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UPDATE FROM DANIEL AND MARIE



Even during finals we're meeting students at the music schools

It is my (Marie's) 9th year working with InterVarsity, but this was my first semester in my new role as an Area Director for Planting in Boston. I'm enjoying supervising one staff planting in Boston, training InterVarsity staff across New England in planting, and continuing in my regular role at the music schools in Boston.

CELEBRATING SOME SEMESTER FIRSTS

One favorite tradition I have in planting new chapters is celebrating the new "firsts" of the chapter plant. These are three of my favorite firsts from this fall:

- There's another new Christian at Berklee! I am working toward the major goal of helping students step into greater leadership. Alan started following Jesus at Berklee two years ago, and this was his first time inviting anyone to faith, and she said yes! This seemed like an impossible dream just three or four years ago. Pray with me that students inviting students to faith will become a new normal.
- Two new Bible studies are reaching freshmen and international students. Our vision is to reach every corner of every campus. That means students will be starting Bible studies for any community they hope to reach! Students are now leading five weekly Bible studies across Berklee, Boston Conservatory, and New England Conservatory.
- Student leaders began leading the weekly

leader meetings. This year I passed the leadership of our meetings onto two student leaders. They've been training the students in leading Bible study, evangelism, sharing the gospel, and ethnic development. This is a significant transition for us as a chapter as students lead other students into mission on campus!

QUOTES FROM LAST WEEK

"This semester was really hard, but you guys have held me in." (*1st semester international student thanking his Bible study group*)

"I'm not a Christian, but you mean I can still come to Bible study?" (*Berklee student*) P.S. Of course, the InterVarsity student leader said, "Yes!"



BOOK CLUB: "BEYOND COLORBLIND"

Over the semester break, the student leaders and apprentices at the music schools read and discussed *Beyond Colorblind*. We pray this book will help encourage each student leader as they share and live out the gospel.

DANIEL'S SEMINARY SEMESTER

My courses are yielding rich growth in knowledge and skills. While Hebrew remains difficult, I am slowly developing an instinctive sense for
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PASTOR'S LETTER

Dear friends,

On February 14 we'll begin our Lenten journey as a church family. Lent is a prayerful time when we seek God's heart and examine

our own hearts. In that spirit, I want to reflect with you about how we can find rest and contentment in the midst of the buzz and busy-ness that surrounds us.

Let's start with a brief diagnosis of the problem. We live in the richest and the most technologically advanced society in world history. Yet the number of happy people, as a proportion of the American population, actually seems to be falling.

In her book, *The Overspent American*, economist Juliet Schor explores some of the sources of dissatisfaction and stress in our lives. Schor points out that many of us are working longer hours than we used to work. In fact, on average, Americans are working 163 hours per year more than they did 25 years ago. In the majority of families where there are school-aged children and two parents, both parents are now working. And of course there are millions of households where children are being raised by a single working parent.

Research also suggests that Americans are less capable of appreciating their jobs or the things they buy for themselves. Many live in such a rush that their lives flash by in a blur. They teeter on the brink of exhaustion.

This increased stress is, of course, taking its toll in terms of our general health. One study indicated that 43 per cent of all adults suffer from some kind of stress-related health problem. Stress has been linked to all the leading causes of death, including heart disease, cancer, stroke, lung ailments, accidents, cirrhosis and suicide. The American Medical Association estimates that about seventeen million Americans each year suffer from depression. Depression has become so widespread that, among healthcare professionals, it's sometimes called the "common cold of mental illness."

There are many tried and true strategies for reducing stress and rebalancing our lives. Most of us need to eat better, exercise more, and get more sleep. We need to stop filling our schedules so that every waking minute is crammed with activity. It's amazing how much better life flows when we reserve time for doing nothing in particular, or for dealing with the unexpected.

God's Word helps us by clarifying life's most important priorities. One of those priorities, for example, is the Sabbath day. According to the Bible, God has created us to live within the rhythm and cycle of a seven-day week, and to set aside one of those days for worship and rest. When we rebel against that pattern, and we try to establish a

different pattern for ourselves, the inevitable result is that our lives spin out of balance. We become exhausted, depleted, and unproductive.

