



Zimmerman Evangelical Free Church

"To know Christ and to make Him known"

Sunday, January 24th, 2010
Worship 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday ~ 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Tuesdays ~ 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

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General Information

- **Please silence** all cell phones and pagers during the service.
- **Nursery** is available from **birth through age two** during worship services and Sunday School.
- **Children's Church** is available during worship services for ages **three through Kindergarten**. (dismissal announced prior to the sermon). **Check your children** in with the teacher in the foyer and pick them up in Rm. 232.
- **Activity bags for kids**, filled with fun activities, are located in the back of the sanctuary. If your child is staying for the service these are available to use. Please return to one of the back tables when finished or give to an usher as you leave.

Today's Message

Truths about Giving
Luke 6:20-38

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.

Thank You

The Loso family
would like to thank everyone
for the many cards, gifts, and prayers
for Peter while he has been
overseas on active duty.

We are very grateful.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Peacemakers

Taught by Loy & Elaine Switzer
In room 138

The Invisible Hand - The Sovereignty of God

Taught by Stan Nicka
In room 202

Understanding the Anger and Justice of God (Obadiah, Micah, Nahum, & Habakkuk)

Taught by Brandon Hiatt
In room 109

Women's Prayer Time

In room 139
"The Prayer Room"

Worldview Academy: Christianity and Culture Conference

Nowthen Alliance Church in Nowthen, MN
Open to Ages 13 and above
February 19th and 20th

Contact ZEFC Church Office
for more information and registration

www.worldview.org

Jamaica Trip

Short term Mission Opportunity

Limited time left to Sign-Up!

Planned for February 23rd to March 5th

For more information please talk to
Ernie Goldenman at 763-856-4304

Marriage Seminar

Love and Respect Conference

January 29th 6:30pm-9:00pm

January 30th 9:00am-4:30pm

Cost per Couple \$50

Open to 23 Couples- First Come, First Served
Sign-Up in the Foyer



Is Coming - Again

The Banquet is February 21st
And the course will begin
On February 28th

Sign up now in the foyer
Invite your friends and neighbors!

Volunteer Schedule for Sunday, Jan. 31st, 2010:

Nursery

8:15 a.m. Molinari Family
10:30 a.m. Wendy Arrache, Ally Switzer,
& Savannah Sutherland

Children's Church

8:30 AM Jay & Ruth Fries
10:45 AM Kim & Jerry Boyer

Ushers

Jan. 24th

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| 1st Service | Brian Shank Brandon Hiatt Jim Helmuth Steve Marvets | Mike Kasprowicz James Hiatt Kurt Sutherland Fred Nungesser |
| 2nd Service | | |

Jan. 31st

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| 1st Service | Bob Freeh Nels Andersen Don Fisher Rich Bond | Ed Clapp Martha Stiller Loy Switzer Paul Schenkenberg |
| 2nd Service | | |

Upcoming Events

Marriage Seminar

January 29th & 30th

Minnesota Teen Challenge Choir

January 31st

Acquire the Fire Youth Event

February 5th - 6th

Valentine's Dinner

February 13th
Youth Fundraiser

ALPHA Banquet

February 21st

Financial Peace University

Begins March 3rd

Men's Retreat at Timber Bay

March 19th - 21st

Picture Directories

are in your mailbox.

If you don't have a mailbox,
pick one up at the Welcome Center

Giving

January 11th—January 17th

| | <u>Week 1 of 52</u> | <u>Year to date</u> |
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| Budget | \$7,693.00 | \$23,079.00 |
| Received | \$4,539.37 | \$18,110.87 |
| | (\$3,153.63) | (\$4,698.13) |

Our budget for 2010 is \$400,000.00

Please **pray** for God's continued financial provision.

Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request during the day please contact Dara Shank 763-441-5681 or Mary Andersen 763-241-1225. In the evening contact Inga Iliff 763-856-2085. If you are unable to reach someone you may contact the church office or visit our website at www.zeffc.org and click on prayer request.

If you are interested in becoming part of the intercessory prayer ministry please contact the church office 763-856-2237.

