

Global & Local Outreach Highlight

Russ & Karyn Smyth—Anchored International

March 31, 2024

Dear Friends,

One of the highlights from our Singapore trip was meeting with some M background believers. Most of them have no family who are believers, so they really enjoy fellowship with friends who have the same background. As our coworkers Amos & Jen taught through the *Come and See* lesson on Creation, they had so many questions! They were so hungry, like fish gathering in the aquarium as they wait for their food, then when it comes, there is a frenzy of activity. We have recently changed the curriculum from 12 lessons to 25 shorter lessons, but after two hours we still only made it halfway through the lesson 2. Then most of the people stayed for another two hours of fellowship and informal Q & A.

On another night we were able to witness a baptism. This lady had wanted to get baptized for several years, but did not want to face the interrogation that would come. (Another lady shared how her interrogation lasted two very long and stressful days!) Sometimes they require a formal baptism certificate as proof that you have changed religions. So it was a very joyful occasion to see her finally get baptized, with many witnesses.

Easter Celebration: This week we will celebrate the death, burial and resurrection of Christ. We are so thankful for Jesus dying on the cross to give us new life, and victory over sin and death! There is such a battle for our souls! I had the opportunity to witness to several people on this trip, and each time I felt led to go into discussion about the power of Christ over Satan, with personal experiences and stories from other missionaries. Here in the West we do not talk much about the supernatural or the demonic, but in Southeast Asia it seems that people are immediately interested and they have their own stories. Please do pray that the seeds that were planted will take root.

May the Lord bless you all as you celebrate the resurrection this Easter Sunday!

Prayer requests:

- Please for these M background believers, many face persecution. Many thought they might be the only believer in their culture, until they found this fellowship group. Pray that God will use them to reach their family and friends.
- Pray for the students in the Bible studies we teach, to learn and grow.
- Pray for Russ to be able to complete his ACBC Counseling certificate.
- Praise for all the encouragement, prayers and tangible help we receive.

In Christ's Love,
Russ & Karyn



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Weekly Prayer Guide



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— Prayer Requests and Updates —

Nels Pitotti:

- Praise God for answered prayer. He is generous and faithful.
- Please pray for an opportunity to share Jesus with Nanci and Ken. Pray that they will have open hearts and be willing to hear the gospel.
- Please pray for our Perspectives students as they approach the end of the semester. Pray that their projects will have a serious impact on their lives.

Ken Robledo: Ken updated this week that he needs ongoing prayer for surgery recovery. He trusts God is a healer and there is power in prayer. He sends his greetings to his church family.

Ron Hill: Praise God that surgery is finally scheduled for April 4. Please pray that he will receive the best medical care, that the procedure will be successful, and recovery time will go smoothly for both Ron and wife Dorain.

Food Bank: In March we served 17 families representing 29 people, and distributed a total of 22 food bags. Every person comes with a life story filled with challenges and heartache. Pray for God to bring peace and comfort and ask for His love to shine through our Food Bank Ministry Team.

Frank & Missy Korhummel.: Please pray for healing for Frank for diagnosis and treatment of some medical issues. They send their love to you all.

Russ & Karyn: Russ and Karyn are CBC supported missionaries locally and globally. They welcome your prayers for their various ministries and for travel safety. See the update on the last page of your prayer guide.

A Word on Prayer from our Pastors

Here's our passionate encouragement: choose one or more of the prayer gatherings listed below and make it your habit to attend and participate. To add the discipline of prayer to your life can only bring benefit to your soul...and at the same time will have impact on the world around you!

- Pre-Worship Gathering Prayer Group - 9:45 AM
- After Worship Gathering Prayer Group - 12:00 PM
- Thursday Morning Prayer Group - 7:30 AM
- Thursday Morning Women's Prayer Group - 11:00 AM

Scan the codes below to share a prayer request or reserve the prayer room.



