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COLUMBIA CATALYST

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COLUMBIA WOMEN GO RED!

On Saturday, February 11, over 50 women gathered in Stephenson Hall to celebrate our first ever Red Dress Event. February is Women's Heart Health month and through the combined efforts of the Parish Health Ministry and the Women's Ministry, Stephenson Hall was decorated with red hearts, a heart healthy breakfast was served, speakers were featured and door prizes were awarded. The threat of snow and some actual early snowflakes did not deter this group!

WomenHeart, an organization for women who have experienced heart

disease in a variety of ways, provided two excellent speakers to help us all understand the importance of early detection, accurate diagnosis and appropriate treatment. WomenHeart also provided free goodie bags filled with educational literature, coupons for heart healthy foods and a bag of pistachios. Each woman also received a "Red Dress" pin to raise awareness of women's heart health issues. (For more information about this organization go to www.womenheart.org.)

Heart disease is the number one killer of women in the United States,

but great strides are being made through education and research. Prevention is still the best way to stay heart healthy and it's never too early to set healthy lifestyle habits. Watch for other events in the future that will promote healthy bodies, minds and spirits.



(above) Delores Franz asks the panel of speakers a question about heart health.

(below) These Columbia women are more educated about heart health thanks to the Parish Health and Women's Ministry Teams



PUZZLED ABOUT YOUR PLACE IN MINISTRY?

Plan now to join us for our first Lay Ministry Workshop on Friday evening, March 24th and Saturday, March 25th.

This event will allow you to understand God's plan for ministry in the church and his unique ministry plan for YOU. This

workshop will be similar to the Journey with Christ course #3 - Discovering Ministry, but will be taught in a large group setting in a condensed weekend format. No prerequisites are required.

Plan to join us for this exciting weekend workshop at Columbia! Registration Forms are avail-

able on the ministry wall and pre-registration is required. For more information, contact Jeanine Bush Aronowitz in the Lay Ministry Area at 703-534-5740 x272 or jaronowitz@columbiabaptist.org.

Cost for the seminar, which will include a participant guide, lunch and snacks, is \$10 per person.

AVAILABLE IN THE COLUMBIA BOOKSTORE

Jesus in Beijing

Within the next thirty years, one-third of China's population could be Christian, making China one of the largest Christian nations in the world. And these Christians could also be China's leaders, guiding the largest economy in the world. What is happening in China, is what happened to the Roman Empire nearly two millennia ago. The results could be astonishing.

In *Jesus in Beijing*, David Aikman recounts the fascinating story of how Christianity began in China (even predating Francis Xavier and the Jesuits), the bloody anti-Christian persecutions (especially under the Communists), the revival of an underground Christian movement led by brave men and women risking death, and the flowering of Christianity—though still under persecution—today with the result that China is actually producing missionaries to the world.

While China's Communist rulers hope to reap the social and economic benefits of Christianity without losing power, the Chinese dragon just might be tamed by the Christian Lamb. Few books change the way a reader views the world. *Jesus in Beijing* may be one of those books for you.

David Aikman, author of *Jesus in Beijing* and former *Time* magazine Beijing bureau chief, is an author, journalist, and foreign policy consultant. After more than two decades with *Time* magazine—which had him reporting from more than fifty countries and interviewing such figures as Boris Yeltsin, Billy Graham, Manuel Noriega, Mother Teresa, and Alexander Solzhenitsyn—he became a freelance writer and commentator. He has appeared on many major news programs and has written extensively for *Foreign Affairs*, *The American Spectator*, and *The Weekly Standard*. A former senior fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center and a senior fellow at Trinity Forum, he has written several books on subjects ranging

from Mikhail Gorbachev to the Tiananmen Square massacre in Beijing. Fluent in Russian, Chinese, French, and German, Aikman was educated at Oxford and took his doctoral degree in Russian and Chinese history from the University of Washington. He lives in Northern Virginia with his family.

The DaVinci Deception

Was Jesus really married to Mary Magdalene? Did they actually have children who intermarried with the French royal family? Has the church been hiding the truth for centuries? In his bestselling work of fiction, *The DaVinci Code*, Dan Brown blurs the lines between history and fiction, giving the impression they are one and the same and that Christianity is based on a lie. In *The DaVinci Deception*, theologian Dr. Erwin Lutzer examines the "facts" behind the bestselling novel, clarifies the issues involved in the deception, and equips readers with the truth. This book has been made into a major movie that will enjoy much discussion when it is released later this year—prepare yourself now to engage in these discussions with your friends and co-workers.

