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Brandon Wells, Neil Ross, and Shawn Baumgardner

Sharing Light

Last Sunday, Neil Ross brought Brandon Wells from Significance LIFE Group to the Next Step Room during the 11:00am service to share that he had accepted Christ during the group time and wanted to be baptized in two weeks.

Shawn Baumgardner helped Brandon take this next step by encouraging him to come to church... and knocking on his door that morning until he got out of bed! They were both so excited - what a blessing!

Are you sharing light?



BAPTISM DAY

Take your next step January 24/25

This Sunday and Monday, there will be an opportunity for you to immediately take your next step toward Jesus Christ by believers' baptism. There will be pastors and volunteers ready to talk with you about your decision, help you by providing you with a change of clothes, and walk with you through the process.



More Beyond...

DIRECTIONS

by
Dr. Clay Smith
Lead Pastor

Ancient Greek mythology told the story of the pillars of Hercules, giant columns marked with the saying, “*non plus ultra*,” meaning “Nothing more beyond.” Over time, it was thought the Rock of Gibraltar was the northern pillar, and nothing lay beyond except sunken Atlantis. The saying made its way from ancient Greek myth to Medieval thought. Sailors and navigators knew not to go any farther than Gibraltar: nothing else was out there.

Christopher Columbus thought there was something more out there. He sailed past Gibraltar and the Canary Islands. Five weeks later, he discovered a New World.

Shortly after Columbus’ voyages to the New World, Charles the Fifth ascended the throne of Spain. Aware of the old legend and the new discoveries, he

adopted a personal motto that became the national motto of Spain: “*plus ultra*,” meaning “more beyond.”

We tell ourselves our stories, and we are convinced there is nothing beyond. We accept that the mistakes of the past define us. Our consciences haunt us with guilt. We believe change is impossible. We stop exploring, hoping, and dreaming.

This is why people believe life on this earth is all there is. This is why people with addictions believe they cannot change. This is why people hold on to secrets they believe would destroy them if the truth ever got out.

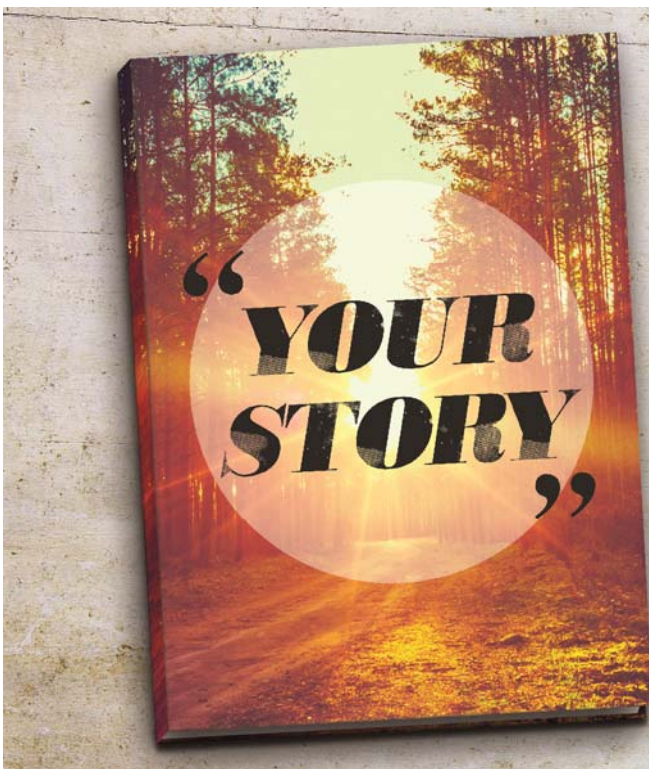
On the Sunday after Jesus was crucified, He came out of the tomb. Death was defeated, despair was driven away, and darkness gave way to sparkling light. Jesus’ resurrection triumphantly proclaims “*plus ultra!*,” there is more beyond this life, beyond your story.

Resurrection tells us that the chapters written in our stories are not the end. Our failures do not have the final word. The final word belongs to God, if we will but give Him the pen.

Give God the pen. Let Him write a new chapter for you, where sin is forgiven, values are changed, secrets are told, and their power is destroyed. Let God write for you a new chapter of purpose. Let God use your story to change someone else’s life forever.

There is more beyond whatever is written in your story. Let Jesus write it!

