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FREE* Men's Breakfast January 28

Come and connect and fellowship with other men

Trinity's Men's Ministry is hosting a Men's Breakfast on Saturday, January 28 at 8 AM. Men are urged to come for a time of connection with other men -- who knows, you might just meet your new best friend! And everyone needs breakfast!

Our breakfast speaker is Dr. Jim Anderson, a former workaholic (sound familiar?). He will share his story and challenge us with the lessons he has learned: "For God's Sake Rest!" We will also meet Tim Walsh, our new Men's Ministry Coordinator and his new team.

**(Free will offering will be taken - breakfast reservations are preferred☺)*

UPCOMING MEN'S ACTIVITY @ TRINITY...

- Men's Ministry Breakfast: January 28
- Men's Basketball: Ongoing All Winter
- Men's Advance Weekend: March 16-18
- Courageous Study: 1st & 3rd Saturdays

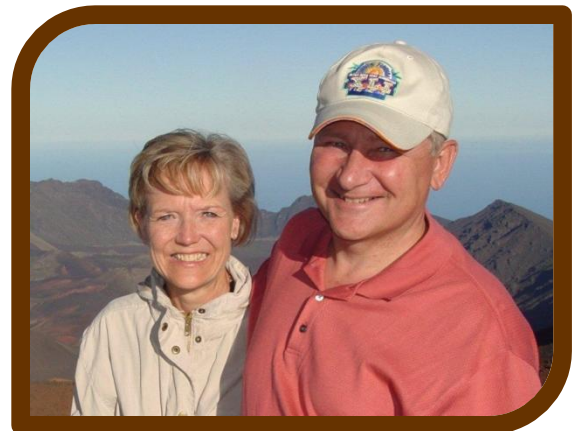
Men's Advance Speaker is the well-rested Jim Anderson

Dr. Jim will challenge us to be at rest at our Men's Breakfast (1-28-12) and our Men's Advance Weekend...

Trinity's Men's Advance Weekend
March 16-18, 2012
CAMP VICTORY ~ in rural Zumbro Falls, MN
www.campvictory.com

As men, we will advance, as we take time to reconnect with our God and each other. Camp Victory offers great views, great cabins, great food and opportunities for outdoor adventures. Our Advance Weekend featured speaker, Dr. Jim Anderson, will challenge us "For God's Sake - Rest!"

Rest? Who needs it? I have too much to accomplish... Jim tried to do more at the expense of his health, personal relationships and his walk with God. Jim will come to share his story and "show us how to be at rest from work and at work."



Dr. Jim Anderson serves as the Director of Pastoral Care with the North Central District of the Evangelical Free Church. Over a period of twenty-five years Jim, with his wife Lois at his side, pastored three Evangelical Free Churches in the Midwest: Iowa, Wisconsin and Kansas. In January of 2003 Jim and Lois returned to Minnesota to pioneer a ministry of encouragement. Together they offer Sabbath Retreats to church leaders. Jim's persuasive volume, *For God's Sake, Rest! Discovering the Pleasure of His Rest*, portrays his journey into the theology of rest and his conviction that rest enhances communion with God and vitality in ministry.

- **All inclusive Costs: 2 nights housing and 5 meals is \$105 up to March 4, and \$115 thereafter**
- **Scholarships are available**
- **Register online at www.trinityefc.net or at the Lobby tables on Feb. 26 and Mar. 4**
- **For more www.productiverest.org.**

Pastor Brian Introduces Tim Walsh, Men's Ministry Coordinator

"I am so pleased to have Tim Walsh join the Adult Ministry Team as our new Men's Ministry Coordinator here at Trinity. When former coordinator Rick Flath moved to Seattle for a new job, he suggested Tim as his replacement to lead the Trinity men. Over a period of several months of prayer and waiting on God, it became clear to both me and to Tim that he should be our new coordinator."

➤ *Please join me in welcoming Tim Walsh and his Men's Ministry Team!*



Getting to Know Trinity Men's Ministry Coordinator – Tim Walsh

My name is Tim Walsh and I have been married 35 years to the love of my life. I am blessed with three beautiful grown daughters; one in Cambodia with her husband and two girls; one in Eden Prairie with her husband and four children; and my youngest is in Cairo, Egypt with her husband.

As a man at Trinity, I would like to start out by saying it is hard to connect with other men at Trinity. Because we are a church of about 1,000 people, it is hard to get to meet and know other guys. Another reason is it's hard for guys to connect -- because we are guys and we have got a lot of things going -- and maybe we are too busy to take the time to get to know others.

How do guys connect? They connect through common interests. If we don't know if other guys have similar interests, we may feel less inclined to get to know them. If we find out that this other person shares common interests with us then we are more inclined to want to get to know them. I don't think I am a lot different than many of the other guys here. Some guys that I have gotten to know here share a couple of common interests with me, motorcycle riding and hunting. Because of these common interests we have developed meaningful friendships.

If you are a motorcycle rider, I would like to meet you and find out what you ride and how long you have been riding. If you are into hunting, I would like to meet you and find out if you are a bird hunter, big game hunter, or both, or bow hunter.



I think we often get the impression that men's ministry is only focused on the "Spiritual Growth" of men. I think that is a priority importance. However, that is never going to happen if men don't develop relationships with other men. If we don't know someone or don't know them very well, we are not going to share anything really important with them.

