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COLUMBIA CATALYST

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Holy Time for Columbia @ Crossroads

We have prayed and planned, prayed and worked, prayed and promoted, prayed and publicized, and prayed some more. These past several months, and especially these past several weeks, have seen a flurry of activity in the final preparations for the launch of Columbia @ Crossroads, our church's newest multi-site. The building renovations have been completed. The community has received multiple mailings, door to door flyers, and individual invitations. The launch team is unified, trained, and eager to serve.

This is it. Holy Week and Easter are upon us. The countdown is nearly completed. April 16, Crossroads Launch Day, is almost here. And many of you will come to the service on that day in support of it.

Yet, it's more than merely "Instant church—just add people." It's a matter of God at work. Centuries ago, when it was time to rebuild the temple, a prophet reminded the people about the task: *"It's not by human might or power, but by My Spirit," says the Lord.*

Surely that is also true today. And that is why we have prayed even more than we have strategized and labored. Yes, we have prepared practically. But, even more so, we have sought to prepare spiritually.

Thank you for your continued prayers for Columbia @ Crossroads, especially for the people God will bring to the services—that they may encounter the risen Christ who loves them infinitely. May many come to faith in the Lord Jesus.

Easter is a holy time, a celebration of resurrection. Our Savior rose from the grave and is alive forever, in heaven and in hearts. And on April 16, we will also celebrate the resurrection of a congregation and its ministry, there at 3245 Glen Carlyn Road. I am profoundly grateful for the privilege of serving in this exciting, missionary venture, and I thank you for your part in it as well. God is at work.

For Christ and His Kingdom,
Greg



Important Reminder to Columbia @ Falls Church

Be sure to use Park & Ride on Easter Sunday to make sure there is room for all our guests.

Columbia @ Falls Church Easter Schedule

Good Friday, April 14th

11:50 a.m. Service and Lunch

7:30 p.m. *Seven Words from the Cross* – an All-Columbia Congregations Evening Service, Sanctuary

Saturday, April 15th

6:29 Service, Stephenson Hall

Easter Sunday, April 16th

8:30 a.m. Contemplative Service, Sanctuary

9:45 a.m. Contemporary Service, Stephenson Hall

11:00 a.m. Classic Service, Sanctuary

9:45 & 11:00 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School classes

The Cross as a Journey

A holy week labyrinth experience emphasizing Jesus' walk to the cross as we prepare our hearts, attitudes, and minds

for this Holy Week.

April 11, 12, 13

Tuesday through Thursday

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Reservations are required.

Sign-up at the information desk.

Hosted by the Prayer Experience Ministry Team

AVAILABLE IN THE COLUMBIA BOOKSTORE

Your Finances

So, have you finished your taxes? Did you resolve last year to get your finances in order, and did you follow through? You need some help, and below are two books to help you get started. Using these books and other resources available through Columbia, you can put yourself on the path of being a good steward with the resources that God has given you.

A resource for integrating faith and finances, *Faithful Finances 101* is a first-person narrative by an outspoken advocate of faith-based investing. Financial counselor Gary Moore strips the veneer from evangelical views of the illusions that dominated much of the economic scenes of the last two decades and offers, with "hopeful realism," a guide to true riches based on a biblical worldview.

Moore moves from frank observations on religious pride to a discussion of making money but losing faith. He sees faith as integral to every aspect of investing. Using the financial teachings of the Judeo-Christian Scriptures, he shows people how to take sound but fragmented ideas about modern political, economic, and theological reality and mold them into a coherent whole. He cites people he respects, including Henri Nouwen, Chuck Colson, Sir John Templeton, and Robert Schuller.

Differentiating between having a Christian financial planner and having a Christian financial plan, Moore explains that spiritual investing connects the soul of theology, the mind of economics, and the heart of politics, freeing the spirit for "balanced riches" that benefit not only individuals but the world. He never promises riches. He does provide a firm, spiritually oriented foundation that should help most people do very constructive things for others and for themselves with their financial resources.

