



E-Vangel

NEW . . . by Pastor Larry



At the first of January I challenged families to do a spiritual experiment. We were to read the scriptures and pray together daily for the month. Several families took up that challenge, including my own.

I'm very interested in hearing how your 30 days of scripture and prayer worked out. For the Chapman's it looked like this: We did our reading from Eugene Peterson's THE MESSAGE. We did it at bedtime and our prayers were usually a reflection of what we had just read. On some occasions we used the time to pray for intercessory requests we were aware of, but not always. We missed a few nights—I did not keep a precise count, but it would have been no more than 3 or 4—due to weariness or not being present at the same time when bedtime came along. But, all in all, it was a successful experiment, enough so that we will be continuing our new habit.

Would you let me know how it went for you and yours? You could do so by commenting on my fan page on Facebook, Pastor Larry's Fan Page, or with an e-mail or even face to face at church sometime. I hope most of you found it rewarding so that you want to pursue this new habit for another 30 days with us. For those who want to begin, we have been using the Daily Scripture reference in OUR DAILY BREAD. There are still copies available in the church lobby. Pick one up and join us.

Did you receive a new cell phone for Christmas?



The Mission Team is supervising the collection of old cell phones and accessories to resell for cash to fund future mission opportunities. Bring them to the foyer and drop them off in the designated bucket. Original packaging is helpful, but not necessary. Most old cell phones are worth \$2-\$30.



Thank you for your contribution!

Mother/Daughter Event

March 19 & 20

Our DRC Mother/Daughter Event has been rescheduled for Friday night, March 19th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in our multi-purpose room. The theme for the evening is God's Warrior Princesses. This is a phrase used by Beth Moore in the Esther Bible study and part of our evening will be a movie about Queen Esther-One Night with the King. Travis Velder will open our event with some special music and our inspirational speaker for the evening will be Betty Chapman. After our first hour of music, worship, and inspiration, there will be time for enjoying snacks, conversation, watching the movie, and special princess craft time available for those who are interested.



Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share, a friend or female family member, and feel free as the Lord leads you to dress like a princess warrior of God. (This is your chance to wear those prom dresses, mother of the bride, princess pajamas, etc.) There will also be some open microphone time that evening. So, if the Lord puts it on your heart to share something, we look forward to hearing from you as well.

We are praying for beautiful weather for this event and that many of our sisters in Christ and others will be able to attend. This event was planned according to survey responses we received from women at the fall DRC Ministry Fair. Many women also responded that they would like to participate in a service project/workday at our church.

So, after our night of worship, prayer, inspiration, fun, food, and fellowship with women of all ages, we have also scheduled a Saturday morning workday for women and girls at the church. This will begin at 9:00 a.m., Saturday morning, March 20th with a potluck breakfast and we will then work together to do some "spring" beautification projects in God's house.

So mark this weekend in a bright and happy color on your March Calendar. It will be Women's Weekend at DRC. *And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this? Esther 4:4*



Bring your friends to a night filled with fun and games in the Youth Room and the auditorium

Game Night

Friday, February 12th
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
\$10 per person
(applies to Youth Camp fees)

Questions? Contact Travis Velder

Dear Brothers and Sisters at Duncan Road Church,

Words cannot express our gratitude for the kindness that you showered upon us this past Christmas season. We were overwhelmed by your generosity!!! As we celebrated the birth of our dear Savior, Jesus Christ, we felt the warm embrace of His love in a very special way through you. Thank you so much.

Jim, Nicci, Grace, Adin, Samuel, Jacob, Lydia, Anna, Phoebe, Cara and Josiah
 (The family of 11 (and one on the way) for whom we collected food)

Thank you for the books, cards, notes and CD's. But more than that, thank you for the messages you sent. They helped make it a better New year. Hope to see you soon.
 Mary (The woman in the nursing home)

Dear Duncan Road Church Family,

I am so grateful to have met you. Mom and I spent several weeks trying to find "just the right" church for her, after she moved up here, and was finally placed in Grain Valley. Your openness, friendliness and true Christian spirit won over our hearts.