According to the Bible, we'll never be able to eradicate anxiety and restlessness from our lives until we place our faith in God. If we don't have faith, all of the techniques we employ to regain our equilibrium and find inner peace eventually will be frustrated. Faith is essential because it's by faith that we obtain the one thing needed – the very life of God, poured out through Jesus Christ.

During the late Middle Ages, the monk Thomas a Kempis gave this advice to those who wanted a deeper experience of God:

"Shut fast the door of your soul. . . and keep it. . . from beholding any earthly thing. . . Lift up your mind to your Lord, Jesus; open your heart faithfully to Him, and abide with Him in your chamber, for you shall not find so much peace outside."

Henri Nouwen understood the importance of solitude and silence as well as any modern day saint. Though he lived a busy life full of work and study, he developed a daily habit of retreating from the world for the purpose of listening to God and cultivating his spirit. Here's Nouwen's advice for modern Jesus followers:

"Few of us can fully appreciate the terrible conspiracy of noise there is about us, noise that denies us the silence and solitude we need for this cultivation of the inner garden. It would not be hard to believe that the arch-enemy of God has conspired to surround us at every conceivable point in our lives with the interfering noises of civilization that, when left unmuffled, usually drown out the voice of God. He who walks with God will tell you plainly, God does not ordinarily shout to make Himself heard. As Elijah discovered, God tends to whisper in the garden."

I love the words of Mother Teresa of Calcutta:

"We need to find God, and he cannot be found in noise and restlessness. God is the friend of silence. See how nature – trees, flowers, grass – grow in silence; see how the stars, the moon and sun, how they move in silence. . ."

Are you seeking God in the silence?

The Lord wants you to know the secret to contentment – the one thing needed. Seek him within, order your life according to his good plan, and receive the abundant life that flows from Jesus Christ.

Love and good cheer,
Andy Wilson

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Tuesday,
February 27

12 Noon

in Koopmans

Join us for lunch. Only \$5!

CFC FAITH UPDATE

I look forward to continuing to read and learn about the miracles of Jesus as we go into the season of Lent. Some of these Bible passages are very familiar to a lot of kids, but I truly believe we can learn and grow each time we read and reflect on them. I am also excited for the February World Premiere of "The Life of Daniel" – a series of skits put on by the marvelous actors and actresses in Room 202. We will host the premiere in the Fireside Room on February 26, complete with a red carpet and movie popcorn. I am very excited to attend this event with the stars of the show.

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Just a note to let everyone know that we have four new Deacons: myself, Hilary Norton, Shellie Campbell, and Janie Roach. We are all excited about this new role in our lives and look forward to serving our congregation and our community.

Starting next month, I will be taking over the Deacons' Beacon spot. I've enjoyed reading Kathy Hill's articles and hope that everyone enjoys reading mine!

Kerry Milbrodt, Deacon Class of 2020

LEE'S LATEST

⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.



When the teachers of the Law wanted to test Jesus, they asked him about the greatest commandment. He quoted this passage from Deuteronomy. His answer was, of course, embedded in the very fabric of Jewish life. The Shema (the first Hebrew word in this passage) had been recited for more than 1000 years by God's people and it defines who they are as God's chosen possession.

But what does it mean to love God? It's a deceptively simple question. The entire book of Deuteronomy exists to answer that question, but it does so in ways that often elude our modern worldviews. Often we try to love God by thinking deep thoughts, or singing wondrous hymns of praise and, of course, those are appropriate ways of worship and devotion. But Moses leaves a more experiential way of nurturing love for God — through the Law.

I know it sounds foreign to us, but the Law was meant to help us love God and draw us to His heart. We are continuing our study of Deuteronomy during PEAK and I hope you will join us every Wednesday night.

Love in Him,
Lee

DANIEL AND MARIE

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the way the language behaves — it's unlike any language I've studied! There are moments of gratification along the way, like translating Micah 6:8, the verse Marie read when she chose to become a Christian during her freshman year. My preaching skills are improving thanks to a class that has given me chances to practice and receive valuable feedback from my classmates and professor. I wrote an exegesis paper on Exodus 20:8-11, and God impressed upon me the significance of a healthy balance of hard work and weekly rest.

