



February 22, 2007

Dear Prayer Partners,

JOURNEY TO FINANCIAL FREEDOM - OUTREACH

In just over a week we have a very special opportunity to reach out through Crown's **Journey to Financial Freedom** seminar. For those who are not familiar with Crown Ministries, they provide excellent resources for handling money according to the Bible. The ministry was co-founded by the late Larry Burkett.

I am very excited about the **potential of this seminar to change lives**: -- To change the life of someone who does not know Christ or to change the life of a believer who desires to be more faithful with his or her finances. This is our first church-wide event to live up to our slogan: Living Faith. Changing Lives.

Would you please commit to pray during this critical week, that the Lord would draw those He desires to attend? Current attendance is 12 people. We are still praying for 70 – but the Lord will need to do a great work. Advertising has been in the papers this week – the *Lake Shores Times*, a Rowlett paper, and the Dallas Morning News "Neighbor's" magazine. Information is also on a variety of web sites, such as KLTU radio and CBS, channel 11.

You are also cordially invited to attend. ALL are welcome! It is Saturday 3/3/07. 9am to 4pm. Refreshments are provided. \$25.00 per person covers all materials.

Registration can be done easily on-line at www.LakeCitiesCommunity.org.

LAKE CITIES ON LINE:

Speaking of our web site... we are now on-line!

Starting our web site is another milestone. I could not be more pleased with how it has turned out. Thanks to Keith Hileman, Jon Leines and Laura Sipp.

As you could guess, the site is not fully "stocked" with information yet, but we do have pictures, calendar items and a variety of other information. (Including, of course, information on the Crown outreach event).

I hope you'll take a few minutes to browse our new site, and recommend it to a friend. If you have feedback, especially things that could be improved, I'd love to hear your thoughts. Bookmark it as one of your favorites, and visit as often as you can!

www.LakeCitiesCommunity.org

UPCOMING DATES:

- February 25, Sun – 3rd Preview worship service. 6pm. Trinity Fellowship Church. Fellowship Hall.
- March 3, 2007, Sat. – 9am to 4pm. Rowlett Outreach. Crown Ministry: "Journey to Financial Freedom"

- March 4, Sun – Preview worship service.
- March 11, Sun – Craig preaching at Trinity Fellowship Church.
- March 11, Sun – Preview worship service.
- March 18, Sun – Preview worship service.
- March 25, Sun – Preview worship service.
- April 1, Sun – No meetings. Last Sunday prior to launch.
- **Easter, April 8, 2007, Sun. – Target date for FIRST SERVICE of Lake Cities Community!**

Pray for the Lord to continue to guide and be the focus of each activity. Guests are welcome at our preview services.

CHURCH PLANTING QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

I found the below Power Point presentation on a church plant web site and I believe it was presented at a past church planting conference. I have found the below “common mistakes” to be very helpful and I have referred back to them often over the past year.

Most Common Mistakes in Church Planting, Tom Cheyney, *A Sponsoring Church Resource*

- 1) Taking spiritual warfare lightly
- 2) Attempting to plant a church that reaches everyone (lack of focus)
- 3) Premature launch (starting too soon - before you are ready)
- 4) Recruiting ceases after “grand opening”.
- 5) No plan for the other six days of the week (not having a developed assimilation plan)
- 6) Fear of talking about money, until it is an urgent issue.
- 7) Not differentiating the church plant from an established church (You can't do everything)
- 8) Formalizing leadership too quickly.
- 9) Once you are up and running, failure to adjust to what God is doing. (ironic that a young church can so quickly fall into this danger area)
- 10) Relying on the voices of “experts”. (Every church plant situation is different)

E-MAIL LIST INFORMATION:

The purpose of this e-mail list is to encourage prayer for the planting of Lake Cities Community Church. The anticipated launch date is April 8, 2007, Easter Sunday.

Each week new people are added to this list. If you are one of these – **WELCOME!** It is our desire that this letter will help you to pray effectively and stay up to date on the happenings of Lake Cities Community Church!

Praying with you for our world,

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