

Steve & Rhonda Schwarze – Retired, FEBC



You are reading our final "official" prayer letter. We ended our time with Far East Broadcasting Company (FEBC) on December 31st and a new chapter has begun. We will certainly keep you updated from time to time and we do ask that you continue to pray when the Lord brings us to mind. Hopefully you will remember some of our stories and rejoice with us in the faithfulness of God through the good times and the hard times. When our friend left us after 25 years in the Philippines together, her parting words were "It has been quite a ride!" and that surely encapsulates it. Ups and downs, dizzying heights, peaceful valleys, calm, serene views, rocky roads. We have been in awe of His care, protection, and provision on this journey that He has taken us on. It has been a unique privilege to have been in this ministry. We have certainly felt His holding us in the palm of His hand. These past few months have been part of the "dizzying" times! We have traveled most weekends to our many supporting churches and visited with the people who have made our journey possible. The outpouring of love and appreciation has been very humbling.

How we wish that we could sit down with each of you over coffee and share all of the "God Did It" stories of this past year. One such story is the fact that I already have a job! After the challenging process of writing resumes and sending out several, I was called in for an interview and hired a couple of days later. It is 20 hours a week, which is perfect, and day hours which is a huge blessing since my night driving isn't the greatest with the eye issues that I have. It is a lovely assisted living/memory care facility and I think that I am going to enjoy working there. Steve has an interview lined up and we are confident that within a few weeks he will also have a job.

The house in Britt officially sold on December 31st! Thank you to all who have prayed us through that whole difficult process. Any money that is sent in to FEBC for us as of January 1, 2020 will go directly to FEBC and not to us personally. Several have asked how to continue giving to us once in a while in the future. You would need to make a check out to Steve Schwarze and mail it to: 1258 Draper Ave., Roseville, MN 55113. We surely do not expect people to do this.

Writing a closing paragraph is nearly an impossibility. We have decided that one of our favorite verses is what we want to leave you with: "But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us." 2 Corinthians 4:7

Clay Jars Learning to Rest in the Potter's Hands,
Steve & Rhonda

*We would like to offer our sympathy to Mark & Lovie Schmitz.
Lovie's mom, Jeanine DiCicco, passed away
Tuesday, January 21st
May God comfort & bless you with His peace.*

PIPELINE

Pipeline Marriage Class begins Today! ~ January 26 – March 1 we'll discuss how to resist the marital drift toward isolation, maintaining good communication, ideas to help with conflict resolution, granting forgiveness, and others. Join us at 9 am in the Nehemiah Center. Contact Jeff or Marie Wunschel with questions.

Family Life's Weekend to Remember event in Madison, May 1-3. **Right now you can save 50% off registrations through 1/27 with promo code: SAVE50** For more information about *Weekend to Remember* go to <https://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember/> Remember to use our "MonroeBibleChurch" group name when you register. Contact Jeff and Marie Wunschel, 214-3699 with any questions.

Library Read Aloud program ~ Kids reading to adults begins in **February**. We'll need two different sets of volunteers: children to read to adults, and adults willing to be read to. Please sign up at the Welcome Center and specify day & preferred time. Contact Amanda Ohlrich with any questions, 719-339-5366.

Do you want to better know how to defend your faith, or help the children in your life defend their faith? Or maybe you have questions yourself and want to know what proofs there are for the Christian faith. Apologetics will be the focus in the Library this month, so stop in and grab some resources. We are also having a children's apologetic reading challenge!

"No Regrets" Men's Conference ~ **February 1st** from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. You can register online at FAITHCOMMUNITYCHURCH.net This is a simulcast held in Janesville. It's a great day for men to get their spiritual batteries charged. Contact Dan Keen (608-897-6926) or Kyle Ohlrich (719-439-1003) with questions.



Family Superbowl Party ~ Everyone is invited Sunday, **February 2nd** beginning at 4:30 pm in the Nehemiah Center to watch the Superbowl. Bring a snack to share. Do you have a favorite tailgate game you'd like to bring? If so, contact Pastor Troy at 316-640-9946.

