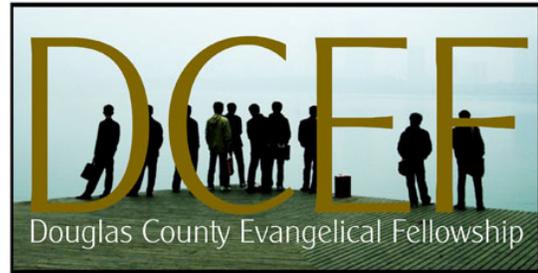


## **DOUGLAS COUNTY EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP January 2009 Meeting**



The DCEF met at New Beginnings Christian Assembly on Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 12:00 p.m. Lunch was served by the host church and host pastor, Randy Scroggins.

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

All churches and parachurch organizations are encouraged to renew their annual DCEF membership. The renewal has two tiers:

Plan A: \$170 annual fee (includes DCEF accreditation and access to the LifeCare website and benevolence database)

Plan B: \$50 annual fee (includes DCEF accreditation)

The membership renewal contains a statement of faith that members agree to.

**OFFICERS** of the DCEF are chosen during the annual Pastors' Prayer Summit meeting.

### **PASTORS PRAYER MEETING**

A regular prayer time for pastors will begin in February and will be held on the first and third Thursday of each month at 8:00 a.m. and will be hosted by Hucrest Community Church (2075 NW Witherspoon Ave., Roseburg). All pastors are encouraged to attend.

### **40 DAYS OF PRAYER**

At least 16 churches and/or ministries will participate in the upcoming 40 Days of Prayer that begins on Pentecost (February 25) and concludes on Palm Sunday (February 5).

*Seek God for the City 2009* prayer booklets are available for \$1.35 each. Contact Pastor Steve Kufeldt at Hucrest Community Church (673.7073) if interested, as around 100 additional copies are still available.

### **COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

Steve Kufeldt suggested that a community worship service be held on Good Friday, April 10. Hucrest Church has been contacted by Horizon International to host the Kuyasa Kids Choir from South Africa, an internationally acclaimed children's choir and dance team (Kuyasa Kids Choir has performed at Saddleback Church and will be performing at Willow Creek Community Church during this year's US tour; they also are partners with the contemporary Christian band, Switchfoot.). Craig Schlesinger asked pastors to indicate their interest in participating in such a service featuring the Kuyasa Kids Choir. Seven churches indicated such interest.

### **NURSING HOME MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY**

Umpqua Valley Nursing & Rehabilitation Center has a need for volunteers to help lead Sunday morning worship at their facility for their residents. Their previous volunteers who served for the last 11 years have retired. Hucrest Church is leading the worship on the last Sunday of the month. Churches and/or individuals are encouraged to contact Gina Boutcher at Umpqua Valley (464.7100) if interested.

### **GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER**

The Global Day of Prayer is a time of united prayer around the world on Pentecost

Sunday, which this year is May 31. Craig Schlesinger has already scheduled Jackson Senyonga, pastor and prayer leader from Uganda, to speak at Garden Valley Christian Assembly on Sunday, May 17. Craig suggested we move up the Douglas County observance of the Global Day of Prayer to that early date. Pastors were asked to indicate their interest in participating and/or helping to plan the joint service/event. It was noted that the meeting could be a “kick-off” of the 10-day prayer emphasis that is suggested by Global Day of Prayer organizers to lead up to Pentecost Sunday.

### **SUPPORT FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES**

A question was raised about how churches and the DCEF could help support business and individuals during this economic downturn.

- Paul Glazner said that Sutherlin Family Church is addressing the issue and they have arranged a “bulletin board” on their church’s website that persons can post needs and available resources.
- Ron Laeger proposed the idea of a Christian business person’s organization.
- The Full Gospel Businessman’s Organization is an international ministry but does not have a branch here in Douglas County that we are aware of.
- Jerry Smart suggested that DCEF could pray specifically for businesses in our community. He will bring several cards to the next meeting addressed to local businesses and pastors can sign the card after we pray for the businesses. Other pastors can do the same for other businesses.
- Hucrest Church is sponsoring a business conference simulcast on Friday, May 8, 2009 (Maximum Impact featuring speakers such as John Maxwell, Tony Blair and Jack Nicklaus).
- Times of concentrated focused prayer for businesses as well as for persons who have lost jobs was suggested.

It was proposed that each pastor bring a business person with him/her to the February DCEF meeting when this topic will be addressed in more detail. Persons are asked to RSVP with the host church prior to the meeting (details to be included in invite email).

### **GUTS MEN’S CONFERENCE**

Garden Valley is once again sponsoring the Roseburg Men’s Conference on February 27-28. Registration is \$40 and includes three meals. Contact GVCA for more information.

### **QUARTERLY DCEF MEETINGS WITH PARACHURCH ORGANIZATIONS**

Craig Schlesinger asked for feedback about the format of the December DCEF meeting that was hosted by GVCA and included parachurch ministry leaders. The meeting also included a time of prayer for each of the ministries. The general consensus of the group was that these quarterly meetings are very valuable and should be continued.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer. Ron Laeger led the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

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