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From Pastor Lee's desk ...

What do you see in this picture?

Some would say there's something odd or even wrong with it.
Others would say it's right ...

For those who see something "wrong" in this picture, relating to those who do not (*and vice versa) can be a challenge. There may be obstacles and barriers to get over to connect on both sides. Sometimes we need to look past the way someone "wears their hat." God looks at the heart!



When I saw this picture this week, a flood of thoughts started going through my head related to churches. I think can see where this could go. Methods, music and ministries that relate to one group of people may not connect at all with another group, and they might even be the same age. There are challenges and opportunities in church and in our faith to love one another and serve the Lord together in spite of the way we "wear our hats."

In all of our backgrounds, personalities, differences, cultures, and likes and dislikes, we must be "*diligent to preserve the spirit of unity in the bond of peace*" (Ephesians 4:3). These past few weeks in church, we have been talking about *Loving God, Loving One Another, and Living the Gospel*. One of goals in loving one another is to be diligent to be unified together in peace.

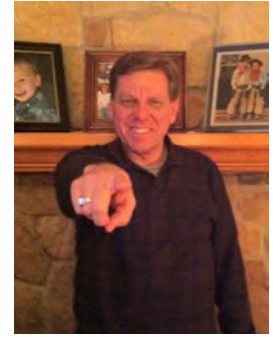
Hasn't church been awesome lately?! ... the fellowship we are experiencing with one another, entering into worship of the Lord Jesus Christ, hearing and receiving God's Word, praying with and for one another! God loves it, and the enemy of God would love to destroy it. We must not take it for granted, and we must be on the alert in prayer. Our church family meets on Sunday morning for worship, Wednesday night for prayer., and the Men meet on Tuesday morning and the Ladies meet on Monday night or Wednesday morning.

See you in church ... worshipping Jesus and praying for each other,

Lee
Pastor Lee

Why would Pastor Lee like everyone to attend the North Shore Foundations Class?

Of course this is for every person who is or will be new to North Shore Church. But also for anyone who has been at North Shore forever.



- ❖ First ... the Foundations material is just great stuff!
- ❖ Second ... it's good review for anyone who has been a Christian for many years.
- ❖ Third ... I guarantee there will be something new you'll learn that you can apply to your own faith and share with others as you share your faith in Christ.
- ❖ Fourth ... it serves all of us at North Shore to be on the same page with one another.
- ❖ Fifth ... as part of the foundation we want to help new believers and new church members with, all current church members should be familiar with it. Then as you invite others who will be new to the church you attend, you'll know better the foundation of your church.
- ❖ Six ... in our afternoon session together, you will get to know some of your fellow church members better and become more bonded with them.
- ❖ Seven ... because it's in Lee's Epistle to the Church of Montgomery, ch 2, vss 3-6—ha!

North Shore Foundations Class! ***Sunday February 26, 2:00—5:00***

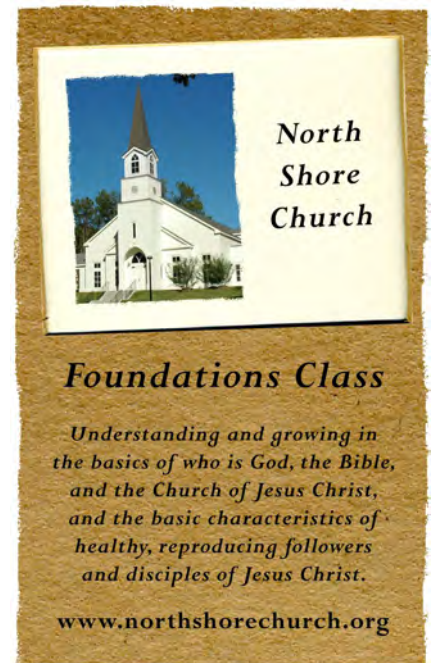
The foundation of the God who loves and redeems us, the Bible we believe in and stand upon, the church that Jesus lived and died to birth and that we are now a part of, and characteristics of Jesus' disciples that should be a part of our lives are all subjects that every believer, young and old, should be acquainted with intimately and refreshed in occasionally.

Every person who is a part of North Shore Church is expected to go through the Foundations Class ... at least once.

Our focus is not on just learning some information, but on better knowing the God we profess, letting the Bible live in us we embrace, being a part of the Church of Jesus in which we participate, and being a growing disciple of Jesus Christ so we can make disciples of others.

The topics covered are ...

- ❖ *God the Father, God the Son – Jesus Christ, and God the Holy Spirit*
- ❖ *The Bible*
- ❖ *The Church of Jesus Christ*
- ❖ *Being a Growing Reproducing Disciple of Jesus Christ.*



***North Shore Church
Annual Business and Budget Meeting
Wednesday, March 7
6:30 PM***

Special thanks to Patt McCuiston for preparing the statement and letter that went out recently.

