

LOD News Flash

Highlights

One Service
May 20th 9:30am

Pancake Breakfast
/Silent Auction
Sunday May 27th 8:00am

Upcoming Events &

- May 15 YMCA – Chair Yoga
9:00am Sanctuary
- May 16 Men’s Bible Study –
Rustic Café - 6:30am
The Book of Proverbs
- May 16 Bible Study 9:00am
“What Does it Mean to be
Happy?”
- May 16 Silver Sneakers 10:00am
- May 17 YMCA – Chair Yoga - 9a
- May 18 Silver Sneakers 10:00am
- May 20 Worship Service 9:30am**
- May 20 Confirmation Sunday**
- May 21 Silver Sneakers 10:00am
- May 21 Casa de Cielo
- May 22 YMCA – Chair Yoga
9:00am Sanctuary
- May 23 Men’s Bible Study –
Rustic Café - 6:30am
The Book of Proverbs
- May 23 Silver Sneakers 10:00am
- May 24 YMCA – Chair Yoga
9:00am Sanctuary
- May 24 Worship Team
- May 24 PAL Mtg. 6:30p Rm 101
- May 27 Silent Auction/Pancake
Breakfast**
- May 27 Worship Service 9:30a**
- May 28 Memorial Day – Office
Closed**
- May 28 Silver Sneakers 10:00am
- May 29 YMCA – Chair Yoga
9:00am Sanctuary
- May 30 Men’s Bible Study –
Rustic Café - 6:30am
The Book of Proverbs
- May 30 Silver Sneakers 10:00am
- May 31 YMCA – Chair Yoga
9:00am Sanctuary
- May 31 Worship Team
- May 31 PAL Meeting 6:30pm
Rm 101
- June 1 Silver Sneakers 10:00am
- June 3 Worship Service 9:30am**

LOD Connections

May Change for Change - Young Life Capernaum

Young Life Capernaum is founded on the belief that young people with disabilities have the right to experience the abundant life God intended for them.

This includes meaningful relationships, fun, adventure and acceptance.

They provide opportunities for teens who need assistance to participate fully in activities that build self-esteem, challenge their limits and help them discover their abilities to do new things. They desire that all adolescents have the opportunity to explore a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and deserve to know what life can hold for them. Our change for change offerings in May will go toward helping them achieve these goals.

Congratulations Graduates!

Graduations are just around the corner. We want to be able to acknowledge those who are celebrating these milestones in their lives. If you are graduating or have a graduate in your family, please let the office know name, date and school.

Thanks!!

Our House is Back!

Wednesday’s in June

5:45 to 7:45pm

Everyone is invited to share a meal and gather together.

From 5:45-6:30 we will eat a delicious meal together and then for the remaining time children and adults will be split up for separate programming.

For more information or if you would like to volunteer to help please contact

Shawn Chappel (shawn@lightofthedesert.org) or

Sarah Witkop (sarah@lightofthedesert.org).

We hope to see you this summer at "Our House"!

“Cut-Ups”

Tuesday, June 5th

Project: Bags filled with goodies for the children who are staying with their moms at Family Advocacy Center. Items needed: coloring books, crayons, colored pencils, small games. Items can be brought to Patty’s desk ☺

Letter Writing - Potluck

Sunday June 24th following the service at 11:00am

Have you ever sat down to write a letter to one of your sponsored kids at Hope4Kids and wondered: “What should I write?” or “What shouldn’t I write?”

Or have you thought “Gee, I’d like to send them some little thing but I’m not sure what that might be?” Maybe you would just like to fellowship with others that sponsor a child and share your experiences.

If that describes you – or even if you just want to come and join the party ☺

Mark your calendars now!

There will be a sign-up sheet on the LOD Connections Table.

Global Leadership Summit - At Light of the Desert

August 9-10th, 2018

Topics include: Identifying personal attributes critical for success;

Thriving in the face of adversity; Creating an innovative culture;

Jesus’ Grander Vision for the world and many more.

It isn’t often that you have the opportunity to hear from so many Christian leaders, leaders in the market place and leaders from academia in two days.

Definitely two days’ worth setting aside on your calendars.

