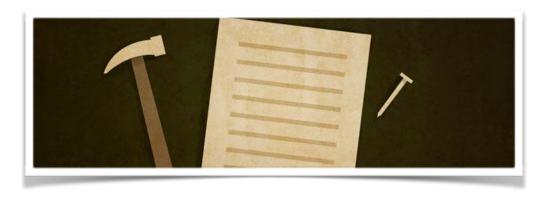
#### **Our Mission**

Trinity Fellowship Church desires to glorify God by equipping a community of believers to worship God and be witnesses of Him in Central Arkansas and to the ends of the earth.



#### **Our Vision**

Trinity Fellowship Church desires to be a Bible-believing, Christ-centered, grace-filled, and gospel-driven community where every member is equipped and encouraged to minister and witness according to their Godgiven talents.



# Featured Article

#### The Reformation and Repentance

October 31st of this year will mark the 499th anniversary of Martin Luther posting his 95 Thesis to the church door at Wittenberg and sparking the

Protestant Reformation across Europe. While the Reformation is most known for emphasizing doctrines such as *Sola Scriptura* (Scripture Alone) or *Sola Fide* (Faith Alone), Luther's fundamental concern in his 95 thesis was addressed in his very first argument, namely, what is true repentance? Luther writes:

"When our Lord and Master Jesus Christ said "Repent," he intended that the entire life of believers should be repentance."

This quote from Matthew 4:17 comes from the Vulgate, the Roman Catholic Church's official version of the Bible in Luther's day. The Latin text reads, *Penitentiam agite*, which may be translated, "Do penance." Thus this translation lends credence to the medieval Roman Catholic sacrament of penance. In his *Explanations of the Ninety-Five Theses*, Luther notes that the original Greek word used, μετανοεῖτε (metenoeite, lit. *to change one's mind or purpose*), means simply "repent," as translated in most English versions of the Bible. Luther's argument was that penance, or merely outward acts, is not in accord with scriptural teaching concerning the forgiveness of sin. True repentance, or that which God requires, is a heart change followed by a life of obedience.

This revelation caused a drastic shift in Luther's thinking. In the following years, he would begin to understand more clearly the doctrine of justification by faith alone. The conflict between Luther and the Roman Catholic Church ultimately culminated in Luther being summoned to an imperial diet (a meeting of the German parliament) in the city of Worms. It is here that Luther, after being asked to recant of his writings, gave his famous response, "Unless I am convicted by scripture and by evident reason—I do not accept the authority of the popes and councils, for they have often contradicted each other—my conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and I will not recant anything, for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. God help me. Amen." May we be bold like Luther in the face of similar opposition in our culture today.

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# Missionary of the Month

#### **Missions' Committee:**

Darrel Croswell, John Hensley, Tamara Hensley, Aaron Lindberg, Laura Lindberg, Amber Sartain, Nick Sartain (Chair), Rae Belle Sartain

# ${\bf Mike~and~Elizabeth~(Eli)~Sabin}$

Trans World Radio, Guam

#### Very Busy Summer

Even though our recent large projects at KTWR have wound down, we managed to stay quite busy this summer. We had several people come out to Guam to help with the work.

Three engineering interns spent two months working at the station. Their work included setting up a fiber optic data link, antenna maintenance, gathering documentation on material safety, grounds maintenance, transmitter modifications, and test set design. They worked hard and kept us busy with their interesting questions.

Not only did these young men learn about how their engineering skills could be used in ministry, they took any chance they could get to see the island and learn its culture. They were encouraging to our staff.



We also had Sterling and Tom apply their years of experience to the work at KTWR. Sterling has antenna rigging experience from the years that he served on Guam. He came back to work with other staff members in doing antenna maintenance. Tom used his machinist experience to make transmitter parts and to do other metal work for us. He is even continuing some parts fabrication for us now that he is back home in the States.

Trans World Radio is constantly seeking new ways to spread the gospel to people all over the world. Since most people in the world do not have internet access, they cannot download or stream Christian programming. The proliferation of smart phones offers another way to get the Word to places that had seemed unreachable by digital media before now. Filecasting takes advantage of this media outlet. The following exciting news is a summary of what can be found at www.twr.org/news:

KTWR made broadcast history in June when it transmitted a digital data file over shortwave from Guam to Thailand. This communication exchange paves the way for simultaneous delivery of audio and other media formats through the airwaves.

The digital files were sent using one of our transmitters set to run something like a 75,000W Wi-Fi router. The data signal was picked up by a receiver in Thailand. This marked the first time a filecast had successfully been transmitted over a 3,000-mile distance. The first files sent were the audio player app and the entire Book of Matthew.

