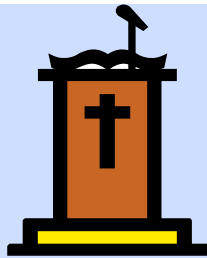


The ARK of New Beginnings Church

February 4, 2009

This Sunday...

In the Pulpit



Luke Choi...

"You Are Being Loved"

"Everyone wants to be loved.

Luke Choi is the pastor of the Japanese Church of Christ in Salt Lake City, where he has served since 2005.

Luke is married to Jenis and their two sons, Stephen and Joshua and thoroughly enjoys all the best that SLC has to offer. He is a great fan of the Cowboys, Texas Rangers, Mavricks and Stars, but he is most passionate about his ultimate hero, the one and only Savior, Jesus Christ.

Join Luke this Sunday as he reflects on love, and reminds us all that...

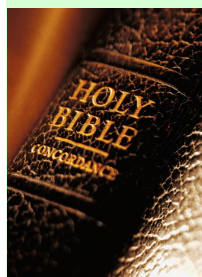
Jesus loves you."

Grab a Friend and Show Up for the New Session of Adult Christian Ed!

Feb. 8, Cheryl Manson from Community of Grace Pres. Church will begin to unlock the mysteries of "the Good Book."

Once we have one, what do we do with it? All those questions about who wrote it, edited it and still puts it into different versions will be addressed. As in any book, we'll discover the major players, the plot and if they live happily ever after (yes- we can read the ending if we want to!)

This is a great time to invite a friend. Many of us are confused by this basic book we Christians are supposed to use! Here's a chance to get the discussion started. Classes will be held weekly throughout the months of February and March at Mountain Vista, Sundays approx. 5:15 p.m. after worship, cleanup and snacks. (Children will be involved in their own discovery!)



P.S. This will be more interesting if you bring along a few varied editions of the Bible.

From the NBC Steering Committee

Sharing His Story

In a growing fellowship of believers we have an opportunity to "practice what He preached!" We have a message to share with anyone we encounter who may need an invitation to experience a relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. At New Beginnings, we lead by the example Jesus gave us. We learned from our founding pastor, Dave Omerod, that Jesus taught, preached and healed everywhere He went. He talked about God's vision. He shared out loud what it means to have a relationship with God.

Hmm, how do **we** get better at that? For starters, do you have a 30 second summary of your own reasons for a relationship with God? Families are a great audience to get started sharing with - especially immediate family members and then expanding to those not actively aware of the difference a relationship with Him can make in life. Remember, also like Jesus, a little divine inspiration (a.k.a. prayer) before spilling your personal faith story couldn't hurt either! You may be surprised at how fluently those words come out.

We'd love to hear how you're doing with practicing what **you** preach during "talk back time" in worship. Need a prayer? - we've got some of those available free of charge, too!

Blessings,

Jeff, Susan, Carla and Nancy

NBC WOMEN'S MINISTRY

February Schedule:

2/5	Open Discussion
2/12	Bible Study, Valentine's Day Celebration
2/19	Open Discussion
2/26	Bible Study



All women are welcome
without regard to faith, beliefs or denomination.

Fellowship will be held at Aileen Johanson's house:
Please call the office 801-302-3322 for directions.

For further information about our events and activities, contact Women's Ministry Leader, Edrie Bridenbaugh.

edrieallred@aol.com; tel. #[\(801\)253-4505](tel:8012534505).

**"Friends come and friends go,
but a true friend sticks by you
like family"**

Proverbs 18:24 (The Message translation)

Walk to Emmaus 2009



Walk to Emmaus is designed to strengthen, teach and renew active Christian leaders within the Church. It is a spiritual weekend filled with speakers, prayers and music.

The Walks are a time commitment from Thursday evening through Sunday evening. Space is limited, please contact the office if you are interested in attending.

Men's walk February 26 - March 1

Women's walk March 5 - 8

"While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and walked with them." - Luke 24:15

"...then their eyes were opened and they recognized him,"
- Luke 24:31

Lay Speaker Training



Lay Speakers are active, supportive members of the United Methodist Church who are eager to serve through the church. Local Lay Speakers serve their local churches while Certified Lay Speakers serve in their own churches, in other churches and through district or conference projects and programs. (A Lay Speaker is not required to preach!)

Basic and Advanced courses are offered twice a year in Utah. Each course is 10 hours and is held on a Friday and Saturday.

There will be two classes offered at Christ United Methodist Church (SLC) on March 20-21, 2009 (Friday 6:30-10pm, Saturday 8:30am - 5pm)

The Basic Course will be taught along with an advanced Course. Local and Certified Lay Speakers are invited to take the advanced course: "Lay Speakers Lead Bible Study". Classes are open to Local and certified lay Speakers and non-lay speakers who are interested. The cost of the Basic course is \$25 (includes the book). The cost of the Bible Study Class is the cost of the books (\$17) plus \$10 payable on Friday night. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. Persons wishing to take the advanced course must order the books prior to the class.

Please call **Cheryl Elliott at 568-0108** to reserve a place in either course and to get information on how to order the advanced class books.

PLEASE NOTE!!! All Lay Speakers must take a lay speaking course at least once every three years in order to maintain their standing as a Lay Speaker. Lay Speakers who have not taken a class since 2006 must take a class this year.



Church Women United

A multi faith gathering of Christian Women

Mark your calendar and plan to attend CWU's
Human Rights Celebration 2009

When: **Friday, March 13, 2009 (2nd Friday)**

Time: 9:30 a.m. Reg; 10:00 - 1:00 Program & Lunch)

Where: **Centenary United Methodist Church**
1740 South 500 East (Salt Lake City)

Theme: **"Seeking Shalom"**

Registration: \$1 Lunch: \$4.00

Community Outreach: TBD

Offering: Used for CWU National Programs:

Checks need to be made payable to:

Church Women United

Lunch RSVP: To **Barbara Stone at 262-1109** or

Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz
at 272-5356

by Monday, March 9

This is a wonderful ecumenical gathering and an opportunity to learn and grow spiritually and personally.

Hope to see you there.

YOU'RE INVITED!

To: Show **GOD'S LOVE** and our support for a week of hosting and providing for families without a place to live at this time.

For: Families - sponsored by FAMILY PROMISE - Salt Lake

Where: Hilltop United Methodist Church
Hilltop House - 985 E. 10600 S.

When: **March 8 - 15, 2009**

We need

Breakfast Hosts from 6 - 7 a.m weekdays, Weekend a.m., midday and afternoon shifts, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. People to prepare and deliver meals by 6 p.m., Evening Hosts from 5 - 8:30 p.m. to help with delivered meals, etc., Overnight Hosts (preferably a male and a female) from 8:30 p.m. - 6 or 7 a.m. (Fri. & Sat. nights hosts stay until 8 a.m.), Transport Volunteers on Sunday, March 15 at 1:30 p.m., food items, telephone support, and much Prayer.

RSVP: Jane C. Tago, 801-282-0765, for more information &/or sign-up at Mt. Vista UMC, or contact Brandee at the office 801-302-3322.