



## “Faith: The Subtle Chain”

Faith has many aspects to it. It is part intellectual knowledge or assent, for there are certain things we can know about God that lead us to faith and help confirm our faith. Faith also has a strong element of perseverance. The will to believe and cling to faith even when the evidence is rather thin is vital.

Isak Dinesan wrote a story about a man who became a rich author early in life. “Like most people to whom wealth and fame happen unexpectedly, the young man developed significant adjustment problems. He had written out of poverty about poverty, but now he was rich and felt isolated from the condition and the people who had given him his first book. He was estranged from his wife, from God, and even from himself. He wandered all night in the streets of Amsterdam, trying to sort things out. He decided that he would never write again and gave away the manuscript of a new book he was writing.

“About at the end of his rope, he was considering suicide when suddenly, he felt overcome with the presence of God. God seemed to speak to him directly that he should write again, ‘not for the public

this time, or for the critics, but for Me.’ ‘Can I be certain of that?’ he asked. ‘Not always’ said the Lord. ‘You will not be certain of it all the time. But I tell you now that it is so. You will have to hold on to that.’”

The Bible tells us that faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Assurance and conviction can sometimes be hard to maintain when life turns hard. But God never leaves you without evidence, and He never leaves you without reminders of times past when faith was real and certainty strong. Remember those times. Let them become spiritual markers. In the times of darkness, you will have those times of assurance to hold on to.

Elizabeth Oakes wrote that faith is the subtle chain that binds us to the eternal. God never lets go of His end of that chain. The only variable is you. Go ahead. Take hold of the chain.

Grace,  
**Terry Ellis**

## MISSIONS

### Operation Antioch Mission Blitz Saturday, March 2 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Mission Projects at the following places: **Women’s Shelter, Homeless Shelter, Braveheart, Crisis Pregnancy Center, Food Bank, Nursing Home, Broadmoor Elementary.** Sign up in the Church Office. Bring a bag lunch.

### Haiti Mission Trip Informational Meeting

Sunday, February 24,  
11:30 a.m.

This meeting will cover more details about the trip: cost, what to expect, and how to prepare.

### Operation Antioch Celebration Feast

Sunday March 3  
11:30 a.m.

We will conclude our month study on outreach with a picnic on church grounds. Bring a blanket and a dessert. Sign up in the Church Office.

## ADULTS

### Women’s Book Study Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Church Parlor

The book will be “First Light” by Sue Monk Kidd. Please contact Bobby in the church office or Pam Morgan if you are interested.

### LLL Potluck Friday, February 22 11:30 a.m.

Guest Speaker:  
Lt. Gov. Jay Dardenne  
“Ghosts of Louisiana’s  
Political Past”

Bring a side dish or dessert to share.

### Deacon Dinner Sunday, February 10 6 p.m.

Please call the church office if you and your guest are planning to attend.

### Zumba!

Now Two Days a Week!  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
5 p.m.

Church Activities Hall  
Everyone is welcome.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Home from the  
Hospital**  
Dottie Cox  
Glenda Dees

**Thank You**  
Words of sincere appreciation have been received from:  
**Nadine Smith**  
**Susie Williams**

**In Loving Memory**  
*Bob Hazel united with this church as a charter member in 1958, and departed this life on February 14, 2013.*

### Financial Update:

As of 1/31/13

Receipts	\$68,376.13
Expenses	<u>\$87,054.29</u>
Difference	(\$18,678.16)

**Budget Goal \$100,782.00**

### Wednesday Night Dinner February 27

Cheesy Chicken Spaghetti,  
Peas, Asian Slaw, Rolls,  
Cherry Cobbler

**Minister on Call**  
**February 22-24**  
**Bobby Rayburn**  
**573-2989**

## CALENDAR

### Thursday, February 21

10:00 A BBQ, Rm 225  
5:00 P Zumba, CAH

### Friday, February 22

11:30 A LLL Potluck, CAH

### Saturday, February 23

8:00 A All Church Prayer  
Breakfast, CAH

### Sunday, February 24

9:00 A Library Opens  
9:15 A Bible Study, *Operation  
Antioch*  
10:30 A Worship

### Extended Teaching Care

Nancy Richardson, Pam Harris, Katie Stark, Annie-Claire Mote, Catherine Guffey

11:30 P Haiti Mission Mtg., CCR

4:00 P Youth Musical Reh.  
5:45 P Belles and Beaux  
6:00 P Youth Bible Study

### Monday, February 25

6:30 P Women's Book Study,  
CP

### Tuesday, February 26

9:30 A Yoga  
5:00 P Zumba, Rm 219

### Wednesday, February 27

7:00 A Men's Prayer Bkft  
5:00 P Chapel Bells  
Library Open  
5:15 P Family Night Dinner  
6:00 P Adult Prayer Ministry,  
CAH

Youth Bible Study  
Children's Choirs  
6:20 P Adult Bible Study,  
Sanctuary  
6:40 P Children's Missions  
7:00 P Sanctuary Choir

### Thursday, February 28

10:00 A BBQ, Rm 225  
5:00 P Zumba, CAH

### Saturday, March 2

10:00 A Operation Antioch  
Mission Day

## YOUTH

### Youth Photo Scavenger Hunt

Friday, March 8, 7-9 p.m.

Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. Dinner at the church. Parents are needed to help get the youth around town. Please call the church office or Dave if you are willing to help.

### Guys and Dolls Youth Musical Rehearsal

Sundays, 4-6 p.m.  
*Note date change*

Performances scheduled for: Friday, April 26, 7 p.m. and Sunday, April 28, 2 p.m. in the sanctuary.

## CHILDREN

### Dad's and Donuts/ St. Patrick's Day Parade

Babies-5th Grade  
Saturday, March 16

Meet at Catholic Life Center around 9:15. Dave will bring donuts. Parade starts at 10 a.m. Dads need to call the church office to confirm.

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*Pastor*

**Paul Henderson**

*Minister of Music*

**Tracey Hodges**

*Business Administrator*

**Dave Oakley**

*Minister to Youth and Children*

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H H A T S

# All Church Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, February 23  
8 a.m.

Guest Speakers:  
Brian Ter Haar & Bret Piston

Topic: Orphans of Haiti

## Men's Retreat

April 19-20  
Percy Quin State Park  
Guest Speaker:  
David Burroughs  
Cost: \$70

All men of the church are invited to get acquainted with David, enjoy a great time of fellowship, golf/fishing and spiritual renewal.

## Women's Retreat

March 15-16  
Judson Retreat Center  
Depart: 6 p.m.  
Return: 3 p.m. Cost: \$65  
Guest Speaker:

Jinny Henson  
Topic: "My Story"  
Open to all women of the church. Sign up now in the church office.