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SPANISH WORSHIP BEGINS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

The Spanish worship service has begun ahead of schedule through the leading of the Holy Spirit and His working is already in evidence.

We had January 8, 2008, circled on the church calendar to be the kickoff date for the Spanish service. The plan was to begin visiting the Hispanic residents of the community, building relationships, and starting home Bible studies to gain the trust of our neighbors and then launch the worship service the first Sunday of next year.

However, God has accelerated our plans. Pastor Robert Mireles, his family, and others have been visiting our neighbors, sharing the Gospel, and inviting them to

Bible study all in preparation for the January 8 kickoff. The July 4th picnic enabled us to make contact with a large number of residents. God has rewarded their and your faithfulness by surprising us with multiple requests to begin the worship service immediately.

With the insistence of those who planned to attend, we began the service on July 15 with 14 people in attendance. The second service attendance was more than double the previous week and its evident God's hand is in it all.

We quickly realized why God accelerated the timetable when, at the end of the



God surprised us with the early kickoff to the Spanish worship service.

first service, one of the new attenders responded to the invitation to receive Christ as Savior. What we didn't know until then was that God had already been working in her heart and He wanted to save her that day and not wait until January. Praise God for His blessings and His indescribable gift of salvation. Halleluiah!!

MILLIE MIRELES TO BE PRESENTED AS CANDIDATE FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTER

After months of meeting, praying, interviewing, praying even more, and waiting on God's timing, the Children's Minister Search Team has unanimously decided to present Millie Mireles to the church body for approval as Children's Minister.

Millie is the wife of our Associate Pastor, Robert Mireles, and has worked in children's ministry as teacher, director, administrator, counselor, and in evangelism for 13 years. She and Pastor Robert have three children of their own.

There will be a Q & A session following the evening service on August 5 and the church body will vote in the regular monthly business meeting on August 8.

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Special points of interest:

- A new soul has been won to the Lord through the first Spanish worship service
- Tuesday night Bible studies recommence August 21
- Millie Mireles has been presented as candidate for Children's Minister

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Schedule of Events

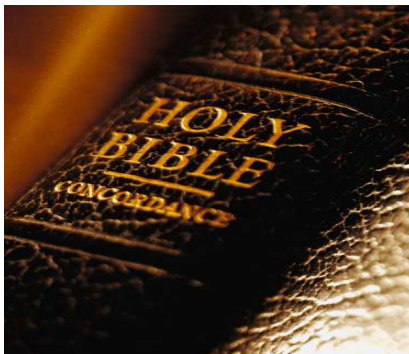
- **Saturday, August 4— Women’s Ministry kick-off meeting 10 AM—noon**
- **Sunday, August 5, following evening service— Q & A for Children’s Minister candidate, followed by Deacon’s meeting**
- **Wednesday, August 8— Regular monthly congregational business meeting**
- **Saturday, August 18— Kathi Trocolli @FBC Mt Dora**
- **Sunday, August 19, following evening service— Birthday celebration**
- **Tuesday, August 21— Tuesday night Bible study resumes @ 7 pm**

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY TO START AGAIN AUGUST 21ST

Our regular Tuesday night Bible study will be starting up again on August 21st. The group meets from 7:00 to 8:30 pm each Tuesday night. Many blessings from this study have been shared with the congregation. You should come and be a part.

Last year the group completed a study on The Purpose Driven Church and this year a study of the Book of Proverbs has been proposed. The group is still looking for input from anyone new who would want to join to either confirm their choice or to meet the needs that you might have in studying God’s Word.

The purpose of the study time is not just to gain knowledge, but to gain in spiritual stature as we seek to be more like Christ and to teach us to apply the Scriptures to the questions that come



Bible Study on the Book of Proverbs is proposed

up in our everyday lives.

This is an inductive study that gives each member of the group a chance to share rather than being “teacher” led. If you are the quiet type and have trouble sharing in front of a group, that’s ok, too, because you can come and learn

from the others and be blessed by your association with God’s people. This is also a time to ask questions and share burdens in what is definitely a non-threatening atmosphere.

