

SOF in Touch

OCTOBER 2022

EXCITING NEWS FROM SHIELD OF FAITH MINISTRIES



AT A GLANCE

- 10/1, 9a.m.: Fun Run “Super Hero” theme
- 10/15: 9a.m. Fun Run “Costume” theme; 10a.m. Blanket tying
- 10/21, 6-8p.m.: Coffee, Conversation, and Chocolate
- 10/22, 8a-1p: church workday w/ lunch provided
- 10/30, 4-6p.m.: Trunk-or-Treat

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Fall into Faith Ladies’ Retreat

By Jenny Deweese

Our fall retreat at Covenant Hills Christian Camp and Retreat Center was a great experience! Lisa Coleman, Director of H.I.S. Restoration Ministry, shared her testimony with us as well as a teaching about following God’s plan no matter how hard or impossible it might seem.

Some lively ice breaker games helped us get to know each other better Friday evening. We were able to grow closer to each other, as well, around the campfire Friday night and during our insight discussion groups Saturday morning. We hope to make this an annual event! See *Ladies’ Life* for more pictures.

See Lynn Ahrens for more info about our women’s ministry.



A Word from Pastor Weldon



Dear Brothers and Sisters of SOF, The Holy Spirit is such a great help, always knowing what we need and where He wants to take us. As a spiritual father, I’m always confident that we as a church family will always get to where He wants to take us while giving us the gifts needed to get there.

A great example lately was how Flash Point has been telling me

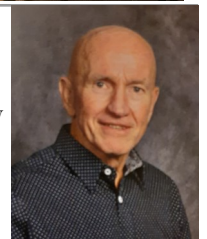
through the Holy Spirit to prioritize soul winning in preparation for the coming harvest—that the Lord would be using young people, also, to reach this generation. What does He show me? Start using young people visibly more in Sunday services, and I will give you all you will need in the process.

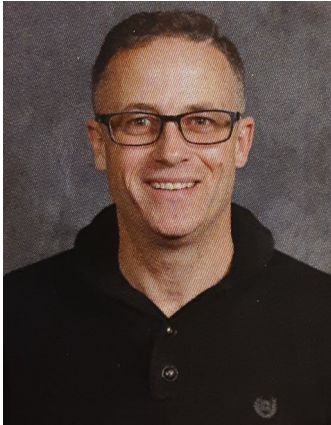
He then sends us a true evangelist, Hutch, for more training, and the rest is history. Eph. 4:11-16 tells

us if we as a church body desire to be fully equipped, we must get the release in the Spirit from the gift given through an evangelist.

Thank you, Jesus, for Your gifts, so we can do the work of ministry and better build up the body of Christ here at SOF.

You, Family, are greatly loved!





A Message from Pastor Mike

Greetings, Shield of Faith Saints of God.

Wow, what an incredible month September was with so many different ministries happening all over the country! I am looking forward to what God has in store for the Saints of God here in October.

As many of you know, I love the woods, and October is the opening of bow season for deer hunting. This always excites

me, and I look forward to it all year. One thing I have learned with 23 years of shooting bow and arrow is this principle, "Aim small; miss small."

I also apply this in my walk with God. You see, when your focus is on the center mark, whatever it may be, your chances of missing it are less likely. Aim towards God, and see what He does—don't miss it! Praying God's blessings over you all.



**AIM SMALL;
MISS SMALL**

*"Adults Discovering Ultimate Truth"
A group for ages 18-25ish who want to grow together in faith and fun*

ADUT Scuttlebutt

By Jenny Deweese

It is with GREAT anticipation that the ADUTs are looking forward to watching the next Avengers movie with P2! On October 2nd at 2 p.m., we will do just that.

We will gather at my house right after Christmas program practice for fellowship, snacks,

homemade grape juice, and fun as we watch P2 watch the movie. Yeah, I know it's weird, but some of us are PASSIONATE about this stuff (some more than others)!

In other news the group seems to be building strong connections and having a great time together in general, both within the ADUTs and with the youth—setting examples and

mentoring. Some have even become honorary members of the Deweese Family (came to a family reunion and everything)!

It's been great to see our family growing! We have some super cool young people, Church!



REVOLUTION STUDENT MINISTRIES

Junior and Senior High kids learning to navigate this crazy world together in a way that challenges the "norm" through Jesus' mighty power

Youth Truth

Youth Pastors:

Randy and Lisa Larson

Youth Leaders:

Nathan Fritz

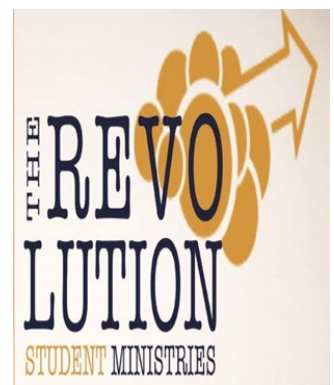
Bella Larson

Russell Deweese

Lizzie Scott

Cammy Deweese

Join us Saturdays from 6:30-8:00 p.m. for fun, fellowship, and faith-building! The doors of the youth building open at 6:00 p.m.



Kids' Corner

By Jenny Deweese

Our children's ministry has big news! Jackie Gilles has agreed to step in as the new leader, since Colleen Curry is stepping down from it. Colleen will still be overseeing our dance ministry, and we look forward to many more inspiring messages through movement!

Thank you, Colleen, for your many years of serving and blessing our young hearts!

Jackie, we know you will seek God's heart and follow His plan as you serve our kiddos! We are excited watch them grow with you!



Kids in grades K-5 growing with Jesus



Dave & Colleen



Jackie & Adam

Nursery News

Nursery Ministry Leader:

Judy Barnes

Our nursery is available for children who are infants through preschoolers. They will have fun learning about Jesus' love!



Judy & Mike

*"Let the little ones come to Me..."
Infants through preschoolers' starting life in Jesus' love*

Ladies' Life: Retreat Pictures



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Down to Details

Coffee, Conversation, and Chocolate is a new activity for our ladies. Each month, a different sister will host us in her home. This will be a low-key, low-pressure gathering for fun and relaxation while getting to know each other better. The first one will be held at Sherri Sutton's house on October 21st from 6 -8 p.m. We hope to see you there!

Our all-church workday will be held on Saturday, October 22nd, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. with lunch being provided at noon by the church. Sign up with Jenny Deweese if you can come to help. We need to know a number to expect in order to have enough food. We'll be working on all types of projects, inside and out, so come and get to know a little more about each other while serving one another in Christ's love.

Our first Trunk-or-Treat is October 30th from 4-6 p.m., rain or shine! Sign up to decorate your car or to donate your car to be decorated or to decorate someone else's car. Candy donations are currently being accepted. We also need help with hosting games, greeting people, handing out food, managing the bonfire, etc. See Lisa Larson for more information. We hope you can help us bless our community! (In the case of inclement weather, we will have the trick-or-treating inside the church at almost every door.)

Men's Moment

Many thanks to Jason Deweese and Dennis Scott from our men's ministry for rising early last Saturday to cook our breakfast at the ladies' fall retreat! The pancakes and sausage were delicious! Thank you, also, to Lizzie Scott who accompanied her dad and kept the two men on task!



Enjoy these extra pictures!

