



Agape' MCC Newsletter

June 16 2010

Upcoming Events

Thu June 17:

7pm Spirit Road: R.A.P. Night

Sun June 20:

10:30am Worship

**Hawn Renewal of Vows
Lunch to follow!**

Mon June 21:

7pm Deacons Meeting

Thu June 24:

7pm Spirit Road: R.A.K. Night
Out

Fri June 25:

6pm Samaritan House Supper
Club

Sun June 27:

10:30am Worship Service

11:50am Meet, Eat and Greet!

12:30pm Town Hall Meeting

Sun July 4:

**10:30am Guest Speaker -
Chief Master Sergeant Dave
Guy-Gainer**

Sat July 10:

7pm Susie Brenner/Shawn
Thomas Concert

June Statistics

06/06:

Attendance: 118

Offering: \$1,167

06/13:

Spirit Road

Summer Fun 2010

**This Thursday, SPIRIT ROAD, 7:00-8:30
p.m. - It's all about YOU with R.A.P -
reading, art, and prose/poetry night.
It's a total "open mic" night for you to
share anything!**



**Please join us and bring a song to share... a poem
that you love.....a reading....artwork....anything you
would like to share with your AGAPE friends. ☺**

Spirit Road is taking a turn for Summer Fun 2010 with a
little bit of a different pace! The rest of the summer's
schedule goes something like this:

1st Thursday (July 1 & Aug 5) - **Meditation and
Reflection Night** led by Special Guests

2nd Thursday (July 8, Aug 12) - **Media Night**...we will
show a movie, documentary or TV show with spiritual
meaning and discussion to follow (some of these nights
may begin earlier or go a little later! We'll let you know)

3rd Thursday (June 17, July 15, Aug 19) - **R.A.P. Night
= Rhythm. Art. Poetry.** Share your fave song, play your
guitar, work on your art project, read a poem.

4th Thursday (June 24th, July 22, Aug 26) - **R.A.K.
Night Out - Random Acts of Kindness** ~ meets ~
Sundance Square, Museum exhibit, Starbucks game night
...details to come!

Weekly Meditation- June 16

by Rev. Teri Lubbers

Already Given

*True spirituality is not a search for
perfection or control or the door to the
next world; it is a search for divine
union now. The great discovery is
always that what we are searching for has already
been given! I did not find it; it found me. It is
Jacob's shout of Eureka! at the foot of his ladder to
heaven in Genesis 28:16-17 ~ Richard Rohr, "The*



Attendance: 111
Offering: \$1,938

06/20:

Attendance:
Offering: \$

06/27:

Attendance:
Offering: \$

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Naked Now: Learning to See as the Mystics See"

Towards the end of the Wizard of Oz movie, do you remember the scene where Dorothy is talking to about what she has learned in Oz? And then we find her saying, "there's no place like home, there's no place like home..." and suddenly she finds herself back home. Like Dorothy, we go looking for something that we feel we lack, only to discover we were carrying hidden treasure the whole time, and that we could return home whenever we wanted.

Spiritual questing, divine union, coming home to ourselves and to God is a little like that...we suddenly realize that what we seek and need so desperately is already given to us, we just didn't know it. Jesus invites us to walk with him on the water, invites us to put out our nets into deeper waters, invites us to oneness, to stillness, to breathe.

Spirit is not interested in our trying to be perfect, in our trying to batten down all the hatches and control all the possibilities of our lives, nor in forsaking the realities and experiences of this life for the one to come.

Spirit is whispering in your ear today, "Let yourself be found, what you seek is right here but you will not be able to manage, orchestrate or control what I have waiting for you." Let go, relax, breathe...I am right here...

Prayer: Spirit of the Living God, I open myself to you. Awaken me to your presence, your power and your love. I want to be found by you today. Give me eyes to see and ears to hear. Amen.

Candice & Mitzi Celebrating 25 Years!

Join the Festivities

Yes, it's true. Candice and Mitzi are celebrating their 25th anniversary!

Please join us as we mark this important milestone by dancing, renewing vows, and...of course...eating!!

Come Saturday night, **June 19, 7pm to midnight, to Dance Makers** in Fort Worth off of W. Camp Bowie Blvd. (next to Electric Cowboy). Tickets are \$10.00 each.

Then come and share Mitzi and Candice's **vow renewal following church on Sunday (June 20) and stay for lunch...**our own Rusty Cuniff is catering!