Please review, pray, and be prepared to visit about the next year for our church.

North Shore Church Nursery / Preschool

The nursery/preschool team needs just one more volunteer to serve NSC children and our visitors for the remainder of 2012. We have a plan set in place that provides enough time to encourage the very important development of rapport between the nursery worker and the children along with their parents, yet not so much time that the worker begins to feel isolated from the rest of our wonderful NSC body.

If you prayerfully choose to accept this mission, you will be surprised by how much YOU will be ministered to through these little ones and their simple lessons.

The nursery is supplied with only 12 workers who work in three teams of four. Each worker alternates Sundays ministering to the children in the Sunday School hour one week and the church service the next week, for a period of six weeks at a time. Then that team is off for 12 weeks while the other two teams take their shifts.

Please see the chart below and let Sherry Rushing know if you are able to help out. Currently, we are blessed to care for Matt and Sarah Etter's two precious little boys and often times NSC member's grandchildren and other children the Lord brings into our fold.

We understand that it is quite rare that any of us are actually IN TOWN six whole weeks in a row, but we cover for each other, and we have a couple of permanent subs on our list.

An added blessing is that Sondra Willeford does all of the cutting, planning, and gathering of materials for SS, so all you have to do is familiarize yourself with the materials she has gathered for you. **THANK YOU, Sondra!**

The current schedule and teams for 2012 are:

Jan 1 – Feb 5	Team A	– Sondra Willeford/Becky Maxwell and Sherry/Kevin Rushing
Feb 12 – Mar 18	Team B	– Shannon/Sarah Parlin and Jan Eiland/Rhonda Flynn
Mar 24 – Apr 29	Team C	– Kay/Sarah Schmitt and Jan Rushing/_____????
May 6 – Jun 10	Team A	
Jun 17 – Jul 22	Team B	
Jul 29 – Sept 22	Team C	<i>Who will fill the team slots that are needed?</i>
Sept 9 – Oct 14	Team A	
Oct 21 – Nov 25	Team B	
Dec 2 – Jan. 6	Team C	

A heart-felt “Thank you” to Steve and Gaye Watkins and George and Shannon Nanos for your faithful service in 2011.

North Shore Schedule and Plan

January 22—April 8

This is an important and strategic time of reflection and refocusing for our church. Below is a basic outline of some of the planned schedule and topics for the next three months as we put piers in the foundation of our church. A sermons series is being delivered with other communication and events to help encourage us to focus on who we are as a church and seeking God's direction for solidifying and growing our church family.

Weekly at 6:30 Now on Wednesday Nights—Church Prayer Meeting

Sunday Worship Services at 10:00 AM

Sunday, January 22 — *Message on Prayer Leading up to a Day of Prayer*

Friday night, 6:00 PM—9:00 PM and Saturday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM, January 27-28
This will be a special 24 hour period at the church for prayer and fasting

Sunday, January 29 — *Message on Prayer and Personal Testimonies*

Sunday, Jan 29, 6:00 PM *The Union Montgomery at Montgomery High School*

Sunday, February 5 — *“Super Bowl Day” Vision for North Shore Church*
The Lord's Supper

Sunday, February 12 — *A Foundation for Commitment*
Family Day Pot Luck Supper (following church)

Sunday, February 19 — *The Great Commandment and the Great Commission*

Sunday, February 26 — *A Great Commitment ... Commitment Sunday*

Sunday, February 26 — **2:00—5:00, North Shore Foundations Class (see last page)**

Sunday, March 4 — *Celebration to the Vision of North Shore Church*
The Lord's Supper

Wednesday, March 7 — *Annual Church Business Meeting*

Month of March ... developing and assigning leadership for the tasks of the Vision

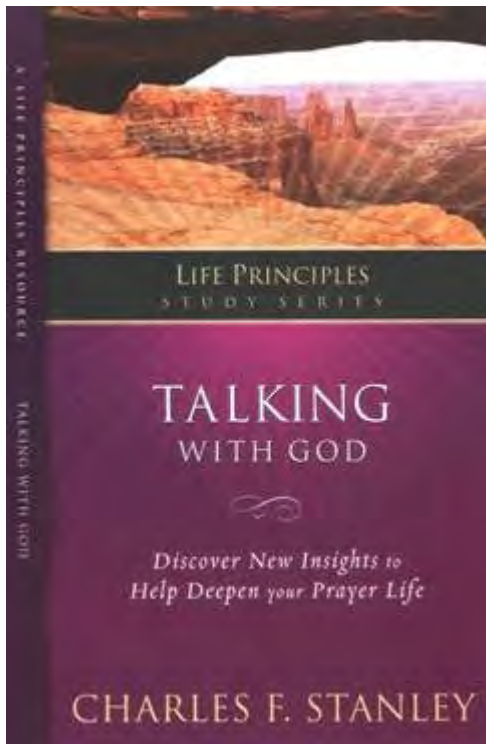
Sunday, April 1 — ***The Lord's Supper***

