

Art Sommerville Society for Europe's Evangelization

When we read Paul's description in II Timothy 3 of men in the last days: "blasphemers," "lovers of pleasure more than God," "high-minded," etc... We have the feeling apostle Paul wrote it last week and not nearly 2000 years ago. Here in Paris, we see men kissing each other in the subways and in the streets, thousands of young people living together without being married, coming home drunk on Saturday night, men in government all over the world who are embezzling money and bribing people, and we realize fully that we are definitely living in the last days before our Lord's return. I keep thinking about the Jewish people who for centuries scattered all over the world, would always say "next year in Jerusalem," and then one day in May 1948 this wish finally became a reality. Now, as we enter a new year, we as Christians should be saying "this year in Glory." The more we look at the prophetic passages in the Bible and see them being fulfilled before our eyes with wars and rumors of wars, it is very probable that we will hear the trump of God and the voice of the Archangel say, "May the bride of Christ rise!"

The Lord has blessed our church in many ways, there are now two groups of young people and we are getting ready for 6 more people to be baptized. Last Sunday our church was packed and there were several families that were missing for different reasons. The ideal answer to our problem would be to get a larger church building, however, with prices being so high in Paris we must seriously consider having two Sunday worship services. There are so many problems facing us that we will need a lot of prayer to know just what to do. In our church, as well as in our sister churches, there have been a number of people who had seriously fallen or had some fatal disease who are now totally healed or have recovered enough to be able to carry on their lives. We praise God for this wonderful answer of prayer. One man who had cancer so bad we thought that he would die in the next month or so is now coming to church and testifying of all God has done for him.

Once again, I thank you so much for all your prayers and gifts towards my ministry here in France. May God's richest blessings be yours.

Sincerely in Christ,

Arthur Sommerville



Congratulations to Rex & Kristen Schout at the birth of their son Brooks Alan. Brooks was born December 12th. He weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 19.5" long. Brooks joins Braeliegh and Brandt at home.



Congratulations to Carter Rische and Sarah Richardson. They were married on Saturday, December 30th. May God bless your marriage.

We would like to extend our sympathy to Pastor Dan and Jennifer, Anne Ils and family, Erich Krahenbuhl, and the Meghann & Aaron Holverson family at the death of their Mom and Grandma, Ruth Krahenbuhl. Ruth passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, December 24th, 2017.

Our sympathy goes to Ashley Thomas at the death of her Dad, Max Thomas. Max passed away December 11th, 2017. May God's peace be with you.

Next Steps – Step 2 ~ "Our Core Beliefs" is two sessions and will meet **today**, January 7th and Sunday, January 14th at 6:30 pm in the Lower Level room #102. *This class is required for membership. Sign-up at the Welcome Center today or come as you are! While childcare is not provided your children are welcome to attend with you.

Nerf War Ignite Student Event from 6 pm - 10 pm Friday, January 12th. Students should bring a nerf gun & supplies, and a snack to share.

Primetimers will gather at Pizza Hut at 11:15 am on Friday, January 19th for lunch and their birthday-month celebration. Feel free to join in!

January

Sunday, January 14

Worship Services: 9 am & Café Service
10:30 am
Sunday School & Pipeline ~ 9 am
Ignite Leadership Mtg. ~ Pastor Troy's
home - Noon
Ignite ~ 4 – 6 pm, LL #106
Fusion ~ 6 pm – 8 pm, LL #106 (new time)
Next Steps – Step 2 (2nd s) ~ 6:30 pm,
LL #102

Monday, January 15

Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Wednesday, January 17

Men's Bible Study ~ Noon, LL #102
Awana Trek & Journey ~ 5:30 pm, NC
Awana ~ 3yrs.-6th grade, 6:15 pm

Thursday, January 18

Good News Club ~ 3:15 pm – 4:30 pm @
Parkside School
NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

Friday, January 19

Primetimers ~ 11:15 am, Pizza Hut

Saturday, January 20

Men/Kids Broomball/Fishing @ Elgin's

Tuesday, January 23

Pleasant View Service ~ 9:30 am
Board of Deacons Mtg. ~ 6 pm, LL #106

Monday, January 29

Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

February

Saturday, February 3

Men's "No Regrets" Conference ~ 8 am –
4 pm, Janesville
No Men's Breakfast

Week of Jan 7 – Jan 13

Today - Sunday, January 7

Worship Services: 9 am & Café
Service 10:30 am
Sunday School ~ 9 am
Pipeline ~ 9 am "Raising Kingdom Kids", by Tony Evans a 6-week study Sundays at 9 am, today through Mid-February. Cost: \$7/participant book Questions? Contact Paul & Anna Ritschard, 558-0753.

Ignite ~ 4 pm, LL #106

No Fusion ~ Youth return from Districts

Monday, January 8

Elder Board Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106
Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Wednesday, January 10

Men's Bible Study ~ Noon, LL #102
Awana Trek & Journey ~ 5:30 pm, NC
Awana ~ 3 yrs.-6th grade, 6:15 pm

Thursday, January 11

Good News Club ~ 3:15 pm – 4:30 pm
@ Parkside School
NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

Friday, January 12

Nerf War Ignite Student Event ~ 6 pm
- 10 pm, NC

Prayer Topic

Life Groups: be a vital & vibrant part of people's lives

Prayer Focus – Library Ministry
Ministry Leader – Amanda Ohlrich
Please Pray:

- † God's will be done in this new season of the Library
- † the new Library website to be all together by the end of the month
- † patience and wisdom for sorting through old and new books

Men/Kids Ice Fishing & Broomball Saturday, January 20th at the Elgin's (N4838 Thunder Rd., Monroe). Ice Fishing 8 am – 10 am & Broomball 10 am – Noon. Campfire hotdogs & s'mores to follow!

Men – There will be no Men's Breakfast on Saturday, February 3rd. If you are interested in attending the "No Regrets" Men's Conference at Faith Community Church in Janesville from 8 am – 4 pm, please contact Kyle Ohlrich at 719-439-1003.

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