

Timeline

Arlington Assembly of God

March 2011

REASONS TO PRAISE

PASTOR RICK CROOK

Psalms 147

1 Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; For it is pleasant, and praise is beautiful. 2 The Lord builds up Jerusalem; He gathers together the outcasts of Israel. 3 He heals the brokenhearted And binds up their wounds. 4 He counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by name. 5 Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite. 6 The Lord lifts up the humble; He casts the wicked down to the ground.

It is good, it is pleasant, and it is beautiful. What is it? It is praise; more specifically, praise that is offered to God. Simply stated, praise is something we do to acknowledge what God has done. The Psalmist says it is good for us to do that. By good, he means it is the gracious thing to do. It is proper spiritual etiquette to offer praise to God. Praise is pleasant. It is delightful and brings pleasure.

A vivid example of this truth is found in Acts 16. Here we find the account of Paul and Silas incarcerated in a Philippian jail. They were bloodied, hungry and physically exhausted. They had a legitimate reason to be discouraged by their present circumstances and fearful about their future. Yet amidst such a harsh reality Paul and Silas lifted their voices in praise to God. Doing so brought them sweet and pleasant relief from their agony. It also quite literally brought the house down.

Praise is also beautiful. Our praise is beautiful in the eyes of God. He loves the sight of His children engaging in sincere worship of Him. He loves the brightness of our countenance as we offer words and songs of praise to Him. He loves seeing the joy restored to our hearts as we lavish Him with praise and adoration.

Having provided a quick description of what praise is, the psalmist then turns his attention to the reasons we have for giving praise to God. The Lord is a builder. Builder in this case means repairer. He is a God who knows how to repair things. He specializes in taking the smashed and shattered rubble of human lives and reforming them into vibrant whole individuals. Praise the Lord for the repair He brings to our lives.



God is also a gatherer. He is a gatherer of the outcasts. Cultures and societies have a bad habit of catering to the most desirable citizens and shunning everyone else who doesn't fit their description of desirable. Jesus showed the heart of God in this matter by reaching out to everyone including those that society had labeled as outcast. He dealt with lepers, adulterers, tax cheats, and the poverty stricken. Jesus time on earth revealed to us, among other things, that God loves outcasts too and longs to draw them to His side. Praise the Lord for desire to gather all people to Himself.

The Psalmist says God is a healer. He is a healer of hearts and wounds. His healing power is not limited to one or the other. He has more than enough power to heal our minds/emotions and our bodies. Praise the Lord for His healing power and the fact that He is still in the healing business.

God is also the only existent being who does not need to employ the word infinite. To God, nothing is infinite. The grains of sand on the seashore, the hairs on our head, even the stars throughout the universe are numbered by God. We have to use the word infinity because we simply cannot count that high. Not so with God. Not only is He able to name every star, He knows our name. Praise God for His unlimited knowledge and understanding.

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In closing, let me reference the first three words of this Psalm. "Praise the Lord." The psalmist writes this not as a mere expression, but as a directive. It is something we are told to do. It is something we should do. Because of who He is, what He has done, and what He has promised to do we have a more than sufficient reason to frequently lift our voice and say, "Praise the Lord".

Blessings,

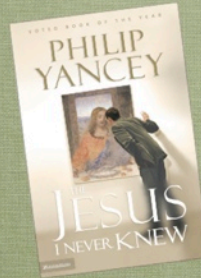
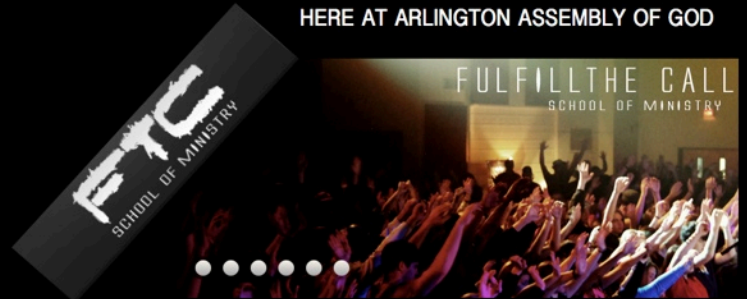


Pastor Rick

Dynamic Presentation of the Gospel

Sunday, March 13, 2011 10:30am

HERE AT ARLINGTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD



THE JESUS I NEVER KNEW

Join Pastor Rick's Sunday School class each Sunday morning at 9:30am in the Sanctuary as they journey through the book "The Jesus I Never Knew".

MEM FOR MEN Ministry for Men

WORK IT OUT.

PHILIPPIANS 2:12



BUILD YOUR TEMPLE

Fitness for your
Body and your Soul

New Men's small group
combining physical fitness & spiritual fitness
\$20 monthly @ Just Fitness
For more information contact
Aaron Spurgeon (614)441-7754
or skydreemer2006@yahoo.com



INVESTIGATING THE TRUTH

Join Fruit Inspector Adam Apple and his boss, the Commissioner, as they investigate the Fruit of the Spirit and why it is important to have each of these fruit in their life. Kids will have a great time watching Adam Apple getting a little sidetracked chasing his nemesis, the Spoiler.

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-Every Wednesday Night...will be known as 707 which is the EMERGE Youth service @ 7.07pm....

-Every Sunday Night @ 6pm Emerge discipleship small group...Good time for some games..the word and food!! Come ready to have some fun and grow in the word of God!

-Spring Break March 25th thru April the 3rd... There will be an Outreach Ministry opportunity that week...more information to come and BIG BEACH PARTY for all Emerge Youth and friends on April 1st...Mark your calendars for this major event...

