

## Youth 411

Grades 6 - 12

Pastor Stephen will be leading the class in a very important discussion about baptism and confirmation. See you at 6 PM!

Wednesday night Bible study resumes January 21 from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. We will be using Three Simple Rules 24/7 by Rueben P Job. This study shows the basic foundation for Christian values, and it can be as simple as only three rules.

Roll up your sleeves for Boerne Youth Mission Day, Saturday, January 31. The cost is \$10 and includes a t-shirt. Scholarships are available. Registration forms are available on the youth table. We could sure use some adults to work with the youth. If you are interested in lending a hand please contact Susan Fly.

During January, Pastor Stephen will focus on the book **3 Simple Rules: A Wesleyan Way of Living** by Reuben Job. This short book gives guidance for living out the Christian life. The book helps us reclaim a Wesleyan way of life and faith. Copies are available for \$5 in the lobby.

**The WOW Team (office volunteers) is undertaking a service project and we need your participation.** After the first of the year we are going to publish a directory of the services available through the members of our church. Those who wish to participate should put their business card in the envelope provided with a \$5 donation. We will collect these business cards for a few more weeks. The directory will be provided free to members.



**Mark your calendars:** June 21 - 24, **Renovaré** – an organization founded by Richard Foster for encouraging intentionality in discipleship and renewal - is sponsoring an International Conference in San Antonio on "The Jesus Way." This event will focus on the need for intentional, life-long discipleship and the ways and means for attaining this life. There will be individual workshops on the basics of Christian faith and practice from the perspective of lifelong discipleship to Jesus.

Eugene Peterson, author of The Jesus Way and The Message Bible, along with other nationally recognized speakers, teachers and workshop leaders will lead this conference.

The cost is \$129 before February 1 or \$169 after February 1. One day registration is available at \$75 per day. For a brochure and additional information, see Margi Sauder in the Lobby or call her at 210-375-3451.

Children ages 4 years through 4<sup>th</sup> grade will return to Spy Chase and their spy organization PROPHET today.

## CREEK KIDS CORNER

The tweens (5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade) go back to meeting in the youth building and will continue "Everything You Need To Know About Being a Teen."

**A Great Big Bethlehem Village Thank You!!!!** It really takes a village to do an event like this. Thanks to our shopkeepers: Julie Montez, Maxine Dulaney, Lisa Gallego, Robynn Sweet, Colleen Briggs, Cammie Carreon, Flo Pavlis, Mary Sanders, Kelly Cowan, Sam Cowan, James Peterson, Susanna Timm, Bonita Barron, Jessica Bellows, Tisha Allen, Tom Allen and Jennifer Ritchie. Thanks to our wonderful cast of characters: Gene Omeis, Betsy Omeis, Frank Ritchie, Dustin Sabalatura, Brenda Powers, Kelly Cowan, James Peterson, Cammie Carreon, Megan Carreon, Ty Powers, Jared Oviat, Lindsey Nash, Don Powers and Tom Allen. Thanks to our decorating team: Susan Sargalski, Susan O'Brien, Ellie Barndt and Flo Pavlis. Also thanks to our clean up crew: Tisha & Tom Allen, Kelly Cowan, James Peterson, Flo Pavlis, Bruce Fly, Mary Sanders and Dustin Sabalatura. Thank you Spring Creek Congregation for your financial support.

On March 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Johnny Wallace will be conducting a **Ham Radio Review Course for the Amateur Radio Technician License Exam**. The cost for the workshop is \$40 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch, and the fee for one 35-item multiple-choice exam given at the end of the day. For more information contact Johnny Wallace at [jwallace@swri.org](mailto:jwallace@swri.org) or 210-522-3008 or 210-680-6841.

On Saturday, February 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. there will be an educational workshop on the "Culture of Poverty." Featured speaker will be Bill Ehlig, co-author of the book, What Every Church Member Should Know about Poverty. It will be held in the Rosenberg Skyroom at the University of the Incarnate Word. For more information contact DeeDee Lee at 210-979-6188 or at [alee@samm.org](mailto:alee@samm.org).

### Joys and Concerns

We welcome **Sally Pena** into our congregation.

Please take time to lift the following people in prayer and let them know you care for them!

The **Ken Johnson Family** upon the death of Ken's father.  
**Kristen Williams**, daughter-in-law of Barry and Andy Williams

"Spring Creek United Methodist Church commits to an ever-deepening relationship with God through worship, meaningful connections with others, and intentional committed service."

**Mark Your Calendars**  
Activities for the Week of  
January 11, 2009

**11** 9 AM Bible Study by Pastor Sanders

**11** 9:30 AM Taco Sunday

**15** 10 AM Ladies Book Club

**Next Week's Happenings**

**18** 9 AM Bible Study by Pastor Sanders

**19** 7 PM Church Council Meeting

**21** 7 PM Women's Ministry Meeting

**Looking Ahead**

**1/31** Youth Mission Day

**2/1** "Embrace the Vision" Potluck

**2/6** Women's Progressive Dinner

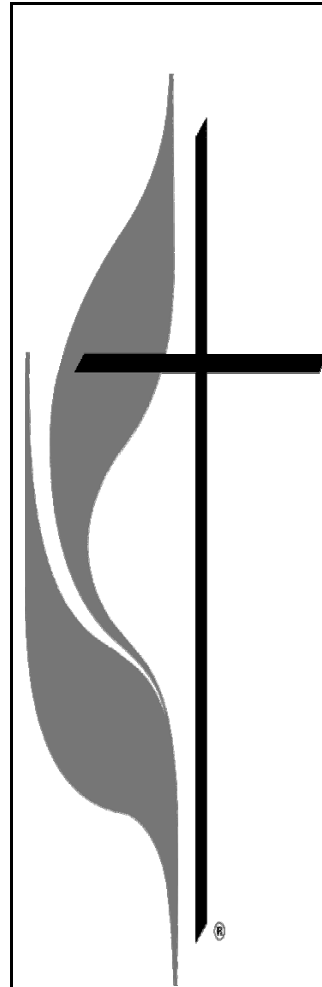
**2/15** Not-so-newlywed Game

**Regarding the  
Spring Creek Mission Statement**

Spring Creek has been praying and listening to God as to where we are to go in 2009 and beyond. Part of the visioning process from last summer produced the Mission Statement seen on the left. It is still a work in progress, and we ask that you be in prayer with us as we begin the process of intentionally developing a plan for our future.

