

Global Outreach Highlight—Tanzania

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Ministry is Messy

Imagine this scene: A swing set with 10 swings. Each one occupied by a senior citizen (some smiling, some slightly terrified). Hundreds of children standing around them, smiling, watching their elders experience their VERY first time on a swing. This was the beautiful (and very amusing) end to the official opening of the school playground!



Together with our teammates, the Lopez family, we wanted to show the community that we were here to help the people and do good, as many of them still believe we are here to find precious stones in the mountains and sell them in our home countries. What better way to help the whole community than through the school? The village elementary school now boasts the only playground at a government school in the entire region! The opening celebration was a success, and literally hundreds of children played on the swings, monkey bars, and slides for hours. And even the senior citizens got their turn. On the outside it shines as a successful project! A gleaming monument to God's love in action! And it certainly is. However, here's what you don't see when you look at the freshly painted metal and laughing children scrambling up the slides:

- You don't see the community elders who refused to attend the ceremony because we did not sacrifice a goat to evoke the blessings of the ancestors.
- You don't see the Muslim teachers who are upset with us because kids will skip madrasa (Islamic class in the evenings) and go to the playground instead.
- You don't hear the rumors that have spread about the white people putting some technology into the playground so that the kids who play on it will convert to Christianity.

What you also don't see is that, when the elders of the community were talking about how we were bad people and were enticing their children onto wrong paths, one respected, older Muslim doctor stood up and made this statement that makes all the opposition worth it: **"But they know how to love. We amongst ourselves don't even love each other. But they love our people."**

We praise God for those who are seeing God's love through us. Here's the bottom line: Ministry is messy. Cross-cultural ministry is even messier—no matter how shiny the outside. Thank you for praying for us in the messes! May the Lord direct our steps, as well as yours, as we all walk with Him and trust His guidance.

With love & gratitude,
John, Asmara, Judah, Elias, Mathayo, & Naomi

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Weekly Ministry Guide



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— Welcome, Juniper Joy Harmelink! —

Robbie and Hannah Harmelink, our youth directors, welcomed their baby girl Juniper Joy Harmelink on Saturday, April 4. She weighed 9 lbs, 0 oz, and was 21.6 inches tall. Great delivery. No complications. Momma and baby are happy and healthy. She joins older sister, Lenora Lucy. Thank you for praying! A meal train is set up for the family. Contact tamera@cdabible.org for the link if you want to send a gift or meal to help welcome their new baby.

— 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 Men's Prayer Group - 6:00 AM
- Thursday Morning Women's Prayer Group - 11:00 AM

— Prayer Requests and Updates —

Andrea & Mark Davis: Our missionaries serving in Girona, Spain, ask for prayers as they seek a new rental home. They also need to increase their financial support due to the rising cost of living and decreasing support. Andrea will meet with supporters when she comes to the States for her grandparent's memorial service in May.

Anonymous: A senior lady in our church needs someone to walk her dog. Located in CDA on Anton St. Contact the church office if you can help.

Luis Lopez: Our missionaries, Luis and Vanessa Lopez, ask for our prayers for their safety as things can be volatile in their part of the world. They are currently living among the Rangi Tribe in Tanzania. Their children are Nathan, Caleb, and Samantha. Their mission partners, the Anyans, are featured on the back of today's ministry guide. Please include them in your prayers.

— Sunday Adult Bible Classes —

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Bible teacher Terry Harwood invites adults to join a Bible study class every Sunday morning at 9:00 AM in the Gathering Room. They are studying Joshua and next they will study James.

Foundations Bible Study: Bible teacher Nathan Duncan invites adults to join a Bible class every Sunday morning at 9:00 AM in the Youth Lounge. They are exploring the core beliefs and theology of the Christian faith.

Classes resume April 12. Contact the church with any questions.

— Events, Ministries, and Opportunities —

Communication Cards: Please use the communication cards located in the pews to share a prayer request, update phone or address, tell us about yourself, volunteer to serve, etc. Place cards in an offering box. The church office is open Mon.-Thurs., 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Always feel free to call 208-664-4883 or email office@cdabible.org. We love hearing from you!

Ladies' 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. Invite your friends!

Senior Adults! You're invited to a Bible study following the discussion questions from the Sunday sermons. Meets Mondays at 10:00 AM in the Youth Lounge. Class meets September through May. New people always welcome!

