



Global Leadership Summit



Live via satellite, experience this event right here at LCC!
For a schedule and list of speakers visit our website.

TWO WAYS TO REGISTER:

- ONLINE at www.LeesburgCC.org
- Stop by the Welcome Center before or after Sunday services.

Last Grillin' n' Chillin' - August 11



Come out and chill with your church family!

Chillin' begins at 5:30 PM, with Grillin' to follow at 6:30 PM.

YOU BRING: a side dish to share and your own meat to grill.

HOST PROVIDES: drinks, condiments, utensils, cups, napkins and the grill.

LOCATIONS: RSVP to the Legg's in Purcellville (dlegg12@verizon.net),
The Edelmans in Leesburg (sharon_edelmann@yahoo.com), or the
Creech's in Ashburn (crèches@verizon.net).

A huge thank you to all our host homes this summer:

The Blouses, Ritz's, Baugus', Engel's, Morgan's and Baker's!

Upside Down Living

Despite the many ways The United States of America is diverse, when it comes to religion we are among the most spiritually homogenous developed nations on earth. Depending on which poll you look at and how the question is asked around 85 percent of us call ourselves Christians. Israel, by way of comparison, is 77 percent Jewish. It is true that a smaller number of Americans—about 75 percent—claim they actually pray to God on a daily basis and less than 30 percent say they manage to get to church every week. Still, even if that 85 percent overstates actual practice, it clearly represents aspiration. In fact, there is nothing else that unites more than four fifths of Americans. Because such a high percentage of US citizens claim to be Christians, every other statistic one can cite about American behavior is essentially also a measure of the behavior of professed Christians. That's what America is-- a place saturated in Christian identity. But is the "Christian" identity we share really Christian?

Despite our belief in the Sixth Commandment which prohibits murder, the USA is the most violent developed nation on earth, with a murder rate four or five times that of our European peers. We have prison populations greater by a factor of six or seven than other rich nations. Despite Jesus' strong declarations against divorce, our marriages break up at a rate—just over half—that

compares poorly with the European Union's average of about four in ten. That average may be held down by the fact that Europeans marry less frequently, and by countries, like Italy, where divorce is difficult. But if you compare our marriage success rate with, say, that of the Dutch where only 33% claim to be Christians, their divorce rate is just 37 percent. Teenage pregnancy? We're at the top of the charts.

My point is that most Americans—which means most believers—have replaced the Christianity of the Bible, with its call for moral living and personal sacrifice, with a competing creed of cultural Christianity that focuses on personal success and personal blessing. Where is Jesus' focus on God, others, self-discipline and self-sacrifice? That is why for more than a month we have been emphasizing that God wants every Christian to be a leader and not a follower. God wants you to lead those with whom you have influence to do the right things instead of the wrong things. So the month of August begins with the church hosting the Leadership Summit, but then we move (beginning August 15) to a new series, "Finding God's Dream for Your Life"—a shift from leadership principles in general to an emphasis on where God specifically wants you to lead. I want to challenge you to listen for the voice of God's Spirit calling you to a new and better dream for your life.

Jesus tells us that the heart of true Christianity is to *Love God with all our hearts and to love our neighbor as ourselves*: Although its rhetorical power has been dimmed by repetition, it is a radical notion. Especially since Jesus, in all his teachings, makes it very clear that loving God means caring for the people of the world for whom Christ died, and loving your neighbor means not just the person who is like you and lives next door—but also the poor person, the sick person, the naked person, the hungry person—both at home and around the world. Jesus calls for nothing less than a radical, voluntary, and effective reordering of power relationships, based on the principle of love.

My prayer is that you would allow God to give you a new and better dream for your life. What you will find if you do is that God's dream doesn't lead to misery-- just the opposite-- it leads to life. It leads to a better life than you or I could ever dream of having if we continue to practice our very safe and self-centered cultural "Christianity." My challenge is to come during August with an open mind and an open heart and a willingness to actually let God begin to guide you into a new dream for your life and a new way of living.

Pastor Alan Stanford

Water's Edge Ministry

New Sermon Series coming in August: "Forgotten Virtues: Honor. Purity. Loyalty. Integrity. Gratitude."

Are they gone? Did we leave true character behind? Join us as we learn what we can do to restore these Forgotten Virtues.

For more info visit www.Weworship.info.



Women's Ministry



Kaleo Kafe Wednesdays for Women

July has been an energizing month for our ladies at the Kaleo Kafe on Wednesday mornings at 9:30. We have been reading Energy for God's Women. We will not meet in August but will resume our Wednesday morning ministry for ladies on September 15.

Ladies Night Out: "Chocolate Night"

Aug 27, 7:30 PM, at the Kaleo Kafe
We will have chocolate games, chocolate crafts, chocolate goodies and lots of fun! Invite your friends

and join us for a night of laughter and friendship!

MOPS

Laura Meyers and Kasey Turner have agreed to direct MOPS, Mothers of Preschoolers, for the 2010-2011 school year at LCC. Registration is planned for September 10. If you are a mother of a preschooler or know one, this is a great ministry to be involved in. We are also looking for Mentor Moms, who are past that stage of parenting but would like to help young moms. If interested, please contact Laura Meyers at 703-779-1979 or ljmeyers88@verizon.net.