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The transmission was achieved in partnership with Faith Comes By Hearing (FCBH), which provided its media-rich Bible.is mobile app for the filecast. The Bible.is app contains the dramatized audio Bible, the JESUS film and more. It is part of FCBH's Global Bible Network initiative, which uses mobile devices, satellites and language recognition to deliver God's Word across the globe.

We look forward to seeing how God will use this new capability.

## Mike and Eli Sabin



## **Praise and Prayer**

Praise the Lord that we have two couples joining KTWR's staff soon.

Pray for encouragement for those who are still on deputation to become long-term missionaries at KTWR.

Pray for Christians in Nepal and Russia as new laws affect how they share their faith.

Pray for protection from the Zika virus for our family and friends in Puerto Rico.

## **Birthdays**

October 7

Aiden Sartain

October 10

Chloe Hensley

October 14

Piper Childress

October 19

Claudia Croswell

October 24

Abigail Breedlove

October 26

Eli Breedlove

October 30

Ashley Hensley

#### **Anniversaries**

No Anniversaries

Are we missing your birthday or anniversary?

Please make sure your information is current in Breeze.

# Fellowship Focus

#### **Fellowship Committee:**

Joy Denley, Melissa Gorter, Leah Lukas, Ron Plate (Chair), Heath Warbritton, Leslie Wheat

#### Nerf War and Bonfire

The next Nerf War and Bonfire will be Saturday, October 22nd, beginning at 5:00 pm. Contact Leah Lukas with any questions.

#### Thanksgiving Fellowship Lunch

There will be a special Thanksgiving Lunch on Sunday, November 13th in lieu of our monthly Fellowship Meal for November. The Fellowship Committee is requesting volunteers to provide 4-5 turkeys for this event. Please see Ron Plate if you would be willing to provide a turkey. We are also in need of volunteers to provide side items and desserts for the meal. A sign up sheet for sides and desserts will be available in the coming weeks.

### **Christmas Party**

Our annual Church Christmas Party has been scheduled for Sunday, December 4th, beginning at 6:00 pm. The location will be announced soon. Mark your calendars!

"At last, by the mercy of God, meditating day and night, I gave heed to the context of the words, namely, 'In it the righteousness of God is revealed, as it is written, 'He who through faith is righteous shall live.' There I began to understand that the righteousness of God is that by which the righteous lives by a gift of God, namely by faith. And this is the meaning: the righteousness of God is revealed by the gospel, namely, the passive righteousness with which merciful God justifies us by faith, as it is written, 'He who through faith is righteous shall live.' Here I felt that I was altogether born again and had entered paradise itself through open gates."

— Martin Luther

# Women in the Church

#### Ladies' Committee:

Brandi Childress, Bernadette Dempsey (Co-Chair), Michelle Hill, Laura Lindberg, Sharon Plate (Co-Chair)

#### Women's Fall Bible Study

A few years ago I sat holding a little boy while he cried. He was scared of the future, scared of the unknown. We talked in hushed tones and I tried to comfort him the best I knew how. Then all of the sudden he asked how he could be wise. That morning he asked God to give him wisdom to help other little boys and girls who were scared. And I can't help but think that God smiled and delighted in that request.

You see, back in history there was another young boy who asked for wisdom. And as he grew in stature and knowledge, God granted his request. He became the wisest man. And that wise man left behind his notes on wisdom, and knowledge, and learning, and obtaining guidance, and fearing the Lord. As a father leads his child, Solomon gave us a treasure of wise counsel on how to live our lives.

On Wednesdays the women of Trinity are coming together to study Proverbs and glean wisdom and understanding from God's word. We've only met a few times, but many of us are walking away each Wednesday encouraged. Encouraged by what God is revealing to us, encouraged to learn in community and talk over our learnings.

If you aren't attending one of the Wednesday studies - it's not too late to grab a book and join us for a time of rich fellowship around the truths found in God's Word. I can pretty much guarantee that you won't be sorry.

I get it. There are some of you who are just too busy and can't imagine one more thing to add to your already packed schedule. So I want to challenge you to get the book anyway and start going through it. Open up a conversation around what you're learning with another woman at church. I don't know about you but I learn best when I'm in community and talking things over.

Proverbs 27:17 reminds us 'As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend.' I need accountability...accountability to keep me in the word, to keep me growing, to challenge me to keep wanting more of my Savior. We need each other on this journey of life, this journey to our eternal home.

So please consider coming out and opening Proverbs with us. God is a great, great Father who longs to give us good gifts. One of the greatest gifts He gave Solomon was wisdom. I pray that one day I can have an ounce (or maybe a little more) of what he had – and I pray that the prayer of the young boy in my arms is answered in great and mighty ways.

