

MOVING FORWARD

February 21, 2010

A New Study/Series in 1 Thessalonians Is Coming!

Maureen and I are really looking forward to our first South Hills Missions Conference in the next two weeks (beginning Feb. 27th)!

On another note, I wanted to let you know that beginning March 14th I'll be doing a new series from 1 Thessalonians, entitled "Healthy Lives, Healthy Church!"

The series title reflects my great desire for South Hills – in my opinion, already a very healthy church – but my dream is that we become well-known in this valley and beyond in this manner.

We're in for a real treat in studying this brief letter of Paul's to a brand-new church. Chronologically, it is very likely only the second book of the New Testament (written even before the four Gospels)!

We'll be greatly inspired from 1 Thessalonians as we examine the health of the church in Thessalonica (today, the second largest city in Greece) and the great spiritual health of Paul himself.

As we study his heart for those he writes to, we'll be changed in the way we relate to each other and to the unsaved all around us.

And 1 Thessalonians has so much more in store for us than I can say here, but one additional thing to look forward to is its emphasis upon the return of Jesus Christ for His Church (each chapter ends with that focus).

I've long believed that a believer who yearns for the return of Jesus (who will come to rule and reign this earth in complete justice, righteousness and peace) is a healthy Christian indeed.

Would you please be in prayer with me for our Lord to move greatly in the upcoming Light for the Nations Missions Conference and for Him to do great things in and through our study in 1 Thessalonians?

Oh, yes: in case you're wondering, I am planning to do 2 Thessalonians after 1 Thessalonians!

Pastor Brad

FINANCIALS

General Fund Budget (9/1/09 - 8/31/10) Approved	\$1,200,000
Budget Year-to-Date	569,400
Given Year-to-Date (110.64%)	<u>629,963</u>
Variance	60,563
Missions Budget (4/1/09 - 3/31/10)	\$236,798
Budget Year-to-Date	206,961
Given Year-to-Date (91.21%)	<u>188,774</u>
Variance	(18,187)
Upgrade & Maintenance Fund	
Total Projected Cost	81,000
Funds Available	<u>21,098</u>
Funds Still Needed	59,902

SERMONS

- Feb 28 Missions Festival: S. Johnson
- Mar 07 Missions Festival: B. Lawrence
- 14 Healthy Lives, Healthy Church:
1 Thessalonians
- 21 Healthy Lives, Healthy Church:
1 Thessalonians
- 28 Healthy Lives, Healthy Church:
1 Thessalonians

Sermon CD's are available in the Media Center or download www.southhills.cc





WELCOME

Dear Friend,

I want to extend to you our genuine and sincerest welcome to South Hills Community Church!

Within a very short time I trust that you'll discover that we at South Hills are very intentional that we're all about people - people from different backgrounds who have encountered or are in the process of encountering an incredibly real and personal God in Jesus Christ-and thus discovering that He has a purpose and destiny for each of us.

Our chief aim for you – should you become part of the South Hills family – is for you to flourish and to thrive here! Everything that we do is designed toward that end – with you in mind.

I realize that being new to a church can often be difficult: How do you fit in? How do you get to know people? Well, we do have a very wide variety of means for you to be connected with us. You could begin by filling out a Visitor's Card (in the pew in front of you).

You can also visit one of some helpful people in the foyer immediately after the service – located just to the right of the main exit, seated at our tables for visitors and/or for those who are new to our church. These couples have been part of the South Hills family for years, so they have a wealth of knowledge about our church.

We have two classes for those who are new to the Christian faith, or if you've been a believer for some time and would like a small group, we have many small groups meeting throughout the South Bay during the week. The people you meet after the service can help you with that information, or you can meet others at our Welcome Booth in our Courtyard.

You can come and speak to Maureen and me at the end of the service (we're always down at front, just below the podium). You can also visit our website at www.southhills.cc for more information. Furthermore, you can join our community by signing on to our South Hills Social Network at www.southhillsnetwork.ning.com.

The church that I see grows daily in every way, becoming healthy individuals who can in turn share with others the very One all people need – true life and salvation found through faith in Jesus Christ.

Please let us know how we can serve you!

