

COURAGEOUS

In our culture, the family is under attack from every direction. Our families are crying out for the church to offer relief from the pressures that constantly press in upon them. Any answers that the church has to offer will require discipline and courage on the part of husbands, wives, parents, and children.

With this great need in mind, our church has obtained a license to show the recently released movie "Courageous". We will have several viewings of this movie. Right now we have showings scheduled for Sunday night, January 8 (5:30 p.m.), Saturday night, January 28 (6:30 p.m.) and Friday night, February 3 (6:30 p.m.).

In conjunction with this tremendous opportunity, there will be an eight-week study based on this movie beginning on February 22, 2012.

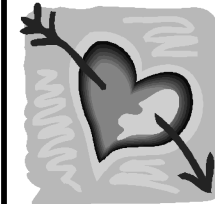
Begin to plan to bring your friends and family to be both challenged and inspired by one or more of these free viewings.



XYZ eXtra Years of Zest for Senior Adults

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17TH
10:30 A.M. IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

SIMPLE POT LUCK &
GOOD CONVERSATION



OUR VALENTINE'S BANQUET
WILL BE FEBRUARY 8TH
TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE IN JANUARY

CARE

Ministry
for

JANUARY

"C" Team

Monday
January 9
6:30 p.m.

"A" Team

Tuesday
January 17
6:30 p.m.

"R" Team

Monday
January 23
6:30 p.m.

"E" Team

Tuesday
January 31
6:30 p.m.

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Events of the Month

JANUARY 2012

- 1 - NEW YEAR'S DAY
- 8 - "COURAGEOUS" SHOWING.....5:30 p.m.
- 15 - DEACONS' MEETING.....12:00 p.m.
- 17 - XYZ.....10:30 a.m.
- 23-24 - WSBC EVANGELISM CONFERENCE - WHEATLAND
- 28 - "COURAGEOUS" SHOWING.....6:30 p.m.
- 29 - THE LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVED.....8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
- CARE MINISTRY ACTIVITIES each Mon. or Tues. (6:30 p.m.)

Regular Schedule

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

- Early Morning Worship.....8:00 a.m.
- KUYO Radio Program, 830 AM.....9:00 a.m.
- Bible Study for all ages.....9:15 a.m.
- Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
- Midwest Worship Service.....3:00 p.m.
- Youth Bible Study.....5:00 p.m.
- Evening Worship.....5:30 p.m.

MONDAYS

- Men's Morning Prayer.....6:30 a.m.

TUESDAYS

- BCM - C.C. Rm. 217.....7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

- Meal.....5:45 p.m.
- Preschool (3-K)/Children/Youth Activities.....6:30 p.m.
- Adult Discipleship.....6:30 p.m.
- Midwest Activities - Adults, Youth & Children.....6:30 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal.....7:45 p.m.

THURSDAYS

- Men's Discipleship Brkfst at the Platte River.....6:30 a.m.

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FROM PASTOR QUIN

Well, here we are in another year. I hope that your 2011 was blessed and fruitful. Our family considered the blessings we have received this past year more numerous than we can count. But, 2011 is now in the past and 2012 lies before us.

Now we need to understand that we are not standing on the brink of just any old year. No sir, this is 2012. Recently, much has been made to this new year that we are beginning. The Mayan calendar ends in 2012. I guess you could say that the Mayan use of their calendar ended a long time ago, for no Mayan has used their calendar for hundreds of years. I guess Nostradamus made some dire predictions that could be scheduled to come true this year. And at least one Christian student of prophecy identifies 2012 as the "big one."

What should we make of all this? Are we living in the end times? Is this the last year that we will make a bunch of New Year's resolutions only to break them quickly? Who knows? I sure don't know. If the Mayans were so smart, why aren't they still around? If sooth-sayers and modern prophets knew what they were talking about, they could sell their predictions concerning the stock market and we could all retire.

Actually, the biblical teaching on this is quite simple. We should live as if Jesus were returning today, but prepare as though we would live to be 100. This is simple wisdom. Only God knows when and how all this will end. But, we can rest assured that the ending He has already prepared will be the appropriate way for this world to end. In a very real sense, all of us are close to going into eternity. Even babies being born in the near future will not likely live to see the turn of another century, (unless they press the 90 year mark before their deaths). Most of us are much closer to eternity than that.