Family Night packing for Backpack Buddies ~ **February 27th** at 6 pm at 18 & 8th, lower level. Families will pack the bags of food for the month. Kids of all ages are welcome. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

February

Sunday, February 2

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am
Sunday School ~ 9 am
Pipeline Marriage class ~ 9 am, NC
Next Steps – Step 1 ~ Noon, LL with lunch
Iglesia Biblica Worship ~ 2 pm, 18 & 8th
Superbowl Party ~ 4:30 pm, NC
No Ignite or Fusion

Monday, February 3

Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, February 4

Library hours ~ 10 am – Noon
Primitimers Games/Lunch ~ 10:00 am-
1:00 pm, NC

Wednesday, February 5

Awana: Trek/Journey ~ 5:30 pm, &
3^{1/2} Yrs. – 6th grade ~ 6:15-7:50 pm

Thursday, February 6

Iglesia Prayer ~ 6 pm, NC
NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

Friday, February 7

Sanctuary in use ~ 2:45-3:15 pm
Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

Saturday, February 8

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

Sunday, February 9

The Lord's Table
The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am
Sunday School ~ 9 am
Pipeline Marriage class ~ 9 am, NC
Next Steps – Step 3 ~ 9 am, LL #100
Iglesia Biblica Worship ~ 2 pm, NC
Superbowl Party ~ 4:30 pm, NC
No Ignite or Fusion

Thursday, February 20

Blood Drive ~ 12:30-6 pm, NC
Iglesia Prayer ~ 6 pm, LL
NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

Friday, February 21

Primitimers Pizza Hut Lunch ~ 11:15 am

Week of Jan. 26 – Feb. 1

Today, Sunday, January 26

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am
Sunday School ~ 9 am
Pipeline Marriage Class begins ~ 9 am,
NC
Guatemala Team Mtg. ~ 12:30 pm, LL
#106
Iglesia Biblica Worship ~ 2 pm, 18 & 8th
Ignite ~ 4-6 pm, LL #106
Fusion ~ 6-8 pm, LL #106

Monday, January 27

Elder & Deacon Boards Meeting ~ 6:30
pm, LL #106
Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, January 28

Pleasant View Service ~ 9:30 am
Library hours ~ 10 am – Noon

Wednesday, January 29

Awana: Trek/Journey ~ 5:30 pm, &
3^{1/2} Yrs. – 6th grade ~ 6:15-7:50 pm

Thursday, January 30

Iglesia Prayer ~ 6 pm, NC
NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

Friday, January 31

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

Saturday, February 1

No Regrets Men's Conference ~ 8:15 am
– 4 pm, Janesville, WI
Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC
Trivia Night ~ 6:30 pm, 18 & 8th

Prayer Focus – Marriage Ministry Ministry Leaders: Jeff & Marie Wunschel Please Pray:

- **That the next 6 weeks of Pipeline Marriage Classes would be well received and that God would use the material presented & the discussion generated to strengthen marriages for His glory.**
- **That marriages would grow strong & thrive as a result of a deep & growing relationship with the LORD.**
- **That struggling couples would seek the help they need and commit to the work it takes to build & sustain a godly marriage.**

Trivia Night - Open to the Public!
Saturday, February 1st - 6:30-8:30 pm
18 & 8th Hospitality Room (Upper Level)
Join us for an evening of trivia (with prizes!)
Light refreshments provided
Team Trivia (?)
We will be collecting items for the Green County
Food Pantry if you would like to donate.
Contact Jim & Deb Hurlbert with questions, 325-3430

**NEXT
STEPS**

Pick up a **2020 Next Steps** brochure at the
Welcome Center and sign up for classes.

Next Steps – Step 1 - Sunday, February 2nd at Noon, Lower
Level Room #102. Lunch is provided, please sign up at the
Welcome Center.

Next Steps – Step 3 - Sunday, February 9th at 9:00 am, Lower
Level Room #100. **This step is required for membership.*



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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8 AM - 4 PM & Fridays 8 AM - Noon

Monroe Bible Church

January 26, 2020

Senior Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl
Associate Pastor of Family Ministries Troy Watson

Sunday Worship "The Gathering" 9 am & "Café" 10:30 am
Radio Broadcast WEKZ – FM 95.5 & AM 1260 – 8:15 am
Sunday YouVersion Available
Wireless Network: MBCguest
Password: worshipping