Very sincerely,

Pastor Brad Matthew Abley

SERVICES

PrimeTime	9:00am
Main Service	10:00am
Children	10:00am
Awana	4:00pm
High School	7:00pm

CONNECT

Main Office	268-1676
Children	414.3033
Students	414.3023
Women	414.3032
Men	414.3011

PRAYER

Prayer requests can be picked up at the Information Counter in the Foyer.

MISSIONS



Sunday Feb 28, 10:00am

Guest speaker—Shodankeh Johnson

Shodankeh is the Director at NewGenerations' Anglophone, Director of New Harvest Ministries and the President of the Evangelical Fellowship of Sierra Leone. He serves as the Anglophone West Africa Coordinator for MANI and holds many other leadership positions. He has facilitated the launch of more than 1,800 churches in three countries. Shodankeh, his wife Santa and their six children reside in Bo, Sierra Leone.

Saturday, March 6, 9am-12:00pm

Workshop-*The Heart of a Leader, The Difference Maker All Around the World*, Dr. Bill Lawrence

Sunday, March 7, 10:00 am

Guest speaker—Dr. Bill Lawrence

Bill is the President of Leader Formation Int'l, Sr. Professor Emeritus of Pastoral Ministries and Adjunct Professor of DM in Studies at Dallas Theological Seminary. Bill served 12 years as founding pastor of South Hills. He has ministered in more than 30 nations where his focus is on the transformation of the hearts of leaders. Bill and his wife Lynna live in Dallas, TX and have three married sons.

Sunday, March 7, 12-2pm

World Impact Lunch "Missionary Speed Dating"

DEVOTIONAL

Come to Me for all that you need. Come into My Presence with thanksgiving, for thankfulness opens the door to My treasures. When you are thankful, you affirm the central truth that I am Good. I am Light, *in whom there is no darkness at all*. The assurance that I am entirely Good meets your basic need for security. Your life is not subject to the whims of a sin-stained deity.

Relax in the knowledge that the One who controls your life is totally trustworthy. Come to Me with confident expectation. There is nothing you need that I cannot provide.

Psalm 95:2; 1 John 1:5

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FEATURED ITEMS

Women's Retreat

Heather Hong 358.2882

Join us at Mt. Hermon March 12-14. Spots are still available to sign up. This year's theme is "Know the Truth..." Sessions include a time of teaching, personal work, small group interaction and quiet time. Generous scholarships are available. Saturday-only registration is now open. TODAY is the last Sunday to register in the foyer. You can register online at www.southhills.cc.

GriefShare

Lin & Nick MacCrae 997.7884

Begins Thursday evenings, Feb 25. Receive support from those who understand the deep hurt of losing loved ones. Pick up a brochure at the table in the courtyard for yourself or for anyone you know who could benefit.

Men's Life Skills

Niola 414-3049

New Life Skills men's class beginning this Thursday, Feb 25, 7:00-10:00pm. Life Skills teaches you how to stop unhealthy patterns, enrich your relationships and enjoy a thriving home. Pre-registration is required.

Neighborhood Spring Cleaning

Larry 414-3071

Save the date, April 17th, for our first "Spring Clean"! The purpose of this event is to reach out to our neighbors within a one mile radius of SHCC with the love of Jesus through "no-strings-attached" service. We will be inviting our neighbors to our campus where we will have dumpsters set out for them to dump their rubbish or e-waste for free. While they are here they will be met with extreme hospitality: a free car wash by our students, free hotdogs, and a warm welcome by those in our church family.

LOOKING AHEAD

sun02.21	mon02.22	tues02.23	wed02.24
Prime Time Sunday Service Kids Church LifeSkills New Believer's Class Awana Day 7 @ Night	ESL South Hills LifeSkills	LifeSkills Women's Bible Study Talmidim - Day 7	ESL@Cornerstone Food Closet LifeSkills AXIS Ministries Men's Bible Study Talmidim - Day 7
thurs02.25	fri02.26	sat02.27	sun02.28
ESL Bible Study Women's Bible Study LifeSkills LifeSkills TerraNova Cleansing Stream Grief Share	Bulletin Folding Lovely Ladies Lunch AXIS Winter Hume	AXIS Winter Hume	AXIS Winter Hume Prime Time Sunday Service Kids Church New Believer's Class Awana Day 7 @ Night

CONNECT & SERVE

SPOTLIGHT



South Hills Children's Ministry

Sunday Mornings (Nursery – Fifth Grade): We are excited to be involved in supporting parents as they raise their children to know, love and serve our heavenly Father. Each week we prepare a Bible lesson and varied activities designed to help children grow in understanding God's desire to have a personal relationship with them.

