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The Newsletter

This month's SLD Newsletter provides information on an upcoming L2L meeting that is very important for the families going to the national convention. Also, this summer we will have another Leadership Camp! Mark your calendar and attend these Spiritual Leadership Development (SLD) activities!

Glenn

"... he who leads; with diligence ..."
Romans 12:8

L2L

Lads-to-Leaders (L2L) activities are coming to a completion! The young people have done an excellent job in their events and we are now looking forward to the L2L National Convention in Nashville April 6-8.

There will be a meeting for all adults going to the L2L National Convention after worship services on Sunday night, April 1st. The purpose of the meeting is to help prepare us for our stay at the convention. The meeting is very important as you will be provided information about the L2L convention schedule and hotel procedures; including, how to obtain your hotel room keys!

Important Dates

- ◆ L2L National Convention Information Meeting
→ April 1st
7:00 p.m.
Auditorium
- ◆ L2L National Convention
→ April 6th - 8th
Opryland Hotel - Nashville

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Slay a Giant!

To the Boys and Girls in Grades 3 through 6 (including those entering the 7th grade):

Tell your parents and grandparents you want to attend the Leadership Camp this summer! You're never too young to learn about leadership!

By attending the Leadership Camp you will learn about men and women in the Bible who were leaders and how you can become a leader. You will also "experience" some of the events in the Bible that made these men and women great leaders. We will see how some people in the Bible could slay a giant and we will learn how we can slay a giant in our lives!

The Leadership Camp will be the week of July 30th. The times each day will be:

- ◆ Monday 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
- ◆ Tuesday 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
- ◆ Wednesday 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
- ◆ Thursday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
- ◆ Friday 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

What to bring each day:

- ◆ Bible
- ◆ Back pack
- ◆ 2 bottles of water, kool-aid, gatorade, etc.
- ◆ Lunch and snack
- ◆ A rested mind and body
- ◆ The greatest of attitudes

You will need to wear clothing that is cool and loose as the camp will be outside and hot! Wear clothes that you don't mind getting dirty. Also, bring a cap and sun-tan lotion, if needed.

Watch for the sign-up sheets on a table in the south hall. Registration for children of members of the congregation will begin Sunday, March 18th. Registration for others will start on Sunday, April 22nd. The site for this action-oriented camp will be on the back property at the church building. The cost is \$25 for the whole week!

*Come to Leadership Camp
and
Slay a Giant!*

This month PAGE 2 of the SLD Newsletter recognizes the 8 men who just completed the Men's Leadership Challenge. Also, in a Family Focus section we learn more about a new couple in our congregation - John and Annette Pope.

The Challenge

The 2nd Men's Leadership Challenge completed on March 5. This 10 week course consisted of 10 challenges, which were specifically focused on an individual's spiritual leadership development. Each of these men stepped up to the task and gave a great effort in progressing in their spiritual growth. The men did an outstanding job in completing each challenge! Congratulations to the 8 men of the congregation who took The Challenge!



Barre Thrasher	Jim Embry	Paul Hayes	Shawn Lillie	⇔ Back Row
Barry Chapman	Al Gabriel	Joseph Wilder	Tom Dickson	⇔ Front Row

Please let these men know how much you appreciate their self-discipline to challenge themselves over a 10 week period. Also, I want to thank their families for allowing these men to take hours away from their family time. The men built stronger relationships and friendships with each other and each man was encouraged in his spiritual leadership development. The benefits from The Challenge will continue into the future!

The next Men's Leadership Challenge is scheduled to begin in January 2008.

Family Focus

The
Pope
Family



Meet the Popes! John and Annette Pope placed membership with the Germantown family in November of 2006. They are a very friendly couple and have begun finding their place of work and fellowship within the church.

John & Annette met through mutual friends as they both worked in the same office building. After 21 years of marriage and 5 children, all of whom live out of town, the Popes enjoy living in Collierville and working at their perspective jobs. John is a retail associate with Kohl's Department Store and Annette is an office manager with State Farm.

John grew up in a small community in south Mississippi after WWII and graduated from Mississippi State University with a BS in Chemical Engineering and later received a Masters degree from the University of Louisville. He enjoys golf, travel, gardening and spending time with friends and family. Annette grew up in St. Louis, MO. Annette also likes to travel, spend time with friends and enjoys entertaining in their home. A special interest for Annette is sport walking in the mornings with her walking buddy. Before becoming Christians, John attended the Methodist church and Annette attended the Catholic church. They both state that they "became Christians through a loving friendship and Bible study with friends and the preacher at the Mt. Terrace Church of Christ -- was a wonderful time of study!"

John & Annette show great enthusiasm about their return to Germantown. They state, "We are so glad to be back home and we can hardly wait for Sunday and Wednesday to be among our church family. We are so blessed to be a part of a loving church family. Knowing that the Lord's word is rightly divided gives us great comfort and confidence. Thank you for receiving us back with open arms - we are eternally grateful."

If you have not had the opportunity previously, now is the time to meet the Popes. Their dedication to the Lord and their interest in fellowshipping with the church will be a tremendous asset to the congregation here at Germantown as we all strive to find our place in the body and serve the Lord.

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