



## E-Vangel

The Busy Season. . . by Pastor Larry



Often around Easter or Christmas someone who is not a church person will comment about it being the "busy season" for pastors. True, those seasons of religious celebration are busy, but they in no wise compare with the season that we are approaching, DRC.

Beginning in May and concluding in July we enter a whirlwind of ministry activities. The first Sunday of May is Graduate Recognition Sunday, following that we honor our mothers on Mother's Day. The first part of June we send a mission team to Africa and later that month a team to Tennessee. Let's not forget Father's Day in June as well. In July our Youth go on mission in Wheaton/Chicago. August we will have VBS.

Add to all of these ministries the fact that many of us will be away for a week or more on personal vacations over the next few months and you have a really busy season for DRC! In light of this extremely busy season we are now entering, I would ask the following three things of each of you:

1. Keep these ministry opportunities in your prayers, please.
2. Continue your faithful financial support of DRC even when you are away.
3. Unless you are away be sure to join us on Sundays to praise the Lord!

Thank you for making Summer 2011 the greatest for God's glory at DRC!



Cleveland, TN  
June 25-July 3



## Missions

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Please add the following to your prayer list for DRC mission work this summer.

### **Empower-A-Child Kampala, Uganda**

**June 3-June 18, 2011**

**DRC team members:** Amy Velder, Robyn Cross, Roger High, Brian and Cassie Wilson

**Goal:** To share Christ's love with the orphaned and sick children of Africa and hear from God whether He wants DRC to partner with EAC long-term.

### **New Life Soup Kitchen Cleveland, TN**

**June 25-July 3, 2011**

**DRC Team members:** Rhonda and John Dye; Rick, Melanie and Jacob Ledger; Taylor High, Dale Mellon, Aryn Wilson, Amy Velder

**Goal:** To share Christ's love with the people who frequent the Soup Kitchen, as well as giving the women who work there a much needed vacation.

### **Southwest Baptist University Bohpal, India**

**July 13-31, 2011**

**DRC team member:** Brad Dye

**Goal:** To share Christ with college age students through conversations, sharing Bibles and playing games. SBU is also seeking God to discern His will for further ministry in India.

### **Student Life Mission Camp Chicago, IL**

**July 24-30, 2011**

**DRC team members:** Amy Velder, Adison and Austin Nicholas, Jana Wilson, Jacob and Megan Ledger, Connor Stahl, Christian Jaynes, Alex Lipari, Sarah Garringer, Gunnar Strickland, Taylor Cross, Riah Lefholz.

**Goal:** To share Christ's love (exact assignment has not been made)



**Sunday, May 1, 2011  
Wednesday, May 4, 2011  
Proceeds go to support Youth Mission Camp**

## From Your Elders

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We want to take this opportunity to thank the Men's and Women's ministries for their leadership in our recent "Work Day" at DRC.

So many made this day the success it was that we cannot begin to single out certain ones.

- There were those who prayed—bless you all. We could not have done it without your prayers and God's help.
- There were those who planned—things really worked out well.
- There were those who cooked—every army travels on its stomach.
- There were those who gave—every last plant was adopted! Don't they look nice?
- There were those who labored—such hard work done so carefully and diligently.



God has given us much, DRC, and we are endeavoring to be faithful with it. You all are to be commended. To God be the glory!



WOW! Can it be that time of year already?

Awana is wrapping up another year. We are having the end-of-the-year awards on May 4. The children will sing and recite verses and receive awards for their accomplishments this year. They will also get to enjoy an Ice Cream Bar. I want to say **Thank You** to all the wonderful leaders who have been here every week helping these kids grow in the Lord.

Awana will start back up in September. Please, pray about how you can help. I would love to have a person be in charge of teaching the children a few songs and putting the end of the year program together. This would be a one evening per month commitment. I have been praying about my role in Awana and God has made it clear to me that I need to continue doing what I am doing next year. Jared is in youth in two years, maybe I am supposed to continue until then. If anyone is feeling lead to step into the role of Commander, please let me know and we can work together next year, so I can teach you what you need to know about Awana. I have been blessed the last four years. I know I will continue helping Awana in some form because I love this program. Both of my boys have learned so much from Awana. What has God said to you regarding your help in the Awana program?

- Jamie Nitz

## Food Pantry and Wednesday Night Dinners

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If you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and ... the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness....  
Isaiah 58:10, NIV

To those who have "spent themselves in behalf of the hungry" your light has risen! Words cannot begin to express the joy that has come from serving with those who have a servant heart. We had a great crew working in unity on Wednesday nights to help make the dinners a great success.