All are welcomed!



Identify yourself as a member or friend of Agape' MCC and ask for an insurance quote: home, auto, renters, life, etc.

Agape' MCC will receive a \$25 check for your inquiry.

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Next Town Hall Meeting June 27

What's Happening at Agape'

Town Hall Meeting
Sunday June 27
12:30 p.m.



Come one. Come all. Let's share a little about what is happening in the life of Agape' MCC. For more information, speak with Rev. David or one of the members of the Board of Directors.

Come join us!

Special Guest Speaker on July 4

from Rev. David Wynn

Chief Master Sergeant Dave Guy-Gainer to preach on July 4th at Agape' MCC.



Agape' MCC is proud to host Chief Master Sergeant Dave Guy-Gainer, USAF (Retired) who will be bringing our message this July 4. As a gay man who has served our country, Dave has worked tirelessly in the effort to repel "Don't Ask, Don't Tell", the act that prohibits any homosexual or bisexual person from disclosing his or her sexual orientation or from speaking about any homosexual relationships, including marriages or other familial attributes, while serving in the United States armed forces. Dave is a resident of Forest Hill and is also active in our local city governance.

Veterans and active Service Members- we would like to invite you in honor of the holiday and CMSgt Guy-Gainer's visit **to wear your uniform or something from your uniform for this special day.**

Summer Concert at Agape' July 10

Susie Brenner & Shawn Thomas

Susie Brenner and Shawn Thomas will be performing at Agape' MCC on **Saturday, July 10th at 7:00 p.m.** Come and join us for an evening of inspiring music. There is no charge for the concert but we will receive a love offering for Susie and Shawn and they will have CD's for sell!



See you there!

Shaman Class To Be Offered

Agape' Hosting Shaman Class

We have an opportunity to host a basic Shaman class here at Agape' MCC. We **need a minimum of 6 students** to commit to the class at a discounted fee of \$75 (the normal fee is \$150).



The world of the shaman is one of connection to all things-oneself, spirit, nature and each other. In this class, we will learn basic techniques to access our personal power and receive guidance on our life experiences and transitions.

Once we have the commitments, we will set the date with our instructor, Lynn Wolf. Lynn is a shamanic practitioner and teacher in the Dallas area. She is trained in core shamanism and Reiki. This is a two-day class that begins at 10am and ends at 5pm. **Please contact Rev. David Wynn, Janna Brown, or Leigh Wolfer** if you are interested in attending.

We Need Pictures!

Updating Home Page Logo Banner

Our web manager, Kathy, wants to update our home page with new family, friends and community pictures. Please attach one (or more) of your recent favs and send to Kathy at:



katmunn_1@hotmail.com

To look at the current slideshow, go to www.agapemcc.com and look at the flash banner. Your help is appreciated!

P.S. - your voluntary sending of these pictures acknowledges your permission to publish your images on the website banner.

Prayers

- Shawn Mc. - for his health challenges around his kidneys.
- For Troy's health.
- Co-worker receiving cancer treatment in Nevada.
- Church friends- surround them with love.
- Anna R. - for health and healing and adjusting to new home.
- For a family who is mourning the loss of an aunt, sister, daughter, and friend.

- For Gail's father who had a stroke.
- For resolution and healing from the Gulf oil spill.
- For Valerie's father's health and the family.
- For Terry B. healing and strength.
- For those who are lonely.
- For all of those who will be heading to Acapulco for our General Conference.
- For Jimmy's knee replacement.
- Death of Ray Alexander (attended Agape' at Hemphill address) - Father of Jimmy M.'s sister-in-law. Prayers for the family.
- For a friend who is struggling.

Praises

- For Wayne and his ministry to our children.
- For new beginnings.
- For David D. and all he does around here.
- For Nikki who is always cool.
- For our Board of Directors and their Spirit.
- For Tammy stepping in on Sunday when we needed her.
- For Barbara and all of her help.
- For the deep waters of the journey.
- For answered prayers.
- For arms that hug.

Our Mission - With open hearts, open minds, and open arms, Agape' MCC is a nurturing faith community seeking God's will by celebrating inclusive worship, redefining family, and providing a voice for justice.

Our Core Values - We believe that a sacred space: Welcomes and affirms all people; Does not "stand idly by" in the face of inequity and injustice; Communicates the unconditional love of God for all; Improves the spiritual connections between each person and God as she or he understands God.