Grace,



January 24/25: “Fix”

Sunday worship led by
Christian Musician
JIMMY NEEDHAM



STARTINGPOINT

January 24 • 5:00-7:00pm | McManus Hall

- Enjoy a free meal & childcare
- Learn about Alice Drive's mission, vision, & values
- Have a Q&A time
- Your next step toward church membership

Thank you for your generous contributions in support of the ministry of Alice Drive Baptist Church in 2015. Because of your giving ministry was done, those in need were helped, missionaries were supported around the world, and 92 people took their next step toward Jesus Christ through baptism.

The 2015 statement of contributions will be mailed out to each contributor by January 31. Please verify the contributions on the statement and notify the finance office of any corrections. Please email bobbie@adbc.org, or call Bobbie McIntosh at 803-905-5200 if you have any questions.



storytimeplaydate

storytime + crafts + snacks = fun!

Community for preschoolers & family
4th Tuesday of each month
Starting January 26 @ 10:00am
Preschool North
Free!

If you've been considering taking your next step of joining a LIFE Group, but aren't sure where to start, come to GroupLink!

January 31
9:45 & 11:00am
Upstairs Mezzanine



HELPS Ministry
"Share Light" 2016 Banquet

January 31
6:30-8:00pm | Upstairs Mezzanine

Looking for a way to share light in this dark world? This banquet is for anyone seeking to actively serve our community. There is no cost, but registration is required by January 28. Childcare is provided. Register online or contact Stephanie Humphreys: x222 | shumphreys@adbc.org

February 12 • 6:00-9:00pm
\$10/child (6 weeks-5th grade)
Register online now through February 10.

Valentine's Day is coming soon—take advantage of this great opportunity! Whether it's a restaurant you've been wanting to try, a romantic evening out or a quiet night in, plan a few hours just for yourselves!

Parent's Night Out



CALENDAR

Sunday, January 24

- Sunday Morning Services & LIFE Groups
 2:30p Student Band Rehearsal, studio4.3
 4:00p Outreach, Worship Center
 5:00p Starting Point, McManus Hall

Monday, January 25

- 7:00p Monday Night Service
 LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade & adults

Tuesday, January 26

- 6:55a Men of Impact Bible Study, Worship Center
 10:00a Storytime Playdate, Preschool North
 Bad Girls of the Bible Class, 118
 6:30p Acts Part 2 Class, 208

Wednesday, January 27

- 2:00p The Praying Ladies, 119
 4:00p In-Depth Bible Study, 202A
 5:00p Fellowship Meal, Worship Center
 5:30p FISH Market, Upstairs Hall
 6:00p FISH Adult Discipleship Classes
 Awana (kids), Kids' Halls
 The Mix (Middle School), studio4.3
 7:15p Stewardship Team Meeting, Admin Building
 7:30p The Mix (High School), studio4.3

Thursday, January 28

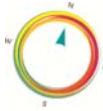
- 10:00a Thimble Thursday, 104A/B
 5:30p Tech Talk, Upstairs Balcony
 6:00p Vocal Team Rehearsal, 205
 7:00p Worship Team Rehearsal, Worship Center

Sunday, January 31

- Sunday Morning Services & LIFE Groups
 9:45a GroupLink, Upstairs Mezzanine
 11:00a GroupLink, Upstairs Mezzanine
 2:30p Student Band Rehearsal, studio4.3
 4:00p Outreach, Worship Center
 5:00p Deacons' Meeting, 104E/F
 6:30p HELPS Ministry Share Light 2016 Banquet,
 Upstairs Mezzanine

Monday, February 1

- 7:00p Monday Night Service
 LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade & adults



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ATTENDANCE 1/17 & 1/18

8:30.....	228
9:45.....	518
11:00.....	520
Monday Night.....	167
Total.....	1,433

LIFE GROUPS 1/17 & 1/18

Adults.....	427
Students.....	173
Children.....	143
Preschool.....	281
Total.....	1,024

SERVANT LEADERS

Thea Ridder—Hospitality	Billy McIntosh—HELPS
Julie Ulrich—Cubbies	Charles & Eloise Spohn—Coffee
Jan Watson—HomePoint Center	Sonny & Sarah Jones—LIFE Groups
Ray Wise—HomePoint Center	Lisa Avins—LIFE Groups

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL | January 27

Sliced roast beef, scalloped potatoes, green beans, drink, and dessert
 Kids' Menu: Hamburgers, French fries, and cookie
\$5/adults, \$3/kids under 12, \$15 max/family

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**WORSHIP
 TIMES**

SUNDAYS

8:30am Traditional
 Childcare for 5 & under
9:45 & 11:00am Contemporary
 LIFE Groups for all ages

MONDAYS

7:00pm Contemporary
 LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade
 and adults