TFC Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesday at 9:30am and 6:30pm. Childcare is available. We are going through Knowing The Bible: Proverbs by Lydia Brownback. It is a great study!!!

-Michelle Hill

# Greeters and Ushers

October 2
Greg Fox
Nathan Fox

October 9
Howard Gorter
Lucas Gorter

October 16 John Hensley Gabe Hensley

October 23
Boyd Irby
Christopher Irby

October 30 Nick Sartain Aiden Sartain

# Nursery Volunteers

October 2
Joy Denley

October 9
Valerie Plate

October 16
Rae Belle Sartain

October 23 Tamara Hensley Sophia Hensley

October 30 Ashley Hensley

Liturgist

Darrel Croswell

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#### 2016 PCA Women's Conference

Transformed is a PCA Women's Conference in Dallas, TX on November 11-12, 2016. The keynote speaker is Nancy Guthrie. There are several ladies from Trinity that are planning to attend. Only Friday night in a hotel would be needed, but we could opt to stay Saturday night as well if that is of interest to anyone.

Registration (October 1-28): \$100 each

The conference schedule is below. If you are interested in attending, please contact Brandi Childress, at 501-681-5002.

#### Main Conference Schedule

Friday, November 11: 7:00 to 9:00 pm
Saturday, November 12: 9:00 am to 2:30 pm
(includes your choice of 2 workshop sessions and lunch)

#### **Keynote Speaker - Nancy Guthrie**

#### Message 1: I Need a Change in What Captivates Me (Romans 11:33-36)

I need the plan of God to fill me with a fresh sense of wonder.

"Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

'For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?'

'Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?'

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen."

#### Message 2: I Need a Change in What Motivates Me (Romans 12:1)

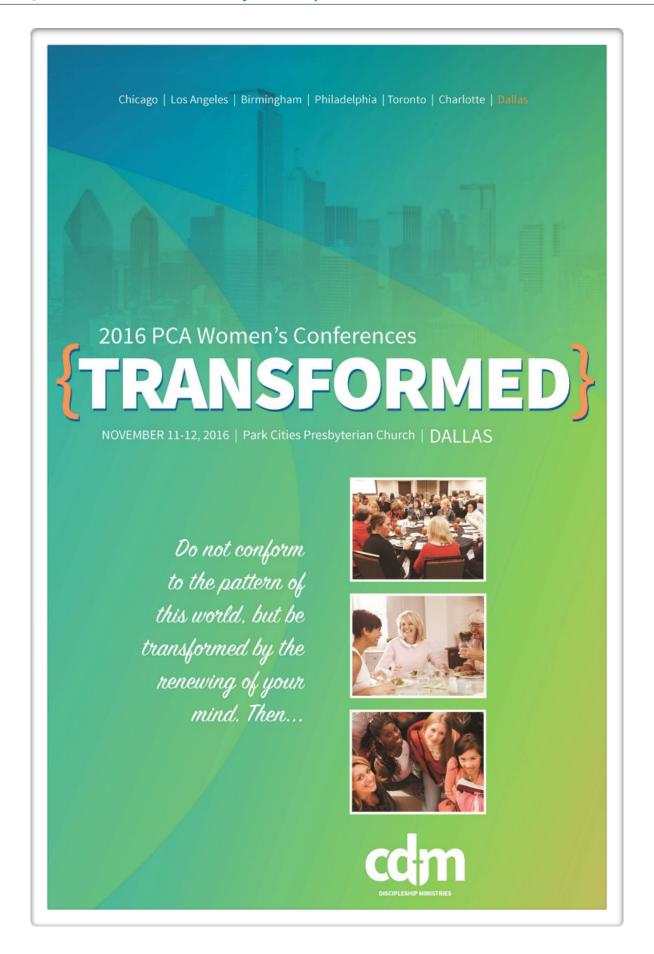
I need the mercy of God to move me toward an acceptable kind of worship.

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship."

#### Message 3: I Need a Change in What Shapes Me (Romans 12:2)

I need the word of God to renew me through a new way of thinking.

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."



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Del Farris	MNA Chaplain Ministries; Little Rock
Fred Klett	CHAIM (Reformed Ministry to Jewish People); Philadelphia
Michelle Hill	
Mike Ford	RUF at the University of Arkansas; Fayetteville
Mike and Eli Sabin	MTW; Guam
Seima and Naoko Aoyagi	MTW; Tokyo, Japan
Steve Sanford	Evangelical Alliance for Immigration Services; Little Rock
Steve and Kelly Walter	Wycliffe Bible Translators/GIAL
Tom and Karen Mirabella	a
Union Rescue Mission	Little Rock

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