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# CBF Newsletter

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## “Courageous” Movie Night

How about going to the movies? Better yet, how about seeing a FREE movie that has just recently been in area theaters?

CBF and Grace Fellowship of El Paso are joining forces to host movie events as an outreach to El Paso and surrounding communities.

On SATURDAY, FEB 11, 2012, beginning at 6:30 p.m. the movie “Courageous” will be shown in CBF’s arena. Then on SUNDAY, FEB 12, the same film will be offered as a 3:00 p.m. matinee at Grace Fellowship Church of El Paso. Address is on the picture.

Doors will open at CBF on Saturday at 6:00pm, and child care will commence at just before 6:30p.m. →

Child care will be available if you notify someone in the church office of either CBF or Grace: 309-527-6321 or 309-527-2920 respectively. We want to ensure that we have enough folks to watch the kiddos so please “make a child care” reservation no later than Wed., Feb. 8 by 3:00 p.m.

The Courageous movie portrays four police officers who are stellar in their jobs, but maybe not as successful in their roles as fathers. The overriding theme is *Honor begins at home*. The picture is

extremely well done and is family oriented. The film is 2 hours and 15 minutes in length. Come and invite friends and neighbors. But please remember the child-care reservation if needed.

Plan to enjoy free popcorn—just like at the movie theater.

Bottled water will also be offered.

Mark your calendars and take advantage of a free evening of entertainment in the company of friends, neighbors, and church family.

## Navajo Nation—a Mission Field



### ORANGE STUDENT MISSIONS "Mission Navajo Nation"

With the ushering in of 2012 came my much-anticipated announcement to senior high students of the destination for this summer's mission trip.

Partnering with *Experience Mission*, we will serve on the Navajo Reservation at Black Mesa, Arizona. The dates are June 7-17, 2012. Black Mesa is near the Grand Canyon in the upper northeast corner of Arizona.

By serving the Navajo Nation, we will have the opportunity to genuinely impact the lives of others. We will uniquely live and work among the Navajo. It will be an experience of partnership with local churches while practically serving the people around us by meeting the needs in tangible ways. We will work at building meaningful relationships. Going with genuine hearts to serve and connect with the Navajo people we will become a living picture of God's love through encouragement of those around us.

God laid upon my heart the need to serve native America several years ago. I am ecstatic that this opportunity has finally come our way for two reasons. First, it is an opportunity like none other we have ever experienced here at Orange, affording our students an incredible personal vista – of the panorama of the territory and the prospect for distinct spiritual growth and maturity. Second, we will be immersed in a culture, lifestyle, and conditions that will demand personal sacrifice of our everyday creature comforts. This mission will demand empathy for a people, especially youth, who are isolated, living in poor conditions, becoming bored and turning to alcohol and drugs for rescue.

Registration packets for senior high students are available from Pastor Dale. Applications and deposits must be received by March 11, 2012 to be on this team.

## Mission Committee Update

The Missions Committee, chaired by Margie Steffen and staffed by Marcia Dudley, Tom Hand, Ed Hodel, and Stephen and Nancy Jeffreys has been meeting regularly and has several upcoming events that should be noted by the church family.

There are opportunities to participate in outreach events as follows:

- Midwest Food Bank—Saturdays—Jan 28 and Feb 25
- El Paso Food Pantry—Saturdays—March 3 & 17
- ISU International Dinner—Friday evening, April 13
- New York Spread Truth Mission Trip July 15-18 or July 15-21
- Tennessee Mission Trip (similar to Sunset Gap trip of 2011). Date to be announced, details pending—Likely summer months.

Midwest Food Bank is Central

Illinois' clearinghouse/warehouse for food donations from food manufacturers, distributors, grocers, community and organizational food drives, and from individual donations of food and money. Midwest Food Bank, in turn, supplies many area food pantries. It is one of the best organized and supplied food banks in the nation. Teams from various charitable organizations are assigned weekends to help distribute food from the shelves of the food bank by sorting and loading them on trucks that arrive.

El Paso Food Pantry, a beneficiary of Midwest Food Bank, relies on local churches and other groups to staff their bi-monthly Saturday food distributions. The Pantry serves over 100 families each time it opens its doors. Working at the Food Pantry is a valuable family teaching tool for children to learn the blessing of serving others.

Each year CBF contributes food for an international student dinner held at Illinois State University. This outreach is designed to show God's love to overseas students in the hope that they will take what they learn about Christ back to their home countries and spread the Good News.

Speaking of spreading Good News, a mission opportunity to do just that is coming in July. CBF members will travel to New York to the inner city to evangelize on the streets of the city.

Another mission trip opportunity will be going to Tennessee in a similar fashion to the summer of 2011 when a team of 26 from CBF helped two TN women with upgrading their homes over a week's time.

