

October 23, 2022

# It Starts at Home

Learn to Confidently Teach Your Kids About God

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***“Happy homes echo the intimate joys of heaven. Broken, troubled families, by contrast, imitate the loneliness, isolation, and anger of hell.”***

*Kurt Bruner and Steve Stroope, [It Starts at Home: A Practical Guide to Nurturing Lifelong Faith](#) (Chicago, IL: Moody Publishers, 2020).*

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## **We Approach God**

Welcome & Announcements

Covenant Partnership – Libbi Campbell and Charles Glewen

Praise Singing

“Blessed Assurance” Hymn #416

“We Believe”

“Goodness of God”

Congregational Prayer

3 Minutes for Missions – Steve & Amanda Bialy

## **We Hear God’s Word**

Children’s Message – Cody Mueller

Message – It Starts at Home: Pursuing Honey in the Rock

Scripture – Deut. 5:8-10, 33-6:9, 32:13; Ps. 78:9-39, 81:16

## **We Respond to God**

Prayer

Sonshine Singers – “Honey in the Rock”

Benediction

“O, How I Love Jesus” Hymn #176 vs 1

*Family Memory Work for October 26<sup>th</sup>*

Hear o Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. – Deuteronomy 6:4

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## **Pursuing Honey in the Rock**

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### **TWO PATHS & TWO CONSEQUENCES:**

1. God \_\_\_\_\_ abundantly those who \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ Him

2. God \_\_\_\_\_ abundantly those who \_\_\_\_\_ Him

### **APPLICATION: THREE STEPS TOWARD HONEY...**

**Define your family's purpose:** I \_\_\_\_\_ and n \_\_\_\_\_ the f \_\_\_\_\_ in the next generation

**Devise your strategy:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Devote yourself to a plan:** Get specific...

Pray with kids before school, meals, & bed.

Don't know how to pray? What to pray? Start with praying Numbers 6:24-26 and the bulletin prayer guide. Then read "The Power of a Praying Parent," "Powerful Prayers for Your Family," "The Blessing," "Prayer Saturated Kids," or "The Adversary at Home."

### **FAMILY DISCUSSION:**

1. Parents tell what path your parents tried to lead you on (honey or hell). How did they do?
2. What path do you think you are currently on? Why?
3. What is our family's purpose?
4. What will our prayer plan be moving forward?

## *Upcoming Events*

- Oct 23** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting  
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Covenant Partnership – Libbi Campbell & Chas Glewen,  
Sonshine Singers  
10:45am – Sunday School  
5:30pm – Jr High Praise Band  
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group
- Oct 24** 7:00pm – High School Bible Study  
8:00pm – High School Band
- Oct 25** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting  
9:30am – Women’s Bible Study  
6:30pm – Equipping Children & Families Team Meeting  
7:00pm – Executive Committee Meeting
- Oct 26** 9:30am – Golden Lifers  
6:00pm – Intermediate Praise Team  
6:20pm – Sonshine Singers, Jr Choir  
6:30pm – Mixed Choir  
6:40pm – Women’s Prayer Meeting  
6:45pm – Bible Class  
7:30pm – High School Youth Group, Men’s Chorus
- Oct 30** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting  
9:30am – Pastor Doug  
10:45am – Sunday School  
11:30am – Covenant Partnership Class – *If you are interested in membership,  
please contact Pastor Kevin.*  
3:00pm – Hymn Sing  
5:30pm – Jr High Praise Band  
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

To view the church calendar, go to [www.altoreformedchurch.org](http://www.altoreformedchurch.org)

## *Youth News*

**Middle School** – Tonight we’re talking about God’s plan and how you’re a part of it. See you at 6:30!

**High School** – What was God’s plan for this world? Did Adam and Eve mess it up? Is it possible to mess up God’s plan? So many questions come to mind when we consider God’s will and our choices. Let’s talk through it Wednesday night at 7:30.

## *Opportunities to Get Involved*

**Sunday School** – Sunday school is available for everyone 3 years old – adult. Preschoolers should meet in the Sunbeamers room. K-5<sup>th</sup> grade should go to the basement for their snack (do not take a snack from upstairs) and singing and then break off into their classrooms. 6<sup>th</sup>-High School should meet in their classrooms. Young Adults (18-25) can meet in the prayer room. Adults can meet in the sanctuary for sermon discussion or in the consistory room for Sunday School Guide.