During finals week, I did paper on Ephesians 6:10-17, especially considering any Old Testament background for Paul. As we head into the New Year, I'm thankful for a refreshing time spent with family before classes began again in January.

DANIEL & MARIE'S LIFE UPDATES

We're becoming certified foster parents! We completed 30 hours of training, 30 pages of paperwork, and have just a few more meetings with our family resource worker to complete the process. For now our purpose is to provide short-term respite care for children during emergencies.

We both preached at our churches last fall!

Daniel declared a second major, and plans to graduate from Gordon-Conwell next December with a Master of Divinity and a Master of Arts in Biblical Languages.

THANK YOU!

We are thankful for your faithful partnership as Marie's ministry to Boston college students flourishes, and as Daniel grows in seminary.

Happy (belated!) New Year,
Marie & Daniel



CONVERSATIONS IN THE GARDEN

Join the Conversations! We meet once or twice a month on Sunday afternoons at the home of Nancy Coler to discuss the week's sermon in a peaceful and relaxed atmosphere. Both services are represented and new friendships are being formed. All are welcome!

This month we'll meet on **February 11 and 18** Arrive at 4:30 PM, and we'll be finished by 6:00 PM. For more information, please call Nancy at (626) 755-1880.

children's Ministries

by Ashley Pollock

I am sure I've said this in a *Messenger* article before, but I am not a huge fan of Valentine's Day. Don't get me wrong, I love a good box of chocolates, but in my house, the day as whole usually passes without fanfare. This year, Valentine's Day falls on Ash Wednesday – a day when followers of Christ reflect on our sin and deep dependence on God our Creator and Redeemer.

When I first realized that Valentine's Day falls

on Ash Wednesday, I chuckled. But quickly afterwards, I started thinking about how Ash Wednesday celebrates the very thing that Valentine's Day is supposed to represent – Love. Ash Wednesday is a somber and reflective occasion. Candles are used in an atmosphere of prayer rather than over a *prix fixe* menu.

The hues of Ash Wednesday are more charcoal and gray than red and pink. But ultimately, Ash Wednesday is a day to pause and recognize our inherent need for the greatest love of all time, for the One who is Love. And so, I look forward to spending February 14, 2018 with people who help me to grow closer to Him – my church family.

Upcoming Events in Children's Ministries

February 21: The time has come for our annual "What is Lent?" talk for our SPARKS class at PEAK. All 4th - 6th graders are invited to come to

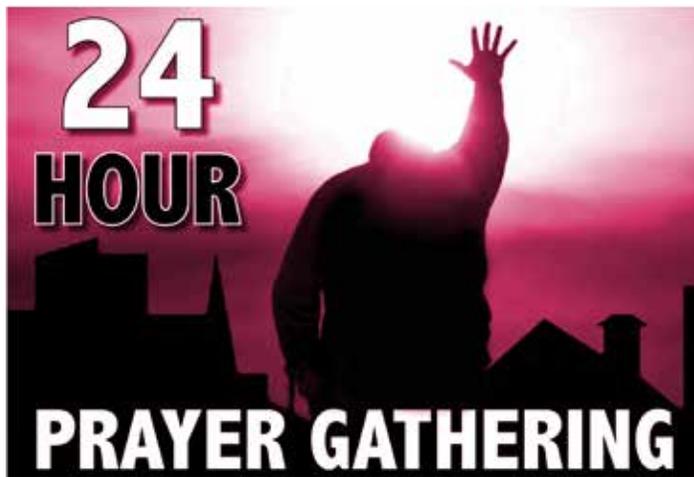
PEAK that night, enjoy dinner from 5:30 -6:30 PM, and then meet up with SPARKS on the basketball court.

February 23: All are invited to "Passport to Easter" – an intergenerational, interactive event for all ages. From 6:00 – 8:00 PM, attendees will enjoy a delicious dinner and move through various stations that aim to help us prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of our Savior's resurrection. The event is free, but we do ask that people RSVP to ashley@lpcp.net by February 20.

Kids Say The Darndest Things

Ashley: "And so we believe Jesus was born in something like a stable. Does anyone know what a stable is?"