■ ***My vision for our Trinity Men's Ministry is that guys connect through common interests and develop relationships both in the church and outside of the church building.***

A great place to meet other men and find out a little about their areas of interest is the Men's Breakfast. I would like to encourage you guys to come out for the breakfast on January 28, 2012 at 8 AM. Another event coming up is the Men's Advance Weekend (formerly named a retreat) on March 16-18, 2012 at Camp Victory outside of Zumbro Falls, MN. Both of these events will be a great time to get to know some other men, and maybe develop friendships with some other guys. Contact me at your convenience: timw@laser1tech.com or call me at 952-484-6605.

Getting to Know Trinity Men's Ministry Team – Rich Walker

My name is Rich Walker. My wife Karen and I moved from Chicago to Minnesota six years ago and have been at Trinity for the last three years. Our daughter Sarah went to college at Northwestern, stayed in the area, and we followed.

I have been involved in a number of ministries over the years, including teaching Sunday School for teens and adults, missions and men's ministry. Since coming to Trinity I have been an usher, greeter and taught an adult class last summer on C.S. Lewis' 'Mere Christianity'.

I believe it is critical that men of the church be leaders in their own homes and interact often with each other to become strong in the Lord. "As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another" (Pr 27:17).

- *One of my goals is to help men find ways to become connected in meaningful ways to encourage and hold each other up in a world that tempts us to be less than God expects.*



Getting to Know Trinity Men's Ministry Team – Dan McGill

My name is Dan McGill. I have been married for 22 years and have been richly blessed with a daughter and a son. My daughter Elisabeth is in college with a Business major. My son David joined the National Guard. He will be serving in the Army as a Calvary Scout immediately thereafter.

As David prepares for the Guard, I'm reminded of what God's Word states in Proverbs 3:5-6 and what an application these verses are for all of our lives. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."

I have been involved in many different ministries over the course of my life including men's ministry, children's ministry and missions. I have enjoyed serving as an Awana director, Sunday School superintendent, Sunday School teacher, Kids' Church leader and have had the incredible experience of being on two mission trips, one to Ukraine and the other to Germany.

- *I am also active in our small group and would encourage anyone who hasn't been involved in a small group to join one. It's a great way to get connected and enjoy terrific fellowship with fellow believers.*



Getting to Know Trinity Men's Ministry Team – Garry Moore

My name is Garry Moore, Sr. I am the eighth child of 15 children -- 10 boys and 5 girls -- all of us have boys' names. I am from Deptford Township, New Jersey. I am a retired Police Sergeant after 25 years with Deptford Township Police Department.

I was saved at the age of 14 in the basement of our home while listening to family radio. Having a strong influence from my mother, I could see qualities men were lacking, the same qualities that my dad lacked to some degree. From an early age it gave me a desire to help men and boys obtain Godly qualities that God has desired for men to have, first as men, then husbands, and fathers. God's calling for me has been in men's ministry.

- *At Trinity, God's calling is the same, I see the need and the potential that we here at Trinity have as Godly men, husbands and fathers. This is something that I desire to be a part of - in helping men and boys become Godly and obedient men of God. Trinity's Men's Ministry is on the move and they are helping men and young boys achieve that goal of being Godly."*



Where Are You Trinity's Men of Courage?

The Courageous Men's Study meets on the first and third Saturday of each month; we are studying the Men's Resolution book generated from the hit movie "Courageous."

- *All men are welcome if you have seen the movie or not. The Men's Resolution book is a book helping define the role of men in their lives.*

If you want to work on being the man that God intends you to be, feel free to join us at 7 AM. Contact John Myers at myersjm@frontiernet.net.

Add a Little Physical Exercise to your New Year!

Trinity has reserved the gym at Lakeview Elementary School. Come prepared to play some hoops on Wednesday evenings from 8 to 10 PM for basketball and fellowship.

- *The turnout has been light so far, but we are trusting that other men will be motivated to join the fun. The games are friendly and accommodate all skill levels (unlike the pick-up games at other gyms). This is also open to friends and co-workers from outside of Trinity - what a great way to introduce a neighbor to a church!!*

Contact Dave Kes dave.kes@deluxe.com for information. Ben Hollatz is the onsite coordinator.

TRINITY MEN'S MINISTRY ACTIVITIES ~ Winter 2012

ONGOING ACTIVITIES ~ contact leaders directly:

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| ➤ Sundays | MEN'S STUDY ~ Genesis | 6-7:30 PM | Conference Room | Jon Seilkop 651-463-4889 |
| ➤ Mondays | MEN'S STUDY ~ Luke & Acts | 7-8:30 PM | Contact Bob for Location | Bob Andersen 952-836-9580 |
| ➤ Wednesdays | MEN'S BASKETBALL | 8-10 PM | Lakeview Elementary | Dave Kes |
| ➤ Saturdays | MEN'S STUDY ~ John | 8:30-10 AM | Multi Purpose Lounge | Scott Shattuck 952-891-5654 |

ONGOING CONNECTIONS WITH OTHER MEN ~ contact leaders directly:

- **Military Outreach:** Walk with our military families who are serving our country. Contact [Kim Christenson](mailto:Kim.Christenson@deluxe.com)
- **Helping Hands Ministry:** Community outreach to those in need. Contact [Steve Allen](mailto:Steve.Allen@deluxe.com) 612-382-7269
- **Urban HomeWorks Ministry:** Community outreach to those in need. Contact [Bob Andersen](mailto:Bob.Andersen@deluxe.com) 952-836-9580
- **Urban Ventures Ministry:** Community outreach to those in need. Contact [Dave Bigler](mailto:Dave.Bigler@deluxe.com) 952-435-3475

**Trinity's Men's Ministry is always seeking ideas
to serve other men ~ Get Connected!**