MOPPETS workers are also needed. These are adults and teens who would like to care for the kids while their moms are involved in the MOPS meeting. If you would like to serve in this capacity, please contact

Mary Joynt at 703-777-2637. MOPS meetings are typically the 1st and 3rd Friday mornings of the month. Brochures are available on the LCC Ministry Wall or visit www.LeesburgCC.org

Living Proof Live Simulcast Featuring Beth Moore

Sept 18, 9 AM - 5 PM, here at LCC
Living Proof Live continues to be the perfect mix of biblically sound messages and worship from beloved teacher Beth Moore and worship leader Travis Cottrell. This fun authentic ministry team prepares a unique message from God for each location so that you will experience a fresh encounter with God. You'll leave knowing that the message you heard was created just for you.

For more info or to register visit www.LeesburgCC.org.

UnderGround Youth Ministry



Youth Vision Service August 8, 10:00 AM

The Youth and Leaders will have a special worship service to discuss the upcoming 2010 - 2011 year. Please make every effort to attend this service and help us dream, pray and share together as we look

to what God would have us plan for the coming year. We will also be discussing upcoming changes in the youth ministry. Please contact Carson Rich for more information @ 703-777-2209 ext. 21.

Parents of Youth Meeting August 15, 11:15 AM

LifeGroup Leaders/Hosts Needed

We're launching our LifeGroups in September! LifeGroups are a little different than our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening classes. LifeGroups will meet off campus in homes at least twice a month. After the first 8 weeks, participants will have the option to look for a new

LifeGroup or commit to it for the next year and a half. What an incredible way to do life with others in your area! Each group will decide whether to follow Pastor Alan's sermons or choose their own curriculum. If you're interested in leading a group or if you'd

like to nominate someone to lead a group this fall, please contact Pastor Dan at dmorgan@leesburgcommunitychurch.org as soon as possible. LifeGroup leaders will be given training and encouragement from Pastor Dan whose heading up this vital ministry.

Children & Family Ministry

This summer has been filled with opportunities for children at our church. On Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM, we've been having fun learning about the journey of Joseph from prison to palace. We've learned about Egypt, had snacks, played games, and made crafts. In August, we will be on the High Seas with more snacks, crafts, games, and Bible stories. You don't want to miss our Summer Blast for Kids each Sunday at 10:00 AM. Our regular Sunday morning classes will return September 12.

In June, our preschoolers were busy with 2 weeks of camp. Our Upward Basketball and Cheer Camp for our K-4th grade kids was a big success.

In July, a music team from Frick & Frack Music were here to lead our kids in a Performing Arts Camp "2 Tickets to Hollywood" which ended with a big performance on July 16. (pictured right)

In August, we will be taking our older kids to CentriKid Camp in Middletown, MD, for 5 days. We want to thank all of the many people who have helped with these camps. THANKS!

We would also like to thank Arielle Brassard for serving as the Children's Ministry Intern this summer at LCC. She has done an outstanding job helping with all of the summer camps and ongoing programs for children. Arielle will be heading back to Virginia Tech in August.



As the new school year approaches, we are looking for people who would be willing to serve in our preschool or children's areas on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings. We need people to rock babies, play with toddlers, love our 3 year olds, greet and welcome new families, teach our children, or act or sing in our monthly KidStuf Theatre. Please begin to pray about where God wants you to serve. We encourage all parents to serve somewhere even if you can only give one Sunday. If interested, please contact JoAnna Rich at 703-777-2209 ext. 35 or jrich@LeesburgCommunityChurch.org.

The Preschool Learning Center (PLC) is now registering for the Fall. We have openings in our 4 day 3 year old class, as well as our morning and afternoon Pre-K classes. To register your child, contact the PLC at 703-771-7625. Registration forms and brochures are available on the LCC ministry wall or visit www.LeesburgCC.org.

LCC Happenings - for more information visit www.LeesburgCC.org

Pastoral Care

The church has a new email address for pastoral care concerns. This will give us a simple yet effective tool in providing pastoral care for our church family. While our Life Groups, Bible Classes and Small Groups are still our primary source for support the email address will give our church a simple way to communicate with the staff and deacons about ongoing care issues within the church congregation. This will also ensure the church pastoral staff is aware of needs within the church. The new email address for Pastoral Care is LCCcares@leesburgcommunitychurch.org.

Upward Basketball & Cheerleading

Registration for the 2011 season will begin at the end of August. The exact date will be posted on the LCC Ministry Wall and online at www.LeesburgCC.org as soon as it's available! If you have a K-Grade 4 child and are interested, please visit www.LeesburgCC.org for more information and be sure to register early as last season we were 75% booked within two weeks of opening registration! If you are interested in volunteering within the Upward Program please contact Carson Rich at 703-777-2209 ext. 21. Last year Upward Basketball

and Cheerleading ministered to 450 children, 80+ volunteers and countless moms, dads and grandparents.

Welcome to Our New Members!

Mary Ann Boyd, Michelle Essex, Wayne and Jennene Estes, Rob, Alissa and Molly Gannaway, and Jeff and Laura Meyers.

Dates to Be Involved!

August 5 & 6: Leadership Summit

August 11: Grillin' n' Chillin'

August 27: Ladies "Chocolate Night"

Visit www.LeesburgCC.org for more information!