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**CHILDREN AND FAMILY
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My hope is to serve you and partner with you to love and support children and families to the best of my ability.

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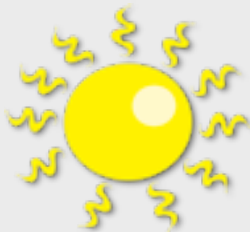
Vacation Bible School

Fun, worship, and learning will fill Newberg Friends Church June 20-24 from 9-11:30am. Make sure your child is pre-registered by June 12. Registration cards can be found in the NFC office or on the information centers. Return all forms to the NFC office.

Please be in prayer for the many wonderful volunteers who will guide, teach, and inspire the children who attend VBS. If you still want to help with VBS, it's not too late. Contact Michelle Akins immediately.

VBS is open to the entire community. This year we are partnering with Newberg Foursquare Church. It's great to have these two "NFCs" working together.

Pray for the children who will be attending VBS. We plan to serve 150-160 kids from all over the Newberg area. We hope this will be a week that instills a deeper love of Christ and an assurance of God's faithfulness.



Family Story Time

Once a month we celebrate the simple gift of reading and discussing stories together. Everyone is welcome, from babies to grandparents! Feel free to invite other families who don't attend NFC to join you.

When: Friday, June 10

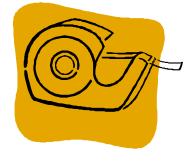
Time: 6:30pm

Where: NFC Sanctuary

Theme: Faithfulness

3M-*Monthly Marriage Maintenance*

When: Monday, June 27
Time: 6:30-8pm
Where: NFC Social Hall



3M is a time for you and your spouse to laugh, talk, and pray as a couple. We also enjoy a good family meal for only \$5 and share a bit with other couples. Knowing you're not alone in the joys and struggles of marriage is a helpful tool in making sure your marriage stays healthy and strong. Please contact Michelle Akins or Steve Fawver if you plan to attend.

The Parent You Want To Be

"Parenting, The Early Years" by Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott is a 6 week course that focuses on the idea: Who you are matters more than what you do. It is based on their book, *The Parent You Want To Be*. The study will include video presentations as well as a workbook and group discussion time. Childcare will be available. Contact Michelle Akins to register.

When: Wednesdays from July 13-
August 17
Time: 6:30-8pm
Where: Barclay C



Tilikum Day Camp

If your child is attending Tilikum day camp during Yearly Meeting, registrations are being done this year through Newberg Friends.

Please come into the NFC office or find Tilikum instructions/registrations at the info center by the nursery bulletin board. The registration deadline is June 27.

Counselors Needed!

Volunteer counselors for Girls Camp, Boys Camp at Twin Rocks and Tilikum Day Camp are a vital and necessary part of these camping ministries. If you are age 16 or older, please contact Michelle Akins for information on how you can apply.

Twin Rocks Girls Camp: July 3-8

Twin Rocks Boys Camp: July 16-22

Tilikum Day Camp: July 25-29

Register Today for Twin Rocks Friends Camps

Remember you can save money by registering early for Girls and Boys Camp. Girls Camp early registration deadline is June 17. Boys Camp early registration deadline is July 1. Register online at: twinrocks.org

Don't forget that scholarship money is available for your camper! Come into the NFC office to apply. Our desire is to help make it possible for every child that attends NFC to enjoy summer camp.

Summer Plans For Children's Ministry

After much thought and consideration we'll be changing our "normal" Sunday morning schedule for July and August. Please read the following plan for children's ministry this summer and let me know how you would like to volunteer!

LARGE GROUP SUNDAY SCHOOL

During July and August of 2011, Newberg Friends will be providing nursery care during both services and incorporating 2-year-olds into the nursery. A preschool age class for 3 through 5-year-olds will be held in the 3's classroom during 1st and 2nd service. Children entering kindergarten through 5th grade have the option of participating in a large group class during 1st service. During 2nd service, children entering kindergarten through 5th grade will join their parents in the worship gathering.

