

How may we serve you?

We're honored that you chose to worship at The Chapel today. Whether you are here on a regular basis or as a guest, we want to connect with you. Complete and drop off at any welcome center.

Guests, please stop by Guest Connections located behind the Worship Center to receive a hospitality packet. We'd love to meet you!

I'm a Guest I'm a Regular Attender
I attend Akron Campus Green Campus
 My info has changed, please update.

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Spouse Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Email _____

Your age group:

18-23 24-30 31-35 36-40

41-45 46-50 51-60 61-70 71+

Student: School _____

Single Married

Please call me

guestconnection

get.connected@the-chapel.org

The NextStep class, a great way to learn who we are and what we do. Every second Saturday. Call Amy at 330.315.5510.

Guest Connections, behind the Worship Center. Hosts would love to meet you.

Connections Café, enjoy a cup of coffee and chat with a friend. 07.26.09

The
**7 Churches of
REVELATION**
"The Lord's Report Card"

Sunday, July 26, 2009

The
Chapel

"To glorify Christ and do what He would do, obeying His great command to love and His great commission toward the world."

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Akron: 9:00am Classic or resonate, 10:40am Current (Pastor Jon Platek)

6:40pm illuminate (Pastor Jon Platek)

Green: 9:00am, 10:40am Blend (Pastor Paul Sartarelli)

Valleyview: 10:30am (Pastor Doug Ley)

"Poor But Rich"

Revelation 2:8-11

Real life – life is painful, sometimes more so for Christ-followers 10%

Christ's letter – to the church in Smyrna

Address – from Christ the Eternal One

80%

Content – hope in the hard times

Promise – "Crown of Life"

Summary – How can we be ready?

–How can we relate?

10%

Read for Next Week: Revelation 2:12-17

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PS Note

For His Kingdom

Money and "religion." We've sort of turned them into an oil and water situation. Unfortunately, heavy guilt or bogus promises have often been added to the mix.

So we respond in unhealthy ways; we cringe, we give out of guilt, we withhold out of anger.

Or we respond in biblical ways:

–Out of covenant obligation. We tithe. We give a portion (a tenth?) of an income on a regular basis for the Lord's ministries in the church.

–Out of family love. We have a sense of belonging, a feeling of family, and so we give because we desire to help the family do well by assisting with the budget.

–Out of a generous heart. We not only appreciate how spiritually rich we are in Christ but we also recognize that the Lord has changed our hearts; we have hearts that love others and hands that are wide open for his kingdom.

The end of August finishes our budget year, so on behalf of the staff and trustees, I ask you to consider giving generously that the family budget may finish strong and kingdom work soar.

Thank you in advance.

–paul

Today at The Chapel

- **A warm welcome to our guests.** Please use the attached tear-off so we can better serve you.
- **The Lord's Prayer** For insight and discussion from Paul, Mike, and Jon, check out our Web site at www.the-chapel.org.
- **Labor of Love Run volunteers** needed for Monday, September 7. Sign-up tables in the atrium at both campuses.

ABFs/HABFs

www.the-chapel.org/abfs
Contact Stephanie at 330.315.5910 or stephanie.huffman@the-chapel.org.



- **ABFs and HABFs** If you've been coming to The Chapel but still feel isolated, consider checking out a community group!
- **The Community Department** is looking for a volunteer to help connect people to an ABF/HABF. Love seeing people "find a church home" at The Chapel? Call Stephanie.

Adult

- **Baby Dedication** August 23 (AC), September 13 (GC). Call Deb at 330.315.5533.
- **Chapel Riders** are sponsoring a BBQ, August 8, 4:00–6:00pm, Hospice Care Center, Copley. Riders meet at Green Campus at 4:00pm or meet at the hospice at 4:15pm. Volunteers needed to bring food and serve. Contact Karen at 330.807.7347 or riders@the-chapel.org.

Chapel Community Service (CCS)

www.the-chapel.org/mission/ccs
Contact Sandy at 330.315.5603 or sandy.muffet@the-chapel.org.

- **Carnival at Briarwood Estates** August 5, 6:30–9:00pm. Volunteers needed to help at this community outreach in Green. Inflatables, food, and fun!



Mercy Partners highlight

OPEN M Front Desk Volunteer

- Afternoons, 1:00–4:30pm.
 - Answer phone and transfer calls.
 - Receive visitors.
- Call Dave at 330.434.0110, ext. 419.