For more information, talk to Pastor Paul, Sarah or Patty.

We have a very reduced price of \$89 because we are hosting.

Make your reservation today.

Global Connections

Hope4Kids Mission Trips

There are many opportunities to take a short term mission trip this year with Hope4Kids.

I can tell you from personal experience – there is nothing quite like it.

Here are the planned trips for this year, for more information you can contact their office at (623) 979-5516 or email amy@h4ki.org.

Mission Trip Opportunities in 2018

Mexico	July 27-29 , September 21-23
Cuba	August 2-11, October 23-November 1
Guatemala	August 2-9
Philippines	October 9-18
Uganda	November 6-19

If you have sponsored a child(ren) with Hope4Kids they will have scheduled time for you to get to meet them.

This is an opportunity that will change your life!

Apply at h4ki.org/trips

Kasolo Village Update

Construction on the Pastor's home and medical clinic in Kasolo is moving right along. God continues to multiply our blessings. Our contractor employs local youth on all his projects to help pay their school fees. He had recently learned of 10 boys who had passed their O level exams, a high school proficiency test, but had no funds to stay in school. By giving them work for 3 weeks on the Kasolo project, they will earn enough to stay in school. ***God is good – All the time!***

Kasolo Uganda

1. **Pray** for the people in our village, for their health and safety and most of all that they might each grow to have a deep relationship with God.
2. **Pray** about going on a mission trip
3. **Donate** for the Village of Kasolo
4. **Put** together a Hygiene Kit
5. **Pray about sponsoring a child**
6. **Pray about sponsoring a women** - one year educational program– upon graduation she is prepared to better support herself and her family.

We have 16 children in our village signed up that need sponsors, if you might be interested let Patty know.

Pray for our Missionaries

VOM – Persecuted Church

Continue to pray for those who are being persecuted for their faith in Jesus Christ

Bangladesh - Scotts

Please pray for more teachers and doctors to serve at LAMB. Prayers for thanksgiving for Kyle and Lois Scott and blessed reconnections with family, friends and mission partners during home assignment. Continued prayers for safe travel and rest.

Bosnia –

Pastor Karmelo Kresonja

Please join with us in the following prayers:

Pray for a group of young people coming from a Charismatic Catholic group from a neighboring town. Pray for wisdom to help them grow in faith, discipleship, and baptism.

Pray for the regular activities of the church especially where non-believers come: English classes, fitness, knitting group, mother's prayer group, book club, kid's club...

Pray for the formation of new home group where believers can grow and seekers can find out more about the Bible and faith in God

After almost 20 years of waiting for a building permit to build a church building, and after seven years of moving from place to place without a space of our own, we have a unique opportunity to buy a building that's almost move-in ready.

We need about \$50,000 to help us buy this property, pay all the taxes and fees, and do some minor renovations that will allow us to move in. Please pray for God's will and provision for the acquisition of this space. We would like to move in by May of this year.

The Eikosts

The three locations we focused on are in north-central Bosnia, near the Croatian border. There are no established churches or outreach ministries in these towns. We are asking the Lord to open doors for ministry and future church planting opportunities. We were deeply impressed with the need for healing, cleansing and freedom from addiction. Prayers for Danny and Erin Garrido a young couple in the U.S. preparing for overseas service. Prayers for praise and continued direction in our ministries and God's provision financially and spiritually.

The Opaceks

- Pray for our little flock in Vares (they are not regular, especially two, though they consider themselves a part of the church) for growth and spiritual understanding.
- Pray for open people and people who are already touched by the God who will receive Word and respond to it.
- Pray for people who are witnesses and we testified that they may be saved
- Pray for to go to prayer walks to other cities
- Pray for wise communication with people in villages and in Vares
- Pray for the future camp Emanuel

Thank you for your prayers!

