

Corona Presbyterian Church, Denver, CO

May 2010



"Life in the Morris House

CHUTE CHARNSANGAVEJ, SEAN MORRI

A FEW DETAILS OF OUR TYPICAL DAILY CHAOS

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Number of months until our 3rd boy is due -3

Number of times per day we hear the word "Mom" or "Dad" – 400 (it seems)

Number of Thomas the Tank Engine train parts we own -50, minimum

Number of fights over trains per day -2

Number of times we have to pull Noah off of something high/dangerous – 10

Number of minutes it takes to say "Grace" at dinner – 3

Number of words in "Grace" (repeated one at a time by Noah) – 15

Number of times per day we have to play a board game with Luke -5

Number of kids naps per day -2

Number of naps Chute would like, but doesn't get -2

Number of books read at bedtime 3

Number of times Luke negotiates for a later bedtime – 2

Number of middle of the night calls Chute might get when she's on call – 6

Most number of babies delivered by Chute in a 24 hour time period – 8!

Number of 1st cousins Chute has – 21

Number of 1st cousins Sean has – 2

Number of 1st cousins the boys have – 4 and counting





by the Numbers'

LUKE, NOAH AND BABY MORRIS

Both from Texas: Chute from Houston, the oldest of 5 girls; Sean from Baytown, the youngest of 3 boys. Met in San Antonio while in college. Chute, an OB/Gyn, Sean, a mechanical engineer.

Down Time: Chute: reads, does crossword puzzles, knits, is learning to sew, played the flute for 14 years. Sean: kicks the soccer ball around quite well, runs, rides his bike. Both: chase kids.

Abundant Faith: Chute: "Edward Nalwamba's life story and testimony about his Christian journey crystallized my decision to accept Jesus as my savior". Sean: "...grace is not earned; I believe the Christian walk is meant to be done in community..." When looking for a Presbyterian Church, Sean and Chute visited Corona and never looked further; have attended on and off since 2001, and became members in 2007.

Serving Christ and the Body of Christ at Corona: Chute: a member and leader of Corona MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) "has allowed me to give back to the Corona community and has greatly improved my ability to express my faith". Sean: helps on the video projector team, serves as an Elder on Session on the Worship Committee. Both: participate in the Families with Young Children small group, oh, and chase kids.

If you haven't met Chute or Sean, tell them you read all about them in the Newsletter and just have to meet them in person! You'll sometimes find them in the multi between services trying to grab a cup of coffee while doing what else? Chasing kids! We are blessed to have this highly accomplished, busy, fun loving and growing family in our midst.

From My Minds Eye...

Several months ago one morning, I looked at my reflection in the mirror and thought to myself, "John, you're looking pretty good today". I continued to get ready for the day, came downstairs and noticed Deanna staring at me rather strangely. She asked me what was on the side of my head. I said I hadn't noticed anything unusual. She looked more closely and discovered I had an insect bite. Please keep in

mind with being fairly, even completely bald, it's hard to miss insect bites, razor cuts and well, the occasional zit. Though the red spot on the side of my head should have come to my attention, I completely overlooked it. I want to share with you two concerns, that may not be as obvious as what I just described, but still very important.

The first is about our church finances. In the Sunday bulletins (May 2 & 9) we have enclosed the first quarter report of Corona's finances. We are behind \$12,000 thus far in 2010. Both the Elders and Trustees are concerned about what this might mean for our church throughout the rest of the year. We have opted to not hire a replacement contemporary worship leader at this point in time because of this deficit. (I am and will continue to take on that role, for now.) We (Pastor, Elders and Trustees) are considering what other items might be cut from our budget with this shortfall.

Corona belongs to God. We are the church of Jesus Christ. God doesn't need our money or anything else from



us. At the same time, He calls us to be faithful and even sacrificial stewards toward His kingdom work on earth. We would ask you to prayerfully consider how you might be a part of the solution to alleviate our deficit.

Secondly, summer is fast approaching. After carefully thinking about what our summer schedule should be the Session (Elders and Pastor) have decided from June 6- July 25 to have one blended worship service. This service will comprise elements from both our Heritage and Contemporary worship services. We realize that this might not satisfy everyone's worship style tastes, however this change made the most sense to us in light of the coming summer. The plan is to go back to our normal schedule the first week in August. Our blended worship service time from June 6 - July 25 will be: 9:30 - 10:45 A.M. Sunday school will follow from 11:00 - 12:00 Noon.