**It Starts at Home** – Join us either Sunday mornings during Sunday School in the sanctuary or Tuesdays at 9:30am in the prayer room. In these sessions, we will explore biblical and tangible ways that parents and grandparents can build a legacy of faith for their children.

**OCC Packing** – Information for packing boxes and donation needs for Operation Christmas Child are located in your mailboxes and at the Children & Families Resource Center. We'll be having our annual packing party on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30-7:30pm. We hope you'll join us. If you decide to pack your own box at home, they are due by November 13<sup>th</sup> and shipping costs should be placed in the shipping donations box. Any questions, contact Lynnae.

**Hymn Sing** – Join us Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 3pm for a hymn sing. Bring your requests and join us as we worship in song. We will be taking an offering for REACH Waupun.

### *Bulletin Board News*

**Offering** may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 10/23 Christian Home Chaplain, 10/30 Words of Hope, 11/6 Camp Manitouqua, 11/13 Missionary Salary.

If you feel led to give specifically towards the upcoming ceiling project, please put your check in a separate marked envelope in one of the offering boxes. The deacons are beginning to keep track separately of what has been contributed towards the project, which will be shown on the monthly financial reports. Thank you.

**Congrats** to Jim & Karen Stelsel as they celebrate their 64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary today.

**AMEN** articles are due next Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Snow Plowing Bids** – We are accepting bids for snow plowing for the parking lot (excluding sidewalks). Bids can be turned in to the church office in a sealed envelope. Bids are due by October 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Food Pantry Donations** – Women's Ministry is collecting items for the Brandon & Waupun Food Pantries during the month of October. Requested items include spaghetti sauce, cereal, cream soups, jelly, baked beans, chicken noodle soup, and granola bars. Donations may be placed in the tote under the church mailboxes.

**You are invited to a Voice of the Martyrs virtual event called "Imprisoned for Christ"** on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 3-6pm in Waupun. We will hear from three inspiring speakers from different restricted nations dominated by Islam, each was arrested, interrogated and imprisoned. While all three struggled to find God's purpose in their suffering, they ultimately recognized His faithfulness and love amid desperate circumstances. In addition to their firsthand testimonies, you will enjoy an engaging panel discussion moderated by VOM Radio host Todd Nettleton as well as inspiring worship music from Dove Award-winning artist Natalie Grant. Refreshments will be provided. This event is being hosted at no cost to you at First Christian Reformed Church at 20 Bly Street in Waupun. Be sure to mark your calendars today and plan to join us October 30. If you have any questions, contact Mike Vander Berg ([mvb2serve@gmail.com](mailto:mvb2serve@gmail.com)).

## P - praise R - repent A - ask Y – yield

*Lord. I praise you for the children in my life. I rejoice in their smiles, laughter and love. Forgive me for being unkind and harsh when they needed love and compassion. Forgive me for being apathetic and easy when they needed discipline and direction. Move my family to pray with passion and faith. "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15NIV)*

*'May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord smile down on you  
and show you his kindness.  
May the Lord answer your prayers  
and give you peace.'* (Num. 6:22-26 ERV)

**THIS WEEK...** Pray for Cal Flegner as he recovers from surgery to repair 2 aneurysms. Pray for Betty Bruins as her sister, LaVerne Vande Zande, passed away.

**Healing:** Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Ashley Bruins, Betty Daane, Alvin Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, Faye Janey, Rich Kamphuis, Larry Mulder, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jean Stelsel, Carl VanderKooi, Jake Vande Zande, Ron Vande Zande, and Silas Willey.

**Military Personnel:**  
Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in New Mexico;  
Sebastian Hoenisch, stationed in the San Diego, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder;  
Mitch Miller, stationed in the South China Sea

**Shut-ins:** Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen  
**Charleston House:** Brian Hemp  
**Beaver Dam Memory Care:** Cora Hemp  
**Christian Home:** Betty Bruins, Sharon Harmsen, Helen Straks, Dayton TerBeest, Junice Vande Zande, Kay Vande Zande  
**Home:** Margaret Hoekstra  
**Maple Meadows:** Arlene Henning  
**Marvin's Manor:** Eleanor Loomans  
**Prairie Ridge:** Annice Hopp

**Missionaries:** Bob Abel – Remember Nhu, Steve & Amanda Bialy – Converge, Chris Briggs – CCCD, Andy Lickel – InterVarsity, Jersey & Preston Sheldon – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