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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER **March 10, 2016**

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March 13/14: Spend

SPRING FORWARD

Daylight Saving Time Starts

March 13



Remember to
turn your clocks
forward 1 hour
Saturday night!

MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 24
7:00pm

This special communion service will focus on
confession and remembrance of the cross.

It will also help better prepare our hearts in celebrating
the joy of the risen Savior during Easter weekend.



The Power of an Invitation...

DIRECTIONS

*by
Dr. Clay Smith
Lead Pastor*

“Hey, let’s go to breakfast sometime.” She says yes, there is conversation and laughter, which leads to dating, marriage, three kids, and a life together. It all began with an invitation.

“Do you want to go to the ballgame son?” He says yes, and his six year old eyes go wide at the sight of all the orange and blue, the cheers, the band, and, of course, the football. A loyalty is born. Forty years later, he doesn’t ever remember why he has such a passion for his team in good times and bad. It all began with an invitation.

“We have a customer who needs to talk with someone and there’s no one else to take the call. Could you handle it?” Nervously, he picks up the phone and soon feels like he is talking to an old friend. He handles the problem for the customer, hangs up the phone and feels great; he helped someone have a better day. The next week the boss comes in and says, “We’re promoting you.” It all began with an invitation.

“I think we need to go to counseling.” The marriage has been rocky, but lately the rocks are winning. She agrees to go. In the counselor’s office, she feels safe, opens up, and pours out her heart. Her husband says, “I never knew you felt that way.” Hope begins to crush the rocks. It all began with an invitation.

“Hey, you want to go to church with us this Easter?” He shifts nervously. He hasn’t been in church for years. He has no plans for Easter. So more out of loneliness, he says, “sure.” He comes, hears the good news, and discovers a spiritual hunger he didn’t know he had. He comes back the next Sunday, and then the next. He discovers there are answers to his questions, and that Jesus is a lot smarter than he thought. One Sunday afternoon on the way home from church, he is pondering all of this when there is a movement in his heart. He realizes it is all true – and he needs Jesus. He pulls off the road and prays, “Father, I don’t understand everything, but I get that you love me. I am a sinner and I need Jesus. Please come into my life. I will follow Jesus always from now on. I want to be your child.”

After a few weeks and talking to a pastor, he is baptized. He meets an amazing woman at church. They get married and start a family. He serves in the parking lot ministry, is honest, and every day asks God for help. His life story is different because he met Jesus. It all began with an invitation.

Invitations make a difference. Someone’s life can change. It is the simplest, kindest thing you can do – invite someone to take a step toward Jesus. God doesn’t do much with an empty chair, but he can change people who sit in that chair.

It all starts with an invitation.

Grace,



STARTINGPOINT

Sunday, March 20
5:00pm | McManus Hall

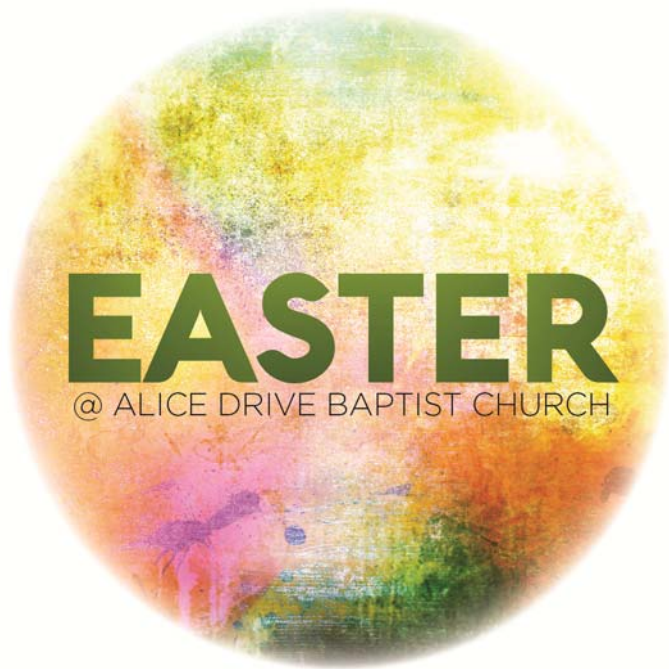
Monday, March 21
7:45pm | McManus Hall

Is Membership Your Next Step?