Awana Clubs (3-year-olds—high school): Clubs meet Sunday afternoons at 4:00 pm to memorize Scripture, complete handbooks, and play games, all designed to nurture kids in their walk with God.

Cornerstone Preschool & Kindergarten: Preschool, kindergarten and extended care for children 3-5 years old that focuses on the social, emotional, physical, intellectual and spiritual development of children.

Coming This Summer!—"On the Rock": Two weeks of summer camp for kids entering second through fifth grades. Details to come.

High School (Day 7)

Chad 414.3039 or chadf@southhills.cc.

Sunday 7:00pm we get together and celebrate life through laughter, music, food, friends and encouragement from God's Word. For information about activities, summer camps and other special events visit www.day7.net.

College & Careers (Terra Nova)

Josh 414.3007 or josh@southhills.cc

A young adult (ages 18-25) community that actively pursues knowing and experiencing God's love. Together we celebrate life, face challenges, ask tough questions and discover His plans for us. Thursdays at 7:30pm in C603/04.

Life Lines

Confidential phone 997.PATH

We offer classes, groups, seminars and referrals to help you grow toward emotional and relational health, spiritual freedom and healing in Christ. Call for information about Cleansing Stream, HELP, Grief Share, Life Skills or professional referrals.

Cornerstone Preschool & Kindergarten

Deborah 268.7595

We offer preschool, kindergarten and extended care for children 3-5 years. Our focus is on social, emotional, physical, intellectual and spiritual development of children. Open registration for Summer and Fall is Friday, Feb 19 starting at 8:00am. Info and registration forms can be found at www.cornerstoneshcc.com.

Stephen Ministry

Marilyn 414.3022 or marilyn@southhills.cc

A program that equips lay persons to provide distinctively Christian, one-to-one care to those who are experiencing all kinds of life needs and circumstances.

Marketplace Ministries

hilde.ghesquiere@sbcglobal.net

Join men and women the 2nd Saturday of each month to share and celebrate the extraordinary miracles God is performing through ordinary people at work, school and in your neighborhood! Everyone is Welcome! March 13, 8:30am Rm B403.

Community Outreach

Marilyn 414.3022 or marilyn@southhills.cc

Food Closet: This Wednesday, Feb 24. Needs: mayonnaise, jam, spaghetti sauce, flour, sugar and all canned foods. We accept money donations, designate Food Closet on your check. We could use your help in the Youth Hall, Wednesday, 9am-1pm. Thank you for helping us serve 273 for the month of January.

Lovely Ladies Lunch: is for anyone over 50! Help us Celebrate Ourselves! Bring a friends and a food item to feed 6! Feb 26, 12-1:30pm, Rm A201. Special guest for lunch is Missionary Barbara Howe from Pakistan.

Custodial/Maintenance Position

David 414.3041 or davidp@southhills.cc

Custodial/maintenance part-time paid position: 20 hours/week. Will include evenings and weekends. Come to the church office and fill out an application.

MINISTRIES

Men's Bible Study

www.southhills.cc/mens

Peter Wood teaches in the book of James. Bring a Bible and a friend 6:45pm, dinner begins 7:00pm in the Youth Hall.

Men's Retreat: May 21-23, 2010 at Missions Springs.

Confidential prayer request: Jason Turk 771.4161 or mensprayer@southhills.cc.

For Women

Susan 414.3032 or susanr@southhills.cc

Women's Bible Studies: Short-term "The Book of Esther" Tues-7pm/Thurs-9:15am. Long-term continues in the Gospel of Mark. Tues-7pm/Thurs-9:15am.

Prayer Meetings

Daniel 414.3029 or danielg@southhills.cc

Sunday Morning Prayer: 8-10am—Join us in the Prayer Room.

Pray for Missionaries: Mar 7, 9:00am, Marilyn's office upstairs, main building.

Jr High (Axis)

Josh 414.3007 or josh@southhills.cc

Wednesday 6:30pm meet for games, worship, teaching and CORE groups. Visit www.axisministry.net for special events, summer camp and special trips.