Please Pray For:

✠ **God's continued healing presence and strength for:**

Ken Martin
Howard Meloch

✠ **Missionaries** ~ Charles & Michelle Kieffer,
Katelyn, Rachel, Chaz & Luke in Poland

✠ **Our Nation**

✠ **Military**

Troy Gabrielson - Guards
Andy Johnson - Virginia
Matt Johnson - Virginia
Sara Johnson - Pensacola Beach, Navy Hospital
Peter Loso - Fort Drum, NY
Andrew Nordlund - Fort Drum, NY
Curt Serbus - Guards
Nick Thompson - Iraq
John Vargas - Navy

Dave Ramsey's

Financial *Peace*
UNIVERSITY

Is going to be available here at ZEFC
on Wednesday nights beginning
March 3rd

Sign up to attend while your kids
are busy with Kids Club or
Junior High Youth Group.
Childcare will be available.
Sign up in the foyer.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

January 24th - January 31st

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| Sunday | January 24th |
| 7:00 AM | Praise Band Practice |
| 8:30 AM | Worship Service (Nursery & Children's Church Available) |
| 9:45 AM | Sunday School for All Ages |
| 10:45 AM | Worship Service (Nursery & Children's Church Available) |
| 4:30 PM | Sr. High Youth ~ Rm. 229 - TIME CHANGE |
| Monday | January 25th |
| 10:00 AM | ALPHA Meeting ~ Rm. 228 |
| Tuesday | January 26th |
| 9:30 AM | MOPS Morning |
| 5:30 PM | Dance Arts ~ Rm. 229 |
| 6:30 PM | Women's Bible Study ~ Rm. 202 |
| Wednesday | January 27th |
| 9:00 AM | Women's Bible Study at Jeanne Nicka's |
| 12:00 PM | Noon Prayer Meeting ~ Rm. 228 (Open to all) |
| 6:30 PM | Kids Club |
| 6:30 PM | Jr. High Youth ~ Rm. 229 |
| 6:45 PM | Adult Prayer ~ Rm. 202 |
| Thursday | January 28th |
| 7:00 PM | Praise Band Practice |
| Friday | January 29th |
| 8:00 AM | Women's Prayer Meeting ~ Rm. 228 |
| 6:30 PM | Marriage Seminar ~ Coffee Corner |
| Saturday | January 30th |
| 6:30 AM | Men's Prayer Meeting ~ Rm. 228 |
| 9:00 AM | Marriage Seminar ~ Coffee Corner |
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Please Note - The Men's and Women's Retreats were incorrectly listed as tax deductions on your giving statements. Please adjust your giving statements accordingly.



National Youth Convention

June 28th - July 3rd, 2010.

Support our youth with current fundraisers:
Cell Phone and Electronic Recycling in the Foyer
and drinks available in the Coffee Corner!

Look for additional ways to support our youth!



District Blitz Youth Conference

April 23-25, 2010

Rochester, MN

Sign Up in the Foyer



Saturday,

January 30th

9:00 - 11:00 AM

At the Zimmerman

Sheriffs Sub-Station

This food distribution is open to anyone in need from Zimmerman. You must have a picture ID or current utility bill.

Please see the Community Board

For additional information.

This group is also in need of volunteers.
Please see Pastor Craig if you can help.

TRUTHS ABOUT GIVING

Luke 6:20-38

January 24, 2010 Pastor Tom Sterneman

Proposition: Giving has nothing to do with assets.
Giving has everything to do with attitude.

Truths Jesus taught about givers.

1. Givers do not respond based on their resources.
- vs. 20-26

2. Givers live on a higher level than most.
- vs. 27-30

A. Givers are positive.

B. Givers take the high road. – vs. 31-34

C. Givers don't ask for anything in return.
- v.35

3. Givers grasp the Sowing and Reaping Principle.
- vs. 31, 37-38

The principle of sowing and reaping really has two parts.

A. God is the source.

B. Do good knowing God will provide the reward.

- a) v. 23 – your reward is in heaven.
- b) v. 35 – reward will be great.
- c) v. 38 – Give and it will be given to you.

It is not the DURATION of life that really counts, it is the DONATION of life that really counts.

Turn to Malachi 3:7-12

A. God's promise for those who put Him first.

- 1. Spiritual blessing – v. 10a
- 2. Material blessing – v. 10b
- 3. Protection – v. 11
- 4. Influence – v. 12

B. What is my responsibility?

- 1. Turn to Him – v. 9
- 2. Trust Him – v.11
- 3. Test Him – v. 10

Conclusion: Test Time

The Stewardship Test

Stewardship is a choice to either obey God through our words and deeds or not to obey Him.

I will continue to tithe. _____

I will start tithing. _____

I will test God on this for 3 months. _____

I choose not to tithe at this time. _____

Sign: _____ Date: _____