

Opportunities happening at Rolling Hills Community Church

Rolling Hills News

July 2011

FROM ACTS 10 TO JULY 10 AND A LUNCH ON THE LAWN

BY COMMUNITY/GLOBAL DIRECTOR FAITH CARTER

Grandma Katie had the gift of hospitality. Not the Martha Stewart version, but an uncomplicated kind that welcomed everyone into her humble farmhouse. Even as a child, I was aware of how often people seemed to “drop by” around dinner. Eventually, I came to realize that her South Dakota community knew that Grandma’s response would be, “You’re just in time for dinner. I’ll set a place for you and add water to the soup.” Needless to say, I ate my share of watered down chicken noodle soup. There was always room for anyone and everyone; her kitchen was a place of unity, not division. It didn’t matter if you were a hired hand, preacher, Swede, or schoolteacher. Grandma, with her German culinary flair and eighth-grade education, crossed all sorts of cultural and traditional boundaries, uniting people over the simplicity of a shared meal.

What I’ve seen happening in Acts reminds me of my experience at Grandma’s Formica table. The opening verses set the stage for the unfolding narrative of Acts. Just before physically leaving his band of followers, Jesus reminded them that the Holy Spirit would continue to instruct and empower them to carry on His ministry. Even though Jesus told them to be witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and regions beyond, I’m not certain they fully understood how that mission would nudge them to cross all sorts of boundaries.

As Peter listened and watched Jesus vanish in a cloud, it’s probably safe to say he didn’t have a clue that this mission, muscled by the Holy Spirit, would lead him to share a meal with the untouchables of his Jewish society, or that it would take him to Caesarea, a Hellenistic city where pagan practices were common and where a Jew would have a difficult time remaining ritually pure.

Acts 10 tells the story of the conversion of Cornelius, but when carefully reading the account, you’ll find that two lives were transformed. Cornelius progressed from being a God-fearer to a Jesus-follower. Peter was converted from a follower of an exclusive Way, limited to those of his own heritage and traditions, to one who proclaimed that the Good News was even for the unclean Romans. That day, the Church learned

something about the Good News—Jesus came for all people, everywhere...there is a place for everyone.

The Church continues to be a place where everyone belongs, a place of friendship and fellowship, and an instrument the Holy Spirit uses to demonstrate and proclaim who Jesus is to our community and world. In so doing, the Church becomes part of the Good News itself.

On Sunday, July 10, we’ll have an opportunity to include all kinds as we share a meal together after both services. Our Rolling Hills Hispanic brothers and sisters, who have a deep desire to share Jesus with local Latinos, will prepare it for us and invite their families and friends. A team traveling to Nicaragua in August will serve. This is just one of many Rolling Hills teams that will use their gifts in partnership with the Verbo Church of Puerto Cabezas. Like Peter, they are going, knowing there is room at God’s table for everyone.

Please join us on July 10. Like Cornelius, you may realize that the Church is meant for you. Or possibly like Peter, you understand that the Church is big enough for others who are not like you. Either way, we expect the Holy Spirit to unite us around an incredible lunch on the lawn.

lunch on the lawn

SUNDAY, JULY 10 • AFTER BOTH SERVICES • OUTSIDE

Learn about our partnership with Verbo Church in Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua, over an all-church meal prepared by our Hispanic Community Group! Cost: \$5/person or \$20/family.

Calendar

JULY 1

Basketball Open Gym

JULY 5

Oasis Begins!

JULY 10

Lunch on the Lawn

JULY 11

Military Ministry Guest Speaker

JULY 13

Grief Release Begins!

Jr. High Lunch with Tyler and Jen

JULY 17

Missionary Open House

RH 101 Membership Class

CR Car Wash

JULY 21

Writers Connection

JULY 23

Summer Sweat Work Day

JULY 24

Parenting Class

Jr. High Summer Camp begins!

CR Car Wash

JULY 31

High School Summer Camp begins!

**FOR ALL OTHER EVENTS, CHECK
OUR FACEBOOK EVENTS PAGE AT
FACEBOOK.COM/ROLLINGHILLSCC
OR ROLLINGHILLS.ORG/EVENTS**

did you know?

if you're out of town, sick,

or have another good reason

to miss church, you can watch the

Sunday 11 AM service LIVE!

VISIT ROLLINGHILLS.ORG/LIVE

RH 101 membership class

SUNDAY, JULY 17 • 2:30-6 PM • FC

Get information about our church's past, discover where we're going, and learn about the importance of your role in this ministry. Dinner and childcare provided!