BOOKSTORE HOURS



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!

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When asked what he would say to others who have not yet found their place of ministry at Columbia, Greg replies, "Don't look at ministry as a chore to be accomplished, but instead start by looking at what you like to do and then see what kind of ministry you can find out of that. The first time you feel God's blessing on your efforts, you'll wonder why you didn't start doing this a long time ago."

Could the Bookstore Ministry Team be the place that would be fun for you? If so, contact Greg James at gjames@columbiabaptist.org or 703-698-7668. 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.

EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER—SPOTLIGHT ON THE BOOKSTORE MINISTRY TEAM

This month we spotlight the Bookstore Ministry Team. This all volunteer team runs Columbia's Bookstore, located just off the side of the Sanctuary, in Room # 214. Filled with fiction and non-fiction Christian books, Bibles, CDs, gifts and used books, the Bookstore is an exciting place to visit and a wonderful resource for Columbians and our community.



This talented team of lay ministers is led by Greg James. Greg is a long time Columbia member, who has been working with the Bookstore almost since its inception in December, 2000. As the team leader, Greg manages the overall operation of the Bookstore and the team who supports it. He is responsible to make sure the store is open for business and well run.

One of the things Greg likes best about working in the Bookstore is the opportunity "to talk with many people who come to the church, especially visitors, who seems to find the Bookstore a safe place to wander in." He has been blessed through his years of service and gives this example of a memorable event: "Shortly after I started at the Bookstore, I decided that we needed to carry Bibles in foreign languages. As I was opening the box of Bibles that I had ordered a customer came in to the Bookstore and said, "I'm leaving for China this afternoon. Do you have any Bibles I can take with me?" I was literally holding the Chinese Bibles in my hand as he asked. That was one of the most direct encouragements from the Holy Spirit I have ever had the privilege to experience."



Debbie McNair, another committed lay minister, didn't even know we had a Bookstore when she saw a request for help. Being an English major and having a love of books, Debbie went in to explore the opportunity. She met Greg, got trained, and was working the next week! While Debbie is very involved at Columbia now, this was one of her first ministry experiences here. Debbie's primary role is to open the bookstore on Monday

nights when Bible Study Fellowship meets at Columbia and on Wednesday mornings when World Friends (our ESL classes) meets. She has enjoyed the friends she has made on Monday evenings and gets joy out of seeing an ESL student's face light up when they get their English books.

Celia Buffalo does the inventory for the Bookstore. This "behind the scenes" role is critical to the functioning of the Bookstore. Celia will check in the inventory, enter items into the computer, attach the price labels and, when necessary, stock the shelves. Her role allows the sales to run smoothly and efficiently. Celia has actually been working with the bookstore before it was open for business, so excited was she at the first mention of having a Bookstore here.



David Dy Tang, a youth at Columbia, is the key Bookstore volunteer on Sunday mornings. He is always there with a smile and a willingness to help you find just the right book. Others on the team point to David as the "technical brains" of the team and are thankful for his committed service! Dana Dy Tang, David's sis-

ter and also a youth at Columbia, is a committed team member as well, working at the Bookstore on Wednesday evenings with a helpful style. She is doing her part to make the Bookstore accessible at key times so it can be a ministry to the church and the community. Dana and David are also often found at special events when the Bookstore sells books for conferences and other special events. Additional Bookstore team members also include Cynthia Owen, Sherry Kuffel and Claris Laubis.



This team is excited about their ability to provide this valuable resource to Columbia and our community. It's a fun group and there is certainly room for you! Whether you are available during the day, evenings or on weekends, whether you want to work "up front" or "behind the scenes", whatever your preference, there is a place for you in the Bookstore - AND, team members get a discount on all purchases!

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Spring Session of Journey with Christ offers three brand new flights!

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! The new sessions will begin on **Sunday, March 19th, at 6:00 pm.**, all four of the eight-week sequential phases will be available as well as a few 'flights'.

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 12-14 people explore and live out the spiritual disciplines of journaling, Bible study & meditation, prayer, silence & solitude, worship and more.