If you are interested in Tuesday night Bible study, make plans now to be there starting August 21 ... and if you have any ideas about a topic or Bible book you would like to be a part of the study, contact Becky Brumfield at 352-383-8303 before August 7th. This will give her time to order materials.

August Daily Bible Readings

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| 01 2 Chronicles 30:1-31:21
Romans 15:1-22
Psalm 25:1-15
Proverbs 20:13-15 | 02 2 Chronicles 32:1-33:13
Romans 15:23-16:9
Psalm 25:16-22
Proverbs 20:16-18 | Proverbs 21:21-22 | Proverbs 21:23-24 |
| 03 2 Chronicles 33:14-34:33
Romans 16:10-27
Psalm 26:1-12
Proverbs 20:19 | 04 2 Chronicles 35:1-36:23
1 Corinthians 1:1-17
Psalm 27:1-6
Proverbs 20:20-21 | 21 Job 1:1-3:26
1 Corinthians 14:1-17
Psalm 37:12-29
Proverbs 21:25-26 | 22 Job 4:1-7:21
1 Corinthians 14:18-40
Psalm 37:30-40
Proverbs 21:27 |
| 05 Ezra 1:1-2:70
1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5
Psalm 27:7-14
Proverbs 20:22-23 | 06 Ezra 3:1-4:23
1 Corinthians 2:6-3:4
Psalm 28:1-9
Proverbs 20:24-25 | 23 Job 8:1-11:20
1 Corinthians 15:1-28
Psalm 38:1-22
Proverbs 21:28-29 | 24 Job 12:1-15:35
1 Corinthians 15:29-58
Psalm 39:1-13
Proverbs 21:30-31 |
| 07 Ezra 4:24-6:22
1 Corinthians 3:5-23
Psalm 29:1-11
Proverbs 20:26-27 | 08 Ezra 7:1-8:20
1 Corinthians 4:1-21
Psalm 30:1-12
Proverbs 20:28-30 | 25 Job 16:1-19:29
1 Corinthians 16:1-24
Psalm 40:1-10
Proverbs 22:1 | 26 Job 20:1-22:30
2 Corinthians 1:1-11
Psalm 40:11-17
Proverbs 22:2-4 |
| 09 Ezra 8:21-9:15
1 Corinthians 5:1-13
Psalm 31:1-8
Proverbs 21:1-2 | 10 Ezra 10:1-44
1 Corinthians 6:1-20
Psalm 31:9-18
Proverbs 21:3 | 27 Job 23:1-27:23
2 Corinthians 1:12-2:11
Psalm 41:1-13
Proverbs 22:5-6 | 28 Job 28:1-30:31
2 Corinthians 2:12-17
Psalm 42:1-11
Proverbs 22:7 |
| 11 Nehemiah 1:1-3:14
1 Corinthians 7:1-24
Psalm 31:19-24
Proverbs 21:4 | 12 Nehemiah 3:15-5:13
1 Corinthians 7:25-40
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Proverbs 21:5-7 | 29 Job 31:1-33:33
2 Corinthians 3:1-18
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Proverbs 22:8-9 | 30 Job 34:1-36:33
2 Corinthians 4:1-12
Psalm 44:1-8
Proverbs 22:10-12 |
| 13 Nehemiah 5:14-7:73
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Psalm 33:1-11
Proverbs 21:8-10 | 14 Nehemiah 7:73-9:21
1 Corinthians 9:1-18
Psalm 33:12-22
Proverbs 21:11-12 | 31 Job 37:1-39:30
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:10
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Proverbs 21:19-20 | | |
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1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13
Psalm 37:1-11 | | |

VISION UPDATE

I shared with the congregation in a recent Wednesday night service my excitement about how the Lord is blessing in every area of His vision. Here's a direct quote, "I have never been so excited in all my years of ministry as I am right now."

In our children's ministry, He has led us to the person we feel is His candidate for the Children's Minister and I'm looking forward to the way that things are starting to come together in that area. God is still blessing with the number of children He brings to us each week and in small ways we are starting to see the positive difference that can happen when children are exposed to the love of God even for only a few hours each week.