3-Year-Old: "Stable means firm, safe and not moving!"



Hello dear friends and prayer warriors!

Our annual 24-hour "Prayathon" is coming soon and we wanted you all to put it on your calendars and start thinking about what time and how much time you would like to pray this year. We are planning to have it at the same location as last year at the Christian Life Church on Montrose Avenue at Ramsdell. Last year was our biggest turnout to date, and we feel the Lord is moving in La Crescenta, Los Angeles, and the nation. Hearts are softening and the field is ripe for the harvest.

Be bold and share your unique stories to those in your circle of influence, be aware and sensitive

to those around you who are hurting and in need and share your love, ears and arms with them and we will change the world, one person and one community at a time.

This year our theme is "Breakthrough" What do you want to have a breakthrough on? Up to now, what has looked hopeless and needs God's help? What needs transformation in ourselves in order to see miraculous change? I may

be weak but we are strong. "Where two or more are gathered together in my name, there will I be in the midst." Jesus said it, we believe it, now let's get to it!

We are again praying for a minimum of two and preferably three prayer warriors for every time slot of 30 minutes. What we have found is that once you are there and in the spirit, many times people stay longer than 30 minutes because it is such a joy to pray together with a common purpose so you may want to stretch out your commitment to one hour this year. Our goal will be a minimum of 144 time slots filled and this year we feel that we will be

going well over that.

That's prayer power. Praise God!

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Al Nunez, La Crescenta Presbyterian Church
Lydia Walsh, Eagle Rock Christian Assembly
Fran Mead, St. Luke's Anglican Church
Rick Whitlow Crescenta Valley Church

PS. We will be sending out flyers and a sign-up sheet that will show what times are available for prayer. You can sign up by email at: liftuplacrescenta@gmail.com, or by calling Fran Mead at (818) 249-2626.





Happy New Year, a month late! Sorry I missed you in the January Messenger, but even mice need to start the New Year with a much needed getaway sometimes!

2018 is proving to be an interesting year already. **Ash Wednesday** will fall on **Valentine's Day** and **Easter** is on **April Fools' Day**. We Christians can see that it all makes perfect sense! We start our 40 days of reflection on "the One who loved us first," the same day that celebrates love. On Easter, we celebrate Christ's resurrection. As **1 Corinthians 1:18** states, "For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." April Fools' Day for some, but we're no fools! It's been 73 years since we've had this holiday mash up occur and it won't happen again until 2029.

Children's Ministries is planning an **inter-generational Lent and Easter experience** later this month. There will be different stations to visit around the church campus, including a dinner in Koopmans. Watch the bulletin for more details because RSVPs will be recommended.

We're happily back into our **PEAK** routine again, with dinner, three classes offered for adults, multiple kids classes, ABIDE Junior High, and choir and bell rehearsal all packed in to Wednesday nights. It's not too late to make it a resolution to attend PEAK this year! We are in need of **dinner servers** and **clean up volunteers**. Contact Elaine Ross-Collins at Elainemrcollins@verizon.net to help out.

If you've got a passport, there is still time to sign up for our first mission trip of the year. Join us to work on the **Casa de Los Angeles Orphanage** in **Rosarito Mexico**, February 16-19. High School age and older are welcome and it's only \$90. You'll be helping construct the foundation of the building, sleep in a secure mission compound, and attend worship at a local church. Call the church office to register.

If you can't make this trip, there is another opportunity March 17-23. Instead of Mission Arizona, the Junior and Senior High group will be going to

Rosarito to continue work on the orphanage, hence the new "**CASA**" trip! They'll be teaming up with **Glendale Presbyterian's Youth group** and will need lots of adult volunteers too. For more info and to sign up, contact **Josh Horton**.

There's not much time left to register for the **Dominican Republic** mission trip June 16-25. The deposit and registration deadline is January 29, but they may still be able to squeeze you in. This year's team will serve the beautiful and spirit filled Haitian immigrants living in the DR by building two new houses, completing work on



two others, and conducting health clinics in rural areas and a prison.