301: Discovering Ministry – Small groups of 6-8 people study and determine their spiritual gifts, passions and personality type and how to use those in the ministry of Jesus Christ.

401: Igniting Passion – Again, small groups meet to discover their individual missions and ministries and they 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 participant workbook

Flight # 120: Discovering God's Way of Handling Money Not only is Discovering God's Way of Handling Money practical, but you will also learn the profound impact that managing money has on your relationship with God. Join Ralph Solberg as he facilitates this flight. Cost: \$10 participant workbook

Flight # 212 Bible Study his flight is designed to produce transformation in our lives. You will practice key study methods....word study, character study and so on... that will reveal the truths of God's Word. Dick Cornelius will facilitate this flight as it teaches how to tap the riches of Scripture in your devotional times. Cost: \$10 participant guide

Flight # 216: Reflection & Confession 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 participants 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.

Sign up NOW for the spring session. Let's journey together to become more like Jesus! Look for spring session 06 Registration forms on the Ministry Wall NOW.

CHECK OUT COLUMBIA'S BLUE BOOK

Have you seen the blue Columbia Ministry Descriptions book for 2006? It's full of information about the many and diverse Columbia ministry teams. Read through the descriptions, find a few that pique your interest, and give the contact person a call to learn more. In most circumstances, you may serve just once or observe once to help you determine if this might be a ministry you would love. Go ahead – give ministry at Columbia a try.... You'll be glad you did!

PARK AND RIDE HAS A NEW LOOK!

New signs clearly marking pick up and drop off locations as well as directions to the Kaiser parking lot are in use. Remember, you can help welcome a guest to Columbia by freeing a place for them to park. It's easy... just get on the bus!!

Shuttles run continuously from 8:15 am – 12:45 pm between the Kaiser parking garage and the covered Columbia entrance at N. Maple Street every Sunday morning.

IGNITING WITH CELEBRATION!

We want to invite **Celebration Service** worshippers to join our **6:29** worshippers in **Ignition Groups**; a wonderful place for you to experience spiritual growth. **Ignitions Groups** bring together sermon

relaxed environment with 10-12 people you have an opportunity to dig deeper in the scripture and learn to apply the teachings of the sermon in your life and build authentic community.

Ignition groups

teachings, individual reflection, group dynamics, and synergy of Spirit to bring about spiritual growth and authentic community. Each week you will receive a 'reflection guide' with your sermon notes for you to work with before your groups meets. As you meet in an a

Sign up on Saturday nights on the **Ignition Group** white board 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: cheryl.lowrance@cox.net.

COME AWAY ... AND LISTEN TO GOD

Contemplative Retreat March 31- April 2, 2006 Columbia's Retreat Center

\$60 includes your food Saturday & Sunday morning, lodging, materials

Friday night, beginning at 8 p.m., we will be introduced to group *lectio divina* (sacred reading) and begin Saturday with a morning of Silence. There will be some times of guided meditation as we explore more richly *lectio divina* as way to listen to God's Word. Helps and guided material will be available or bring your own. Each participant will receive a copy of Jan Johnson's *Listening To God*. We will return Sunday following breakfast and a time of reflection.

We will also experience long times of silence and contemplation, which are often hard to build in our busy schedules. What a great opportunity to experience some uninterrupted time for talking & listening with God. To make a reservation simply sign up with Betsy Pankey, spankey@columbiabaptist.org or 703-534-5740, 263. Sponsored by Prayer Experience Ministry Team

CALLING ALL BIBLE STUDY TEACHERS AND CLASS LEADERS

ALL BIBLE STUDY TEACHERS AND CLASS LEADERS MEET ON SATURDAY, MARCH 11 (PRESCHOOL, CHILDREN, YOUTH AND ADULTS)

As Columbia's family of faith continues to grow and we seek to provide enriching Bible study opportunities, especially on Sunday mornings, it is critical that teachers and class leaders gather to share successes and challenges as well as chart a direction for the future.

Saturday, March 11, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. is that time to gather. To begin the morning right we'll have a light breakfast.

