

LOVE LEAD LEND LIVE

Think on These Things

The founder of the Salvation Army, William Booth, is said to have been converted in Wesleyan Chapel, Nottingham, England. A plague marks the site of his spiritual baptism. "One day, years ago, an elderly black man, dressed in the simple uniform of a street preacher, entered the historic chapel and asked the white minister there, 'Can a man say his prayers in here? 'Of course you can', the minister replied. Whereupon the humble man, dropping to his knees, head erect and eyes closed, was heard to say: 'Dear God, do it again!'" As I read this story, I was arrested by the simple prayer of a humble man: "Dear God, do it again!"

We read about revivals and spiritual awakenings throughout the history of Christianity, but sometimes I think we aren't praying or believing for God to "do it again". As we begin our series on spiritual gifts, what they are, their purpose, and how to use them, I pray that our desire to identify them is so that God will once again empower the church to be His witness in this world around us. I pray that we too will plead, "Dear God, do it again!" Something to think about as we go about our week. Love and blessings,

Leadership Team Meeting

SATURDAY, SEPT. 17 FROM 9:30A - 11:00A

HELP PLAN AND PRAY FOR MINISTRY ACTIVITIES OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

Senior Luncheon

Monday, Sept. 26

11:30a @ Milano's

New ESL Semester Begins

Sunday, Sept. 18 @ 5:00p

Volunteers should plan to arrive @ 4:30p for set-up. See Ashley Lasher for details.

> There will be a short Deacon's Meeting this Sunday @ 4:00p

Trace

September Birthdays

08/31 Kayla Smith

09/01 Angela Horton 09/01 Marie Richardson 09/06 Carson Massengale 09/16 Millie Edwards 09/22 Kelsey Cagle 09/23 Karen Huddleston 09/24 Jacob Thomas 09/26 Jill Webb 09/27 Layne Couch

GriefShare Ministry Update

I would love to introduce you the GriefShare ministry of the church. This is a 13-week program offered to anyone in the community that has experienced the loss of a loved one, a child, or a friend. It is composed of a video session where people share their grief experiences, a group discussion time where people can share their feelings about what was on the video, and then a five-session workbook that helps them see how God can help them. The book is called Mourning to Joy.

We need your prayers for volunteers, male leaders, and that God will help use this ministry to mend the brokenness of the death of a loved one.

- Pastor Jerry

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Sep	18	Ernest McCurry
Sep	25	Bill Forcier