Sign up at rollinghills.org/rh-101 or contact: Sara · 503-638-5900 · sara.howard@rollinghills.org

summer sweat work day

SAT., JULY 23 • 9 AM-12 PM

RAIN OR SHINE

Bring work gloves and gardening tools. Lunch provided.

SAVE THE DATE:

Another Summer Sweat Work Day on August 20!

RSVP on a Welcome Card today or
at rollinghills.org/back-2-basics!

all church baptism

**READY TO PUBLICLY DECLARE
YOUR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST
THROUGH BAPTISM?**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

ELEMENTARY ORIENTATION CLASS

Sunday, July 31 • 12:30 PM • The Hub

Children **MUST** be accompanied by at least one parent/adult.

To sign up, email treehouse@rollinghills.org

ADULT ORIENTATION CLASS

Sunday, July 31 • 12:45 PM • Courtyard Room

BAPTISM CELEBRATION AT THE RIVER

Sunday, August 14 • 2 PM • Willamette River

Contact Sara · 503-638-5900 · sara.howard@rollinghills.org

community/ outreach

MISSIONARY OPEN HOUSE

SUN., JULY 17 • 10:30 AM-2 PM • COURTYARD RM

Join Sam & Rowanne to learn about what they're doing with English Language Institute/China. Contact Leslie Winstead · heartm4@msn.com

military

MILITARY MINISTRY GUEST SPEAKER

MONDAY, JULY 11 • 6:30 PM • WELCOME CENTER

Combat veterans, military personnel, and their families are invited to hear guest speaker Chris Adsit, author of The Combat Trauma Healing Manual, a Bible study for combat veterans.

For more info, contact Shirley O'Farrell · shirlof@yahoo.com

VETERANS SMALL GROUP

1ST & 3RD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH • 6:30 PM •

WELCOME CENTER { NO MEETING JULY 4 }

This is an opportunity to share with other veterans, and those currently on active duty or in the reserves. Connect · Grow · Heal · Make friends. For more info, contact Shirley O'Farrell · shirlof@yahoo.com

women

OASIS 2011

TUESDAYS, JULY 5, 12, 19, & 26 • 6:30-9 PM • FC

It's not too late to sign up! We still have space in selected classes. Stop by the Women's Ministries station to see which classes are available. For info, contact Heidi Rourke · 503-554-0459 · heidirourke@hotmail.com

WOMEN NEEDED FOR MEN MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27 • 10 AM-7 PM

Shift 1 (10 AM-2 PM): Have fun with new and old girl friends as you make and deliver lunches to our men serving at various job sites.

Shift 2 (3-7 PM): Laugh with gals of all ages as you prepare a BBQ dinner for our men to celebrate the work they accomplished.

For info or to sign up, contact Becky · becky.lomax@rollinghills.org

WOMEN AT THE WELL

SATURDAYS • 8-9:30 AM • WELCOME CENTER

Currently studying the book of Revelation. For summer schedule info, contact Karen Marshall · jmmkmm@frontier.com or Margaret Smith · mfowler2005@frontier.com

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES FALL PREVIEW

WE'RE BUSY PLANNING FOR THE 2011/2012 MINISTRY YEAR!

Brochures will be available mid-August.

For more info, contact Heather · heather.creighton@rollinghills.org

wholeness

CELEBRATE RECOVERY (CR)

WEDNESDAYS • 6:30–8:30 PM • DINNER 5:30 PM • FC

Are hurts, habits, & hang-ups keeping you in a rut? God wants you to be free! He can heal you! Check out CR here at Rolling Hills. Come at 5:30 and have dinner with us! **NEW:** We have childcare this summer, so bring your kids! \$5/child newborn–6th grade or \$10/family.

For info, go to rollinghills.org/celebrate-recovery or contact Paulette · 503-638-5900 x238 · paulette.jones@rollinghills.org

CELEBRATE RECOVERY CAR WASH BRING A DIRTY CAR TO CHURCH AND LEAVE WITH A CLEAN ONE! SUN., JULY 17 & 24 • DURING SERVICES

Our CR crews will be washing cars in the parking lot all morning.

Your donation will help fund CR leadership training.

