

First Baptist Church Men's Group

Fall Update

The 2014-15 Church season is upon us. This short newsletter is intended to let you know what has happened this summer and a preview of events coming this fall.

Members of the Handyman Group have been busy throughout the summer. They have done a variety of work for the church, Katepwa Lake Bible Camp and helped various members of the congregation with a variety of small jobs:

- Early in the summer, Glenn Larson, Jim Olesen and Marv Fuller helped to shingle a roof at the Katepwa Lake Camp.
- Under the leadership of Len Pauls and with the help of Marv Fuller, the North West cornice was repaired to remove a gaping hole that allowed pigeons to make a home in the dome. The pigeons were also eliminated. All of that was done with a considerable saving to the church.
- More work is currently being carried out and more is being planned. There will be a full report at our next breakfast meeting.
- If you are interested in participating in any of these projects let Len Pauls know and he will be happy bring you into the group. There are many small jobs needed to be done that do not require sophisticated skills.

The Church Kick-off Sunday is happening on Sept. 14. A barbecue is held to provide hamburgers and hotdogs. We need two or three people to man the barbecues. If you could help with that, let me (Jim Olesen 209-6362). Your help would be greatly appreciated.

The Men's Discussion Group has chosen a book (*Journey to the Common Good* by Walter Brueggemann) to read for the summer. Len, Bill, Wayne, Tom, Glenn, Brian, Hans, Ron, Merv, Jim & Marv have copies. We need to pick a time to have our first meeting. Understanding that picking a date is always difficult, I suggest that we meet at the Olesen's on a Wednesday or Thursday evening around 7:30 pm. Given those days, we could meet Sept. 17 or 18 or Sept 24 or 25. Let me know what would work for you. Other approaches are always possible as well.

Our next Men's Breakfast is slated for Saturday Sept. 27. The breakfast begins at 8:30 am in the Lower Hall of FBC. Men often gather before that for coffee and conversation. If any of you are comfortable with participating in the preparation of breakfast, making coffee, etc., the cooks meet to do all of that around 7:15. If you can help we would appreciate your support. Our breakfast meetings usually consist of a short business meeting which is intended to plan and coordinate the activities of the Men's Group and we usually try to have a brief bible study and discussion followed by prayer.

A warm welcome to new members Currently, we have a small group of men who have been quite dedicated to this project. We are always looking for and welcoming other men who would like to participate in our group.