Discipleship Groups: Adults! Growing an intimate love for and trusting obedience to Jesus is one of our key values; we call this 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).

Parent/Child Dedication Service on June 7: Child dedications are a spiritually significant milestone for your whole family. When you dedicate your child, you're choosing to make parenting decisions that honor God, such as modeling what it means to be planted in the church through serving, as well as providing your kids with an example of pursuing Jesus. And while it sounds like you've got more things to do, you're actually lightening the load because you're committing to do these things in partnership with the church. When you dedicate your child, you're committing to raise them in an environment where they hear about Jesus and have opportunities to respond to His grace. Sign up in the lobby today.

— Weekly Ministry Schedule —

Sundays: Adult Classes (9:00 AM) Gathering Room or Youth Lounge

Mondays: Splendor Senior Adult Bible Study (10:00 AM) YL

Wednesdays: Wednesday Gathering, Youth Group (6:30 PM)

Thursdays: Ladies' Bible Study (9:15 AM) Prayer (11:00 AM)

Saturdays (2nd & 4th): Ladies' Coffee Fellowship (8:30am) Lobby

April 16: Young Adult Prayer & Worship (7:00 PM) PR

April 25: Ladies' Coffee Fellowship (8:30 AM) Lobby

April 26: Splendor Senior Sing! Worship & Prayer (3:00 PM) GR

April 30: Young Adult Fellowship Dinner (6:30 PM) Gym

May 6: First Wednesday Fellowship (5:30 PM)

May 10: Mission Sunday w/Abisrors from Argentina (10:30 AM) WC

Group Discussion Questions

Read 1 Peter 3:1-7. If you are going through these questions as a group, have someone read the passage aloud.

1. Depending on what Bible version you use, verse 1 starts off using the phrase “in the same way” or “likewise.” What is the context that connects the last part of chapter 2 to the first part of chapter 3?
2. According to verses 1 and 2, what counsel does Peter offer to wives who want to represent Jesus to an unbelieving husband?
3. Look at verses 3-6. Why does character have more value than superficial beauty? Why might a person be tempted to pursue outward attractiveness rather than cultivate deep character? Does this mean women shouldn’t put any energy into their appearance?
4. What counsel does Peter offer to husbands in verse 7? What do these directives look like in real life?
5. What does it mean for a husband to view his wife as a “joint heir” in Christ? How is this lived out?
6. What does Peter mean by referring to wives as being weaker? What doesn’t Peter mean?
7. How counter-cultural was what Paul prescribed in 1 Peter 1:3-7 to the people who received his letter? How counter-cultural is the biblical instruction on marriage in our current culture?

How to Represent Christ Well to an Unbelieving Spouse

1 Peter 3:1-7

Pastor Kurt Staeuble on Sunday, April 12, 2026



Message notes:

- The reason we seek to live “above board” in our human relationships is because we serve as Jesus’ r_____ on earth.
- Peter’s counsel: Seek to be a c_____ and s_____ wife.
- Peter’s strategy: Q_____ live out your f_____ in front of the people you love and care about.
- Peter’s bottom line: The way to help a husband see Christ for himself is by being a l_____, h_____, and r_____ wife.
- Peter’s “big 3” for husbands:
 1. H_____ your wife
 2. U_____ your wife
 3. View your wife as an e_____ in Christ
- Husbands: She may be your wife, but she’s also your s_____ in Christ!

YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

**YOUNG ADULTS
PRAYER & WORSHIP**
Sing for joy to the Lord!

Date: Thursday, April 16
Time: 7:00-8:00 PM
Place: Prayer Room

Join us for an evening of worship and prayer. Any young adult age 18-30 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.

**YOUNG ADULTS
FELLOWSHIP DINNER**
Come eat food with us.

Date: Thursday, April 30
Time: 6:30-8:30 PM
Place: Gym



Young adults! If you are 18 to 30 years old, this night is for you. The purpose of these nights is to give opportunity for young adults to: engage with Jesus alongside their peers, enter into a space to converse, praise, or cry out to God, receive prayer and encouragement, encourage and pray for others, lay burdens at Jesus' feet, and celebrate the Life we have in Jesus communally with a meal. So come on out and fellowship alongside people your age, with Christ at the center.

Contact Pastor Zach with any questions (zach@cdabible.org).