GRIEF RELEASE

WED • JULY 13–AUGUST 10 • 7–9 PM • COURTYARD RM

Have you lost a loved one to death or divorce; a job; a relationship; or your health, identity, reputation, or self-esteem? Have you experienced the empty nest syndrome or lost your hope, joy, business, or home? Founder and director of One to Another, a nonprofit organization based in Portland, facilitator Joanne Smith Petrie has been teaching Grief Release since 1985, following her husband's death. She is a certified Bereavement Facilitator, hospice chaplain, counselor, author, and teacher; producer of the Grief Release video series; and co-author of How to Say Goodbye. Cost: \$10 for materials. For info and to register, contact Cammy Bauer · 503-544-9722

men

MEN MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY BRING YOUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, AND CO-WORKERS! SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

Work alongside each other on projects we set up for you and make a DIFFERENCE in YOUR COMMUNITY! Then come back here for a BIG BBQ CELEBRATION on the SPORTS FIELD with former OSU and Baltimore Colt offensive lineman JEFF HART! Electricians, drywallers, painters, general contractors, and grunts! Whether you're professionally trained, a weekend warrior, or an unskilled but willing laborer—We Need You! Team Leaders needed, too!

Register at rollinghills.org/men-make-a-difference-day.

For more info, contact Becky · becky.lomax@rollinghills.org

singles

IGNITE YOUNG ADULTS (20s & 30s)

SUNDAYS • 11 AM • S. 3RD FLOOR SMALL ROOM

Contact Maurice Johns · mojo_the_hut@hotmail.com or

Bethany Sundstrom · bethany.sundstrom@gmail.com

SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES (S.A.M.) (40S OR BETTER!)

SUNDAYS • 10:45 AM • S. 3RD FLOOR LARGE ROOM

Contact Dave Myers · 503-539-7516

other ministry opportunities

HISPANIC BIBLE STUDY (EN ESPAÑOL)

FRIDAYS • 7 PM • COURTYARD ROOM

For info, contact Ramon Alvino · 503-504-9238 · cristochica@yahoo.com

BASKETBALL OPEN GYM

FRIDAYS, JULY 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 • 7 PM • FC

This is an opportunity for anyone to come and enjoy some fellowship over a good game of basketball. Don't hesitate to reach out and invite friends to play with you. For info, contact Brian Stanley · bstan87@yahoo.com

WRITERS CONNECTION

THURSDAY, JULY 21 • 7 PM • EAST ATRIUM

This is an arts ministry designed to encourage, inspire, and network published and aspiring writers of all genres in their endeavor to use their writing to make a difference to the culture. We offer feedback on projects, learn of publishing opportunities and upcoming writing conferences, and fellowship with others interested in faith, culture, and the arts. Questions? Contact Cornelia · 503-318-3480 · cornelia@corneliaseigneur.com

GOOD TO GREAT | MARRIAGE FOCUS WE'RE TAKING THE SUMMER OFF.

Thanks for a great year! Watch for our kick-off in September.

Check out our Facebook page (Good to Great Marriage Focus) or rollinghills.org/good-to-great

high school

HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

SUN.–FRI., JULY 31–AUG. 5 • RIVERVIEW BIBLE CAMP

For the highlight of your summer, join hundreds of High School students for a packed week. Cost: \$340. Sign up at hsmwired.com. Registration ends July 18 or when we reach capacity.

Contact Zoe Anne · 503-638-5900 · zoeanne.pilger@rollinghills.org

NO HSM SERVICE ON SUN., JULY 31 DUE TO SUMMER CAMP. ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS REMAIN IN THE MAIN SERVICE FOR THE TEACHING.

STAY CONNECTED

**SMALL GROUPS ARE DOING EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE
SUMMER, SO FIND OUT WHAT YOUR GROUP IS DOING!**

If you haven't been part of a group, these events are a great way to get connected. For more info, contact Krina · krina.mallgren@rollinghills.org

TRUEU FROM FOCUS ON THE FAMILY AND THE DISCOVERY INSTITUTE, SEATTLE SUN., JULY 31–AUG. 28 • 9-10:30 AM • COURTYARD RM

TrueU is a biblically-based program that helps students develop, solidify, and apply their Christian faith so they can live out a Christian worldview in everyday life. Reg at the Student Ministries station. Get info at trueu.org

jr. high

ROOTS

JR. HIGH SUMMER BIBLE READING PROGRAM
SUNDAYS • 6-7:30 PM • EAST ATRIUM

This program helps Jr. High students stay ROOTED in Christ through weekly Bible reading and discussion. Pick up a reading schedule outside the Back Room. Also, bring a sack dinner or eat before you come!