Prayer Request



Reserve Prayer Room

— Events, Ministries and Opportunities —

Youth Group MissionCDA: This summer the youth will be going on a mission in Coeur d'Alene. From **July 28-August 2** we will be partnering with local ministries in the area to serve, learn, talk about, and build relationships with people right here in the local community. We are seeking to learn about and experience what it is like to follow and imitate Jesus in slightly different ways each day. While, of course, we will also enjoy fun summer activities together during this week, our prayer is that through a week of simple, practical engagement with living out our faith, God will move in all our hearts and lives to change us to be more like Jesus. Middle and High School students are welcome to sign-up.

Pricing is TBD as we continue to look for host homes or large VRBOs in the area to use as our meeting and sleeping locations. If you have access to a large house in the nearby area that you'd be interested in hosting youth for the week, please reach out to Hannah or Robbie (harmelink@cdabible.org). Scan the QR code for our video.



Discipleship Groups: Adults! Growing an intimate love for and trusting obedience to Jesus is one of our key values; we call this discipleship. We encourage our church family to find various forms of healing, meaningful community, and spiritual maturity demonstrated in love for God and others through discipleship. Discipleship Groups (D-Groups) of 4-6 people and other forms of mentoring are organized by mature, trusted leaders in our church towards this end. If you desire to belong to a D-Group, sign up in the lobby or email (zach@cdabible.org).

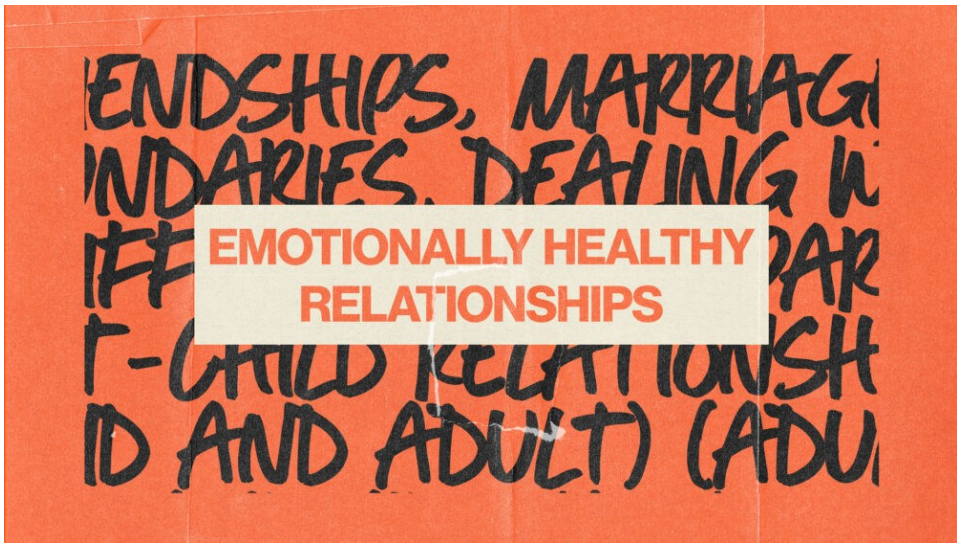
Rebuilding Foundations: CBC has a support group for separated and divorced women and offers an opportunity to gather and work towards rebuilding solid foundations. It's a place to form friendships and access resources from each other, the church, and the community. Every 1st & 3rd Saturday 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the YL. New members are always welcome.

Women's Coffee Fellowship: These gatherings are held on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. This is a casual time of fellowship/conversation that takes place in the lower lobby from 8:30-10:00 a.m. Bring your own coffee, tea, hot chocolate, or H2O.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Bible teacher Terry Harwood has been teaching the Bible since 1974. He invites adults to join a Bible study class every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Gathering Room. They are studying 1 & 2 Kings, and all you need to bring is your Bible, pen, and paper. It's a great time in God's Word and also warm fellowship with your church family.

— Thank you, CBC Family! —

Rob and Joan Dillon wish to thank everyone for their love and support. The cards, prayers, and encouragement have been a great blessing.