He explores the Scriptures, pointing out guidance offered by the patriarchs and prophets, as well as the financial challenges of the gospels. With this Biblical foundation, he then presents a vision for true wealth in the Third Millennium.

The Sound Mind Investing Handbook provides basic explanations about well-known investments such as IRAs, 401Ks, Mutual and Money Market Funds, and stocks. Then it builds on the basics to help the reader determine the best investments for his/her income level, age, goals, and so on. This type of information is available in lots of books, but the beauty of this book for Christians is that the authors teach you how to make these important decisions based on the principles the Bible gives us for managing all that God blesses us with. The reader learns how to be a good steward, to provide for family, education, emergency, retirement as well as generously giving back to the Lord to help further the kingdom. This solid book is a great start for anyone who wants to shore-up his or her understanding of the basics, and then move beyond that without compromising good stewardship.

Got Books?

The Bookstore will be holding a Yard Sale (actually a Hallway Sale) Wednesday April 26. We have been overwhelmed by your generous donations of books! Please keep bringing them, because we still want them! If we run out of room, that will make the Yard Sale so much the better for you. Clean out your basement, and bring us your books by Sunday April 26, and then please be sure to not buy back all of your own books at the Yard Sale.



Sundays 8 a.m.— 1 p.m.
Mondays 6 p.m.— 9 p.m.
Wednesdays 4 p.m.— 7:30 p.m.
Other hours, by request

You may also place an order by emailing bookstore@columbiabaptist.org.

Remember: Anything can be special ordered and, if requested, shipped directly to your home.

The Columbia Bookstore uses the same distributors as major book chains — if they can get it, we can get it!

EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER—SPOTLIGHT ON YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM



This month we spotlight Ron and Nancy Rhodes, members of the Youth Leadership Team. They are part of a team of lay ministers who partner with Chris McPeek, our Youth Minister, to lead and participate in all components of the Sr. High Youth Program at Columbia.

“What does a youth leader do?” you might ask. Most importantly, ***they build relationships with the youth and are there for them to talk to and confide in.***

“How do you do this?” In any number of ways! Ron and Nancy both lead Alpha Groups, which are small groups divided by high school. They hang out with the kids at Beyond the Edge, the Sunday night youth group meeting. They spend time at Starbucks after Beyond the Edge. They attend youth trips and youth worker conferences. They have kids over for game nights, Breakaway weekends, and other activities. They get TP’d, flocked, shaving creamed, and forked. Whew! Are you tired yet? But doesn’t it sound like fun?!

When asked what they like best about serving on the team, Ron and Nancy say that it keeps them connected to the community that their youngest belongs to and that their older ones came from. They like the honesty and impulsiveness. And, it keeps them plugged into the youth culture of today, which is very different than even a few years ago. They agree. “It certainly keeps us on our toes.”

Ron and Nancy actually began working with kids before they were married. They put together puppet show skits for Sunday Children’s Worship. They would get together after a date on Saturday nights and develop the skit. “Sometimes, Ron’s creative juices ran a little wild but the kids loved the puppet shows and the messages they conveyed.” Ron and Nancy initially got involved with youth when their oldest daughter, Keli, was entering junior high school.

They have been blessed to see lives changed and blessings spring from tragedy. They have been blessed to have youth trust them enough to come to them for advice. “Kids need to be loved unconditionally and we’re the ones who are truly blessed when we see the results of that love.”

What do they suggest to others who might be considering working with youth? “It’s a unique experience. Youth workers become like a family. We share a common love for youth and it bonds us tightly together. You have to have energy and patience but the blessings flowing from this ministry are greater than anyone can imagine. What better place to invest in our future than in our youth...the Christian standard-bearers of tomorrow.” They also remind us that, “We’re always in need of workers (more family). It doesn’t require a lot of ‘work’. One just needs to be available to our kids and have a servant heart to listen to them and guide them. It’s incredibly rewarding. The rewards far outweigh the effort expended.”