JR HIGH SUMMER CAMP

SUN.-FRI., JULY 24-29 • RIVERVIEW BIBLE CAMP

This is a week for students to enrich their friendships, make new friends, connect with the JH Ministry Staff, and grow closer to God. Cost: \$340.

Sign up at 678live.com.

For more info, contact Zoe Anne · zoeanne.pilger@rollinghills.org

NO JH SERVICE ON SUN., JULY 24 DUE TO SUMMER CAMP.

Students not at camp stay with their parents in the main service.

SUNDAY CINEMA

SUNDAYS, JULY 10, 17 & 31 • 7:30-10:30 PM • EAST ENTRY OUTSIDE STAIRS

July 10 · Narnia-Voyage of the Dawn Treader | July 17 · Prince of Persia
July 31 · Toy Story 3. Cost: \$4. Pick up a flyer with all the info by the Back Rm.

LUNCH WITH TYLER AND JEN

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13 • 11 AM-1 PM

Eat with Tyler and Jen, and then hang out and play games. We provide the lunch! No cost! To sign up, fill out the info card on the Upcoming insert and drop in offering basket, or see Tyler or Jen after the Jr. High Sunday service.

children's "treehouse" treehouse@rollinghills.org

FYIs FOR TREEHOUSE PARENTS

· This year your child(ren) will remain in their current class through summer. All age groups/grades move up on Sunday, Sept. 11. More details to come as we get closer.

· If your family has moved from the 9 AM to the 11 AM service because you now have a Jr. Higher, please let us know!

· On Sunday, July 3, the E-pod [K-2nd] and Warehouse [3rd-4th] will be closed so that those families can worship together for the entire service. TreeHouse Nursery and Preschool will operate as usual.

RHCC SCAVENGER HUNT "ZOO STYLE"! TUESDAY, AUGUST 9 • OREGON ZOO

On the second Tuesday of every month, you can visit the Oregon Zoo for the discounted price of \$4 per person! Children 2 and under are free! Second Tuesday tickets available at the gate only. Plan to enjoy a day at the Zoo with your friends, and to connect with and meet new friends as we all search for God's creatures we've read about in the Bible. BEFORE YOU GO - be sure to pick up your Scavenger Hunt List from the TREEHOUSE!

VOLUNTEERS FOR CONFIDENT KIDS WEDNESDAYS • 6:15-8:30 PM • BEGINS SEPT. 14!

We're wrapping up our second season of Confident Kids and looking forward to our third year being even bigger and better. We need volunteers and kids to fill up our K-8th grade classes. Our goal is to reach out to kids who are struggling in some areas of their lives, and help them cope with those stresses and changes. Our soon-to-be staff of LOVING VOLUNTEERS will be open-armed and willing to provide a safe and secure environment where the kids can share and grow in Christ. For more info, go to rollinghills.org/ck or contact Chandra Stentz · stentz0898@comcast.net

PARENTING CLASS

"SURVIVING INFANCY, TODDLERHOOD, AND BEYOND"
SUNDAY • JULY 24 • 9 & 11 AM • COURTYARD ROOM

Having young children causes a lot of stress on a marriage. Join this interactive class as we learn together how to stay sane during this crazy time. Taught by Carolyn Lu, RHCC Wholeness Director and Licensed Professional Counselor, this class is for parents who are expecting, parents with little ones, and even grandparents who are parenting or who want to support their grown children.

WHAT ARE YOUR KIDS LEARNING THIS MONTH IN TREEHOUSE...

TODDLERS and LITTLE BUDS

In our summer-long study of creation, our July theme is GOD MADE THE ANIMALS. These little ones will give praise to the Lord for making the world with this verse: "We give thanks to you, O God." Psalm 75:1 CEV

PRESCHOOLER

We'll explore ways we can "BEE" like Jesus as we learn about the fruits of the Spirit. The memory verse is based on Galatians 5:22-23: Be like a good tree growing good fruit!

ELEMENTARY

We'll explore further in the book of Acts. Saul has a "light blinding" encounter with Jesus and turns from eliminating Christians to encouraging them to be all they can be for Christ. Then he, as Paul, begins his missionary journeys to share the Good News. We'll also find out what Buck Denver, the intrepid host of the Jelly News, has to say about "What's in the Bible." The memory verse is Romans 10:9 NIV: "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

SERVICE TIMES | SUNDAY • 9 & 11 AM

OFFICE HRS MON.-FRI., 8:30 AM-5 PM | ATRIUM CAFÉ HRS MON.-FRI., 8:30-11 AM · SUN., 8 AM-1 PM

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