COMING IN APRIL AND MAY: AN 8-WEEK COURSE FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS TO DO RELATIONSHIPS BETTER!

Pete and Geri Scazzero developed *Emotionally Healthy Relationships* over a 27-year period to directly address core biblical principles to guide you and others into an experience of discipleship that will deeply change your life. In this video-driven class, everyone will learn eight practical relationship skills to develop mature, loving relationships with others.

Each of the eight skills learned in the course is a means to, as members of Jesus' family, work out God's call to love others like Jesus did. The eight skills function as training wheels so people can learn healthy ways of relating in contrast to unhealthy habits learned through family, culture, etc.

WHEN: Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 PM

WHERE: CBC Worship Center

WHO: Anyone

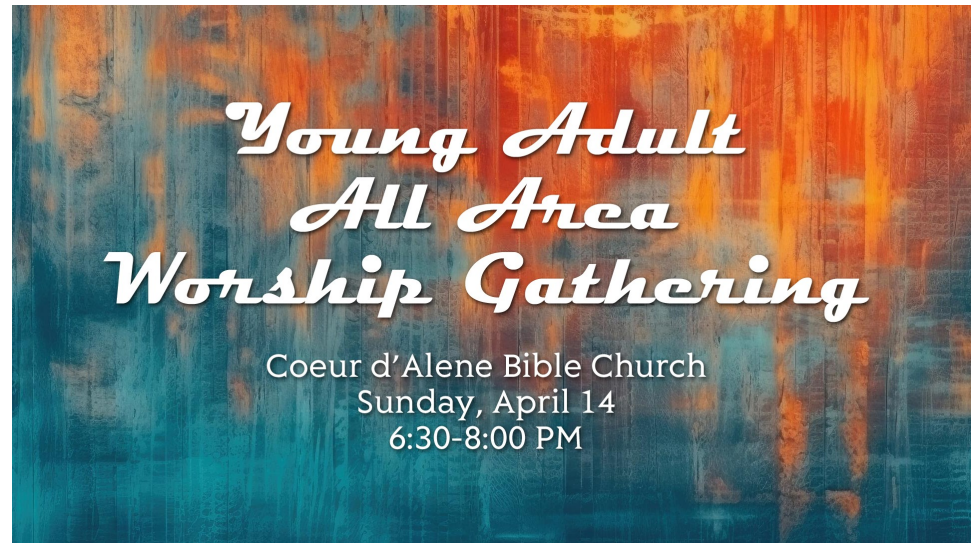
April

- 3 Intro/Community Temperature Reading
- 10 Stop Mind Reading/Clarify Expectations
- 17 Genogram Your Family
- 24 Explore the Iceberg

May

- 1 Listen Incarnationally
- 8 Climb the Ladder of Integrity
- 15 Fight Cleanly
- 22 Develop a Rule of Life

SCAN QR CODE FOR AN INFORMATIVE COURSE PREVIEW/INTRO:



ALL AREA YOUNG ADULT PRAYER + WORSHIP GATHERING

WHO: Any young adult is invited. This may mean you're single, dating, or married. You may be just out of high school, in a career, or anywhere in between. We like to say "20-somethings," give or take a couple of years on either end of 20.

WHAT: CDA Bible will join other like-minded churches to praise God and pray for his movement in our lives and city. We are excited to fellowship and get to know other young adults in our community.

Much of our time will be spent praising and worshipping God in song and in personal reflective prayer before God. We will read and meditate on Scripture, and we'll also leave room for a time to pray for anything else the Spirit may lead us into while we are together.

WHEN: Sunday, April 14, from 6:30-8:00 PM

WHERE: CDA Bible Church Prayer Room (Enter on the west sidewalk off 4th Street).

HOW: Bring yourself; the good, the bad, and the hidden. God desires to meet with you, speak to you, and draw you close to himself.

Invite your friends!
We'll have some refreshments on hand, too.