When they are not working with youth, Ron works for IBM in a business development/sales capacity to the federal government and Nancy is a third grade teacher at Timber Lane Elementary School. They have four children (Keli, Buddy, Tommy, Bradley) and one grandchild (Mollie).

Ron and Nancy are also involved in other areas of Columbia. Ron teaches Bible 101, an 11:00 hour Sunday School Class, with Doug Jaeger. The class has been meeting since May 2004 and it is thriving. Nancy used to teach the four-year old choir. Now some of the kids she used to teach are in the youth group and they still remember some of the songs she taught them!

Could the Youth Ministry Team be the place for you to invest your life? Want to explore it a little further? If so, contact Chris McPeek at cmcpeek@columbiabaptist.org or 703-534-5740 x267. If you want to serve at Columbia, but are interested in other opportunities, please contact Jeanine Bush Aronowitz, Director of Lay Ministry, at jaronowitz@columbiabaptist.org or 703-534-5740 x272.

Igniting your Spiritual Growth!

We want to invite anyone from the **Celebration Service** and the **6:29 Worship Service** to join an **Ignition Group**: a wonderful place for you to experience spiritual growth. **Ignition Groups** bring together sermon teaching, individual reflection, group dynamics, and synergy of Spirit to bring about spiritual growth and Authentic Community in a small group experience. Each week along with your sermon notes you receive Ignition Notes, a "reflection guide," for you to work with before your group meets. As you meet with your Ignition Group, you have an opportunity to dig deeper in the scripture, learn to apply the teachings of the sermon in your life and build Authentic Community.



ignition groups

We currently have four groups and are seeking to create new groups in the weeks ahead:

- Saturday evenings @ 5 p.m. for Young Single Women, facilitated by Nancy Walker
- Tuesday evenings @ 7 p.m. hosted & facilitated by Bill Graves & Nancy Hale
- Thursday evenings @ 7:30 p.m. hosted and facilitated by Eric & Laura Reiser
- Saturday evenings @ 5 p.m. facilitated by Sharon Daniel & Kris Solberg.

Sign up on the **Ignition Group** bulletin Board across the hall from Stephenson Hall; or, for more information about how you can be a part of an **Ignition Group** community as a facilitator, host, or member, contact Cheryl Lowrance during the week: cheryl.lowrance@cox.net.



Joy Singers Join Bon Air Choir for Palm Sunday Service

The Joy Singers continue their ministry of music and outreach as they join with the choir of Bon Air Baptist Church to present a special Palm Sunday communion service on April 9. This will be the second time the two choirs have shared in such a worship event.

The Joy Singers will also be singing on the last Wednesday evenings of March, April, May, and June at the Mid-Week Manna services, in addition to visiting three or four senior residential homes in the area and participating in Columbia @ Greenspring service in June. All these activities, plus an annual trip to the Retreat Center (date TBA), comprise a busy spring of outreach and ministry. As always, this activity is open to everyone. Rehearsals are every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. For more information, contact choir president Al Gammons at 703-538-6793, or director Bill Fox at 703-241-0518.

Save the Date: MINISTRY EXPO – JUNE 4, 2006

You won't want to miss the Ministry Expo coming Sunday morning, June 4th, 2006.

The Ministry Expo will give you the opportunity to learn more about Columbia's ministries and how YOU can be involved!

Put it on your calendar, and watch for more details. For more information now, contact the Jeanine Bush Aronowitz, Director of Lay Ministry.

"You are now free to move about Columbia....ding!"

JOURNEY WITH CHRIST OFFERS THREE NEW FLIGHTS

Spring Session of Journey with Christ has just taken off with three brand new flights!

Sundays, March 19th– May 21, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

It's Not Too Late to Join us NOW!!

As followers of Jesus each one of us needs to be intentional about learning to becoming more like Him. *Journey with Christ (JWC)* provides you with the opportunity to do just that! Join Us Now!!!

