

Dear Parents,

In this newsletter you will find some things that will hopefully help you think about how to pass the faith on to the next generation (your children). I was recently thinking about all of the opportunities that our family misses because I just don't think about them being opportunities to help pass the faith on to my kids. Here are some of the things going on that you might use to help you pass the faith on to the next generation.

We are just getting started with the second part of the Grace Based Parenting series in Sunday School. It is a great beginning to thinking about how we parent our kids. Is it the perfect solution to all of our parenting questions? Probably not, but I think it is a great place to start thinking through why we do what we do with our kids. I invite you to come join us in Room 119 on Sunday mornings.

Jesica and I went this past weekend to the Weekend To Remember Marriage Conference put on by Family Life. It is an incredible weekend to spend time with your spouse talking about some very important topics. To spend a weekend talking together, spending extended time together and being encouraged in your relationship, this is a great investment in your marriage. To learn more go to www.familylife.com.

Another opportunity for you is the D6 Families group that meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights of the month to talk about different parenting skills and ideas. The next meeting on April 5th will cover the topic of how do we teach our kids about money. We would love to have you join us in room 119 at the church. If you would like to be added to the mailing address please send an email to d6families@eaglecom.net

Another way for you to grow in your parenting is to read a book about parenting. We offer a number of good books in the book rack outside the youth center. If you need a book on a particular topic please let me know as I have been collecting a variety of parenting books. A couple I would recommend would be Raising a Modern Day Knight by Robert Lewis and Bringing Up Girls by James Dobson.

Another opportunity to do a spiritual building activity and have some good discussion would be to go as a family to the Living Last Supper on April 9th at Beach Schmidt. It's Free!!!! You can find all the details by going to the church website www.northoak.net and clicking on the Living Last Supper Button.

Another upcoming opportunity to expose your kids to the world is the Wycliffe Banquet on April 19. This is a great opportunity for you to open up to your child what God is doing in the world. Again, the details are on our church website front page at www.northoak.net.

Another opportunity to be involved in helping the needs of our world is by taking a family outing and adventure to Hutchinson on April 8-9 for the MCC Sale. This is a large fun fundraiser to provide food and goods for the world. You can make school packs to send to kids around the world, you can experience food from around the world, you can buy products from different tribes around the world. If you are looking for a fun family outing this is a fun one to the fairgrounds in Hutchinson. Don't miss the huge gunny sack slide!!! For more info go to: <http://kansas.mccsale.org>

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