## Winter Weather Policy Reminder

In the event of severe winter weather on a day or night when CBF generally has activities, please note the Winter Weather Policy below:

1. If El Paso-Gridley School district cancels school or dismisses school early because of bad weather, there shall be no activities at church that day/evening.
2. On Sunday mornings a decision will be made by 6:30 a.m. as to whether or not church will be canceled in the case of severe weather conditions. Find out CBF plans by accessing one of the following:
  - WJBC Radio [1230 AM on your radio dial]
  - WEEK-TV
  - Community Bible Fellowship website: [cbfministries.org](http://cbfministries.org)

## Messages to Anticipate

During late January and early February Pastor Wes is speaking on the subject of Forgiveness as follows:

- Jan. 29—"Viewing Unforgiveness as God Does" based on Matthew 18:21-35
- Feb. 5—"Forgiveness: God's Plan for Your Past" based on Ephesians 4:29-32
- Feb. 12—"Looking to the Fields" based on John 4:35

Then in mid-February and for the next six weeks, or until Easter, Pastor Wes will be doing a message series about the Family and our spiritual goals and inclinations when it comes to raising our families. He will tell us what God's word has to say about family—all the way from the marriage ceremony to raising our kids. Look forward to this challenging series of messages and invite young families to hear from God's word on this subject. The family is becoming something of an oddity in today's world. We, as Christians, need to try to do everything in our power to preserve the family as God intended.

## A New "DDT"

A couple years back when a person heard the term "DDT" used around CBF, it referred to the Design Development Team. Since that Team completed its mission and has since dissolved, we are going to *recycle* the acronym DDT to denote the Deacon and Deaconess Team.

Deacons, Brian Duley and Barrett Scheuermann, and deaconesses, Linda Hodel, Marty Reeves, and Carol Stiles have accepted the role of overseeing property and facility maintenance issues as well as group activities. You notice the word is "oversee" not "do." By this we mean, these folks will take charge of delegating or

hiring work done as needed to keep our new facility and grounds maintained.

From among the D's, Brian Duley has been chosen to head the group.

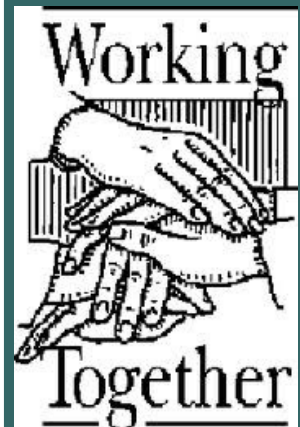
We are going to try to channel requests via use of a "Request Form" much like a work order form. These new forms will be available for you to complete at the Connection Counter if you find something inside or outside the building that you believe should be brought to the attention of the DDT to fix or make something better.

When a form has been completed indicating the nature of the work that

needs to be done, it should be turned into the Connection Counter. The staff will see that these requests get to the appropriate people on the DDT.

Someone from the staff or the DDT will get back to you. They will either let you know that the task is being handled or that for whatever reason, the work requested is not feasible at this time and why.

We are thankful there are folks in our church family who are willing to oversee these details so that the Elder board can focus on church vision, spiritual growth, connectivity for the church family and outreach efforts.



# Ladies Retreat Coming February 4 Registration Deadline Sat., January 28



*Community Ladies Retreat*  
 Saturday, February 4, 2012 • 8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.  
 East White Oak Bible Church

Want to laugh until your sides ache? Want to sing (even if you don't have the best pipes?) Want to visit with a bunch of lady friends and meet some new ladies? Want to enjoy scrumptious home-cooked food? Want to come away with some food for thought and maybe a book to inspire you?

The answer to your desires is all to be had at the annual Ladies Retreat scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 4 from 8-3 at East White Oak Bible Church. See Directions. —>

Keynote Speaker, Sue Heimer, is a wife, mother, writer and international/inspirational speaker. Sue contributes articles to *Focus on the Family* and has written a teen bible study as well as creating a ministry for mothers called *Leaving Your Legacy*.

Workshops in both morning and afternoon sessions feature pastors, missionaries, folks with testimonies to inspire you, cooks, beauty advisers and more!

If you haven't registered, please go the church website, [cbfministries.org](http://cbfministries.org). Right

under the changing picture banner there is a link that takes you to the Ladies Retreat website. Print the registration form and make your choices. Include your \$20 registration fee and mail to:

Ladies Community Retreat  
 Salem Church  
 4925 E. 1250 North Road  
 Gridley, IL 61744

Many gentlemen from our church will help serve the noon meal. We are thankful for their willingness to help out in this way. If you are willing to help serve, contact Karen Heller at 309-287-2834.

