

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

January 8th ~ January 15th

**Sunday January 8th**  
 8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
 (Nursery & Children's Church Available)  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School / Adult Education  
 10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
 (Nursery & Children's Church Available)  
 5:30 p.m. Nicka Connexion Group ~ Rm. 202  
 6:00 p.m. ALPHA ~ Coffee Corner  
 6:30 p.m. High School Youth

**Monday January 9th**

**Tuesday January 10th**  
 9:30 a.m. Women's Connexion Bible Study  
 6:30 p.m. Life Recovery ~ Coffee Corner  
 6:30 p.m. Eating Disorders Anonymous ~ Rm. 202  
 6:30 p.m. Elder Meeting

**Wednesday January 11th**  
 12 Noon Prayer and Communion  
 6:30 p.m. Awana  
 6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth  
 6:45 p.m. Adult Prayer ~ Rm. 202

**Thursday January 12th**  
 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice

**Friday January 13th**

**Saturday January 14th**  
 6:30a.m. Men's Prayer ~ Rm. 228

**Sunday January 15th**  
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| <b>Giving</b> | 12/26 - 12/31 giving = \$24,371.50 |                     |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
|               | <b>January 1 - January 7</b>       |                     |
|               | <b>Week 1 of 52</b>                | <b>Year-to-date</b> |
| Budget        | \$ 8,404.00                        | \$8,404.00          |
| Received      | \$5,740.01                         | \$5,740.01          |
|               | (\$2,663.99)                       | (\$2,663.99)        |

## Volunteer Schedule

|               | Today  | January 15th   |
|---------------|--|--|
|               | <u>Nursery</u>   | <u>Nursery</u>   |
| 8:30 a.m.     | Bonnie Neitzer<br>Alyssa Spofford                              | Blake Family   |
| Sunday School | Sue Johnson  | Bilinda Hiatt  |
| 10:45 a.m.    | Carrie Bayless<br>Tina E.                                      | Kasprowicz<br>Family   |
|               | <u>Children's Church</u>                                       | <u>Children's Church</u>                                       |
| 8:30 a.m.     | Boyer Family   | Fries Family   |
|               |  | Wendy Gelle<br>& Anna Serbus                                   |
| 10:45 a.m.    | Larissa Schultz<br>& Daughters                                 |  |
|               | <u>Ushers</u>  | <u>Ushers</u>  |
| 8:30 a.m.     | Brian Shank<br>Keith Stickney<br>Martha Stiller<br>Carl Nelson | Brian Shank<br>Keith Stickney<br>Martha Stiller<br>Carl Nelson |
| 10:45 a.m.    | Brett Soland<br>Matt Harker<br>Rob Arrache<br>Mike Kasprowicz  | Curt Johnson<br>Pat Kedrowski<br>Randy Thompson<br>Jon Almen   |

## Prayer Chain

To submit a request call  
 Daytime: Dara Shank (763) 441-5681  
 Evenings: Inga Iliff (763) 856-2085 or go to [zefc.org](http://zefc.org) and go to the Contact Menu

### Please Pray For:

✠ **God's continued healing presence and strength for:**  
 Ken Martin, Howard Meloch, Brian Orrock,  
 Jody Dubay ~ [caringbridge.org/visit/jodydubay](http://caringbridge.org/visit/jodydubay)

### ✠ Our Military

**Robert Dubay** - ROTC  
**Troy Gabrielson** - Guards  
**Matt Harker** - Guards  
**Andy Johnson** - Virginia  
**Matt Johnson** - Charleston, SC  
**Sara Hansen** - Pensacola Beach, Navy Hospital  
**Peter Loso** - Afghanistan  
**Andrew Nordlund** - Afghanistan  
**Curt Serbus** - Guards  
**Tim Serbus** - ROTC  
**Nick Thompson** - Afghanistan  
**John Vargas** - Navy  
**Kaytee Serbus** - Navy - Chicago

## Zimmerman Evangelical Free Church

"To know Jesus Christ and make Him known"

Sunday, January 8, 2012

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**Radical Resolutions**



**Message: Resolve To Love Each Other**

Pastor Tom Sterneman

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### Office Hours:

Monday through Friday  
 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### Pastoral Staff

Senior Pastor  
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 Janell Thompson  
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**Worship 8:30 a.m.**  
**Adult Education and Sunday School 9:45 a.m.**  
**Worship 10:45 a.m.**


**Welcome to Zimmerman Evangelical Free Church**


*A place where you can come as you are, unwind, be encouraged and renew your strength for the next week. A place where you will feel accepted no matter where you are in your spiritual walk.*

General Information  
Please silence your cell phones and pagers during the service.

Nursery  
Nursery is available for infants through age two during worship services and Adult Education/Sunday School.

Children's Church  
Children's Church is available during both services for ages three through kindergarten. (Dismissal is announced prior to the sermon.) Please check your children in with the teacher in Room 232.

Activity Bags  
Activity bags for kids are located in the back of the Worship Center. Please return them to one of the back tables.