The youth did an outstanding job as always, leading **Youth Sunday**. We are always impressed with the musical talent, beautiful voices, poignant testimonies and mature leadership as our youth plan and lead this fun and energetic service. It was great having everyone together for one service and celebrating afterwards at the delicious **pancake breakfast** hosted by the **Fellowship Committee** and **Cruisers**. Thank you to everyone who helped at both these events to make for a wonderful morning.

It's **Winter Camp** season and the **SPARKS** had a spectacular time at winter camp up at **Forest Home** with **Ashley, Tara Patton, Emily Perkins, and Carleigh Fernandez**. Senior Highers will be headed to **Thousand Pines Christian Camp** in Crestline February 16-19. You can register on Abidestudentmin.com by clicking on "Winter Camp" – spots are limited so sign up soon!

The YAM young adult ministries group is planning to have their **YAM and FAM Super Bowl party** on Sunday, February 4. At the time of this writing, the teams were not determined yet, but I can assure you no matter who's playing, it will be a spirited afternoon, full of awesome young people, their families and lots of delicious food! Contact **Mandy Cary** if you're a YAM or a YAM family member who'd like to attend or bring something.

If you're looking for some incredible entertainment in our community, you won't want to miss



our own **Molly Wolflick** starring as Oliver Twist in **Crescenta Valley High School's Theater Arts Production of "Oliver!"** Performances are February 23, 24, 25, and March 2 and 3 in the MacDonald Auditorium. For more information on ticket sales and prices, visit Crescenta Valley High School Theater Arts Facebook page.

A big thank you to **Sheri Gray** for serving as our Clerk of Session for the past 10 years. Anyone who has ever been on Session knows this is not an easy job and Sheri performed it with patience, accuracy, and efficiency every month. She will be a hard act to follow!



2018 marks the **50th Anniversary of CFC!** **Pat Chambers** is planning a celebration for later this year, but she'll be highlighting the people who have been involved in the history of CFC all year long. CFC has been a big part of Pat's life since she was a little girl. Her father was involved in the building of the preschool, and her mother was the Director for 18 years. Pat has done just about every job possible at CFC over the years and has now served as the Director for the past 20 years. One of the reasons it is still going strong 50 years later is the leadership and commitment of the **Murphy and Chambers families**. What a legacy!

Let's remember to show the **love of Jesus** to everyone around us, not just on Valentine's Day, but every day of the year! See you next month!



CFC Heartbeat



February is the month of love. For some adults it can be a difficult month to navigate as

most of us at some time in our life have experienced love lost, love changed, or love unrequited. But it is the love within a family, within a classroom, among friends, and especially love from God that we emphasize in our classrooms. With love comes the attributes of respect, kindness, honesty, gratitude, faithfulness, and loyalty. What a wonderful time to introduce those words into your child's vocabulary, or if they already know these words, add concrete examples to their memories.

This month I challenge you to look for examples of these attributes and name them, point

Director's Corner

them out, and model them for your children. "Wow look at how that mommy is walking

with her child. She is really paying attention to him. That shows me she respects her child." "Did you notice today that your teacher was so happy to see you this morning? She is a very kind person." "Every day your daddy/mommy reads to you at night, that is a special kind of faithfulness and loyalty to our family." "Let's make a surprise for your sister. She will appreciate your kindness."

There are lots of ways to use this month of love to expand your child's emotional intelligence. Giving children the opportunity to practice the attributes that are important to you gives them the chance to make them habits. We love having your children with us, we love watching you love your children. In fact I think we just love love around here!

Pat

Playtime

Tip 6. Play and learning go hand-in-hand. They are not separate activities. They are intertwined. Think about them as a science lecture with a lab. Play is the child's lab. During play they practice many of the skills they will need as adults, problem solving, negotiation, conflict resolution, handling fears, etc. Young animals do the same thing, they play the skills they will need as adults such as the way they hunt or stalk other animals. Children also practice nurturing habits in our dramatic play areas. It is all part of a master plan.

Holidays

On Monday, February 12, the GUSD will be closed but we will be open all day. For our K – 6th graders we also will be here all day. On President's Day, February 19, the entire CFC will be closed.

Next Year!