UNSTUCK

**Finding Freedom
From Fear, Guilt,
Gloom, and Legalism**



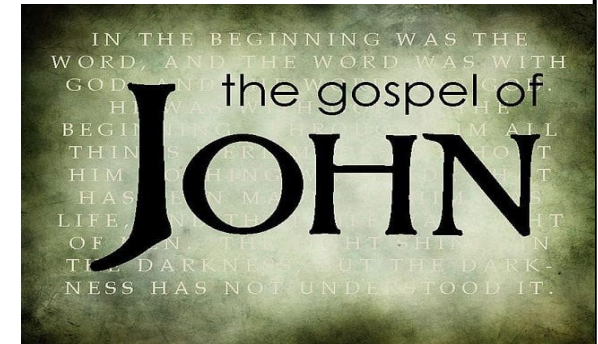
NEW!
**WEDNESDAY GATHERING
ADULT CLASS**

Teacher:
Pastor Kurt Staeuble
Time:
6:30 PM
Place:
Worship Center

UNSTUCK is a new class that began on March 18. Hebrews 12 challenges Christians to passionately pursue Jesus, but sometimes we're weighed down with things like doubt, trepidation, false beliefs, and more. Even though we want to experience all good things God promises, we can find ourselves missing out on the peace, joy, and freedom God offers. God doesn't want us to remain paralyzed by burdens such as fear, duty, or guilt. Rather, He wants us to experience a relationship with Him marked by energy, purpose, and freedom. Join us as we dive deeply into Scripture to discover how to get unstuck! Contact Pastor Kurt (kurt@cdabible.org) with any questions.

**WEDNESDAY GATHERING
ADULT CLASS**

Teachers:
Pastor Nat Schey and
Pastor Zach Penston
Time:
6:30 PM
Place:
Gathering Room



Join two of our pastors for an enlightening study in the Gospel of John. Discover the person of Jesus that John reveals in this inspired reflection of Jesus' life and ministry. This class began in January, and all adults are welcome to attend. No need to sign up.

Contact Pastor Nat (nat@cdabible.org) or Pastor Zach (zach@cdabible.org) with any questions.



SHOSHONE MOUNTAIN RETREAT

MEN'S SERVICE WEEKEND — MAY 15-17, 2026

Remember the big windstorm back in December? Well, that storm took a toll on Shoshone Mountain Retreat: severe building damage, 60 fallen trees, and the ropes/challenge courses were destroyed. Thus, the camp leaders had to make the hard call to cancel ManCamp 2026.

In its place, Shoshone has scheduled a Men's Service Weekend to help the camp get ready for summer. Main tasks include clearing fallen trees and debris, chopping wood, and tackling hands-on projects that help the camp stand strong for the season ahead. There will still be worship and a speaker on Friday and Saturday evenings, as well as the **famous steak dinner** on Saturday.

Here's the info/schedule:

- Friday Registration 6 PM (no meal Friday night)
- 2 nights' lodging
- Serve all day Saturday (bring your chainsaws, eye and ear protection, gloves, trucks, trailers, tractors, excavators)
- Meals are Saturday breakfast through Sunday breakfast
- Sunday breakfast and worship wraps up by 11:00 AM. Feel free to stick around as long as you would like on Sunday to finish up a project or play on your own.
- Cost for the weekend is just \$35 to cover food.
- Sign up in the lobby today!

Email kurt@cdabible.org with any questions.



**"SPLENDOR"
SENIOR SING
WORSHIP & PRAYER
GATHERING**

**APRIL 26
3:00 PM
The Gathering Room**

You Are Invited!

Seniors! The Splendor Bible Study group has been enjoying wonderful discussions every week, and often the topic of worship is part of those great conversations. A few times each year, we are going to sing together, offering praise and worship to our faithful God.

The next one of these gatherings will be on Sunday, April 26, starting at 3:00 p.m. and ending by 4:00 p.m.

Please join us for a joyful Senior Sing as we lift our voices together in beloved songs of faith. Come celebrate God's goodness through hymns that are both familiar and new. Everyone is invited, and no musical ability is required. We will worship God in "psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with our hearts to the Lord" (Ephesians 5:19).

Facilitator is Nathan Duncan, and accompanist is the lovely and talented Jean Trent. Meets in the Gathering Room.

Email Nathan with any questions: nathan@cdabible.org or call the church office: 208-664-4883.