At Starting Point, you’ll learn more about Alice Drive’s mission, vision, and values and have an opportunity to ask as many questions as you like. We want to help you find the right church for you...even if it’s not us! There is no pressure at all to join, just a chance for us to show you what we’re all about.

We’ll serve supper on Sunday and dessert on Monday.

There’s no cost, and childcare is provided.



SATURDAY

MARCH 26 @ 5:00pm

SUNDAY

MARCH 27 @ 8:30, 9:45 & 11:00am

MONDAY

MARCH 28 @ 7:00pm

Studio Worship

March 27 @ 11:00am | studio4.3
Live worship by the Student Band
Easter Message via video

STEWARDSHIP

Baptisms	4
Average Worship Attendance	1,576
Avg. LIFE Groups Attendance	1,106
Ministry Fund Needs	\$209,369
Ministry Funds Given	\$163,872
Over (Under)	(\$45,497)
Open Door Offering	\$15,705
Recreation Building	\$2,145

FEBRUARY REPORT

baseball

dance

art

cheer

soccer

tennis



June 13-16 | 9:00am-noon

1st grade completed - 5th grade completed

Register now - Space is limited!

\$50 by May 1; \$65 after May 1

Includes one activity taught by a trained coach, t-shirt, water bottle, backpack, snacks, and an unforgettable week!

SUNDAYS



Mad Money
Sermon Discussion
Short-Term LIFE Group
Sundays @ 11:00am
Room 203

March 13: Spend



2016/17 School Year Registration is Now Open

Monday/Wednesday/Friday Weekday Preschool

for ages 6 months - 4 years

SAVE THE DATE › VBS 2016 • JULY 10-14, 6:00-8:30PM

CALENDAR

Friday, March 11

6:00p Crafters' Escape, 202C

Saturday, March 12

10:00a Stitches of Love Quilting, 202C

Sunday, March 13

Daylight Saving Time Begins

Sunday Morning Services & LIFE Groups for all ages

Deacon Nominations

4:00p HELPS Team Meeting, 201

5:00p Outreach, Worship Center

Monday, March 14

7:00p Monday Night Service

Deacon Nominations

LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade & adults

Tuesday, March 15

6:55a Men of Impact Bible Study, Worship Center

10:00a Bad Girls of the Bible Class, 118

6:30p Acts Part 2 Class, 208

7:00p Celebrate Recovery Worship, studio4.3

8:00p Celebrate Recovery Shared Groups, studio4.3

Wednesday, March 16

2:00p The Praying Ladies, 119

4:00p In-Depth Bible Study, 202A

5:00p Fellowship Meal, Worship Center

6:00p FISH Adult Discipleship Classes

Awana (kids), Kids' Halls

The Mix (Middle School), studio4.3

7:00p Worship Choir Rehearsal, Worship Center

7:15p Vision Council Meeting, Admin Building

7:30p The Mix (High School), studio4.3

Thursday, March 17

9:00a MOPS, Worship Center

10:00a Thimble Thursday, 104A/B

5:30p Tech Talk, Balcony

6:00p Vocal Team Rehearsal, Green Room

7:00p Worship Team Rehearsal, Worship Center

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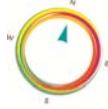
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Who to Invite to Church- Listen for these 3 NOTs:



SERVANT LEADERS

The HAITI MISSION TEAM

ATTENDANCE 3/06 & 3/07

8:30.....244

9:45.....487

11:00.....545

Monday Night.....153

Total.....1,429

LIFE GROUPS 3/06 & 3/07

Adults.....434

Students.....157

Children.....151

Preschool.....259

Total.....1,001

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL | March 16

Fried pork chop, brown rice, lima beans, & dessert

Kids' Menu: Pizza from Little Caesars, chips, & cookie

\$5/adults, \$3/kids under 12, \$15 max/family

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WORSHIP
TIMES

SUNDAYS

8:30am Traditional

Childcare for 5 & under

9:45 & 11:00am Contemporary

LIFE Groups for all ages

MONDAYS

7:00pm Contemporary

LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade
and adults