

Sermon Series: The Real Thing

“The Real Thing” is a summer Sunday morning teaching series on the book of James that will help us realize what authentic Christianity is all about. Join us this entire summer, and invite others, as we walk through this amazingly practical book.

Go Global Wednesday Nights

Wednesday nights this summer take on the theme of missions and global reports from around the world. Come and hear what our God is doing in Thailand, Mexico, The Sudan, China, Honduras, Mongolia and Israel. And hear local mission stories with SEALS, CARES, Middle School and High School Mission Trips. Go Global will take place at 6:15 every Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall. This summer there will also be a Fellowship Dinner served from 5:00–6:15. Here are the testimonies for the next few weeks:

- June 24 Thailand, Dan and Carol Hylden
- July 1 CARES Teams, First Irving
- July 8 His Voice for Sudan, Vernon & Amber Burger
- July 15 SEALS Ministry, SEALS Team

Pastor John’s Sabbatical

The Personnel policy at First Irving allows full-time ministers a sabbatical every 7 years...a time to get away and study, hear from the Lord, and enrich their ministry. Pastor John will be gone for three weeks in July taking his sabbatical. To read more about the sabbatical and his journey, go to our church’s website.

Children’s News

CHILDREN’S CAMP

Parent/Camper meeting today, June 21, 2009; 4:00 p.m. in room K204. Please bring any due paperwork, including camper form and a copy of your insurance card. If you have any questions or for more information, please contact Jennifer Mosty via email at jmosty@fbcirving.org or by cell phone 817-846-0599.

EXTREME BLAST

Wednesday nights, June 3–August 5, 6:00 – 7:15 for all children that have completed Kindergarten – 5th grade. EB includes exciting games, cool snacks, and a quick weekly devotion.

Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary today are in loving memory of my dad, John Stipes and in honor of my husband, Danny Smith – two wonderful and loving fathers, by Stacie Stipes Smith.

Personnel Changes

With the addition of the third worship service on Sunday mornings, the Pastor and Personnel Team have transferred Jared Billups out of Middle School Ministry and into the full-time position of Worship Pastor coordinating the two contemporary worship services this fall.

This is effective on August 9. Will James will continue to serve as our Classic Service Worship Leader. The Personnel Team (Carla Von Voss, Ricky Frick, Bryan Calvert, Rodney Fann, Daniel David and Mark Macon) as well as an Ad-Hoc committee (Brent Stanphill, Samantha Golightly, Scott Walsh, Amy Downs and Beverly Hearn) voted unanimously to bring Jay Miller to First Irving as our new Middle School Pastor effective August 9.

Meet Middle School Pastor, Jay Miller

The Pastor, Personnel Team, and an Ad-Hoc group of parents and youth workers unanimously voted to bring Jay Miller on staff as our new Middle School Pastor. All parents, youth workers, and middle school students are encouraged to come to the gym on Sunday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m. for an ice-cream gathering to welcome Jay into this important position. Jay and his wife Nicole will be coming to First Irving the first week of August.

Women’s Retreat

Ladies.....Register today for the 2009 Women’s Retreat “Extreme Makeover: Heart Edition,” October 2 & 3 at the Embassy Suites at Outdoor World in Grapevine. Speaker: Margaret Kennedy, founder and president of Threads of Hope Ministries and Lifeway Ministry Multiplier for the LifeWay Foundation. Contact: Stacie Smith at sdsmith1999@verizon.net or Sheila Cox at sheilaanncox@hotmail.com, for any questions you have or visit the Hub to register today.

Men’s Ministry Small Groups

We will be having a special focus this summer for the First Irving Men on learning to share the gospel. This will be a combination of large group and small group meetings, and actually sharing the gospel. It will be 6 weeks that we meet together on Wednesday nights starting July 1, at 7:30 p.m. directly after prayer gathering. This is for any and all men. If you want more info, come to the first meeting, or email jasonhatch7@gmail.com.

Student Ministries

St. Louis Project

We will continue training this evening at 5:30 p.m. Parents, please make plans to join us for our final meeting Sunday, July 5 at 4:30 p.m. on the third floor! If you are unable to attend the parent meeting, please email Janelle Hartsfield at jhartsfiend@fbcirving.org so we can send you the information you will miss.

Wednesday Nights

Middle School and High School students will attend Prayer Gathering/Go Global on Wednesday nights at 6:15 p.m. and can take part in Open Gym Activities from 7:00–7:30 p.m.

Preschool Fun Days

Splash Day is this Wednesday, June 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Come join us by the playground on Hastings and 4th Street for all kinds of water fun! Make sure to bring a sack lunch. See you there!

Wednesday Fellowship Meal June 24, 2009	
<i>Chicken Tenders with gravy</i>	
<i>Creamy Mashed Potatoes</i>	
<i>Steamed Broccoli</i>	
<i>Black eyed Peas</i>	
<i>Salad</i>	
<i>Rolls</i>	
 <i>Dessert</i>	
Serving from 5:00 - 6:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall	
Adults - \$4.50	
6th - College - \$3.50	
Kindergarten - 5th Grade - \$2.50	
4 Yrs and under - Free	
 <i>Prayer Gathering at 6:15 p.m.</i>	

Weekly Planner

SUNDAY	06.21.09
8:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Time
9:00 a.m.	Donuts with Dad
4:00 p.m.	Camp Parents Meeting
5:30 p.m.	St. Louis Mission Trip Training
MONDAY	06.22.09
	Childrens Camp GAP
9:00 a.m.	Kids Day Out
6:00 p.m.	Skate for Sudan
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
TUESDAY	06.23.09
11:30 a.m.	Evergreen
6:30 p.m.	Genesis: Part III (off campus)
WEDNESDAY	06.24.09
10:00 a.m.	Preschool Fun Day
5:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
5:30 p.m.	Handbell Practice
6:00 p.m.	Extreme Blast for Children
6:00 p.m.	HS Dart Dinner
6:15 p.m.	Prayer Gathering/Go Global
7:00 p.m.	MS/HS Open Gym
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir
THURSDAY	06.25.09
6:30 p.m.	Esther Bible Study (off campus)
7:00 p.m.	Every Woman's Battle (off campus)
FRIDAY	06.26.09
9:00 a.m.	Kids Day Out
SATURDAY	06.27.09
	College Service Saturday
9:00 p.m.	Ladies Prayer Time

STEWARDSHIP:	June 14, 2009
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 22,731
Designated	\$ 620
FaithWorks	\$ 4,510
Budget YTD	\$ 1,199,791
Weekly Budget	\$ 34,792
Budget YTD (under)	(\$87,513)
ATTENDANCE:	June 14, 2009
Bible Study	731
Worship	825
ADDITIONS:	June 14, 2009
Baptism	2
Letter	2



Welcome to First Irving

We continue today in the summer teaching series through the book of James called “The Real Thing”. This book is a book of Christian ethics, it speaks on how we should rightly live our lives. Today, James speaks to us on faith and works.

Welcome Center Reception

Our Ministers and I would like to meet you at the conclusion of the 9:30 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Worship Service. Please stop by the Welcome Center at 10:45 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. for refreshments and the opportunity to get acquainted with some new friends. Exit through the double doors by the piano to the Welcome Center.

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