Any students who are interested in being baptized please see Pastor Shane or Pastor B for more information!!

--Fine Arts Practice March 5th and March 19th - 9am to 1pm--

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY



MARCH 9TH-13TH

FTC is a ministry school that discipules, empowers, and trains young people who are called to the ministry to go out and Fulfill The Call!

FTC will be here from March 9th - 13th They will be leading the EMERGE Youth Group Wednesday Night service 9th of March @ 7pm bring a friend...bring 2!

FTC will be doing a joint ministry outreach opportunity with youth from section 2 on Friday the 11th of March... More Information to follow!

FTC will be joining EMERGE Saturday March the 12th @ 5pm at Pastor Rick's house! Please come as we fellowship, eat and receive some valuable leadership principles from Pastor Rick.

Fulfill The call will be leading worship and bringing the message on Sunday March the 13th...Don't miss out...Emerge bring your friends and lets pack out both Wednesday night and Sunday morning service!!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<p>1</p> <p>† 6:00AM Men's Breakfast</p> <p>† 10:00AM Women's Intercessory Prayer</p> <p>6:30 Evangelism Explosion</p>	<p>2</p> <p>5:30PM Intercessory Prayer</p> <p>7:00PM Prayer & Bible Study, Emerge Youth, Royal Rangers & MPact Girls</p>	<p>3</p> <p>† 7:00PM Pure Praise Rehearsal</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00am <i>Ladies Coffee Chat</i></p>	<p>5</p>
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WEEKLY MEETINGS



- Men's Breakfast -

6:00am each Tuesday morning at the Regency Cracker Barrel

- Ladies Coffee Chat -

9:00am each Friday morning at the Regency Chick-Fil-A

- Prayer Meeting -

10:00am each Tuesday morning

- Evangelism Explosion -

6:30pm each Tuesday evening

- Wednesday Services -

5:30-6:30pm Intercessory Prayer

(Main Auditorium)

7:00pm

Adult Bible Study

Emerge Youth Church

Royal Rangers (Ministry for Boys 5yrs & up)

MPact Girls Club (Ministry for Girls 5yrs & up)

Rainbows (Ministry for Boys & Girls 3 & 4 yrs)

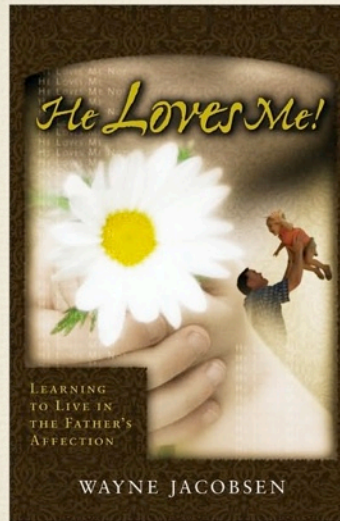
- Sunday Schedule -

9:00-10am - Grounds for Fellowship Breakfast Club

9:30am - Sunday School

10:30am - Morning Worship Service

6:00pm - On & Off Campus Small Groups



"LIVING LOVED SERIES"

With Dana Hammontree

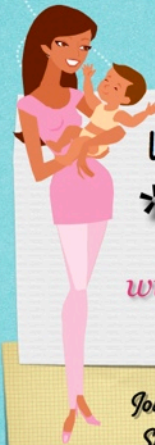
Girlfriend Connections Book Study entitled "Living Loved Series" meets Sunday nights at 6:00pm in the Roberts Hall. Study will continue thru the end of March.

This series is about learning how to live in the Fathers affection and plunging head first in the Love of God.

The text is the book "He Loves Me" by Wayne Jacobsen.

For more information email Sherree Crook at scmusic@bellsouth.net or Dana Hammontree at praisestraightup@yahoo.com

**Mom's with children of ALL ages welcome!*



You're invited to

*Mom's Group

will join the "He Loves Me" study thru the month of March

Join us in the Robert's Hall Sunday Nights at 6:00pm



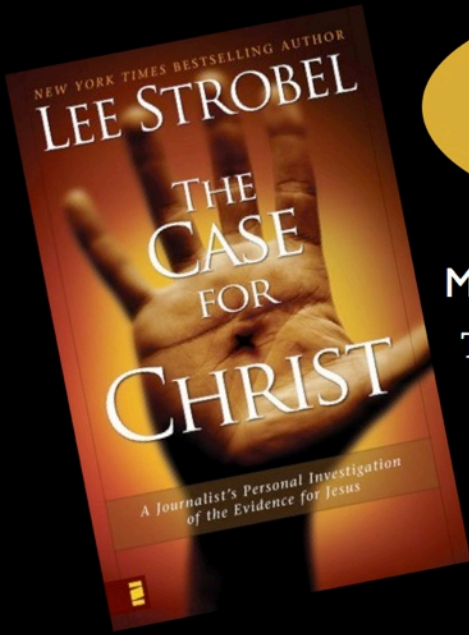
coffee chat

Ladies are invited to meet each Friday morning at 9:00am for coffee and a chat at the Chick-Fil-A near Regency Mall. You won't want to miss out on this great opportunity to continue to build relationships.



A play area is available for small children.





Men's Small Group Study
THE CASE FOR CHRIST
Sunday Evening's
6:00pm
on the Patio
at AAG



Motor Heads

Men's Department
Mechanical Small Group

Meetings are held Sunday nights @ 6pm
@ STEVE'S MAN CAVE
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