101: Becoming Intentional – Dr. Baucom leads the group in a review of Christian and Baptist beliefs, the history of Columbia Baptist Church, and an introduction to spiritual disciplines.

210: Practicing the Disciplines – Small groups of twelve to fourteen people explore and live out the spiritual disciplines of journaling, Bible study and meditation, prayer, silence and solitude, worship, and more.

301: Discovering Ministry – Small groups of six to eight people study and determine their spiritual gifts, passions, and personality type and how to use them in the ministry of Jesus Christ.

401: Igniting Passion – Again, small groups meet to discover their individual missions and ministries and then put them into action as they “ignite passion for Jesus Christ from Metro Washington to the world!”

Flight # 115: GriefShare

GriefShare is a special seminar and support group for people grieving the loss of someone close: a spouse, child, family member or friend. Each GriefShare session includes a video seminar featuring top experts on grief and recovery subjects. Ed and Jo Mierke will facilitate. Cost: \$15 for participant workbook.

Flight # 120: Discovering God's Way of Handling Money

Not only is *Discovering God's Way of Handling Money* practical, but through it you will learn the profound impact that managing money has on your relationship with God. Join Ralph Solberg as he facilitates this flight. Cost: \$10 for participant workbook.

Flight # 212*: Bible Study

This flight is designed to produce transformation in our lives. You will practice key study methods — word study, character study and more — that will reveal the truths of God's Word. Dick Cornelius will facilitate this curriculum which teaches how to tap the riches of Scripture in your devotional times. Cost: \$10 for participant guide.

Flight # 216*: Reflection & Confession

During this flight facilitator Sandi Evans Rogers will cover the disciplines of reflection and confession. Going deeper in these areas will help each one to recognize, savor, and respond to God's abundant love and forgiveness. Cost: \$5 for participant guide.

**To join these 200-level flights you must have a stamped passport from Practicing the Disciplines, signifying that you have successfully completed that core course with sixty percent participation.*

Want to share what's happening in your ministry?

Contact Kristin Clifton, Communications Manager about deadlines for this publication and other ways you can communicate to the Columbia family.

FROM THE RAINBOW DESK AND THE ORCHARD



Spread the love of Jesus as we travel around the world!

Vacation Bible School Will Be “Trading Places” July 17 – 21

It's official – Columbia @ Falls Church will be Trading Places the week of July 17 – 21, 2006. Vacation Bible School is only a couple of months away. Plans are underway to fill Columbia with children, children, and more children! We need many volunteers to help spread the love of Jesus this week AND many to help in the preparation for this exciting week. For more information on how you can be a part of this week of ministry at Columbia, please contact Lucy Cliburn – infjmom@hotmail.com – or Sandy Perrin – csperrin@cox.net.

Summer Camp News

Our trip to Skycroft for Centri Kid Camp is quickly approaching, too. The dates are July 10 – 14. The cost per child is \$250. This will be a great week of learning how we can serve Jesus and others, as well as enjoy lots of fun and games! There are still spaces available for this summer trip, so don't delay in signing up. For more information, contact LuAnn Carrig, Interim Children's Ministry Director, lcarrig@columbiabaptist.org or call 703-534-5700 x 268.

Is your child not ready for an overnight trip, but would enjoy going somewhere exciting for the day? See future issues of the Catalyst and check the FlashPoint for details on summer excursions hosted by the Children's Ministry.

Children's Ministry Needs

As our Children's Ministry grows, so does our need for lay ministers. Currently we are in great need for persons willing to work with our children with special needs. Also, our nursery numbers are growing and we need lay ministers to care for these babies, especially in the 11 a.m. Sunday School hour. If you feel called to minister to the children of Columbia, please contact LuAnn Carrig.



Rocfish Concert! Stephenson Hall, Saturday April 22nd at 9:30 a.m.