Friday, April 6, 6:30 PM — *Special Good Friday Service with the Passover / Last Supper Elements celebrating The Lord's Supper*

Sunday, April 8, 6:30 AM — *Easter Sunrise Service*

Sunday, April 8 *Easter Worship Service (Probably TWO worship services!)*

Disclaimer: These messages and plans are subject to change as we seek the Lord through them and walk with Him these three months.



Ladies' Evening Bible Study

Talking with God

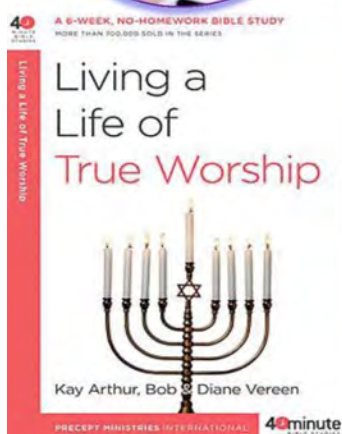
*Discover New Insights to
Help Your Prayer Life*

By Dr. Charles Stanley

Monday Nights

7:00pm at 209 Promenade East
Call Patricia Cozby 936-449-4601

Wednesday Ladies' Bible Study



***PRECEPT MINISTRIES BIBLE STUDY
FREE FROM BONDAGE GOD'S WAY
Studying Paul's Letter to the Ephesians***

***WEDNESDAYS, 10 A.M.
Through FEBRUARY 22, 2012***

Location: NORTH SHORE CHURCH

Contact: JANICE EDWARDS.....936-446-9773

Pregnancy Assistance Center North's

FIGHT FOR LIFE

Banquet 2012

with

*Governor
Mike Huckabee*



Rebecca Clinton serves the Lord faithfully and passionately at the Montgomery County Pregnancy Assistance Center North. Their 2012 annual banquet will have as their special guest speaker, Governor Mike Huckabee. We would love to have a table or two go to the banquet. Please join Pregnancy Assistance Center North at its **“Fight for Life”** banquet featuring

Governor Mike Huckabee

Monday, March 26, 2012

Silent Auction & Live Jazz Music 6 p.m. | Dinner & Program 7 p.m.

The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel & Convention Center

*1601 Lake Robbins Drive
The Woodlands, TX 77380*

PACN is a non-profit faith-based organization that offers compassionate, client-centered care and counseling to thousands of women and men each year facing an unplanned pregnancy. The generous support of churches, businesses, foundations and individuals helps PACN continue its invaluable services to the community, including our medical program, educational classes, support groups, material assistance program and peer & professional counseling.

In 2011, enough money was raised to purchase two 3-D /4-D ultrasound machines for PACN. PACN statistics indicate that 72 percent of clients initially considering abortion choose life for their baby after an ultrasound! 72% choose LIFE!

In addition to Governor Mike Huckabee speaking, Executive Director Cindy Sunday Powell will make a major announcement about the future direction of PACN at the banquet - you don't want to miss this!

Thank you for helping PACN **“Fight for Life!”**

**If you would like to go to the banquet, please RSVP to the e-mail.
We will gather the information and send you more details
of our church group that will go together.**

Men's Bible Study

Tuesday mornings at 7:30 at the church

The men are studying and discussing through John's First Letter. We're finishing up chapter 5.

Calling and inviting every man to wake up and arrange your schedule to meet with the men of the church, to study the Bible, to encourage one another and enjoy fellowship together.

Online Donations available now

When you're gone for whatever reason from North Shore Church, we now have the ability for you to give your tithes and offerings online. Thanks to Mike Maxwell for setting this up. If you have any questions, they should be answered on the website at the following link:

**Go to www.northshorechurch.org
Click on "Donate"**

All your questions should be answered with the easy to follow instructions.

Pastor Lee's sermons online

You can listen to the Sunday messages online now. Thanks again to Mike for enhancing this feature for all of us.

**Go to www.northshorechurch.org
Click on "Audio Sermons"**

If you have missed being at church on any Sunday this month, go to the church website and please listen to the sermon for that day. The messages for these days are so important for us as individuals and for the life of our entire congregation.

And please share the sermons with others you feel would be particularly blessed, encouraged, and challenged by the preached Word of God.