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WORD IN REVIEW

THE NFL

NEVER FAIL LIFE

From the desk of Dr. David C. Forbes, Jr.



Ask any football fan what the acronym NFL stands for, and they most assuredly will say National Football League. For the child of God, however, NFL means Never Fail Life. Watching our favorite team win the big game can be exciting, but it takes second place to the excitement available to us when we activate our faith in God who never fails. People who have a limited understanding of God may have a difficult time believing that a never fail life is possible because of past heartaches, disappointments and failures. These negative experiences and emotions block the truth which is revealed in God's Word concerning our right to live a life that cannot fail.

In Matthew 17:19, when Jesus' disciples asked, "Why could not we cast him (the devil) out?", what they were really asking was, "Why did we fail?" We, like the disciples, when faced with our failures may ask God the same thing. Dwelling on these failures prevent us from looking to the One who exemplified a never fail life. The answer Jesus gave the disciples holds true for us today. Unbelief and lack of faith hold us back and prevent us from living a Never Fail Life. We increase our belief and faith because Jesus promises that all things are possible to those who believe and have faith in God. With God, we can never fail!

Worship Encounter
Sunday 10:00 AM

Training in the Word
Wednesday 7:00 PM

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Vision & Mission

Our Vision

Increasing Lives with the Word of God

Our Mission

Teaching all people to Love God,
Love Others and Impact the World

Love God

Because I love God, I purpose to attend weekly encounters where I worship God through praise, prayer, giving and hearing the Word so that my daily life glorifies Him.

Love Others

Because I value the Body of Christ, I purpose to connect with a Life Group where I can meet others and learn to live in victory as I mature in Christ.

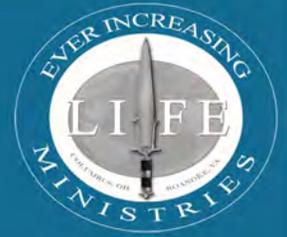
Impact the World

Because God loves the world, I purpose to engage in evangelism, missions and service projects through Life Groups in order to manifest the Power of Christ.

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- * Eggs cooked to order*
- * Belgian Waffles with real maple syrup*
- * Breakfast Potatoes*
- * Fruit Smoothies*
- * Iced Coffee*

HOURS

Wednesday

*6:00 – 7:00 p.m. and
After Evening Encounter*

Sunday

*9:00 – 10:00 a.m. and
After Morning Encounter*

Try this tasty, summer-friendly recipe!

Crustless Garden Vegetable and Cheese Quiche

What You Need

- 5 green onions, chopped, divided*
- 1 tomato, chopped, divided*
- 1 thinly sliced zucchini*
- 1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms*
- 2 tbsp olive oil*
- 12 eggs*
- 1/3 cup reduced fat or light sour cream*
- 1 cup 2% milk shredded cheddar cheese*
- 1 cup 2% milk shredded mozzarella cheese*

HEAT oven to 325°F.

RESERVE 2 tbsp. each onions and tomatoes. Saute mushrooms and zucchini in olive oil; cook and stir 2 min. or until tender. Remove from heat. Add to skillet with remaining onions and tomatoes; mix well.

BEAT eggs and sour cream with whisk until well blended. Pour into greased 13x9-inch baking dish; top with veggie mixture and cheeses.

BAKE 30 min. or until center is set. Top with reserved onions and tomatoes. Let stand 5 min. before cutting to serve.



Food, Fun & Fellowship

CCC's Annual Church Picnic

Get ready to enjoy a day filled with fun, games, food and fellowship at our annual Church Picnic on Saturday, August 4, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. This year's event will be held at Hoff Woods Park located at 556 McCorkle Blvd., Westerville, Ohio 43082. The entire CCC family is invited.

Numerous activities are planned for the whole family to enjoy, including a specially designated play zone for parents and their children.

Hoff Woods Park also offers fishing and many nature paths for walking. Whatever activities you choose, this time of fellowship is sure to be good. If you are interested in participating in the basketball, volleyball, tennis or football games, please sign up in the Grand Concourse after an encounter. Gift cards will be awarded to the winners of the basketball and tennis tournaments.

Bring an appetite for fun and a competitive spirit for family games and entertainment! Volunteer sign-ups begin in July. Please visit the Information Booth in the Grand Concourse to learn more. Questions may also be submitted to Kyle Kynard at (kynardk@gmail.com).



SAVE THE DATE

CCC's Church Picnic

SAT. AUGUST 4TH

11AM – 4PM

*HOFF WOODS PARK
WESTERVILLE, OHIO*

Testimonies

Celebrating the Great Things God Has Done

GOD PROVIDES

Recently, I was out of work for six months. The entire time I was provided for over and above what I would have been able to provide for myself if I had still been working. In the seventh month of my unemployment, I received a posting for a position that was tailor-written for my skill set. I applied on a Tuesday and they called me on Thursday to set up a pre-screening interview. That Friday at CCC there was a Helps Partner Meeting. I had \$2 in my wallet and \$1.48 in the bank. I took that \$2 to Pastor Forbes and asked him to pray with my "Widow's mite". We prayed and sealed that job for me. It was awesome! I had 5 interviews in 2 weeks. I was the only candidate they considered for the position and I received an offer. The current position was an increase of almost \$15,000. It is over what I had shared with God that I desired.