We'll focus on our core value of *Biblical Foundation* – Acts 2:42 *We teach and learn God's Word in order to grow as followers of Christ.*

During our time together we hope to hear from each class about specific ways you are seeking to grow (social activities, outreach, visitor assimilation and follow up, diversity of

curriculum, team teaching, etc.) as well as enrich your class environment. In addition, we'll review the plans for this fall's emphasis on Faith Formation (September 2 through October 8), and vision other specific ways that we can make these few weeks a time of growth in building Columbia's Biblical Foundation. It will be critical to discuss how we might combine some Bible study sessions and (possibly) start some new classes. We'll also review the special plans for Friday through Sunday, October 6, 7 & 8, when internationally known speaker and author Brennan Manning will lead several special sessions.

This will be an important time for teachers and class leaders to gather. Please mark your calendar now. Teachers and class leaders will receive more details via email in the next several days.

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.

JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR COLUMBIA AT CROSSROADS

Our next multi-site will launch in just a few weeks, on Easter Sunday, April 16, at 3245 Glen Carlyn Road in the Bailey's Crossroads area. Check out my office hallway door near Room 126 for more photos of the progress at Crossroads and the countdown calendar. Consider that God might be calling you to help out with this exciting missionary venture. I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you for your support of **Columbia @ Crossroads** with words of encouragement and suggestion, participation in work days, and prayer in private and at various meetings. I am deeply grateful to our Lord and to Columbia for the awesome privilege of leading this gospel enterprise. Below is prayer guide for your use, as you continue to intercede for these final days of preparation of the team, facilities, and community.

For Christ and His Kingdom,

Greg Loewer

Pray for the Crossroads Launch Teams

- Renovation Crew
- Publicity (mail outs)
- Door to Door Promotion
- Hospitality/Greeters
- Children's Ministry
- Students' Ministry
- Guest Follow-up
- Ushers
- Offering counters
- Ignition Group Leaders (Adult Small Groups) Audio-Visual Tech
- Music/Creative Arts (Praise Band and more)
- Additional recruitment—especially Children's Workers, Ignition Group Leaders, and Door-to-Door Teams
- Bill Watkins, project manager
- Greg Loewer, host pastor Jim Baucom, senior pastor
- Spiritual preparation—team humility, purity, integrity, unity, creativity
- Training of teams

Pray for the Crossroads Facilities Renovation

- Landscaping: flowers, shrubs, trees
- Street sign
- Worship Center—electrical, lighting, sound, projector, screen, audio-visual station, paint, carpet
- Entrance ways and hallways—paint, carpet, displays, welcome center, ministry wall, new members' wall
- Children's and Preschooler's areas—refurbishing, painting
- Interior signage
- Cleaning and maintenance

Pray for the Crossroads Community

- 60,000 persons live within a 1.5 mile radius of the **Crossroads** site.
- There are 20,000 households within that 1.5 mile radius.
- There are 75 languages represented at the nearby schools.
- We are sending Publicity Mail Outs (Invitation Cards) to 20,000 homes in February, March, and early April.
- In groups of 2 or 3 persons, Door-to-Door Teams will present **Crossroads** invitations to 3000 homes.
- Hundreds of invitation brochures will be presented personally to friends and other contacts.
- Many internationals and persons from immigrant families are seeking an English worship experience in a multi-cultural context.
- **Crossroads** will be unique, the only one of its kind in its area and beyond.
- Future ministry possibilities based at **Crossroads** are numerous: for example, tutoring for children, social ministries, English classes, exercise groups, etc.
- Pray that on Easter Sunday, the **Crossroads** Worship Center will be filled with 250 people.
- Thank God for the many persons who will become followers of Jesus Christ and grow in discipleship and service through the ministry of **Crossroads**.



CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER SUMMER DAY CAMP

We are excited to let you know that Miss Layton Walker will be returning as the director of the Child Development Center's Summer Day Camp. The elementary-age camp (first through fifth grades) will operate weekdays, between 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., starting Monday, June 19th through Friday, August 18th.

As in years past, it will be staffed with Christian college students; most of whom are studying early elementary education. Each week we will go on a field trip as well as enjoy a trip to the pool. We plan to

have transportation to most field trips provided by an outside bus company. Our new Bible-based curriculum is entitled "A Summer of Wonder." This curriculum provides many different educational activities incorporating the weather and nature. There is a \$50 registration fee, and tuition is \$185/week. A minimum of two weeks is required. For more information contact: Kris Solberg, (703)534-5739, or ksolberg@columbiabaptist.org.