Volunteers Needed:

- 6 weekly nursery workers
- 6 weekly preschool volunteers
- 2-3 weekly Sunday school volunteers

Finding 14-15 people per week is a big task, but it is definitely doable if we can find consistent volunteers. Perhaps you would consider serving in summer Sunday school 2-3 times per month. Michelle will lead the K-5th grade group every Sunday that she is here. Providing a large group Sunday school format this summer allows for children to have Christian education year round that is age appropriate. By providing these Sunday morning options, our hope is that you'll be able to make a choice for Sunday morning worship that best fits your family. As always, you are welcome to have your children join you in the worship gathering.

Michelle would like to have a summer volunteer schedule in place by mid-June. So please let her know quickly your summer availability to help in either the nursery, preschool, or K-5 Sunday school classes.

HOPE LIVES

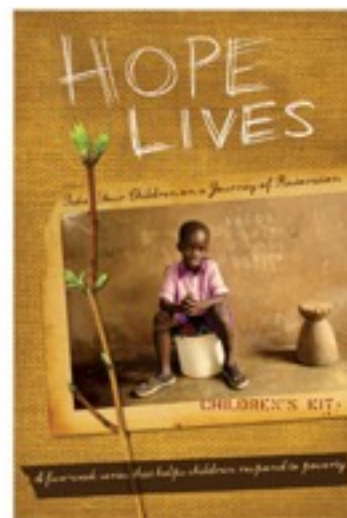
I'm excited to present the Hope Lives curriculum series to the kindergarten through 5th grade Sunday school class this summer. The following is a brief summary:

Hope lives, and that hope is personified in Jesus Christ. We can offer that hope to our world but we are also to help relieve the pain and suffering so prevalent in our world. So let's go on a journey together and take our children with us. A journey into the heart of Jesus. A journey that transforms hearts. A journey in which the words of God are proclaimed and the works of God are done. A journey of restoration.

Hope Lives is more than a group Bible study and devotional experience because it provides opportunities for kids to take this heart-changing information and apply it. Children apply what they learn through prayer, service, commitments, and relationships.

Lessons Topics:

- The Rich Young Man
- The Good Samaritan
- Esther
- Believers Pray for Peter
- Spiritual Gifts and the Body of Christ



Sunday Morning Schedule

Sunday School is during
1st service at 9am.

Nursery Care for babies
and children through age
2 during 1st service,
9-10:15am. Nursery care
also provided during 2nd
service from 10:30-noon.

Godly Play is for
children in Kindergarten
through 5th grade during
the 10:45am worship
service.

Children's Care is for
children ages 3 through 5
during the 10:45am
worship service.

Community Time is
open for you to gather
with your church family
in the NFC Social Hall
from 10 to 10:45am.

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For Your Calendar

- June 10 Family Story Time, NFC Sanctuary, 6:30pm
- June 12 Pre-Registration deadline for VBS
- June 19 Orientation and set-up for VBS, NFC Social Hall, 7:30pm
- June 20-24 Vacation Bible School, 9-11:30am
- June 26 Last Day of Sunday School/Godly Play
- June 27 Registration deadline for Tilikum Day Camp
- June 27 3M, NFC Social Hall, 6:30pm
- July 3 Summer schedule for Sunday school begins
- July 3-8 Girls Camp at Twin Rocks Friends Camp
- July 10 Outdoor Service at NFC, no Sunday school
- July 13 *Parenting, The Early Years* begins, Barclay C, 6:30pm
- July 15 Family Story Time, NFC Sanctuary, 6:30pm
- July 17-22 Boys Camp at Twin Rocks Friends Camp
- July 18 3M, NFC Social Hall, 6:30pm
- July 25-29 Tilikum Day Camp during Yearly Meeting

STAMPS FOR CAMP FACTS:

29 children, representing 18 families from Newberg Friends Church, participated in Stamps For Camp this spring. Through memorizing scripture and reading Bible passages, they collectively earned over \$560.00 towards the cost of camp. Great job kids (and parents)!

With a Grateful Heart

Thank you For the dozens of egg cartons, packs of sidewalk chalk, and countless empty cereal boxes! The donations for VBS crafts have been amazing. I am grateful for the many hours of prep that so many of you have put into making VBS a success. It's going to be fun seeing all of our efforts in action.

