

Here's what's coming up



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Real People • Real Faith

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In January 2009 we started lighting the cross in the worship centers at our three campuses every week that someone committed their life to Jesus. This week will be 66 weeks straight that the crosses have been lit!

I want to share some things that have happened at the Bettendorf Campus that we can all celebrate. We have had 32 people become followers of Jesus over the past 5 weekends! Since May of 2009, 119 people have come to know Jesus through the ministry of Heritage Church, Bettendorf Campus. I share this because it involves so many of you. Almost 3 years ago, you were asked to dream, give, pray, invite people, and invest toward a vision for starting a new campus.

Our Vida Nueva Campus has grown by over 100 people in the last 18 months. Many of you have been praying, giving, and inviting to make this happen. Our Rock Island Campus has seen life-change and growth over the last year as well. Lives are being changed for the Kingdom and now we are looking forward to seeing what God is going to do through us for Easter weekend.

Lately I've been reading Abraham's story in Genesis. God promised him land and success. God promised he would be the father of many nations; God would give him a son when there was no hope for a son. In His timing, God provided the son he had promised, but then tested Abraham's faith. He asked Abraham to go up the mountain and "sacrifice" his son Isaac. Wow, sacrifice the very son He promised? That seemed crazy! God was asking him to do the "unthinkable." But in faith Abraham was obedient. His knife was raised to slay his son when the angel of the Lord called out for him to stop. At just the right moment, God provided a ram for the sacrifice! Then the angel of the Lord said, "because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore...and all nations will be blessed because you have obeyed me!" That is powerful and amazing!

How about you? Are you doing the "unthinkable" in your life as we approach Easter? Are you being faithful in praying for the 5 people/families? We are praying that God will prepare those people to receive the "seed" you plant through prayer and water it as you give them an invite card. We are trusting God to provide the people and change lives on Easter weekend. We are praying for over 6000 to show up!

THIRD DAY POWER

This four week series begins on Easter Weekend.

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| Apr. 3&4: | THIRD DAY POWER
<i>Believe God's power is available for you!</i> |
| April 10 & 11: | THIRD DAY POSSIBILITY
<i>Accept that God has a fabulous plan for you!</i> |
| April 17 & 18: | THIRD DAY COMMITMENT
<i>Connect your dreams to your actions.</i> |
| April 24 & 25: | THIRD DAY VICTORY |

I look forward to celebrating with you as we step out in faith to do the "unthinkable" and see how God provides!

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