



# The Crest Connection

Connecting people with a life that counts for eternity!

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September's mission offerings will go to support the Hyde State Mission Offering of the Baptist Convention of Iowa.

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**Weekly Schedule**  
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**Sunday:**

9:30 am Bible Study  
10:45 am Worship  
6:00 pm Financial Peace University

**Wednesday:**

6:30 am Prayer Meeting  
6:30 pm Children and Youth Ministries  
7:00 pm The Truth Project

**Thursday:**

6:00 pm Celebrate Recovery  
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study; GriefShare

**Friday:**

9:30 am Women's Bible Study

Beloved,

August started with a bang as we began Vacation Bible School on August 1. The children had a great time of "roundin' up questions and drivin' home answers" with this Western-themed VBS. Karla Powers did a great job of directing this annual children's ministry, and she was helped by an outstanding

teaching and support staff. The highlight of the week was



## FROM THE PASTOR

the Saddle Ridge Ranch Musical with drama under the direction of Debbie and Logan Angelo and music under the direction of Cindy Taylor and Megan Emerson. The kids did such a great job of memorizing lines, music and motions. Thanks for all who had a part in this ministry. Pray that the truths taught will continue to drive children to God for answers.

One of the important ministries of our church is Celebrate Recovery. Over the last five years, we have seen folks come to know Christ and develop into leaders through this ministry. I had the joy of accompanying two of those leaders, Amanda Davis and Rich Ornelis, out to California for the annual Celebrate Recovery Summit in August. It didn't hurt that temperatures were in the upper 70's there while Iowa was in the midst of a heat wave with over

120 degree heat indices.

While this was my second time to the Summit, I gained some new insights into this ministry and really enjoyed the fellowship of other believers through worship, prayer times, and training sessions. All three of us came back with an excitement for the potential this ministry has to

reach more in our community with the healing power of Jesus Christ. We will be prayerfully considering ways to expand this ministry in the next year. I hope you will pray that God gives us the leaders for that expansion.

As our Fall schedule begins, plug into one of the many small groups that are offered (see page 2 for a complete listing). There are still some in the works, so I hope you'll find one to join and "get connected" with others at Crest. I am also excited about a new counseling partnership we'll begin this month with Team Restoration Ministries (see page 4).

God is doing some great things in our midst. Let's not miss the opportunities to grow into the likeness of Christ and to help others do the same. Thanks for your love and faithfulness.

In His love,

*Pastor Chuck*

### ADULT BIBLE CLASSES: SUNDAYS AT 9:30 A.M.

**The Case for Hope** – This study begins with a lesson on apologetics, and then makes the case for the existence of God, the love of God and God's involvement in our lives. (Room 9b)

**Stepping Up: A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent** – In this study by Beth Moore, you will explore Psalms 120-134 and discover how God desires to change your outlook on life, raise you to a higher plain of worship and service, and usher you to the next step in your journey with Him. (Room 9a)

**The Grace of God: A Journey of Discovery in the Book of Romans** – This inductive Bible study is for growing believers. (Room 4)

**Effective Parenting in a Defective World:** In this 9-session DVD study by Chip Ingram you'll learn how you can be an effective parent, no matter how defective the world is you live in! Contact Pastor Chuck at 782-2018 or sign up on the Connection Tear-off. (Office classroom)

### Financial Peace University

– This 13-week DVD/discussion series will help participants to experience financial freedom and give like never before! Cost is \$93 for materials. Contact Ken Clark at 782-6395. **New class begins September 12<sup>th</sup>.** (Sanctuary at 6:00 p.m.)



### ADDITIONAL SMALL GROUPS

**MONDAY: Weight Release Group – Women:** Weekly meetings beginning **September 13.** Contact Vicki Brown at 782-5487. (Office classroom at 10:00 a.m.)

**TUESDAY: Weight Release Group – Women:** Weekly meetings beginning September 7. (Room 9 at 5:00 p.m.)

**WEDNESDAY: The Truth Project** – This 12-week DVD series produced by Focus on the Family discusses the rele-

vance and importance of living the Christian worldview in daily life. **Begins Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>.** (7:00 p.m. at the home of Dick and Gay Lou Lechtenberger; 1000 N. Lincoln)  
**THURSDAY: Celebrate Recovery** – a Christ-centered 12-Step ministry. Contact Wayne Hanson at 782-8183. Child-care provided. (6:00 p.m.)

**Women's Bible Study – Faithful, Abundant and True** - Begins Sept. 9 (6:30 p.m. at the Myra Spindler's, 1017 N. Poplar; 782-7521)

**GriefShare** – a Christ-centered 13-week DVD presentation with discussion/workbooks for those grieving the death of someone close. Cost is \$13 for the workbook. Sign up on the *Tear-Off*, or contact Lexie Starlin at 641-344-1861, Marilyn Ralls at 641-344-5974 or Crest at 782-2018. New group begins September 9<sup>th</sup>. (6:30 p.m. – Office classroom)

**FRIDAY: Women's Bible Study – Faithful, Abundant and True** -Contact Myra Spindler at 782-7521. (Room 9b at 9:30 a.m.)

Get "connected" in a small group



TeamKids, a discipleship program for 1<sup>st</sup>–6<sup>th</sup> graders, will resume on Wednesdays, starting September 8 at 6:30 p.m. If you would like to assist, contact, Myra at 782-7521.