The time to start thinking about your child-care needs for Summer and Fall is now. You will soon be receiving information about the new CFC year which starts June 11. We need to place all in-house students before we go to our waiting list and offer spots to new families. When you receive your paperwork, please fill it out and return it quickly. Returning children's spots are only held until February 15. Registration fees go up in March. Don't forget we give a \$100 finder's fee when a recommendation you make results in a student enrolling at CFC, so spread the word.

New Medications Laws

We now need a signature of a doctor for any medications given at CFC. Please see our web page or stop by the office to obtain new forms you need to get signed or stamped before we can give medication.

Spring Break

With the school year starting so early this year, Spring Break is in March 18-25. That's a week and a day this year, so plan ahead. We will be open the entire week with a full day camp planned for school age children.



Valentine's Day

We enjoy celebrating Valentine's Day at the Center for Children. On February 14 we are asking the kids to wear Valentines colors to school – red, pink, purple, and blue. You will see lots of hearts, and red, pink and purple paint as you walk around. We will have a menu filled with love and the color red!

Please check with your child's classroom to see how and when they will be celebrating. For most classrooms, it is better to bring Valentines without names on the outside. Remember as parents, the best Valentine's Day present you can give to your children is to love and respect each other.



Seven legends of CFC started our program off on the right foot in 1968. The "Original 7" as we call them were amazing women within the LCPC congregation who came forward to be the first staff of the Center for Children, known at the time as the La Crescenta Presbyterian Church Nursery School. These women included: Jackie Thomas, June Rae, Doris Thomson, Betty While, Marlene Estelle, Carol Murphy and Vi Hadden. These women embarked on an adventure that was new to them, new to the church and fairly new to the community.

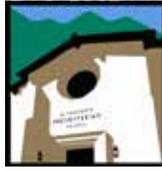
I remember that Doris wasn't a very tall woman, only about 4' - 8" tall. Many a child asked her what she wanted to be when she grew up... they didn't know she was exactly what she wanted to be! Betty would stay with the CFC, becoming the first full day teacher and then Assistant Director. Vi would retire from the CFC but continue to support the program as long as she lived in La Crescenta.

Marlene was also very involved in the youth programming at LCPC, leading hikes and other outdoor activities. Jackie would go on to a long career with GUSD and still cares deeply about the program. June was always an inspiration to creative teaching, focusing on the individual children. Carol would direct the CFC for 19 years before retiring. 50 years later, the CFC has a staff of 38.



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY

NEW SONG WORSHIP (CONTEMPORARY), SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM
SERVICE OF PRAISE (CLASSIC), SUNDAYS AT 11:00 AM

On February 4 and 11, Lee Cook and Andy Wilson offer the last messages in the series on Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, "Finding Community." What does community look like when every member is tuned to God's heart and fully engaged in the work God created them to do? What happens to us when we die? What will our life be like when sin's curse is broken and the world is made new?

During Lent we're going to shake things up with a new series,

"Everyone Has a Story."

Every week until Easter you'll hear real life stories from people who have faced extraordinary challenges that have helped them to grow in the image of Jesus. The preacher will begin with a brief, biblical reflection to highlight an issue we all deal with. Then you'll meet one or two people who will inspire fresh new thoughts about your own life challenges and spiritual journey.

FEBRUARY 4 THE LORD'S SUPPER

Message by Lee Cook
"Finding Community:
All Unique and All United"
For personal study:
1 Corinthians 12: 1-30

FEBRUARY 11

Message by Andy Wilson
"Finding Community:
We Will All Be Changed"
For personal study:
1 Corinthians 15: 1-58

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 7:00 PM ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

This beautiful, family-friendly service prepares us for our 6-week Lenten journey. Featured are a contemplative piece by the Cathedral Choir and the "imposition of ashes" on the forehead for those who come forward for personal prayers. Andy Wilson introduces the *Everyone Has A Story* series with a conversation centering on "Hanging Tough." (No PEAK dinner or gatherings this night.)

FEBRUARY 18 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Message by Lee Cook
"Everyone Has a Story: Hearing God"

FEBRUARY 25 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Message by Josh Horton
"Everyone Has a Story: Finding God"

Think of people you know who don't have a church home, but are hungry for God's truth. Don't just invite them – bring them!

