

LifeLite

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40 Days in the Word begins SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

Written by Pastor Rick Warren, author of The Purpose Driven Life.

Topics in this series include

1. **Why Should I Build My Life on the Bible?**
2. **Can I Trust the Bible?**
3. **The Purpose of the Bible.**
4. **How Do I see what God Wants Me to See in the Bible?**
5. **How Do I Know what it Means?**
6. **How Do I Hide God's Word in My Heart?**
7. **How Do I Know What to Do About It?**

Be sure to invite a friend to Sunday Worship as we Learn more about the Word and how to apply it and obey it. This is also a great time to get started in a small group. Check out the 40 Days table or call the office to find a group that's right for you.

Annual Celebration

Sunday, January 29

11:45a in Fellowship Hall

Join us for a delicious lunch, celebrating 2011 and a look ahead at 2012. We'll also vote on the church budget for 2012.

LET'S CELEBRATE!

33 Baptisms in 2011

Ending 2011 debt free

Suggested donation for lunch:

\$5/adults & children over 12; \$3/kids 12 & under, \$15 family max. Childcare provided for ages 5 and under in the nursery (lunch included).

130th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, March 18

11:45a in Fellowship Hall

Praise God for blessing Fresno First Baptist with 130 years of Ministry! And many more to come.

Join us for a reception and view displays of some of our Fresno First Baptist history.

EASTER

April 1—Palm Sunday: Worship at 10:15a

Celebrating Christ as King

John 12:12-15

April 5—Maundy Thursday: Service at 6:30p

Remembering Our Lord's Last Supper

Matthew 26:26-30

April 8—EASTER SUNDAY: Worship at 10:15a

Celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus the Lord

Luke 24:1-12

**Christ the Lord
is risen today!
Alleluia!**

Come celebrate Jesus, the greatest gift any of us could ever receive.

Many people "can't afford" to give, precisely because they're not giving. If the minimum of tithing were expected by God and he promised to provide for those who trusted and obeyed him, doesn't it seem reasonable to expect that today he would empower me to get by on 90 percent instead of 100 percent? In fact, aren't I a lot safer living on less inside God's will than living on more outside it? (pg. 124, Managing God's Money by Randy Alcorn) I believe God will provide for me and I choose to obey him with my tithes (10% of my income) and my offerings. Won't you too?

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES: Join these Bible studies at any time.

Wednesdays

Bible Study w/Pastor Fred, 6-7a
at Brook's Ranch, 4131 S. Chestnut Current study: Gospel of Mark

Women's Bible Study w/Pastor Terrie, 7-8:30p
in the church Parlor Current study: Gospel of John (Childcare available)

Men's Bible Study w/Les Johnson, 7-8:30p
in Rm. 304 Current study: Revelation (Childcare available)

Thursdays

Bible Study w/Linda Alstrom, 9:30-11a
in Rm. 310

Sundays

Various Bible Study Classes, 9a
in Wing 3 classrooms at church

**All-Church
BABY SHOWER**

for Jessica Pittman

Sunday, Feb. 5
12p in Fellowship Hall



Due date: Feb. 29.



**OLD-FASHIONED
HYMN SING**

Sunday, Feb. 26

11:30a Lunch in Fellowship Hall
12:30p Hymn Sing in the Sanctuary

Come join us to sing some
of your favorite hymns.

Friday Family Dinners

6pm in Fellowship Hall
on

January 27 March 30
February 24 April 27

Join our church & neighborhood
for a free dinner and fun around
the tables.

FREEDOM WEEK! February 19-26, 2012 END SLAVERY IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY

For schedule and more info go to <http://centralvalleyfreedomweek.com>

GRIEF SHARE Grief Recovery Support Group
Tuesdays 6:30-8:30p in the church parlor
Led by Cheryl Lewis.

FBC Blood Drive Help Save Lives...Give Blood!
Sunday, February 19, 9:30a-12:30p

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Sundays 9:00a & 10:15a in Wing One
Nursery & quality classes for ages 0-6th grd.
Beginning Jan. 29—check-in/check-out in
Rm. 107. We're also starting a Children's
Worship time with music & offering.

Thursdays 3:00—4:30p in Rm. 310
CARE FRESNO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Homework & reading help. Food, Games, Fun!
For kids ages 5-12.



Sundays 9:00a @ Area 3:16
Youth Group for Jr. High & High School.
Wednesdays 7:00-8:30p @ Area 3:16
High School Group
Thursdays 7:00-8:30p @ Area 3:16
Jr. High Group

Contact Pastor
Chris to hear
more about
what is
happening in our
Youth Ministries.

WINTER CAMPS at SUGAR PINE CHRISTIAN CAMP in January!

Thanks to your generous giving for Camp Scholarships we are able to send 8 students to Jr. High camp and 6 students to High School camp. This is the first time going to camp for the majority of these students.

Upcoming Jr. High Events: Flashlight Tag, Bowling, Summer Camp, Beach trip
Upcoming High School Events: SouperBowl Party, "Attack of the Crazy Love," All-Nighter, Easter Mission Week.

WAYS TO SUPPORT our Youth Ministries with NO COST to you:

1. Use SHARES card at Save Mart & FoodMaxx. Request card from office.
2. Bring us your aluminum cans, plastic bottles, empty ink cartridges, and old cell phones for recycling.

A note from Christian Isichei re: Bakin Kogi Clinic in Nigeria: *I wish to inform you with gratitude to God and to you all that He has used that we have been able to sink a good well as water source, connected to the clinic and now commenced 24 hour services at Bakin-Kogi. God bless you all.*

As many of you know, this is a clinic we helped fund and build and continue to support. Let's all be faithful with our tithes and offerings so we can continue to make a difference in the name of Jesus in our neighborhood, city, and world.

College-age/Young Adult Ministries

Sundays 6:00p @ the Blend Café (Rm. 307)
Young Adult Worship Service. Hang out after.

Thursdays 6:30p @ Green Room Lounge
Small Groups (Rm. 305)

Some upcoming events: Superbowl Party, Benefit Concert, Game Night, "Thrift Store Prom", Mexico Mission Trip.

Contact Angela Whitney or Chris Lopez for more info on what's happening.

Stop by The Blend Café (Rm. 307)
before or after Worship on Sunday mornings.
All proceeds benefit our Young Adult Ministries.