



The Weekly

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Daylight Savings-March 14th
Don't forget! Sunday, **March 14th** is this year's Daylight Savings. Set your clocks one hour forward.

Sermon Teaser

This is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another.

1 John 3:11

Here's a fun brain teaser. In 60 seconds, "How many songs can you come up with that have love in the title?" Try it before you read on. So how did you do?

Clearly our world is obsessed with the idea of love. The Beatles said, "All you need is love" and then they broke up. Olivia Newton John sang, "I honestly love you" and the whole time I dreamed she was singing to me. I definitely needed a life. But long before Air Supply was "All out of Love" and Lionel Richie had "Endless Love" and the Bee Gees were just weird, a man came on the scene 2000 years ago to define what Love is. John writes, "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

That's the Storyline in a nut shell. It's all about love. This Sunday, we're in Act V, Scene III of our Storyline series. My title is, "The Wow Factor!" I look forward to worshipping with you as we share in communion together and also come alongside some of our parents as they dedicate their children to the Lord. A reminder: If you don't want to miss anything, remember to fast forward your clocks one hour. It's DAYLIGHT SAVINGS time!

Blessings!
Pastor Steve

P.S. A huge thank you to all who expressed love and encouragement through words, cards and emails this past week. What a blessing to hear how God worked in so many lives through what was shared. Please know that your love and prayers are greatly appreciated!

Financial Update

YTD Giving: \$1,181,565.11
TTD Budget: \$1,135,119.46
\$ 46,445.65

News & Events

Newcomer's Lunch

The next Newcomer's Lunch is March 21. Sign up at the Connecting Center on Sundays or e-mail Lisa at the church office.

Serve Visalia

Save the date for Serve Visalia on April 11th. We will be partnering with other churches in town on this Sunday morning to serve our city in a number of different projects that everyone from infants to adults can participate in. More info will be coming soon. . .

Christopher Cross Concert

CHRISTOPHER CROSS and band will be in concert with Special Guest Maia Sharp on Friday, March 19th at The Visalia Fox Theater. We are offering a 2 for 1 special on tickets to this event. Go online at www.vallitix.com, CODE word is SAILING. Show is benefiting the Visalia Fox and Mt Whitney Choral Department.

New Ladies Bible Study

A new Women's Bible Study will begin on Monday, March 15 at 6:30pm in Rm 15. "One in a Million: Journey to Your Promised Land" by Priscilla Shirer. Sign up at the Connecting Center.

Reusable Bulletin Inserts

Please place your bulletin inserts in the wicker baskets in the lobby on your way out so we can reuse them.

Sunday Service Times

8:45am/10:30am

This week's sermon:

The WOW Factor
Steve Harms

Children's programs are available during both services.

News & Events

Easter Services

Saturday, April 3 Sunday, April 4
5pm **8:45am/10:30am**

Church Work Day

On Saturday, March 20th from 8am-12pm we will be doing some "spring beautification" around Neighborhood. As an important part of a larger church family, you are invited (including men, women, and kids) to help spruce up your church home. There will be a variety of areas to choose from including landscaping, painting, and cleaning. Sign up at the Connecting Center on Sunday or email kthomas@neighborhood-church.com if you can help.

Notice

Please remember to use a black or blue pen when writing checks to the church. Pencil and colored inks are not picked up by the bank's scanners and will be returned to us. Thank you.

Dave Ramsey Simulcast

Dave Ramsey LIVE Simulcast, Saturday, March 13, 12 Noon – 5:00 PM. Make reservations by purchasing tickets at Neighborhood Church office, 732-9107, during the week. Also available at Scripture House, Cornerstone Community Church, Visalia First Assembly, and Porterville Evangelical Free.

Be timely!

Right now, tax refund checks are coming! You may feel like you can't afford to take Financial Peace University but now you will have some extra money in your pockets. Instead of wasting it on something you don't really want or need, how about investing just \$100 of it in taking Financial Peace University? This is an incredible opportunity for you to change your family tree. Register at the Connecting Center before and after 1st and 2nd services.

Dates for the next classes:

- Sundays, March 21- June 20, 6:00-8:00 PM
- Wednesdays, May 19 - August 11, 6:30-8:30 PM

Children's Ministry

Awana Grand Prix Winners
February 24, 2010

Sparks "I Did It Myself"

1st – 155: Samantha Traeger
2nd – 405: Ketsana Duane
3rd – 325: James Dickerson

Best Looking

1st – 130: Lindsey Bishop
2nd – 315: Sydney Olson
3rd – 415: Lacey Setser

Speed

1st – JP Geesey
2nd – Jayse Myers
3rd – Jeremiah Frederick

T & T

"I Did It Myself"

T & T
1st – 520: Molly Cummings
2nd – 150: Jaedyn Traeger
3rd – 495: Allison Marks

Best Looking

T & T
1st – 190: Elizabeth Moore
2nd – 260: Rachel Scott
3rd – 235: Benjamin Bucher

SPEED

T & T
1st – Kenan Geesey
2nd – William Setser
3rd – Emily Isaac

Special thank you to our Grand Prix Leadership Team

Coordinators: Gus & Becky Galindo

Car Workshop: Gus Galindo, Brad Parsons, Dave Richert & Tim Wall

Grand Prix: Gus & Becky Galindo, Dave, Serena, Casey, Noah & Corey Richert, Matt & Michelle Taylor, Tim Wall, Brad Parsons, Don, Lori Hannah & Rachel Scott, Darrell & Sally Winter, Kathy & Molly Cummings, Bridgette Craig and Michael Pattison.

Creative Arts Ministry

Stage Design Meeting

The Stage Design Ministry is specific to builders, painters and creatives, etc. who would love to put their creative energy into transforming our worship center into a unique, original and spirit-filled place of worship. The next meeting will be on Sunday, March 14th. For more information please contact Mike Haynes at mikeh@neighborhood-church.com.

Get Involved...

Testeraso Mission Trip

We will be taking a team to Testeraso, Mexico this summer from June 23-27th. The team will serve at a farm labor camp providing meals, doing construction and working with kids. The cost of the trip is \$500. If you're interested in going, sign up at the Connection Center.

Joining the Mission

If you attended our Joining the Mission Dinner and have not yet turned in your Volunteer Staff Covenant, please do so soon so you can be commissioned on March 28th! Also, if you were unable to make it to an interview, contact linny@neighborhood-church.com to set up a time to meet!

Sign Up for *The Weekly*

Do you want to have *The Weekly* emailed to you every Friday? Go to our website at neighborhood-church.com to sign up or fill out the communication card in one of our Sunday services.

News & Events

Foreclosure Workshop

Do you have questions about your home loan? Are you worried about losing your home? Are you at risk of foreclosure? CSET will be providing a Mortgage Options and Foreclosure Prevention Workshop on Saturday, March 20th from 9am-11pm. It will take place at 312 NW 3rd Ave., Visalia, CA, 93291. If interested in registering or for more information please call 741-4646.

Greeting Team

Half an hour and a smile once or twice a month is all you need to qualify as a greeter. If it brings you joy to make others feel welcome we have openings for 1st and 2nd service on Sundays. If you would like to join the team and connect with others here at NC please contact Lisa in the church office lisa@neighborhood-church.com, or fill out a communication card and drop it off at the Connecting Center or place it in the offering.

Love to Cook?

We are looking for people with a passion for food! There are several opportunities through out the year to plan and prepare meals for various events, including our Newcomer's Lunch, NU classes, as well as other special events. If you would like to serve in this ministry please contact Lori Quinzon at lori@neighborhood-church.com