As we take a break over the summer months, I wish to thank everyone for your participation. We served an average of about 40 each Wednesday night this past year . . . families, children, adults, those who were broken, and those who were hungry in more than just the physical sense. We continue to pray that the food and service provided not only a physical blessing but a spiritual blessing as well.

We look forward to serving again starting in September with the beginning of the Awana year.

Please continue to contribute to our Food Pantry Ministry as it is an ongoing ministry that helps so many of our neighbors.

- Rhonda Dye

## Men's Ministry

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Duncan Road Church  
Men's Ministry

ΙΣΙ, DRC's Men's ministry is gearing up for two special events:

The first is Mother's Day on May 8<sup>th</sup>. This is not just a day to recognize our biological mothers, but rather all the women who have made an impact on who we are. Our goal is to not let Hallmark or the florist define that day, but rather to show the love Jesus exemplified to us as He was on the cross and displayed His love toward His mother Mary.

The second, is Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. This would be our normal men's breakfast, but this month we are going to have a barbeque lunch and are inviting the young men from the Youth and College and Career age groups to join us. It will be a time for us to reach out and fellowship with DRC's next generation of men; very much like the discipleship the Lord showed us.

Men, without your support neither of these events will reach their potential and glorify God to the fullest. Please contact me at [srfletcher@liberty.edu](mailto:srfletcher@liberty.edu) or 816.500.1749 to let me know how you can participate and contribute.

"If we are not here to honor, serve, and disciple others in the likeness of Jesus, then why are we here?"  
ΙΣΙ question of the month....

*In Christ...Scott Fletcher*

## Women's Ministry

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***Need a Mother's Day gift idea?***

**DRC Friday Night Family Event**

**May 13, 2011**

**Center for God, Family, Country**

**800 NW Commerce Drive in Lee's Summit**

**7:00 p.m. dinner**

**Lasagna, garlic toast, Caesar salad, Catalina vegetables, and chocolate cake**

**8:00 p.m. Variety show**

**Featuring the music of Tennessee Ernie Ford, Alabama, Bob Seger, John Mellencamp, the Everly Brothers and more.**

**Group ticket cost:**

**Dinner and Show: \$26.00**

**Seniors (62 and over) \$23.00**

**Kids 5 and under are free.**

**Tickets may be purchased from Women's  
Ministry Team on Sunday's in the month April.**



Those  
Graduating  
In Our  
Church



## **Congratulations to our graduates!**

**Shane Bryant**

Blue Springs High School

**Alex Lipari**

Lee's Summit North High School

**Adison Nicholas**

Lee's Summit North High School

The Easter Sunday Breakfast helped raise over \$300.00 for youth missions at DRC. Thank you to everyone who helped by providing food, cooking, cleaning, serving, and of course by attending and eating the breakfast.



**Youth Camp Fundraiser**



**Coupon Books only \$5.00  
Purchase one this Sunday  
in the Foyer!**



### **Snack Shack**

**Please come to the  
Youth Room  
and enjoy a snack.**

**Sunday Morning:**

**9:15 - 9:30 a.m.**

**Wednesday Evening:**

**6:30 - 6:45 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

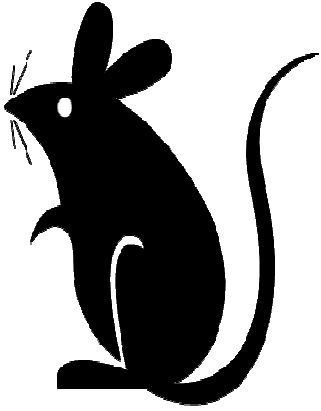
## **The Way**

All Youth 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade

Wednesday Nights

6:45-8:15 pm

## **CHARLIE CHURCHMOUSE...from a corner**



Oh the joys of Graduation Sunday. Our own Clarence will be among those honored this Sunday for graduating from Churchmouse Knee-High School. (As in, "I knew you when you were knee-high to a Churchmouse.)

Yes, Clarence—(we call him affectionately, but that's just too much) has done us proud in his scholastic career. He is a straight C student! You're thinking that in Churchmouse School C's are the top grade, but no A's are the top. With a dad like his it's a major accomplishment to get Cs! His best class—almost got a C+--was crumb clean-up. That boy is a real crumb, I'll tell you.

Anyway, this Sunday there is the special Graduates' and parents' breakfast at the Hilton Garden Hotel. (That's right, churchpeople, we'll be right there taking care of your crumbs.) Then we will have special services with recognition and pictures in a biographical sketch of each proud student. Oh these are the moments parents never forget. (There are plenty of the ones we do try to forget, let me tell you.)

Then in just a few short weeks our boy will be off to Churchmouse Seminary. Oh, I know it's too much to hope that the lad will follow in his old man's tracks. But one can always dream.

**Better be makin' tracks,**

CC    ..

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