THINKING VACATION? TRAVEL WITH US THIS SUMMER

Trading Places: Where Jesus Makes a World of Difference

Each child will travel with a tour team and tour guides. They will explore the lives of Ruth, David, Esther, Peter, Andrew, James, John, and Paul. Along the way they will have an opportunity to imagine what it would be like to trade places with children from Mexico, Brazil, Poland, China and Kenya.

Most of all they will discover that no matter who they are or where they live...Jesus make a world of Difference!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW! Planning for summer 2006 has already begun. We have a goal of 600 children enrolled, 150 adults and 50 youth being a part of our leadership team. We need teachers, arts & craft helpers, recreations leaders, and so much more. If you want to be a part of the VBS ministry team for 2006 NOW is the time to contact any of these folks: Sandy Perrin at csperrin@cox.net, Lucy Cliburn, infjmom@hotmail.com; LuAnn Carrig, Minister to Children, lcarrig@columbiabaptist.org and let them know you are interested.

NEWS FROM THE ORCHARD AND RAINBOW DESK

It is hard to believe that summer is just around the corner. To be specific it is only 113 days away! Many families are already beginning to dream and plan where they will take their vacation this summer. I would like to suggest that you consider sending your child who has completed 3rd, 4th or 5th grade to Centri-Kid Camp - July 10 -14, 2006 at the Sky-croft Conference Center in

Maryland. The theme this year is **For Here or To Go** and it is about much more than fast food, it's about missions! Sign up now. Reservations will be taken on a first come first served basis. A \$50 deposit is due when you reserve your spot; the balance is due in full April 1.

Currently - Children's Ministry is seeking Columbia members

who want to share the love of Jesus with our Preschool children during the 11:00 worship hour. Also, our nursery and toddler rooms need new rocking chairs or gliders. If you have one you are no longer in need of, please consider donating it to this ministry.

Looking Ahead - Children's Ministry is looking for 30

Columbia members who can give our children 12 Sunday mornings!

For information about any of the above information or for information about Columbia's Children's Ministry, please contact LuAnn Carrig - Interim Children's Ministry Director : lcarrig@columbiabaplist.org or call 703-534-5700 x 268.

YOUTH CAMP DATES

Middle School Mission Trip: July 7—15, 2006

High School Mission Trip: July 21—July 30, 2006

High School Summer Camp: Creation Festival June 27—July 2, 2006

Contact Chris McPeck, Minister to Students for more information.

LITTLE LAMBS THIS SUMMER

Little Lambs, Columbia's cooperative mother's-day-out ministry for children who are six months old up to preschool age, will begin registration for the summer term (June through August) in the coming weeks. To learn more about Little Lambs, please call Erin Link at (703) 528-2632.



INOVA BLOOD SERVICES SET FOR MARCH DRIVE AT COLUMBIA

Columbia's Parish Health Ministry Team is hosting a blood donor drive on Wednesday, March 15 from 4-8 PM in Rooms 146/149. For many years, Karlene Pankey was the driving force behind the blood drives and she is now delighted to have the full support of an energetic ministry team.

On the day of the drive, Inova Blood Services will welcome qualified donors to help save the lives of those who desperately need blood due to surgery, illness or accident.

Please watch for details for signing up to donate blood. Appointments make the flow of people traffic more manageable, but no eligible donor will be turned away. **Be a life saver—donate blood!**

For more information please contact Nancy Walker, Pastor for Congregational Care at 703-534-5740, ext 266 or nwalker@columbiabaptist.org.

WOMEN'S RUN/WALK GROUP STARTING IN MARCH

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 will begin Saturday morning, March 18th. We will 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 ten week time of practice and fellowship. Should you be seeking more information, contact Carol Taylor at 703-237-1512.

WOMEN: BE REFRESHED IN JESUS

Mark your Calendars now for our Women's Ministry 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. 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. Plan now to be there. Reservations open March 5.