MEMBERSHIP TRAINING  
Discovering Church Membership Class will be taught by Pastor Chuck on September 26 from 2–5 p.m. If you would like to attend, call the office or sign up on the bulletin Tear-off.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Regular Sunday Schedule</b>                      9:30 am Bible Study (all ages)                      10:45 am Worship Service                      6:00 pm Financial Peace University (begins 9/12)</p>	<p><b>Regular Monday Schedule</b>                      10:00 am Women's Weight Release Meeting</p>	<p><b>Regular Tuesday Schedule</b>                      5:00 pm Women's Weight Release Meeting</p>	<p><b>1</b>  <b>Regular Wednesday Schedule</b>                      6:30 am Prayer Meeting                      6:30 pm Children and Youth Groups  <b>Birthday:</b> Dorsey Derrick  <b>Anniversary:</b> Pat and Debbie</p>	<p><b>2</b>  <b>Regular Thursday Schedule</b>                      6:00 am Celebrate Recovery                      6:30 pm Grief-Share (begins 9/9), Women's Bible Study (Spindler's home, begins 9/9)</p>	<p><b>3</b>  <b>Birthday:</b> Mick Landers  <b>Anniversary:</b> Rick and Tara Hanson</p>	<p><b>4</b>                      7:00 p.m. Pearson and Krambeck Wedding  <b>Birthday:</b> Tom Frey  <b>Anniversary:</b> Steve and Suzie Johnston</p>
<p><b>5</b>  <b>Birthdays:</b> Dawn Ide; Dee VerHelst</p>	<p><b>6</b>                      Labor Day                      Office Closed</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b>                      4:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b>  <b>Birthdays:</b> Jessica Cramer; Payton Davis; Savannah Hartman; Monica Powers; William Ticknor</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
<p><b>12</b>                      Ordinance of Lord's Supper  <b>Birthday:</b> Eli Hartman</p>	<p><b>13</b>  <b>Birthday:</b> Brysen Emerson</p>	<p><b>14</b>  <b>Anniversary:</b> Dale and Karen Magee</p>	<p><b>15</b>                      7:00 p.m. Truth Project begins at the home of Dick and Gay Lou Lechtenberger  <b>Birthdays:</b> Cali Purdum; David Young</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
<p><b>19</b>                      Noon Business Meeting/Lunch</p>	<p><b>20</b>  <b>Anniversary:</b> Ron and Rosalie Hampton</p>	<p><b>21</b>                      5:00 p.m. Open Table</p>	<p><b>22</b>  <b>Birthday:</b> Max Johnston</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p>
<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b>  <b>Anniversaries:</b> Gert and Gloria Müller; Michael and Sandy Seals</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b>  <b>Birthdays:</b> Olivia Cramer; Bree Daggett</p>	<p><b>Regular Friday Schedule</b>                      9:30 am Women's Bible Study (begins 9/10)</p>	

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*Crest Baptist Church is...  
Committed to Christ—  
Connecting with Each Other—  
Commissioned to Serve Our  
Community and World*

**Business Meeting  
September 19 at Noon**



**Our Hearts  
go out to...**

**The Church  
family  
expresses our  
sympathy to:**

- the family of Anna Hiatt in her death;
- Jean Mohr's family in the death of her sister, Jean Painter;
- Brian Cramer's family in the death of his mother, Cathy Cramer;
- Sherry Taylor's family in the death of her sister, Rosamary McClain Bradford;
- Sodie Widener's family in the death of her brother, Lowell White;
- Paul Shimer's family in the death of his cousin, Pat Shimer.

Beginning on September 28, Crest will begin a partnership with Team Restoration Ministries. TRM partners with local churches to provide a qualified counselor or therapist on site at least once a week.

Valerie C. Huntley, a Christian Counselor who started working with TRM in September 2009, will be seeing clients at Crest. She is a Christ-servant, wife, mother, and singer who is passionate about empowering others to find reconciliation, growth, and healing through the guidance of Christ. Valerie has been licensed in the state of Iowa as a Licensed Independent Social Worker



(LISW) since November 2008. She recently earned her Advanced Certification in Hospice and Palliative Care (ACHP-SW). Her counseling experience and interests include the areas of individual, marriage, family, adolescents, eating disorders, abuse victims, grief and loss, and substance.

You will be able to meet Valerie when she visits us in worship in September. She will begin taking Saturday appointments beginning Sept 28. Payment arrangements will be made with TRM. To contact her, email: [vhuntley@team-restoration.org](mailto:vhuntley@team-restoration.org) or call 515.238.9010