I also want to specifically thank you for thinking of my mother during the Christmas season. I'm not sure she totally understands about the gifts, but I do. I remember when Larry was standing beside me in the vestibule. I was asking about the project, and said I wanted to help Mom find someone to buy gifts for; I thought it would be a good thing, and that I felt she could relate more with the woman in the nursing home. He looked at me and said, "That is your mother." I almost cried. For you guys to do this for her, barely knowing her, was very touching. I look forward to getting to know the congregation better in time.

Thanks again,
 Jane and Jack



Four Weeks

Four Families

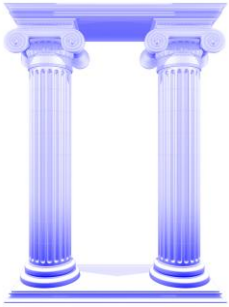
Four Trees...

For Christmas!

Thank you notes . . .



From Our Elders . . .



The Blizzard of '10 left a calling card for our facilities at DRC. Ice dams formed in several locations which resulted in severe leak damages throughout the building.

We have called our insurer and their representative has been out twice to assess the damages and prepare a plan for repairing things. The contractor that did our repair/remodel work two years ago has also had a representative here evaluating damage and even cleaning snow off the roof. We are expecting to receive the insurance adjustor's proposed bid to repair the claim in the first week of February. After an agreement has been reached, we will schedule to begin the actual repair work. It appears that these

damages and the repair of them will rival if not exceed what we did two years ago when we employed House/Renner to re-roof and repair damages.

While this event pales in comparison to recent disasters around the world, it has created some considerable difficulty for DRC. Many of you have stepped up to help move furniture, address technology challenges, clear snow from the roof, put out buckets, and clean up messes. We deeply appreciate your willingness to sacrifice your time in doing so. You all have been very cooperative and patient with the inconvenience and disruption created by this situation.

We want you to know that we thank God for you all. When things go wrong or get discombobulated, the grace and kindness of the Lord show through you all very clearly. It is an honor to serve you as your elders.

COFFEE HOUSE

Please come to the Youth Room and enjoy your choice of drink (hot or cold) and a snack!

**Sunday morning
8:25 a.m. - 8:45 p.m.**

**Wednesday evening
5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**



Wednesday's 6:45 - 8:15 p.m.



All youth are encouraged to attend as we build community and reach others with the Gospel of Christ's love and forgiveness. Come join us as we follow the path God has for us!

You are all important and it takes all of you, working together as the Body of Christ to make this grow. Make this a regular part of your week and be ready for what God will do!

CHARLIE CHURCHMOUSE...from a corner



Picture this: The Deacon of the Day bends his attention to the duty of processing the new members that have just joined the church this morning. He welcomes them, completes the information card that provides vital statistics, and now he is ready to take that "family photo" which will become part of the church directory and history. He goes to the office to get the modern and well-equipped digital Kodak camera that belongs to the church. Oops, the camera seems to be out of place.

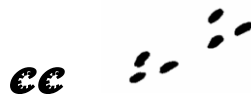
Picture this: The snow is melting and the ice dams on the roof have created leaks in many places. The elders ask the staff to document the damage by taking some pictures. Happy to be of help, your wonderful and highly competent staff go to the office to get the modern and well-equipped digital Kodak camera that belongs to the church.

Oops, the camera seems to be out of place.

Picture this: It is a dark and stormy night at DRC. Suddenly, the modern and well-equipped digital Kodak camera that belongs to the church has a strange stirring in it. Pop, Pop—two legs sprout from the bottom of the modern and well-equipped digital Kodak camera that belong to the church and a head pops up on the top. "I think I'll run away in the dark of the stormy night," says the modern and well-equipped digital Kodak camera that belongs to the church. And it does.

One of these paragraphs is not so pure fiction. Guess which one it is. That's right; it's the one about your wonderful and highly competent staff---not! As one of the critters around here that does have legs and can run away I, Charlie Churchmouse, aver that the camera did not grow legs and escape the church office. It's a mystery that you might be able to help us solve: THE MYSTERY OF THE MISSING CAMERA. A reward is offered for information leading to the arrest and successful prosecution of....no, no, not really. This is a church. If you have it or know where it is, just bring it to the office. There will be no questions asked.

Better be makin' tracks,



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