So, how do we live as if Jesus' return is immanent? Jesus told His parents that He must be about His Father's business. This is a simple idea that should drive our daily activities. Do we get up in the morning and ask ourselves, "What would the Father have me do today?" It is an important question. That is rarely asked. Most days, God would have us get up, go to work, interact with friends, co-workers, classmates, family, and so forth. But, we must understand that it is in that interaction that we are to be about our Father's business. Our Father's business is people. It is every person with which we have contact. People need what we Christians have. We have Jesus, or more importantly, Jesus has us. We are His people, the sheep of His pasture. It is that relationship that gives our lives meaning. It is that relationship that most of the folks we contact everyday is missing. If we are doing our Father's business, we will be motivated to minister to them in whatever ways possible, so that they too can know the grace that Jesus has brought into our lives.

Over the next few months, we will hear much of the possible end of time. I would not count on 2012 being the last year of human existence as we know it. But if it is, "Glory to God"! For the new heaven and earth that God will prepare will be vastly superior to this one. So don't worry about what dead civilizations may have thought. Rather live today for the glory of God and His kingdom.

Have a Happy New Year!!

Pastor Quin

Wednesday Nights in January Bible Study for Adults



SEED

Thought-provoking modern day parables will help us dig into Scripture and grow our faith --- 6:30 p.m.



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Class Starting January 9!

**BECOMING A LIFE-CHANGING
TEACHER AND PREACHER**

taught by **Dr. Fred Creason and Pastor Buddy Hanson**
Begins January 9th - Meets on Monday nights
at the **WSBC office building in Casper**

Call **Fred Creason at 267-4235**

for registration information

Flyers with more information are in the foyer—pick one up!

WSBC Evangelism Conference

January 23-24

Memorial Baptist Church

202 19th St., Wheatland Wyoming

Wednesday Night Ministries

Every Wednesday evening, we have a series of activities here at Boyd Avenue. It all begins with a meal at 5:30. In different places around the building, there are children's groups, a youth worship service, and adult studies and prayer time. Then our adult choir practices at 7:45.

This is a special night of discipleship designed to help us grow spiritually. If you do not regularly attend our Wednesday evening activities, you may want to come and check them out. They will be a blessing to you.



Spotlight
on Ministry

New Year's Resolution for a Financial Revolution!



**Financial Peace University
classes begin January 1**

**The class meets on Sunday evenings,
5:30 - 7:30, in the fellowship hall**

See **Scott Baxter** for more information

the Great
RECOVERY

GET EDUCATED

IT STARTS WITH *you*

What's Happening at Midwest

Midwest has distributed Christmas baskets made up of turkeys, other foods for Christmas dinner, and gifts for people who otherwise would have had a very sparse Christmas. This is done in relationship with our Haven of Rest ministry that continues to reach out to the communities of Midwest and Edgerton.

Our Midwest congregation wishes to express its deepest thanks for everyone who gave Christmas gifts for our distribution this year. Your generosity will bless youngsters in our communities. Also, thanks to everyone who comes up and lends a hand in our Haven of Rest ministry.

Student Ministry Reflections

It's hard to believe that another year is winding to a close. It seems that the older I get; the faster the years go by. Every year I think of things that I want to accomplish, set goals that I want to achieve, and seem to run out of year before success. Where do the days, weeks, and months go?

The calendar is switching to 2012. Seems like just a few days ago that we began 2011. I may not be ready for one year to end and another to begin, but God is working in spite of my readiness. I may not feel that I have accomplished much, but God had done an amazing work in 2012.

I need to remind myself to look at the positive things that God did and not focus on the things that I wish I had done. God has worked amazingly in our church this past year. We saw students saved, people impacted with the Gospel of Christ, and lives transformed. We attended camps, traveled twice on mission trips to Canada, and saw a transition in our ministry in Midwest. We have seen God work some miracles in lives of our congregation, some by healing and some by taking them home. Indeed, God is working and He is good.

Now I am planning and setting goals for 2012. Mission trips to Portland, Canada and Portugal are in the plans. Outreach events, fellowships, ministry projects and camps fill the calendar. As I plan, I need to remind myself that my plans may not be God's plans and His ways aren't necessarily my ways. This year may fly by. I may not accomplish all that I want to. But one thing that I do know is that when this year is over, God is still in control and He will have accomplished things that only He can.

In Him,

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