Rocfish, a Christian entertainment group from Australia, will be performing their “Rip Roaring Tale” on Saturday, April 22 in Stephenson Hall at 9:30 a.m. The group consists of Emily, Tenielle, Ollie and Joey. Kids of all ages will enjoy this high energy Christian group! A donation of \$5.00 will be asked for at the door. Please mark your calendar – you will not want to miss this event! You may check out the group at www.rocfishkids.com.

For more information please contact Kris Solberg, Child Development Center Director at ksolberg@columbiabaptist.org or LuAnn Carrig, Interim Children's Ministry Director at lcarrig@columbiabaptist.org.

ESPECIALLY FOR THE LADIES OF COLUMBIA

Only weeks away ... Only a few spots remain

Heart Spa Retreat...Where Women are Refreshed in Jesus

May 5-7, 2006

Columbia's Retreat Center & Cacapon State Park

Cost: \$90



Pack your bags and prepare for a relaxing getaway, where women will be pampered throughout this spa-themed retreat! Our prayer is that hearts will open up as women of all ages relax and connect with God and others through meaningful devotions, spa stations, and lots of rejuvenating fun! Registration has been expanded to include 75 women this year. Won't you make plans now to be there? Check the Ministry Wall for a *Heart Spa* brochure; then stop by the Information Desk anytime to register.

It is not too late to join...

A Woman's Heart; God's Dwelling Place

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

April 19 - June 28

6 - 7:30 p.m. - Room 229

Enjoy Columbia's delicious weekly Wednesday night dinner with an amazing group of women as we listen to Beth Moore bring her dynamic teaching and passion for God's Word as we begin this in-depth study of the Old Testament tabernacle. Come and explore the fascinating account of the building of the tabernacle, the significance of its intricate design, its pivotal role in God's eternal plan, and its variety of meanings for women today. Join facilitators Carolyn Crownover, Ruth Claussen, Laurie Prather, Heather Mayhew, Peggy Shomette, Lori Bejjiani, Pam Orr, Sandi Evans Rogers, and Debbie Jaeger for a great journey toward becoming Christ's servants. Participant guides can be purchased for \$15 on the first night of the study, April 19.

Women's Run/Walk Group—Join them!

If you are a woman who cares about your health, be with other wise Columbia ladies who are on the move and are exercising. Our Walk/Run Groups meet Saturday mornings. We gather at Columbia's portico (Child Development Center entrance) beginning at 9:00 a.m. and will exercise on the bike path for approximately one hour. Like last year, we will celebrate the fruits of our labor by participating in the Komen National Race for the Cure in Washington, DC in June. This year we will enter as a team representing Columbia Baptist Church women. So, dust off those walking shoes and join us in this time of practice and fellowship. Should you be seeking more information, contact Carol Taylor at 703-237-1512.



Celebrate Recovery!

On Saturday, June 3 at Heritage Community Church in Severn, MD, Pastor John Baker and his wife, Cheryl, will present a one-day seminar on **Celebrate Recovery**, a Christ-centered recovery program. John co-founded **Celebrate Recovery** fourteen years ago at Saddleback Church in California and now serves as pastor for this thriving ministry. To date more than 300,000 people have gone through this recovery process in more than 3,500 churches.

Dave Geschwend, Executive Pastor of Santa Cruz Bible Church says, "We recognize that **Celebrate Recovery** is not only a great resource to help people who need to break out of destructive life patterns, but it also generates healthy people who are capable of assuming leadership at all levels of ministry." During this event, you will hear an overview of the program, including a testimony of John and Cheryl that shows God's healing power and how it led to the birth of this recovery movement. The seminar begins at 9 a.m. with worship, and moves through the day with sessions on establishing and supporting such a ministry in our church.

If you are interested in being in on the foundation of building such a recovery ministry here at Columbia, please contact Nancy Walker, Pastor for Congregational Care by April 21 at nwalker@columbiabaptist.org or 703-534-5740, x266. Columbia will pay your registration fee and car pools will be arranged on request.

