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Facing Haiti

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One of the saddest things in life is when you climb out of a hole, then slide back to where you started. The ghastliest thing that can happen after any mission project is to go back to life as usual.

When you travel a great distance with Christian friends and you commit to Christ and to one another in prayer you see the world in eye-popping ways. The scriptures come to life in 1080p vividness that sticks with you. These trips are not something you do, then fling aside like some empty bottle of bug repellent. Serving others in a place like Haiti comes from a growing experience that is just a part of your daily living.

When the apostle Paul first came to Christ he didn't go straight to preaching to the leaders of the Roman Empire. He was first sent off to some remote, back water, out of the way place. The common place is the first stop in missions.

As much as I want you to go and help in Haiti, it may not be where God is calling you. You need to first serve God right here, right now. If you are puzzled at where to plug in and begin serv-

ing and you think Haiti is the place for you to go and serve... you **shouldn't go. You don't have enough vision. Haiti isn't the beginning, it's a place of travel for those whom are serving God by serving others daily.**

First acquire a vision for serving God all around you. In your home, your neighborhood, the community, the city and keep growing in service. Then Haiti and many other places will be a place God may send you.

Prayer: God, I want to serve you in all areas of my life and in all the places I live, breath and move. I want service to be part of my everyday life. Help me find places to practice.

Mission Team: Limited to 10 people. We may have 2 teams.

Mission Dates: July 13-20 If a 2nd group: July 20-27

Deposit: \$300 due March 31st.

2nd Payment: \$300 due May 2nd

3rd Payment: \$400 due June 6th

March 24-Wednesday Meal and Dessert Auction

May 15-Yard Sale: Looking for items to be donated

>>UPCOMING MSFM EVENTS<<

April 16-18: Spiritual Explosion//Riverside Youth Conference. Mark these days on your Calendar.

March 14: Teen Time//4:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Teen House

March 21: Teen Time//4:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Teen House

Sign up of the Student & Family Ministry email list
Please send an email to: Jamie.smith@montgomerychurch.org

Harding Bison Days// Easter weekend. Contact Jamie Smith if you are interested in going.

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Thanks to Scott Bae (See 2Samuel 18:9-15)

ABSALOM UNWITTINGLY PROVIDED ENTERTAINMENT FOR JOAB'S NEPHEW'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

ONE IN SPIRIT AND IN PURPOSE

"...make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose." Philippians 2:2

WEDNESDAY CLASS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Hayden Armstrong 3/10 12 yrs old
 TJ Hargrove 3/18 16 yrs old
 Aidan Parish 3/28 13 yrs old
 Shelby Williamson 3/30 18 yrs old

¡Feliz Cumpleaños!

Ponderosa Camp forms are available in the office.

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Jesus prayed that we would be one like he and his father are one

>>USELESS FACTS

The average honey bee will actually make only one twelfth of a teaspoon of honey in its lifetime.



HELP WANTED

We need volunteer youth workers!

- Small Groups: Adult & Student Leaders
- Greeters: Make students and parents feel welcome, gather registration forms Adult & Student Leaders wanted.
- Hosts: Parents and adults who can provide both food and a place for small groups to meet regularly or occasionally.
- Drivers: Parents & adults who can drive their own vehicle, vans or the Bus. Will provide training.
- Teen House: Parents & adults for up-keep and improvements.
- Fundraising: promotion & operation.

>>UPCOMING MSFM EVENTS

Set your phone alarm to go off daily at 3:16 pm as a reminder & pray to love like Jesus in your world.

Sunday Morning: 9:30 am - 10:30 am

What are you waiting for? You have a life to build for eternity. Everyday is critical to God. You are a part of a generation that grasps more, that has a conviction to access more and experience the deeper things of God. We don't just "tell the way", we "show the way" at CROSS CURRENT. Come and worry less about what is changing around you and focus on what will always be true about **us**.

6th—7th Grade//Rm D221—Billy S.//New Testament Survey
 8th—9th Grade//Rm D204-Robin O. & Tom N. //Life of Jesus
 10th-12th Grade//Rm D218-Burnhams & Statzulas//The Books of Romans & James

Praying 4Haiti//Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Teen House

Keep 1 Tim 4:12 in your heart as you pray about this mission. Remember: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month are Fund-raiser meals. We need you in the kitchen from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. Please come and join us at 7:30 pm for prayer and help plan fundraising opportunities.

SUMMER CAMP MEETING

It has been suggested that we consider going to Soul Quest at York College over Encounter and Camp Champion at Lubbock Christian. All who are interested come to the *Teen House on Wed. March 10th at 7:30 pm.*

Soul Quest: June 13-19 Encounter/Champ: June 6-12/20-25

SACRED MARRIAGE

DEEPIING YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD
 It is precisely this notion of sacrifice and service that will help us reclaim spirituality for married couples. **Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote that "Christian marriage is marked by discipline and self-denial...Christianity does not therefore depreciate marriage, it sanctifies it."**

3 Problems of Not Planning

1. Set up for failure: Unprepared is unsuccessful.
2. You'll never inspire to others to follow.
3. You'll give up more easily.

Become a Student of Influence:

As a Christian teenager, you can spend all your time participating in the greatest youth programs in town. You can devote all your energy to becoming the most well-behaved student within the four walls of the church building. **But that's not the battlefield. The point of attack comes elsewhere.** The battle takes place at precisely that point where you touch the lives of your lost friends and influence those peers who desperately need Christ. Have you flinched yet? May you flinch no more. Will YOU be the one *influenced* by others—or the ONE who influences others for Christ?

BEING A PERFECT MINISTRY DOESN'T MATTER. BEING A PRAYING MINISTRY DOES.

"...that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ..." Philippians 1:9-10