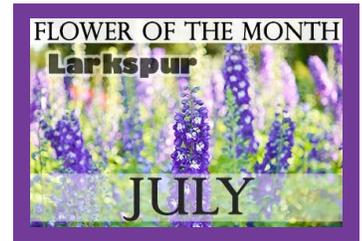




Weekly E-mail Blast

Week of July 16, 2020

TBC Services are Online for July



4 Important Notices:



1 Mailing Regarding Possible Merger

In place of a news update email this week, we have a special announcement to TBC members to please watch your mailbox for an important communication that will be sent out today. The purpose of this mailing is to provide members with specific information from our TBC/MCF Transition Team regarding the next step for a possible merger with Mosaic Church of Rockford. A series of "town hall" meetings has been scheduled in Fellowship Hall, with proper precautions for COVID-19.

Seating is limited at each session for this reason, and pre-registration is required by phone. If needed, additional meetings will be scheduled. We want all in our MCF/TBC church community to be informed about this matter but, at this time, we must focus on informing our **members** who, moving forward, will be called upon to vote on whether to merge. Any members who would like to reserve a seat at the first scheduled town hall meetings are asked to call Bob Carlson, Transition Team chairman, at 815-979-2876. Anyone with questions or comments is encouraged also to call Bob, at the same phone number.

~ Bob Carlson

2 Online Prayer Meeting: Wed., July 29 at 6:00 pm



Please remember to join our Online Prayer Meeting, scheduled in two weeks, for Wed., July 29 @ 6 pm. Prayer Team Chairman Larry Smith will serve as host. By using the ZOOM digital meeting software, we are able to meet virtually, at the same time, from our individual homes. **To join the meeting, just call or text Rob Mullen (815-621-8169)** shortly before the meeting time so he can digitally give you access to the meeting. It's not hard, and Rob is great at helping you get connected. For any other questions, please feel free to call Larry Smith at (815-623-7861).

~ B.C.



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Ordination of Pastor Kee Thang, Myanmar Christian Fellowship of Rockford

TBC is conducting an Ordination Council, chaired by former TBC Pastor Bill Patterson, on Tues., Aug. 4 to examine our MCF Pastor Kee Thang for formal ordination by our church. Anticipating a favorable recommendation from the Council, the elders are calling a

brief meeting of members immediately following our 10:30 am worship service on Sun., Aug. 9 for one item of business: our church members to affirm Pastor Kee's ordination. Please plan on staying briefly after this service to encourage and bear witness to this important milestone for our dear brother.

~ Bob Carlson



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A Special Call to Pray:

One of the most difficult aspects of the global CoVid quarantine, with which we're still coping, is the inability to meet and share vitally important face-to-face greetings, hugs, and encouragement — all expressions of real love among our church family. But just as nothing can ever separate us from the love of God, physical separation has no power to spiritually isolate us from one another.

In light of this truth, we ask that you pray for two dear couples of our church family:

- for Mark Porter and for Carl Anderson, each experiencing a very serious medical condition, and
for their respective spouses, Nancy and Sandy, who are their loving caregivers, needing God's strength and comfort during these difficult days.



35 "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? 36 As it is written:

'Yet for your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.' (Psalm 44:22)

37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him Who loved us.

38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." [Romans 8:35-39 NIV]