In God's Amazing Grip, Pastor John



Moment for Missions

Lesley "Lel" Fickett

Location: Paris, France

Mission Agency: Greater Europe Mission Connection to Corona: Member of Corona

Ministry: Serves in a leadership role in the Christian Women's Club in Paris which offers evangelistic teas where the Gospel is presented, and retreats and seminars that offer a deeper teaching for Christians. (The way is being prepared for a European woman who will eventually take over this role).

Works with Friendship Bible Coffees, which are outreach Bible studies where Christian women can invite their friends and neighbors. Oversees about 8 of the Bible studies, and helps to plan a yearly meeting for the leaders of the 30 some studies in the Paris area. Also appoints new leaders and helps them get started. Serves on the board of the local church and helps in discipling other women and leading the singles group. Currently teaching a course to women on how to do systematic Bible study, leads groups and give short messages. The goal is to train other women to be able to teach the course in other areas of France and eventually in French-speaking Africa.

Adult Education

We're on the Journey Together!

Life can be looked at as a journey: a rather challenging journey, filled with all kinds of challenging circumstances and relationships. There may be difficult jobs or no jobs, marital conflicts or no marriage, rebellious children or no children, finances, health, aging, and the list goes on. We never really know what is coming around the next corner of our life.

Fortunately, Christians have the opportunity to have an advantage on this challenging journey of life. We can connect with both the support of God and also with the support of other Christians. Jesus claimed that we could have "life, and have it abundantly" - that we could become "new creations". Wow! Is it really possible that we can keep growing to become more like Christ on our journeys? But how? Two new Sunday morning classes will be starting in May to help us explore further growth on our journeys and encourage us to support each other. They will be called "Women on the Journey Together," and "Men on the Journey Together", coordinated by Pam and Jim Horner.

The very interesting class on Romans led by David Sawyer will continue to give you another good option for your spiritual growth. Watch the church bulletin for more details.



Youth

Youth Escapades

Youth Group Sundays 6-8pm

Boys and Girls Bible Studies Wednesdays 7-8:30pm

Upcoming Events

May 10th Jars of Clay Concert 7pm May 23rd Youth Sunday Both services - this will be the Sunday that upcoming 6th

Fundraisers:

• The talent show raised \$350 – thank you!

graders will be moved into the Youth program

- May 23rd Youth Bake Sale following services
- June 4 & 5 Church Garage Sale
 Please be thinking about donations while spring cleaning
- June 6 June 27th Sign up for 20-20 Challenge support one kid on their mission trip with \$20 and/or 20 prayers

Remember- turn in your change and receive your flower seeds





Corona Happenings

May 2010

Worship Committee

- The special presentation last month by Anne Elmer, author of Transported by the Lion of Judah, was a wonderful evening with an excellent presentation. Many visitors attended along with several of our members. Many thanks to Jary Dailey for organizing this powerful event.
- The Prayer Team Training & Healing Prayer Workshop led by Carl Rogers last month was attended by about 20 of our members and all said it was very informative and an interesting presentation. Carl has taught healing the sick for 10 years and is presently the director of the Healing Room at Faith Bible Chapel. Several of our members recently visited Faith's Healing Room so if you would like to know what that's all about, please see or call Jary Dailey at 303-755-0668.
- While Pastor John is on a boyscouting trip with Daniel the weekend of May 16th, Corona Missionaries Victor and Elaine Rodriquez will be in town and filling in as guest preachers that Sunday. Come hear what Victor and Elaine have been up to sharing the gospel on their mission. **POT LUCK LUNCH** to honor and fellowship with Victor & Elaine Rodriguez from 1:00 3:00 p.m. at the Daileys (9023 E. Eastman Place, Denver). Please bring a salad or side dish to share. Barbecue sandwiches, beverages, and dessert provided. All are welcome!

Children and Youth Committee Sunday School

The curriculum for summer 2010 is "Travel Guide to Psalm 23" ... get ready for one adventure after another. This will be in a one room Sunday school for ages 4 through 5th grade.

Thanks to all the children and youth who distributed the palms for Palm Sunday and searched for surprises during our Easter egg hunt. Both were a blast!