Communication Cards  
Let us know you are here today! Write your prayer and information requests on the back and drop them in the offering basket.

**Sunday School & Adult Education classes resume today!.**

Adult Education Classes:  
**Exodus: Departure to Grace ~ Rm. 202**  
**Essentials of Parenting: Be Prepared ~ Rm. 135**

## Upcoming Events



**New ALPHA Course**  
Sunday January 8th, 6:00 p.m.

**Congregational Meeting/  
Potluck**  
Sunday January 29th  
Following 2nd Service

**Valentines Banquet**  
Saturday February 11th  
5:00 p.m.



**TRAP JOURNALS**  
Pick up your January Journals at the table in the foyer.

A big **Thank You!**  
to all our drivers who delivered Meals On Wheels during December.  
ZEFC will deliver meals again in April. If you are interested in helping with this ministry please contact Wendy Gelle 856-2334.

***L**ife **R**ecovery **M**inistry*


 A Christ-Centered 12 step approach.  
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. here at ZEFC.  
For dealing with any life-controlling issue.



Faith in Action, East Central Senior Resource Center and Elim Oasis, will be offering support group classes for care givers.  
Taking place every Thursday 9:30 a.m. to Noon starting January 12th thru February 16th. Classes will meet in the Fellowship Hall of the Freshwater Methodist Church in Princeton. The Timber Trail Bus is available, as well as free care for the care receiver. Please call Elim Oasis if interested at 763-631-1150.

### Get Connected!

Connexion Groups start again **January 8th**  
Sign-up in the foyer  
If you would like to be connected into a group.



**January 8th**  
ALPHA will also begin.  
Sign-up in the foyer or online

**Women's Bible study connexion group**  
presents  
FAITHFUL, ABUNDANT & TRUE:  
going deeper still.

Beginning Tuesday morning, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 a.m.  
Signup sheet in the foyer.  
Child care will be available.  
Questions?  
Lenee Wrede 763-856-0060  
or [lencewrede@sherbtl.net](mailto:lencewrede@sherbtl.net)

Open 9 to 11AM

**COFFEE CORNER**

It's all good


**CityKid JAVA**



Choose the virtuous brew that kicks back to kids in the Twin Cities\* Keep it local!

Now featuring fall favorites like apple cider & Chai Tea as well as fresh baked goods.



Interested in blessing others by serving with a short term missions group? **Project Increase** is planning another trip to **Jamaica** February 28th - March 9th Contact Ernie Goldenman if you are interested in serving. 856-4304




 Quotes Corner
 

*Plant a word of love heart-deep in a person's life. Nurture it with a smile and a prayer, and watch what happens.*  
*Max L. Lucado*

But you, man of God, Flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness.  
*1 Timothy 6:11*

**Resolve To Love Each Other**

James 2:8-13

1/8/2012

Pastor Tom Sterneman

I. **Resolve to love more.** (Vs. 8-9)

A. Results believers want.

1. To please God. (v.5)
2. To enter into God's kingdom. (v.5)

Mark 1:14-15

John 21:22-23

3. To do what is right. (v.8)

Deuteronomy 6:5

Matthew 22:37-40

John 13:34

Romans 13:8-10

B. Routes people travel.

1. Obeying the royal law. (v.8)

Matthew 25:21

2. Favoritism (vs. 1-7; v.9)

II. **Resolve to admit sin.** (Vs.9-11)

A. Who sins? (v.9)

B. How much sin is too much? (v.10)

C. God sets the standard on sin. (v.11)

Romans 13:8-10

III. **Resolve to live differently.** (Vs. 12-13)

A. A call to radical love, because judgment is real. (v.12)

Matthew 24:36

2 Corinthians 5:10

Revelation 22:12

B. The exclamation point. (v.13)

John 16:8

2 Corinthians 13:5

Take Away

Who can you think of in your life that you need to step out and get to know and love?

**Connexion Reflections**  
1/8/2012  
Resolve To Love Each Other

Favoritism Forbidden – James 2:1-13

**Open it:**

1. For what reasons might a person think he or she is more important than another person?

**Explore it:**

2. What is the royal law found in scripture? (v.8)
3. What does practicing favoritism do to a person who is trying to keep the law? (v.9)
4. What does a person need to do to be considered a lawbreaker? (Vs.10-11)
5. Why should we be merciful? (v.13)
6. From Matthew 18:21-35, the parable of the unmerciful servant;  
How was the king going to get his money? (Vs.24-25)

What did the indebted servant do? (v.26)

Matthew 18:21-35

What did the servant go do after his debt was cancelled? (v.28)

Who watched with dismay as the first servant refused to have mercy on the second?  
Why did this bother them? (v.31)

How did the king react to the news he heard? (Vs. 32-34)

How did Jesus apply this parable to his followers? (v. 35)

**Get it:**

7. In what ways have you been a victim of favoritism or prejudice?
8. How can we welcome poor people in our church?
9. In what practical ways can we show genuine love to people of different races, cultures, and economic standing?

**Apply it:**

10. Who do you need to ask forgiveness of this week for showing prejudice toward him or her?