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

Fridays

9am Laity Prayer Group, Rm 203

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
MARCH			1 Regular Wed. Evening Activities	2 Deacons Meeting, 7 pm, Rm 229	3 Single Adult Retreat	4 Single Adult Retreat
5 Single Adult Retreat Regular Sunday Evening Activities	6 Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC), 6:30pm, Rm 222	7 Joy Singers resumes, 10am, Rm 229	8 Regular Wed. Evening Activities	9 IMP TEAM, 7pm, Rm 201 James/Stoner's SS "Ladies Night Out", 7pm, Rm 229	10 Planet Wisdom, 3:30 p.m. off-site Elijah Workshop #1, 6pm, Rm 228, 127, 124 / Choir Scrap Booking	11 Planet Wisdom, off-site Elijah Workshop #2, 9am, Rm 127, 124 / Choir Scrap Booking Retreat
12 Scrap Booking Retreat Shields SS Department Leaders, 12:30pm, Rm 230 Women's Ministry Team mtg, Rm201 Regular Sunday	13	14 Discipleship Ministry Team Mtg, 7 pm Rm 201	15 Begaye Circle, 10am, Rm 222 Blood Drive, 4pm, Rm 146/149 Regular Wed. Evening Activities	16	17 Stoner SS Class Retreat	18 Stoner SS Class Retreat Single Adults Sing at Sunrise in Falls Church, 2 pm
19 Stoner SS Class Retreat Finance Committee, 12:30pm, Rm 229 Luncheon/Business Meeting, 12:30pm, Stephenson Hall	20	21 Lyons-Candler Mission Group, 12pm, Rm 230 Missions & Evangelism leadership team, 7 pm, Rm 201	22 Regular Wed. Evening Activities	23	24 Couples Retreat Lay Ministry Workshop 7pm, Rm 229	25 Couples Retreat The Core, 8am Lay Ministry Workshop, 9am, Rm 229
26 Couples Retreat	27	28	29 Regular Wed. Evening Activities	30	31 Contemplative Prayer Retreat, 8pm	

WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU

March 1

Monterey Chicken, Mashed Red Bliss Potatoes, Green Bean with Bacon, Spinach Salad, Dinner Rolls

Dessert: Chocolate Cake with Whip Cream

Kids Menu: Macaroni and Beef, Green Beans and Chocolate Cake

March 8

Cider Marinated Pork Loin, Sautéed Cabbage with Red Onions and Pepper, Glazed Sweet Potatoes with Apples, Potato Rolls, Assorted Desserts

Kids Menu: Cheese Pizza, Mixed Vegetables and Assorted Desserts

March 15

Teriyaki Chicken, Stir Fried Rice, Glazed Carrots with Candied Walnuts, Asian Style Cabbage Salad

Dessert: Orange Cake

Kids Menu: Ravioli, Steamed Carrots and Chocolate Pudding

March 22

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Italian Herb Vegetables, Parmesan and Garlic Bread, Mixed Greens Salad

Dessert: Pound Cake with Caramelized Bananas

Kids Menu: Same

March 29

Red Chile Crusted Salmon or Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Fresh Broccoli, Rolls

Dessert: Lemon Meringue Pie

Kids Menu: Chicken Nuggets, Tater Tots, Broccoli and Fruit cup

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IGNITING PASSION FOR JESUS CHRIST
FROM METRO WASHINGTON TO THE WORLD

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“KINDLING” SPIRITS

A Catalytic Word from Dr. Jim Baucom,
Senior Pastor

As you receive this March issue of *Catalyst*, we are about to enter an intensive period of prayer leading up to the launch of *Columbia @Crossroads*, our new multi-site location. You will be hearing more about this during the next two weeks, but remember to pray diligently from March 8 until April 16 that God will use our efforts to bring many persons to a saving relationship with Jesus Christ.

A couple of weeks ago, an advance team of *Columbia @Crossroads* volunteers gathered at the Bailey's site to begin thinking and praying about what needs to be done prior to the launch. A young mother named Debbie joined us for the meeting and committed to work with our children's ministries there. Debbie is a Christian with an amazing testimony (wait until you hear it!) who lives not far from the *Crossroads* location with her husband

and children. She saw the sign in front of our building announcing the coming of *Columbia @Crossroads* and felt God's leadership to this ministry. After contacting Greg Loewer and speaking with him at length, she decided to become a part of the launch team.

Debbie is drawn to the multiethnic, "mosaic" model of ministry planned for *Columbia @Crossroads*, and she is certain that God is about to do something great in her neighborhood. For me, her presence among our members at that advance meeting embodied what we are seeking to accomplish. If we are faithful, God will draw persons to us to discover relationship with Him through Jesus Christ.

On Fire for Jesus Christ,

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

Dr. Jim