for the Women's Spring Retreat is Sunday, **March 25.** The retreat is at the Columbia City CoB and begins at 9:00. The registration fee is \$13.00 and covers breakfast and lunch. Please let **Judy Steckly** know if you are planning on attending or if you have any questions.



THE KIDS CORNER

Ariana ** Alivia **David ** Jayden ** Anna **AmyaRussell** Andree ** Genia ** **Jkl'yhia** Lyrric **Zuri**Skyl Caliegh**Amelia**Kaitlin

We had 8 kids and 4 adults who attended the Free Pizza and Movie Night held on March 2 at Lincolnshire. Afterward, the kids gave some ideas for future parties, such as roller skating, baking some sweet desserts, minigolf, having an ice-cream bar, and helping to serve the Easter Brunch. The pizza went down well: sausage, sausage/pepperoni, and the ever popular deluxe pizza. After the movie, the kids had some extra time so they played tag in the fellowship hall. Everyone seemed to have a great time. We are looking forward to sponsoring another party.

Welcoming our new members...

According to the New Testament, life in Christ means life in the body of the church. "For by one spirit we were all baptized into one body" (1 Cor. 12:13), so that we, "though many, are one body in Christ and individual members of one another" (Rom. 12:5). Membership in the local fellowship of believers, the congregation, is the way in which we affirm and live out our membership in Christ's larger body, the church universal.

With joy and affection, we welcome into the Lincolnshire family, Lisa Lahr and Carol Williams on March 4 and Fred and Alberta Ilnicki on March 11. They have been part of our church family for several years and it is truly a delight to have them become members of Lincolnshire Church of the Brethren.



Save me a pew!

The world's largest Protestant Christian congregation is Yoido Full Gospel Church in Seoul, Korea. Since its founding in 1958, seven Sunday services weren't enough to accommodate all the worshipers, so satellite churches were established.

The main church can seat 26, 000. But membership is so large that people are told which week of the month they can attend worship. What an incredible witness in a country where only about 30 percent of the citizens are Christians!

What would it take for Lincolnshire to have a similar "problem"? And what can you do about it? - Newsletter Newsletter August 2011



Following worship this morning!



The Lincolnshire Church sign in the lawn needs to be updated and repaired. The bid for repairs was \$1180 unless there are unforeseen extra repairs needed. At the last leadership team meeting, there was discussion regarding repairing the current sign and the continuation of using the portable signs. Some of the banner signs that we have used cost about \$200. We have experienced several problems with them such as being blown down, the difficulty in getting them installed in frozen ground, the need for one sign for each event and that they can't be easily read from the street, can't be seen at night or when there is deep snow, etc.

The idea of considering a digital sign was suggested. A digital sign can be changed as often as needed therefore keeping the message current and fresh. It can be read in daylight or at night. Someone mentioned that Brethren are often hesitant to spread the word and the sign would assist in getting the word out electronically.

There is the saying that you can't continue to do the same thing over and over and expect any different results. If we want to grow the church, we need to be doing something different. Nearly everyone in the church family has cell phones, I pads, and/ or laptop computers and it was proposed that the church should use the technology, when it is feasible, which will help grow our church. The cost of many of the electronic devices we use is expensive and it appears that is also true of the cost of a digital sign.

The Leadership Team has asked Property Management Team to research the cost as well as the advantages and disadvantages of a digital sign. The team will meet with two different companies on March 13 (probably others later on) to learn more about the signs, what they can do for us, and the costs. Once they have concluded their study, they will then bring their recommendations back to the Leadership Team.

At this point, there have been no requests for additional funding. However, some in the church family have expressed a willingness to help with the additional costs if it is decided to go ahead with the purchase.

Thank you, Property Management Team