



April 2011

## EVENTS

### **NCD Annual Conference, April 11-12**

Pray for the 325+ participants as they are challenged in Team Oriented Ministry with speaker Larry Osborne.

### **Fight Club – April 30<sup>th</sup> - “Men on Mission”**

What does it mean to be a "real man" in our culture? A one-day conference co-sponsored by Antioch Cmty Church and Hope Cmty Church. [Read more](#)

### **Youth Workers Retreat is May 12- 14.**

Check out [www.ncdyouth.com](http://www.ncdyouth.com)

### **Global Missions Summit - May 14**

Austin, MN at Faith EFC

### **EFCA Night with the Twins – June 14<sup>th</sup>**

Elim Care, a senior housing and healthcare ministry of the EFCA, would like to invite your church to join us for EFCA Night with the Twins on Tuesday, June 14, 2011. [Read more](#)

## RESOURCES

### **On our hearts - Equipping Leaders for the Harvest**

What “game-changing” impact would you make in your own life and the lives of your congregants, if it was within your power to do so? [Read more](#)

### **Missions - Japan’s New Spiritual Openness**

[Read more](#)

### **Pastoral Care Monthly Encouragement**

The Power of Listening (Part II) A doctor listens carefully through a stethoscope for abnormalities in a patient’s chest cavity. He continues to ask questions, hoping that the patient’s answers correspond to what he suspects is a correct diagnosis. The doctor refuses to form conclusions without learning all that can be known about the patient. He recalls that failing to listen has led many a doctor to erroneous conclusions. [Read more](#)

### **Church Planting**

How do we get our church involved in church planting? Can I be evaluated as a church planter? Where can I find other resources about church planting. Check out the NCD church planting web pages. [Read more](#)

### **Unreached People Groups in SE Asia**

If your church has a special interest in helping bring the gospel to the people groups of Southeast Asia, and in training leaders for the churches there, please contact [Dave Linde](#) to talk about a potential connection with a ReachGlobal candidate.

## **New Licensing Discussion Groups in West and Southwest MN**

The licensing discussion group that was meeting in Granite Falls is dividing into two new groups. Willmar and Marshall are the tentative locations for the new groups. Contact [Tom Starkjohn](#) (Willmar) or [Tom Latterell](#) (Marshall) for more information.

## **A Resource for Moving Forward in Outreach**

Mission Works is a means of helping a local church address a lack of outreach in its neighborhoods and beyond. Mission Works offers the temporary services of a veteran pastor, full-time or part-time, to spearhead the effort of enlisting, training, and deploying the congregation to fill this void. It is an alternative for a congregation that cannot add permanent staff to focus on outreach, but wants to move forward. The end result will be an annual plan for increased outreach together with people to take responsibility for it. [Read more](#)

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **Online Giving Now Available**

We are excited to announce that you are now able to give to the District and its ministries online. We can accept withdrawals from checking accounts and charges on credit cards. You can set up recurring donations as well as one time gifts. [Click Here](#).

### **Youth Blitz Conference Report**

2950 attendees, 100 churches represented, 400 participants in prayer sessions before each rally, \$6000 offering. April 1-3 was a great weekend. We praise God for His work in the hearts of all participants.

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