Pastor Saša

1. Praise for all the good things God has been doing: the Reformation 500 Year Event, Operation Christmas Child and youth work. Prayer for God to continue to work in the lives of those touched by these different events and projects.
2. After a break in January, we are starting with home groups again after a two week seminar on spiritual gifts. Currently we have four home groups going in our church. We ask for your prayers that God would strengthen and deepen our home group ministry as we know that this is a primary place where discipleship happens!
3. Annual Church Assembly Meeting: On February 24, we will have our annual church business meeting. Please pray that God would guide us all as church members in wisdom and grace as we seek to lead this church together. We ask for your prayers for our church leadership that we would facilitate the meeting well.
4. Ithus- Second Hand Shop: We continue to seek the Lord's guidance for our second hand shop. We have currently let one of our employees go and are in the process of shutting down one of the shops in the Dobrinja neighborhood. This will leave our Ilidža shop and we are praying to see what our next step is. We ask for your prayers for wisdom on how to go forward. Please also pray for our worker that we had to let go.
5. Planning for Camps. We are starting to plan for our summer camps that we organize for our denomination Evangelical Church of Bosnia-Herzegovina. We ask for your prayers for our camp planning team and for the Spirit's guidance as we prepare camp program and other logistics.

France - Goods

Pray for their ministry in this University City that has a potential to reach over 60,000 students and their outreach to the neighborhoods.

Lebanon – Liss'

Prayers for safety as they continue to minister in this volatile area.

Community Connections

The ECS (Education & Community Services)

The ECS is looking for adults, 18 years of age (graduates of high school) and older to fill positions as aides in their Before and After Care Program. The positions are full time, offer benefits and eligibility for state retirement. The schedule is split into an early morning and late afternoon block of time, approximately 6:30 or 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and then from 2:30-6:00 p.m..

The jobs are posted on the www.ccusd93.org job listing.

If anyone has questions about specific job responsibilities, please contact Heather Turner at hturner@ccusd93.org or 480-575-2440.

Volunteer for the Foothills Caring Corps

Put your Faith in Action! Your talents can be put to good use as a

Drivers Needed! Do you want to make a difference in the life of a senior or adult with a disabling condition who is unable to drive? Would you like to volunteer on a van trip to the theater or shopping with a group of fun and lively adults? What about delivering a nutritious lunch time meal to a senior who needs help with preparing food? Or a scheduled trip to the doctor in your own car? You can make a difference - please join us! Visit our website for information on volunteering at: www.foothillscaringcorps.com. Or call us at 480-488-1105.

Foothills Food Bank

May Wish List

PASTA SAUCE

PEANUT BUTTER

TUNA

SPAM

JELLY

SUGAR

SOUPS- CREAM, CHUNKY, CONDENSED

JUICE

TOILETRIES – TRAVEL SIZE

DEODORANT FOR MALE/FEMALE

DIAPERS – SIZE- 3, 4, 5, 6

NOTE: We appreciate all of your generous donations but we are NOT in need of the following Items at this time: Green Beans, Corn, Canned Beans.

Donations can be taken directly to the food bank at 6038 E. Hidden Valley Dr. Cave Creek

Support for the Food Bank can also be given thru Arizona Tax Credits. Check out foothillsfoodbank.com

Kiwanis Market Place

The Marketplace is a great option for giveaways. You can drop off items Tuesday to Saturday, 9 to 4 or call them for pick-up, 480-488-8400

Celebrate Recovery

Helps Adults with: Chemical Dependency, Alcohol, Gambling, Anger, Sex Addiction, Codependency and Eating disorders & Abuse.

Tuesday at 7:00p

Carefree Highway Community Church

5025 East Carefree Highway, Cave Creek AZ 85331

Desert Foothills Al-Anon

For loved ones affected by another's drinking or substance abuse.

Tuesday at 7:00p

Christ the Lord Lutheran Church 9205 E Cave Creek Rd, Carefree

Faith Based Grief Support Group

This faith based support group is open, co-ed, non-denominational. Facilitated by Dr. Pat Moseley Nichols, Psychologist

Thursday at 4:00p, no charge. Desert Hills Presbyterian Church, in the Lounge of the Fellowship Center.

34605 N. Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85262

P.A.L. – Parents of Addicted Loved Ones

Support for parents of loved ones who struggle with addiction

Thursday at 6:30p

Light of the Desert Lutheran Church

33175 N Cave Creek Rd. Cave Creek AZ 85331