The journey was truly a walk of faith and so exciting! I previously had trust issues and knew with my head that God would provide. But I was having trouble truly believing. I will never doubt it again. God has done great things for me! I never went without, all my bills were paid. I was truly provided for and all the time there was such a peace. I knew my job was coming; I even knew when it was coming. The presence of the Holy Spirit was so much with me the entire time, the blessing was almost tangible. It was an awesome experience that showed me that God is my unfailing source.

Jennifer B.



Have a TESTIMONY? We want to hear from you! Email us at testimony@eilm.org.



Get Involved This Summer! Here's how:

MEN ages 16 & up

Connect with other men of God to sharpen your iron as a Christian man (meets monthly in the Sanctuary).

Upcoming dates:

Aug. 18; Sept. 15; Oct. 13

Contact Us: manup@eilm.org

MANUP

LADIES ages 13 & up

Join with other sisters in Christ to deepen your walk as a woman of God (meets monthly in the Sanctuary)

Upcoming dates:

Jul. 21; Sept. 29; Oct. 20

Contact Us: alive@eilm.org

ALIVE

Anointed Ladies Increasing in Virtue and Excellence

TEENS ages 12-18

Learn to serve and develop personal vision in Christ with other youth (meets weekly in the UTURN Youth Center)

Upcoming dates:

Jul. 4, 11, 18, 25

Contact Us: UTURN@eilm.org



KID CITY

CHILDREN ages 3-12:

Where kids are kings and kings are kids as they learn how to walk with the Holy Spirit, love Christ and honor God (meets weekly on 2nd Floor)

Upcoming dates: Jul. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Contact Us: KidCity@eilm.org

WANTED

UNUSED GIFTS

By Minister Ronda Hughes

Are you a gift that is being unused in the body of Christ? Drs. David and Tracy Forbes believe that every person at CCC is a gift and has a gift from God. All gifts are meant to be used and the only way your gift can be developed is by use. There is something to be said about using your "gift" to serve God first. When you give God the first part of anything -- other things are added unto you.

Maybe you're thinking, "I'd like to serve, but I'd only like to serve one week a month?" Great, we offer flexibility in serving.

"I'd like to serve, but I'm working through some areas in my life." Great, we'll work together to find the best place for you to serve while you and God are working on things. Believe me, you're not alone.

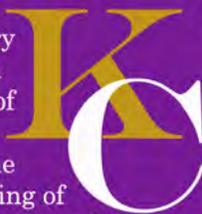
"I don't know where to serve." That's okay too! Take your first step by completing a Helps Interest Form and check the box that says "Not sure where to Serve". Someone will walk you through your next steps. Interest Forms can be found on the wall next to the Bookstore in the Grand Concourse or on our website (www.eilm.org) under Resources/Forms.

Our Confession is:

"We are a church where all gifts are in use".

KingdomCollege

Genesis and Revelation are the first and last books in the Bible, which provide a frame for the Word of God. While these two books provide the framework for the Word, they also supply the framework for the age in which we live. The purpose of connecting these two books is to provide the story of the generations of Adam and Eve. The generations of Adam and Eve are commonly referred to as the human race. In the beginning of the human race, God created people for three distinct purposes. The first purpose was to replace the seat of worship left vacant by rebellion. The second purpose was to replenish the earth. And then finally, the third purpose was to re-establish the blessing God instituted with Abraham.



In order for Christians to fulfill these three purposes we must seek and maintain an intimate relationship with God. To truly know God, we must read His Word, the Bible on a daily basis. Knowing the Word of God gives vision to the reader of God's expectations for our lives. Proverbs 29:18 says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keeps the law, happy is he." As the Word of God provides the framework in which we envision God's order, we find happiness. In that happiness, we have life in Jesus who is the beginning to the end, from Genesis to Revelation, and from bookend to bookend that will forever frame our lives.

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Dream

Over 150 volunteer hours
in just 2 weeks

CCC has partnered with Rehabs at Rosemont to take a stand against Human Trafficking, a form of modern day slavery where people profit from the control and exploitation of others. Girls between the ages of 6 and 18 years old were rescued by the FBI and are being placed in housing all across the country.

CCC raised over \$10,000 to furnish and decorate four bedrooms and a bathroom at the Rosemont Center, the place many of the girls will soon call home. Phase II of the Rosemont Center project will begin soon.

Email alive@eilm.org to learn how you can be a part of CCC's stand against Human Trafficking.

Visit www.eilm.org to see all of the project photos.