Welcome and Assimilation Committee

Your 'WAC' at Work

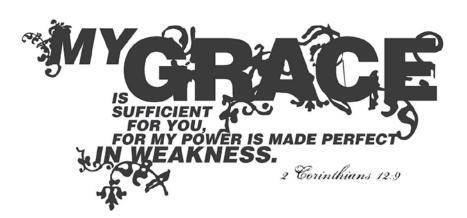
May 15 - All Church Improvement Day - 8 AM till Noon

Hooray! Spring has sprung! Break open a can of elbow grease or exercise your green thumb. It's time to spruce up the flower beds, mow the lawn, rake, sweep, clean the dust and clear the attic! Being missionally minded good neighbors, we're going to spruce up the Dora Moore school grounds a little bit too. WGA (Where Grace Abounds) and MOPS (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers) will be working right alongside! We'll fire up the 'barbie' and cook hamburgers and hot dogs. If you'd like to donate towards a flat or two of bedding plants or toward the BBQ, please call Jan Helmer 303-337-4887. We really could use some 'spending' money and while it might not get you into heaven, the chef might just flip you an extra burger or two! Sign up on the sheet by the Missions Bulletin board then bring your work gloves, favorite tools or gardening supplies and report to Greg Fee to get started.

Have you noticed all the new faces at Sunday Worship Service lately? Why not take a moment to get to know the person next to you? We've been having many visitors and we encourage you to be a Pastor in the Pews by saying hello, getting acquainted, inviting them to join you in the multi for a cup of coffee between services or maybe even to lunch. Great things happen when people get together!

Coming Attractions – Have you got a passion, hobby or recreational interest you're just dying to share with your Corona friends? Well, we hope to provide one more resource for bringing us all a little closer in fellowship. So, in a few weeks expect to see a "Hobby Questionnaire" in the Sunday Bulletin. Do you like to hitch up your pants and go hiking? Dig in the dirt? Or knit your hands into crochet? Do you shutter at the prospect of photography? Share your joy and return the questionnaire when we announce it. Tennis anyone?

Lower Sugar Treats – you see it all started recently when a young mom suggested a few less sugary snacks at coffee hour would be nice so her kids wouldn't go home totally wired after church. Okay, enter the fruit, veggies and sometimes even pbj. A big hit. (Oh and by the way, that young mom, who will remain unnamed, was spotted sneaking Oreos and coffee cake last Sunday as her poor little deprived children munched on carrots.) If you would like to bring some snacks to share on Sunday, please call Carol Hearn 303-919-2074. You'll be the hit of our coffee time!



Young Adults at the Kumar's Every Thursday from 7 to 9pm.

We have just started a new study on the book of Acts.

Contact John or Kristol Kumar for more info. email: jk_saga@yahoo.com or bellatrix1@msn.com phone: 303-619-4417

Families with Young Children Group

If you would like to visit our group for a Bible study or dinner, please contact Sean Morris or Chute Charnsangavej (spmorris77@hotmail. com, ccharn@hotmail.com, or 720-570-8919).

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Deacon's Corner Koinonia

Coming Along Side One Another Activities and Food Baskets

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - June 28 - July 2, teachers and helpers are needed, please see Renee Walbert.

ALL CHURCH PICNIC – Saturday, July 3rd - Cook Park is reserved for an all church picnic to tie in to the end of Vacation Bible School. SAVE THE DATE!

FOOD BASKET – The Deacon's food Basket of Blessing is given by the Deacon's to those in need and you can sign up to sponsor those on the bulletin Board by the nametag Table. The food is purchased from 'Share Colorado' and the cost for one is \$20.00. You can sign up to sponsor a week on the bulletin board by the name tag table. If you have signed up to sponsor for a week, place your check with the offering on Sunday and remember to note in the memo line it's for the food basket. Please see Renee Walbert for more information.

FLOWERS

The flowers that we enjoy the on the greeter's desk (the Flowers of Blessing) and the Altar flowers in the sanctuary are available for you to sponsor also. The Welcome committee delivers them to the church, arranges them – what ever is needed to help beautify the church with flowers. You can sign-up to sponsor the flowers on the bulletin board by the nametag table. Place your check in the offering plate on Sunday with "flowers" on the memo line. If you know someone these would be "Flowers of Blessings" to, please make arrangements with Renee Walbert, or any deacon, that you can take them after church and deliver them to someone in need of a blessing. It might be one of our Loving Care people, someone in the hospital, or sick at home. It might be a neighbor or loved one. Let them know they are cared for and prayed for and they are wished blessings.











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SUNDAY WORSHIP

Heritage Service 8:30 a.m. Childcare and nursery available until Noon Sunday School for all 10-10:45 a.m Contemporary Service 11:00 a.m. Children's Church/Puppets

STAFF

Rev. John Geiter Senior Pastor Nancy Rowley Secretary Paul Ijames Choir Director Gabriel and Kristy Jaramillo Youth Pastors