Urban Vision

Golf Outing, August 11, Windmill Lakes Golf Club.
Help set up and run "Back to School" general store, August 13, 14, and 15.
www.urbanvisionministry.org
Call 330.762.1163.

Prayer

- **Do you have a passion for prayer?** Join The Chapel's ladies' prayer chain. Call Billie at 330.315.5462.
- **Prayer Team** Wednesdays, 6:45pm, Conference Room. Unify in prayer for our church, leaders, and government. (AC, GC)

Sports

www.the-chapel.org/sports
Contact Breanna at 330.315.5909 or breanna.shields@the-chapel.org.

- **Labor of Love Run celebrates 25th Anniversary** September 7. Benefits Akron Pregnancy Services. Run the race or just come and celebrate 25 years of family fun. Inflatables, concessions, expo tent, horses, and more. Pick up a brochure or visit www.the-chapel.org/laboroflove. (AC)



Volunteer Opportunities

www.the-chapel.org/volunteer

- **Memorial Library** help needed Sunday mornings. Contact Midge at 330.315.5450 or midge.russell@the-chapel.org. (AC)
- **Nursery helpers** Once a month, especially for 6:40pm service. Call Deb at 330.315.5533. (AC)
- **Therapy Dog Visitation Ministry** to those who are shut-ins or in nursing homes. Must be registered with Therapy Dog International, Therapy Dog, Inc., or Delta. Contact Jim at blackstock_james@yahoo.com.
- **Hospital and Shut-in Visitation Ministry** A visit means so much to those who are homebound, in the hospital, or in nursing homes. Call Billie at 330.315.5462.
- **Chapel Food Closet** needs individual pudding packs, laundry detergent, bleach, soup, mashed potatoes, juice boxes, Pop Tarts, and Fruit Roll-Ups/snacks. Drop off in "Food Donations" receptacles.



The Chapel's Urban Ministries

Kingdom of the Son VBS at Miller Ave. UCC

in collaboration with Miller Ave. UCC, The Chapel, Arlington Church of God, and South Street Ministries



Over 50 kids participated in *Kingdom of the Son: A Prayer Safari*. With help from Chapel 8th graders, this VBS/day camp brought the gospel to the Summit Lake area. The kids learned about the Lord's Prayer, and about 80% memorized it! Animals from the Akron Zoo visited one day and an inflatable water slide was a big hit. Lisa Marshall, Director of Urban Ministries at The Chapel, said, "We were 100% diligent to strategically present the gospel every day. These kids need to see consistency in our message. It is a process as they see a connection between faith and action."

Visit www.thechapelurbanministries.org.

Other

- **Gluten-free wafers for Communion** at all welcome centers next Sunday.
- **Free DVDs of Vacation Bible School** available at the Kids' Welcome Centers.
- **Financial Counseling Ministry** provides information and biblical direction for personal money management. Call Amy at 330.315.5525.

Care

- **In the hospital as of July 21:**
City: Jerry Kasserman, Joyce Woods, Marilyn Harr (pastors only); *Edwin Shaw:* Jackie Vannaman; *General:* Everett Justham; *Select Specialty:* Charlie Weekley; *St Thomas:* Madeline LeBlanc, Carolyn Thompson
- **Our condolences to the following families:**
Janis Mosteller (*brother, Richard Ryan*), Kathryn Mock (*husband, Michael*)

ministryconnection

I would like information about:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kids | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Bible Fellowships |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. High | <input type="checkbox"/> Home ABFs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sr. High | <input type="checkbox"/> Baby Dedication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Worship/Music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women's groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Baptism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Singles | <input type="checkbox"/> Support groups |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Adults | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The NextStep | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer opps |

spiritualconnection

We are all at different points on our spiritual journey. Perhaps you took another step during the worship service today. We'd love to help you at whatever point you are.

Today I:

- Made a first-time commitment to Jesus Christ as my Savior.
- Recommitted my life, and want to be more faithful in my spiritual journey.
- Made the following decision:

I am considering a decision and need:

- To talk with someone about a relationship with Jesus Christ.
- To meet with a pastor.
- Prayer:

I give permission to forward this request to Chapel prayer teams.



Visit online at www.the-chapel.org
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