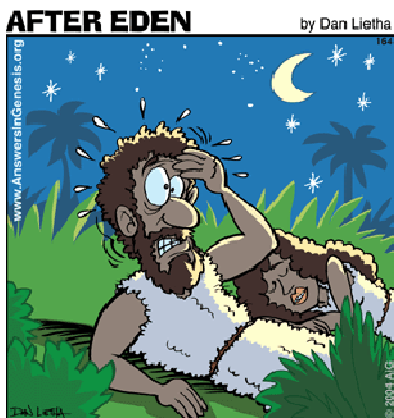
The Spanish ministry is exceeding all our expectations as we have begun the Bible study and worship service. Just having the Mireles family has been a great addition and a blessing to the church.

The Community Care ministry continues

to reach residents of East Lake County. We now have 36 individuals or families that are helped by the food we are able to provide and through the words of encouragement and prayers that Patsy Johnson offers to each one when they come.

The congregation has approved the expenditure of funds to have Craig Avenue vacated and to obtain a survey of the church property so that we can begin the necessary steps toward building the facilities for all of the 5 Cs of God's vision. We are on the verge of seeing God's mighty power in Sorrento like we've never seen before.

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After being kicked out of Eden, Adam woke up hoping the curse was all a bad dream, but then remembered there were no bad dreams before the curse.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY KICKOFF —AUGUST 4

The women's ministry kickoff meeting is Saturday, August 4. All women are invited to join your sisters in Christ for brunch from 10 am to noon.

Carolyn Green, Linda Huckeba, and Pam Jennelle are bursting with news and plans to share with you about how the women of FBC Sorrento will be able to impact women, the church, and the community for Christ.

The plan is to meet every other month to encourage one another and to plan ministry activities the women of the church can do to make an impact for the kingdom of God.

This is an opportunity to put into action the theme of FBC Sorrento, Step up and



Step out in Faith. We don't just want to go to church, we want to BE the church. Ladies, join us August 4th.

Find out what Tas Philas is all about

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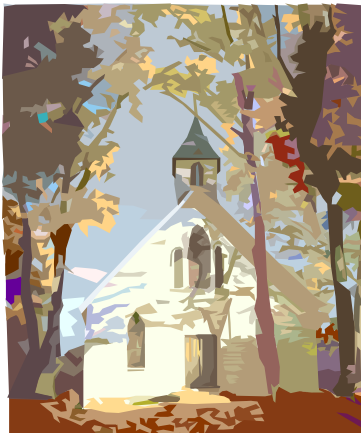
VISION UPDATE (CONTINUED)

As I also shared that Wednesday, the only thing lagging behind right now are the finances. The tithes and offerings have not been equal to the budget for several months now and the expenses continue to grow as we do more ministry and reach more people. We will soon be developing the budget for next year to reflect the increases in ministry and operating expenses we've already seen and to be prepared for the new ministry financial outlay to come.

It is easy to see that God has given us a vision for ministry for now and the future. It's also easy to see that He is blessing it and doing His part to see it succeed. We are totally and completely dependent on Him for its growth, but as in most things, God has chosen to work through us.

God will make sure that the finances

are taken care of when it comes to seeing His vision through, but He will most certainly do that through His people. As God blesses us, He expects us to pass on that blessing to His kingdom work.



The monthly newsletter is designed to inspire, inform, and encourage you. Ministry leaders will be reporting what's going on in their areas of service and let you know about the opportunities God has for you to serve Him.

If you have any news that you would like to share, any words of comfort or encouragement, please send them to Pastor Green and he will see that they are included.

Remember to be in prayer for the many needs of the church family, those who are ill, and especially those in need of salvation.

Just like the Apostle Paul, in 2 Corinthians 9, I know of your willingness and your eagerness to give and see God's work continue to impact lives. And just like the Apostle Paul, I want to remind you of the need for us all to continue to give as the Lord has blessed us.

God has given us the opportunity to be a part of His work in Sorrento and for us to "sow bountifully" through our financial gifts "cheerfully, not grudgingly, or of necessity." We remember that God makes "all grace abound toward" us that, when we give, He takes care of our needs and gathers everyone's share together so there is sufficient means to carry out anything He has called us to do.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Richard