

Foursquare Focus

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Greetings,

This year has surely gone by in a flash but just wait, because 2012 is going to be a year that we, as followers of Christ, will remember for a long time. It is going to be a year of change and a year that we will see God's provisions for this body of believers.

In the month of January, I want to challenge us all to a fast. Yes, I said the word that most hate to hear. But think of it this way: we have all probably indulged over the holidays, right? Some of you have participated in the Daniel Fast with our staff and council before, but do you know where this fast is derived from? In Daniel, Chapter 10:2-3, we read "In those days, I, Daniel, was mourning three full weeks. I ate no pleasant food, no meat or wine came into my mouth, nor did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled." This was in response to a message he had received about the spiritual state of Jerusalem, and in verse 10, he is spoken to in a vision and it said: "Do not fear Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come because of your words." So you can see that when Daniel became serious about his city and where it stood morally, he chose to fast for a breakthrough.

I want to experience many breakthroughs in 2012 and I believe that you do, too. Will you take the necessary step of faith to fast for the first 21 days of January? Over the next two weeks and on our website, there will be items that we believe Daniel ate and the ones he chose to surrender so that he would gain a clear insight to the things God wanted him to do. Can you imagine how powerful this year will be for us all if we join in this time together?

We want to wish you a Happy New Year and thank you for your faithfulness in 2011.

*Blessings,
Pastor Kevin*

Nursery & Preschool Ministry

AM Service 10-11:30 am

1st Kristy Whittington / Nicole Payseur
 8th Angie & Courtney Tignor
 15th Mickey Harris / Barbara Laney
 22nd Erik & Kerri Hester
 29th Leslie & Haley Burgin

PM Service 6 pm

Angie & Courtney Tignor
 Michelle Muse / Angie Walters
 Alana Conrecode
 Teresa Crews
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Preschool - Sundays 10:30 am

Melanie L. & Melinda S.

Preschool - Sundays 6 pm

(w/ Nursery)

Wednesdays 7 pm

Teresa Crews

General Announcements



Please join us on *Saturday, January 14th*, as we clean up some yards for those who are not able. IF you sign up on the Life Board PRIOR to the workday, we will have breakfast for you here at the church at 8am. Please bring rakes, blowers, and gloves as we reach out our hands and share the love of Christ to others.



If you would like to strengthen your relationship with God and your spouse by attending a marriage seminar (possibly *February 17th-18th*), please sign up on the Life Board. More details coming soon...

Women's Ministry



Friday & Saturday, February 24th & 25th – **SAVE THE DATE – Women of Grace Conference** at Grace Covenant ...

Men's Ministry



Men, please join us at Myrtle Beach and experience God in a multitude of ways through **Men's Advance 2012**. The worship, teaching, and activities are sure to leave a lasting impression on your life.

If I received any gift for 2012, it would be that all of our men would be able to get away with each other and God. Mark your calendars for *March 1st-3rd*. Early bird registration ends on *February 17th* – sign up today! The cost is \$110 and for an additional \$50, you can play golf or go deep sea fishing. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Kevin but don't forget to sign up on the Life Board!

Children's Ministry



Kids – Keep reading your bible ... And parents, please look for the bible reading plan your child is bringing home and spend time in the word with your children – you will be glad you did!

Youth Ministry



Wednesdays from 7-8:15pm, *"Chazown"* - Students will discover their purpose and gifts that God has given them. This will be a DVD-led series; please try and attend each week.

Sunday, January 8th - **"Winter Jam"** in Charlotte. \$10 cash at the door; students will need money for food and/or extras at the concert. Please meet at the church at 3pm; we will leave by 3:30pm and return by 11pm. For more details, see <http://www.jamtour.com/shows/charlotte-nc>

Wednesday, Friday & Saturday, January 25th, 27th & 28th - **"180 Weekend"** – Kickoff Rally on Wednesday at Parkwood Baptist Church, 7pm. We will meet at church at 6pm and return by 9pm. Services held both Friday & Saturday night. We will have host homes for our students to stay in (more details soon). The event costs \$30, due by *Sunday, January 22nd*. An additional \$20 will be needed for a daytime outing on Saturday (to be announced soon). For details on this event, see <http://www.180weekend.com/Welcome.html>

If anyone is interested in **sponsoring a student** for any of these events, please let me know or make your check out to the church and attach a note specifying that you wish to sponsor a student.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support during 2011! We are excited about the new year and new season that we are entering and know that God is building this generation up to do great and mighty things!

Keenagers



Tuesday, January 24th - **Covered Dish Dinner (FLC)**
 Begins at 5pm. See Gary or Sandra Lundquist with questions.

Hope Ministry

Thank you for your support this month as we collect: **toothbrushes, baby wipes, and diapers.**

Uprising Ministry



But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." ~ James 1:22

Please join us on Sunday nights at 6pm in the CLC.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Discipleship Class 7pm	2 Prayer 6-7pm	3	4 Christian Classes 7pm	5	6	7
8 Youth Ministry "Winter Jam" 3-11pm Discipleship Class 7pm	9 Prayer 6-7pm	10	11 Christian Classes 7pm	12	13	14 Church Workday 8am
15 Discipleship Class 7pm	16 Prayer 6-7pm	17	18 Christian Classes 7pm	19	20	21
22 Discipleship Class 7pm	23 Prayer 6-7pm	24 Keenagers Covered Dish Dinner 5pm (FLC)	25 Youth Ministry "180 Weekend Kickoff Event" 6-9pm Christian Classes 7pm	26	27 Youth Ministry "180 Weekend"	28 Youth Ministry "180 Weekend"
29 Discipleship Class 7pm	30 Prayer 6-7pm	31	1 Christian Classes 7pm	2	3	4



“Jesus Christ,
the same yesterday,
today and forever.”
~ Hebrews 13:8