Mendelssohn's

Elijah

Sunday June 11, 2006 at 7 p.m.

Presented by The Sanctuary Choir

Soloists & Drama Team

with Special Guest David Ford in the Role of Elijah

OUR LANGUAGE CONGREGATIONS

Arabic Congregation

Sunday 5:30 pm Worship, Chapel

Friday 7:30 pm Bible Study

Hispanic AM Congregation

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Culto en Espano, Chapel

11:30 am Escuela Dominical Rm 309

6:30 pm Estudio Biblico, Rm 309

Wednesday 7:00 pm Culto de Oracion, Chapel

Hispanic PM Congregation

Sunday

1:15 pm Worship, Sanctuary

3:30 pm Bible Study, Rm 127

Wednesday 7:30 pm Prayer Meeting, Rm 308

Korean Congregation

Sunday

10:00 am Bible Study, Rm 103

11:30 am Worship, Chapel

Wednesday 7:30 pm Rm 309

Portuguese Congregation

Saturday

6:00 pm Esudo Biblico, Rms 201, 202

7:00 pm Encontro de Adoracao, Chapel

Russian Congregation

Sunday 1:30 pm Worship, Chapel

Wednesday 7:30 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study, Rm 109

Vietnamese Congregation

Sunday

2:00 pm Bible Study, Rm 109

3:30 pm Worship, Chapel

Thursday 7:30 pm Prayer Meeting, Chapel

EVERY WEEK AT COLUMBIA

Sundays

8:30am Contemplative Service
 9:45am Celebration Service & Sunday School Classes
 11am Classic Service & Sunday School Classes
 4pm Gospel Choir Rehearsal, Rm 124
 4:45pm Adult Handbells, Rm 108
 6pm Journey with Christ (various Rms)
 Ignition Point (Gr 1-5)
 Unplugged (Gr 6-8) Rm 142
 Beyond the Edge (Gr 9-12) 301 N. Washington

Mondays

9 am Little Lambs, Rm 235
 10:30am Mother's Heart Bible Study, Rm 229
 7pm Columbia @ Greenspring Worship Service

Tuesdays

6:30am Men's Bible Study/
 Breakfast, Stephenson Hall
 7:30am Women's Bible Study Rm230
 9 am Little Lambs, Rm 235
 9:30am World Friends open registration
 10am Joy Singers Rehearsal, Rm 229
 7pm Compassion, 206 N. Washington St.

Wednesdays

9:30 World Friends ESL Classes
 5:15-6:50pm Wednesday Family Dinner, Stephenson Hall
 6pm STARS (ages 3 thru 6th grade)
 6pm Women's Bible Study, Rm 229
 6pm Alpha Course, Rm 230
 6:30pm MidWeek Manna, Sanctuary
 6:30pm Soul Café, Stephenson Hall
 6:30pm Orchestra Rehearsal, Rm108
 6:45pm Men's Bible Study, Rm 145
 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir, Rm124
 8pm Celebration Worship Rehearsal, Stephenson Hall