**Attendance  
January 4, 2009**

Congregation .....	129
Music/Video .....	11
Children .....	38
Adult/Helpers .....	11
Nursery Children.....	1
Adult/Helpers .....	3
<b>Total Attendance.....</b>	<b>193</b>



**January 11, 2009**

Welcome and Announcements

Mission Moment

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Songs

**Time with Young Disciples**

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Doxology

**Scripture Reading  
Galatians 5:13-21**

**Message  
3 Simple Rules - "Do No Harm"  
Pastor Stephen Sanders**

Invitation to Discipleship

Closing Song

Welcome New Members

Sending Forth

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Rev. Stephen Sanders, *Pastor*

Susan Fly, *Director of Children's and Youth Ministries*

Alfredo Segura, Jr., *Director of Music Ministry*

Connie Hipp, *Financial Secretary*



We invite you to make Spring Creek your church home.

You can join Spring Creek in one of the following ways:

**BY BAPTISM**

If you have not been previously baptized, you can receive the sacrament of baptism and profess your faith in Christ. Speak with the pastor today about scheduling your baptism.

**BY TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP**

If you currently belong to another church of any denomination, you can join today. We will handle the details.

**BY PROFESSION OF FAITH**

If you have been baptized and do not belong to another church, you can profess Christ as your Lord and Savior today. The pastor will ask you a few questions and invite you to respond.

If you would like to join the Spring Creek family, complete the information below and bring it to the pastor during the final song or talk to the pastor after the service.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been baptized? \_\_\_\_\_

If you are presently a member of another church, please include the name and address if known.

January 11, 2009

Pastor Stephen continues his four part series:

*“A New Year, A New Life: 3 Simple Rules”*

Today’s Bible passage is

Galatians 5:13-21

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Next week

Pastor Stephen continues his sermon series:

*“A New Year, A New Life: 3 Simple Rules”*

The Bible Passage will be

*Matthew 5:38-48*

The **Women's Fellowship Dinner** will be held in the home of Judy Goolsby on **February 6**. Women will meet at the church at 6:30 for appetizers and then proceed to the Goolsby's around 7 p.m. A sign-up sheet is available in the foyer. **This is a change from the previously announced date.**

**Spring Creek Women's Book Club** meets this Thursday, January 15 at 10 AM. Don't worry - you still have time to read our selected book for January. We will be discussing Stephen King's [On Writing](#). People love or hate Stephen King's novels but this is very different. The first half is a great autobiography and the latter half truly is "on writing"...how he crafts a novel. It will be a great Book Club discussion and we are grateful to Brenda Harrier for being discussion leader. If you would like more information, call Judy Howen at 210-545-4192 or [bhowen@aol.com](mailto:bhowen@aol.com). Remember, friends are always welcome.

**January Mission Moment:** This month's Mission focus is on our troops deployed in conflict zones. The **Phone Card Project** was started five years ago by a Methodist Chaplain and is now supported by the United Methodist Church. It provides pre-paid phone cards to enable troops to stay connected to family at home. A contribution of \$4.95 pays for a 120-minute card. Cards are then distributed by chaplains on an as-needed basis. As we pray for the safety of our troops, this gives us another opportunity to minister to the men and women serving our country, far from home and the comfort of family. Please designate your contribution "Phone Card".

Notice the clean windows and walkways??? Thanks to the generosity of Daniel Bellows and **the Bellows Window Cleaning Company** for sprucing up our campus during the holidays.

Put February 1 on your calendar for an "**Embrace the Vision**" **potluck** after church. This will be the kickoff to the Spring Creek 2009 Pledge Campaign.

As a result of "**An Evening with Donald Braswell**" held here at Spring Creek on December 18, we were able to donate **\$1200** to the Hill Country Family Services.

You won't want to miss the fun and laughter of **The Not-So Newlywed Game!** Come enjoy a spaghetti lunch and watch some of Spring Creek's favorite couples as they answer questions and see just how well they can predict what their spouse will say. This Youth Fun-raiser will be held after worship on February 15. Tickets are \$10 and available in the foyer.

## **2009 Church Council Roster**

Chair – Margi Sauder

Lay Leader – David Hobbs

Assistant Lay Leader – David Otstott

SPRC Representative – Chuck Ellis

Finance Representative – John Woolard

Board of Trustees Representative – TBA

Church Treasurer – Skip Rutherford

Lay Member to Annual Conference – Christi Brogan

Women's Ministry – TBA

Youth Representative – Lindsey Nash

Secretary and Membership Secretary – Sharon Krone

Worship – Michele Segura

Missions – Betty Jones

Education/Spiritual Formation – TBA

Welcoming & Community Life – Barry Williams

Communications – Jim Keller

## **Ex-officio Members**

Pastor – Stephen Sanders

Director of Children's and Youth Ministries – Susan Fly

Music Ministry – Alfredo Segura

Financial Secretary – Connie Hipp