Inspire

More than \$10,000 raised
within 5 minutes

We are Standing Against Human Trafficking

Stand with us! Email alive@eilm.org to learn how you can help.



Imagine

Over 50 CCC men and women eagerly volunteered at Rosemont



A SAFE, FUN-FILLED SUMMER

By Star Dent

Summer is here and it is the perfect time to enjoy the great outdoors. Whether your summer fun includes swimming, hiking, traveling, a trip to the park or a barbecue, remembering a few summer safety tips is vitally important. By taking just a few precautions, you and your family can enjoy a fun and safe summer.

Sun & Heat

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than a million cases of the most common forms of skin cancer are diagnosed each year. Being exposed to severe sunburn can increase your risk of getting skin cancer.

To avoid overexposure to the sun, protect yourself during the hours of 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. when UV (ultraviolet) rays are the strongest. Other steps to avoid sunburn:

- Wear long sleeves and pants
- Apply sunscreen (SPF 15 or higher).
- Apply protective lip balm (SPF 15 or higher).
- Reapply sunscreen and lip balm frequently, especially after swimming.

Heat Exposure

Heat related deaths can occur in the hot summer months and are most prevalent with the elderly, young children, and those with chronic health problems. Not to be excluded, healthy people can also fall victim to summer heat. To reduce the risk of heat exposure:

- Drink plenty of water, or non- alcoholic beverages.
- Wear lightweight, loose fitting clothing that are light in color.
- Reduce strenuous activities, or do them during cooler times of the day.

Water Safety

Drowning is the second leading cause of injury-related death for children age 14 and under.

Follow these precautions for a safe time in the water:

- Have your entire family take swim lessons.
- Always have an adult closely supervise young children while they swim, play or bathe in water.
- Never swim alone or in unsupervised locations.
- Teach young children to always swim with a buddy.
- Properly maintain your pool to help prevent the spread of infectious disease.
- Never swallow pool, lake or river water.

Food Safety

While many leverage the summertime to have barbecues and picnics, food-related illness can put a damper on these outdoor activities. Protect yourselves, your friends and your family in these ways:

- Cook meat and seafood thoroughly.
- Use a meat thermometer to be sure grilled meat is "done". (For example, ground beef should be cooked to an internal temperature of 150 degrees Fahrenheit.)
- Do not cross-contaminate one food with another. (For example, wash your hands, utensils and cutting boards after they have been in contact with raw meat or seafood, as well as before they make contact with other foods).
- Wash produce thoroughly to remove visible dirt.
- Discard the outermost leaves of the head of lettuce or cabbage.
- Clean barbecue grills after each use.
- Let gas or charcoal grills burn for 15 minutes before grilling to kill bacteria.

These tips will help you and your family have a fun, safe summer. For more information about these and other summer safety tips, visit CDC's Web site at: www.cdc.gov. To contact CCC's Health Enhancement Team, email increasehealth@eilm.org.



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UTURN Youth Center

Schedule an appointment.
Email
increasehealth@eilm.org
or sign up at
www.eilm.org/blooddrive



Faith Stadium News & Events

- July 1 Membership Orientation Class (for anyone that desires to become a member), 9:00 a.m. Training Room B
- July 4 Independence Day. Church office closed.
- July 7 S.O.R.T.I.E. Outreach, 10:00 a.m. Training Room A
- July 9 – 13 Campmeeting, Word of Life Christian Center, Darrow, LA. Visit www.eiwm.org to learn more.
- July 21 ALIVE Tea Time, 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary
- July 26 – 27 Money Cometh to You Conference, Rhema Christian Center, Heflin, AL 7:00 p.m./10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
- July 28 S.O.R.T.I.E. Outreach, 10:00 a.m. Training Room A
- Aug. 2 Church-wide Partner Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary
- Aug. 4 Church Picnic, 11:00 a.m. Hoff Woods Park, Westerville, Ohio
- Aug. 5 Blood Drive, 8:00 a.m. UTURN Youth Center

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FAITH

OVERCOMING FAITH'S GREATEST ENEMIES

With Dr. David C. Forbes Jr.

As God's children, our upmost desire should be to please Him. Hebrews 11:6 tells us, however, it is impossible to please God without faith. Since pleasing our Father rests on living a faith-filled life, we can rightly believe faith is one of the most important aspects of our Christian walk.

In this message, Dr. Forbes teaches us how faith is our confidence and trust in the finished work of Christ. "Do we really believe what God says?" He shares that walking in faith allows us to live with the saving knowledge that Jesus takes away our sin nature, forgives our sinful actions, and His resurrection ensures the enemy of our soul remains defeated.

You will learn that like a muscle, faith needs consistent exercise to develop and grow. We exercise our faith by reading and remaining in God's Word, by believing and thus acting as if God's Word is true, and finally, by refusing to concentrate on the messages given to us by our physical senses. This is what the Bible means when it teaches we are to walk by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7). Let faith reign in your life! You will fight right, live right, and talk right!

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