



Dearly beloveds,

Truly Awesome!!!! My thoughts to you are expressions of AWE.

Ps 4: 4 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah. 5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.

Ps 33: 8 Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him. 9 For he spake, and it was [done]; he commanded, and it stood fast. 10 The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect. 11 The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

Ps 119:161 Princes have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart standeth in awe of Thy word.

For some things we are to stand. AWE would be one of those! Ovations that are STANDING ovations are amongst the highest honor a gathering of people can give.

I can be quick to my feet at a football game. "Stand fast" and its dual application calls for us to express the awe within. It's at the heart of worship! Many writers of hymns and spiritual songs have caught this truth and provided us with means for worship...to stand in awe.

Again, we have much to praise, worship, give glory and stand in awe of GOD for. Would you reflect for a few moments of what triggers you to stand in awe of God for? For what in the last month were you caused to shake your head in awe..and even to stand?

When a school principal I learned some of the value of the "wonder" in a child's mind and heart and expression. What an incredible delight to observe the wonder in a child's eyes! What an awful loss to "have wonder" and thoughts of what is wonderful drained from our experience. What is the opposite of awe? Perhaps indifference? Maybe complacency? Boredom? Dis-interest? Grieving?

Together we stand...in awe!

I love you and am praying for you right now...in awe

Pastor Jake



Please mark your calendar for the upcoming Church Annual Meeting, Sunday, August 23rd, following the 2nd service. For those who oversee an area of ministry at MBC, please have your yearly summary report submitted to the church office by Sunday, July 19th, so that it may be included in the 2008-2009 annual report. Once again a Question & Answer Family Forum will be on Sunday, August 16th, at 7:00 pm.



Giving Your Offerings & Tithes On-line... Be watching our website at www.monumentbiblechurch.com as we will soon have an on-line debit card giving option for those of you who do all of your banking on-line or who travel periodically during summer months or other times of the year and would like to keep consistent in your worship to God and in your service to our church family and community through your stewardship of giving

Leadership Summit—August 14-15... If were interested in the Leadership Summit, don't forget to sign-up. The cost is \$79 per person while we have tickets available. You can do so @ www.monumentbiblechurch.com or by calling the church office. If you're still undecided or need more information check out the information and highlight video from last year at <http://www.ccn.tv/leadershipsummit/>.

24/7 Lake Party - Sat., July 18th - 1:00 pm

Follow the signs at Lake Minatare Everyone is to bring their own snacks and lake gear . Drinks will be provided. Your children are welcome to come!



☀ **2xtreme slip-n-slide & water balloon blast, Sun. July 5th.**

Please bring a swimming suit & towel for this fun night.

Ladies just a reminder, no 2 piece suits. If you have

questions, please call Travis on his cell 631-7914.

And, remember, friends are always welcome!

☀ **2xtreme Hike Night, Sunday, July 19th—meet at church @**

6:00 pm, bring a water bottle, bug spray, & walking shoes.

Mothers of Preschoolers

MOPS No Frills Scrapbooking at MBC

Fri., July 31st 5pm-midnight Sat. Aug. 1st 8am-7pm

Tuesday, July 7	9:00 - 10:30 am	Oregon Trail Park, Gering, 17th & M
Tuesday, July 21	10:30 am - noon	Scottsbluff McDonald's Play Place for Lunch
Tuesday, Aug 4	9:00 - 10:30 am	Gardener Park, Gering, 11th & 5
Tuesday, Aug 18	9:00 - 10:30 am	Frank Park by SHS - Registration Day
Tuesday, Sept 15	8:45 - 11:30 am	Monument Bible Church

Attention

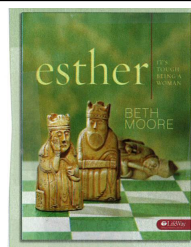
Seniors & JOY Group 55 years & older!

There will be a picnic on Friday, July 17th, at 5:30 pm at the home of Gary & Linda Schmucker, 1585 Yucca Drive in Gering. Couples are to bring a main dish and a side dish (vegetables or salad or dessert). Singles bring one of the side dishes. Drink & table service furnished. Please join us for a time of fellowship and good food.

Clara Winchell, Director of Senior Services

In large print, 'The Glory of Aging', has finally arrived & available from the church office for \$8.00.