Thursdays

7am Men's Bible Study, Rm 230

9:30am World Friends ESL Classes

7pm First Place Bible Study, Rm 127

Fridays

9am Laity Prayer Group, Rm 203

9 am Little Lambs, Rm 235

Saturdays

9:30am-noon Columbia Center for Missions Open

5pm Young Women's Bible Study, Rm 230

6:29 Worship, Stephenson Hall

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<h1>APRIL</h1>						1 Moscow CBC Choir Visit
2 Moscow CBC Choir Visit Leadership Development Min Team mtg 12:30, Rm 202	3 Moscow CBC Choir Visit Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC), 6:30pm, Rm	4 Parish Health Ministry Team, 7pm, Rm 230 Women's Ministry Team, 7 pm, Rm 201	5 Regular Wed. Evening Activities Transportation Team 6 pm, Rm 201	6 Deacons Meeting, 7 pm, Rm 229	7 High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast, 6pm	8 High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast Christian Legal Aid Training, 9 am, Rm 229
9 Palm Sunday High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast Ministry Fair Planning, 12:30, Rm228 Shields SS Department Leaders, 12:30pm, Rm 230 Women's Ministry Team, 12:30pm, Rm 201	10 High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast	11 High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast Holy Week Prayer Labyrinth 11:30 am-1:30 pm, and 6 pm-9 pm Discipleship Min Team 7 pm, Rm201	12 High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast World Friends Easter Break Holy Week Prayer Labyrinth 11:30 am-1:30 pm, and 6 pm-9 pm No Wed. Dinner No Wed. Evening Activities No Mid-week Manna No Soul Cafe	13 High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast World Friends Easter Break Holy Week Prayer Labyrinth 11:30 am-1:30 pm, and 6 pm-9 pm IMP TEAM, 7pm, Rm 201	14 High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast Good Friday Noonday Service, 11:50 am, Sanctuary Good Friday Luncheon, 12:30pm All Congregations Good Friday Service, 7:30 pm, Sanctuary	15 High School Missions Trip to Gulf Coast
16 Easter Sunday Columbia @ Crossroads begins, Crossroads	17	18 Lyons-Candler Mission Group, 12pm, Rm 230	19 World Friends ESL Classes resume Begaye Circle, 10 am, Rm 222 Regular Wed. Evening Activities	20 Columbia Travelers--Oatlands, 10 am	21	22
23	24 Area Leaders Staff Retreat	25 All Staff Retreat	26 All Staff Retreat Regular Wed. Evening Activities	27	28 Columbia Flute Choir Concert, 7:30 pm, Sanctuary	29 Children's SS Leadership Team Mtg 8 am, Rm 127
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WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU

Wednesday, April 5

Herb Marinated Roast Beef, Cheesy, Bacony Red Bliss Potatoes, Green Beans with Bacon and Onions, Dinner Rolls

Dessert: Strawberry Jello with Whip Cream

Kids Menu: Roast Beef with Gravy, Cheesy, Bacony Potatoes, Steamed Green Beans, Strawberry Jello

Wednesday, April 12

NO WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, April 19

Chicken Cordon Bleu with Mushroom Gravy, Herbed Mash Potatoes, Green Bean Saute, Garden Salad

Dessert: Chocolate Mousse with Strawberries

Kids Menu: Fish Sticks, Tater Tots, Green Beans, Chocolate Ice Cream

Wednesday, April 26

Chef's Soup and Salad, Assorted Desserts

Kids Menu: Turkey Burger with fixings, French Fries, Assorted Desserts

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FROM METRO WASHINGTON TO THE WORLD

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“KINDLING” SPIRITS

A Catalytic Word from Dr. Jim Baucom,
Senior Pastor

10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, “Go, ignite passion for Jesus Christ from Metro Washington to the world!” This is the way we conclude every contemporary worship experience in the Columbia Baptist family, transforming our mission statement into an imperative launch from worship into the world. It’s a bit cliché, I suppose, but I haven’t been able to think of a better way to define our call to real ministry.

In just two short weeks, that same imperative will close the first worship service of *Columbia @Crossroads*, our first “full-service” multi-site location, and a whole new multiethnic congregation of Columbians will be launched into a world of need. Considerable prayer, planning, and resource allocation have preceded this launch, and we believe that we are ready to succeed. More importantly, we are confident of God’s guidance throughout the

entire process, and we eagerly anticipate what He is about to do. I foresee a day when Columbia is a family of many multi-site congregations, and *Columbia @Crossroads* is an all-important first step.

This is only the beginning. There are possibilities and opportunities emerging for Columbia that will amaze you when you hear them (keep your eyes and ears open). As long as we continue to say, “Yes” to God’s plan for our church, I am convicted that He will continue to bless our work in Jesus’ name. This is a year in the life of Columbia we are unlikely to soon forget.

On Fire for Jesus Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Dr. Jim