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## PRESENTING A UNITED FRONT

"How can he say those things? He doesn't even know me!" These were the words that I heard spoken by a teenage girl as she left the Pennington County Courthouse with her Grandma following behind her. My assumption is that she had just run head-long into the face of authority in her life, and she was a little shocked by its refusal to budge. She was expecting some subjective leeway in hopes that she could escape consequence. Maybe I'm wrong. Maybe I am thinking about the scene that we often see on TV of the actress standing before a judge over her obvious neglect for correction and pleading as if to say, "I didn't know that you were actually serious the last time we spoke!"

I know that I am making a lot of assumptions about things I don't know for sure in these cases. There is one thing that I do know for sure, and it is this –



Teenagers gain their understanding of authority from their relationship with their parents as the primary authority in their lives. This respect for authority transfers to other authorities in their lives as they grow from children to adults. These other authorities include teachers, pastors, bosses, officers of the law, etc.

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## SUPER BOWL PARTY

We are planning on having a Super Bowl Party at the church again this year! This is a great time of fun, food, and football. Parents are invited to join us, and everyone is asked to plan on bringing/sending a snack or something to drink **plus** \$2 for subs.

DATE: Feb. 6th  
TIME: 4:00pm



## EVENTS CALENDAR

- \* **JAN 23**– First day to register for Dare-2-Share
- \* **FEB. 6**– Super Bowl Party
- \* **FEB. 7**– Last day to register for Dare-2-Share
- \* **FEB. 18**– Rock & Worship Roadshow

## ROCK & WORSHIP

The Rock & Worship Roadshow is coming to Rapid City! We will have the opportunity to hear five amazing bands in one night. Sounds like a good appetizer for Hills Alive. Here are the details:

- \* Show starts at 7:00
- \* Tickets are \$10 at the door—no pre-sale tickets

If you are interested in sitting as a group, we will meet at the Civic Center at 6:00pm

Thousand Foot  
Krutch

## THE ROCK & WORSHIP ROADSHOW

Jars of Clay   Mercy Me   The Afters

Matt Maher

## CAMP RAY BIRD

June 11 – 19

(present 8<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> graders)

Camp Ray Bird is a camp in South Bend, IN that is dedicated to sharing the love of Jesus, through the gospel and discipleship, with the under-privileged children of the South Bend area. Every year, we take a team of students there to make an impact on these children as co-counselors working along side of Camp Ray Bird's college aged summer staffers. The blessing that is received by our students is certainly equal if not more than what they give. Look for a letter to come in your mail in April regarding this trip!

## INFO ON THE WEB

If you would like to learn more about the InnerChange Student Ministries, there are a couple of ways to do this on the internet.

- 1) Visit Parkview's website ([www.parkviewefc.org](http://www.parkviewefc.org)) and visit the student ministries section
- 2) Visit our Youtube channel, "InnerChangers10"
- 3) Join our facebook group, Innerchangers, and be able to see more pictures and videos as well as get some quick updates through facebook messages!



## OYATE CONCERN

Oyate Concern is a teen ministry on the Pine Ridge reservation. We have partnered with this ministry on many events, and one way that we develop this partnership and relationships with their students is to send a team of high school students and a couple of adults to their Teen Night on a semi-monthly basis. The coming dates for our Oyate Concern trips are Saturdays, **Jan 22**, **Feb 12**, and **March 12**. If any high school students would like to join us, they should contact Kagney at 605-208-0777. The group leaves from the Parkview Church at 5 PM.



## REVIEWING YOUR TESTIMONY WITH YOUR KIDS

GOOD-BYE  
DIPPIN'  
DOTS!

Some of you may not be familiar with our annual fundraiser that has been going on since before the four years that I have been here. Well, we are not able to be selling Dippin' Dots at the Black Hills Stock Show and Rodeo this year, and I know that this is hard for many to learn about. At this time, there are no other fundraisers planned, but I am very open to any reasonable fundraisers that have a team behind them to help make them happen!



My father was diagnosed with a malignant melanoma in his early 20's. This would have been in the mid 1960's when there was no chemotherapy, and so my dad went through radical surgery and was sent home to basically die. Well, since I am not 45 years old, you can know that he did not die but was actually healed pretty miraculously! This was known by my grandmother as she prayed by his bedside and felt a sudden assurance of his healing. What makes this more interesting is that God used this experience to bring my dad to a saving relationship with Christ....at least I am pretty sure it did.

I say that I am pretty sure because I don't remember hearing too often my parents' testimonies. I thought about this fact when I recently read Deuteronomy 4:9 which states, **"Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do**

**not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them."** This

verse is a reminder to us to not allow ourselves to slip away from the place that God has brought us in our relationship with Him – We must practice living in the present presence of God. This verse is also a reminder to me that our children need to hear again and again about the grace of God in our lives.

Do you share with your kids how God has shown Himself in your life – either in the past or in the present? Could your kids describe to someone else your testimony of coming to know Christ as your savior? I'm planning to review mine with my kids tonight, and I also plan to call my dad and ask him, "Could you tell me again about how God made you his child?"

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## DARE 2 SHARE

Dare 2 Share is coming up quickly! Make sure to read and hold on to the insert included with this newsletter. Here are a few quick notes:

- \* The registration form is on the **BACK OF THE DARE 2 SHARE LETTER THAT CAME WITH THIS NEWSLETTER**
- \* Trip dates: Friday, Feb. 25th– Sunday, Feb. 27th
- \* Cost: \$65 per student, \$30 non-refundable deposit due with registration
- \* Registration: Begins Sunday, Jan. 23rd and ends Sunday, Feb. 7th.

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If you happen to misplace your info. Letter, you can download a copy at our website: Go to [www.parkviewefc.org](http://www.parkviewefc.org) and click on "Forms and Letters" under Student Ministry





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If a child has grown up being able to finagle his way out of consequence or has been criticized into feeling less valuable, he is going to expect other authorities in his life to function the same way.

Authority issues get a little more complicated in the typical home because there is a mom and a dad involved. Let's say the girl I mentioned before was coming from a courtroom in which the judge pronounced his dreaded judgment and the bailiff spoke up and said, "Don't you think you're being a little harsh?!" That seems ridiculous I know, but this may be what this young woman was expecting as this may be what she was accustomed to at home. The fact is that teenagers are given a skewed view of authority when parents are not able to be or at least present a united front to their kids. Much of the way your kid sees his or her world is depending on your relationship with each other! Mom & Dad, **please consider attending our class for parents of middle and high schoolers which will be focusing on marriage!** It is meeting in the rear left of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings at 9 am. Also, if you are a single parent, you are welcome join our class called *Passing the Baton* which focuses on being a spiritual mentor to your teenager. It is meeting in room C8 on Sunday mornings at 9 am.