Thanks again to all who helped with VBS from baking cookies, providing décor items, childcare, & much more. There is one last request for help and that is laundering the tunics wore by the children & leaders. If you are able to help, please contact Vicki in the church office at 632-4099 or stop by the laundry/shower room & fill a plastic bag. Thank you.



Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman begins Wed., Sept. 9th @ 9:00 am or 6:30 pm

The latest study by Beth Moore explores God's providence and the hope and encouragement He offers women facing challenges in our society. Esther includes 10 video sessions and nine weeks of personal study.

Moore explains how God placed a young Jewish woman who fulfilled her destiny "for such a time as this: and saved the Jews living in a pagan culture from certain destruction. Participants will learn strong lessons of faith that will equip them to live a courageous life. Sign up on the foyer announcement stand.

Books will be ordered on **August 10th** & cost is \$20.00 which includes the member book and cost of DVDs.

MBC Giving & Attendance Report

Date	Giving	Budgeted	Difference	YTD Giving	YTD Budgeted	Difference	1st	2nd	Attnd.
5/31/2009	8158.15	7460.05	698.1	266794.44	290941.95	-24147.51	108	240	348
6/7/2009	7070.70	7460.05	-389.35	273865.14	298402.00	-24536.86	93	224	317
6/14/2009	8048.40	7460.05	588.35	281913.54	305862.05	-23948.51	96	193	289
6/21/2009	6014.97	7460.05	-1445.08	287928.51	313322.10	-25393.59	80	241	321

Mission of the Month ~ Dave & Crystal Hughes serving with Foundations for Christian Discipleship

Our First year at Black Hills State University

It is hard to believe that on May 28, 2009 we completed our 1st year in Spearfish, SD. In that year, we moved out of state, we have seen our son complete his kindergarten year of school, our daughter start walking and talking, we started learning a new campus, and have seen an awesome group of students and staff gather around us for a great and adventurous year of Campus Ventures. Crystal and I also celebrated our 10th year of marriage and our ninth year of ministry with Campus Ventures. The weather here gave us a wetter than normal summer with flooding, a blizzard that dumped over two feet of snow in November, a winter that had temperatures down to 20 below, and a month or so that didn't get above freezing. In the first two weeks of April, we saw approximately 5 feet of snow. As I watched the first of the 5 feet of snow fall, I saw the almost-green grass and the spring flowers that had started coming up get covered deeper and deeper and bearing more and more weight of snow. I started thinking how unfair this was.



Everything in view was so close to growing and getting green. I then started thinking about our lives, the lives of some of our friends, family, and students that we have fervently prayed for and ministered to this year. The weight of relationships, classes, bills, the economy, and other pains in life didn't seem fair. But God, in His great wisdom and love didn't leave the weight smothering the grass or our lives. I started watching the snow melt, the weight being taken away, and all this new green life emerging from the snow. In the same way, I am watching the new life as the weight is being removed from our lives. Praise God that He loves us enough not to allow us to remain on the same stagnant, non-growing path in life. He allows different events to show us our sin. He provides His shoulders to take the weight, and He gives us the opportunity to rely on Him to help us grow. Praise God! All of this said, we are so glad God is alive and remains active in our lives and in the lives of our students. We see God at work here in Spearfish, and we have never been so glad to join Him.

The Summer

Our summer began with me taking a short trip to Canada with four of my discipleship guys. We went to get some time together, being intentional about the purpose of Campus Ventures and making disciples and how they are a part of this. It is so worthwhile to be with them, living life together, and showing them God's plan to make disciples and reach people for Christ. It has been great to see these three freshmen and one junior grow though out the school year. It will be neat to see how God will use them over the next four years. Also, this summer, we will visit supporters and family and attend four weddings. I'll help our friends in Nebraska with wheat harvest, and we'll end the summer with a staff retreat in early August. Thank you to those of you who have helped us in so many ways in this transitional year of our life. *The Hughes*

Praise

-For new ministry partners

-For seeing God at work in the lives of friends and family that we've been praying for

Prayers

-For our students over the summer that they will continue to grow closer to God

-For Summer CV to meet the needs of the students that remain in Spearfish

-For continued wisdom in leading staff and students

HAVE	FUN		FUNDS	AT	NIGHT	Arby's	Date: June 30, 2009 Time: 5 - 8 P.M.	Location: Arby's #1542 601 W. 27 th St. Scottsbluff, NE	Community Christian School Cheerleaders
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TELESCOPE

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal. - II CORINTHIANS 4:18 NKJV