

Thanks for all you do!!

UPDATE FOR SUNDAY DECEMBER 7th:

ALL SERVICES CANCELLED ON DECEMBER 28th ☺

Shelter Starter Kits for Be Rich:

We've partnered with Bed, Bath, and Beyond across from the church for our Shelter Starter Kit drive for the Atlanta Union Mission. Beginning Sunday, November 23, you simply have to visit Bed, Bath, and Beyond (only the one in the Tower Place shopping center) and let them know you need the "shelter starter kit" for Buckhead Church. The kits cost \$37.96 plus tax. You can use coupons when purchasing the items in the kit.

Drop off for the Kits began last week. There are big boxes like for the food drive around the church.

Sunday December 21st:

We will have all 3 services, 9, 11 and 6. We will also have all of our children's AM programs. Waumba, UpStreet, Xtreme. We will not have InSide Out at 5pm.

Christmas Eve:

We will be having ONE service on Wednesday, December 24th, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

(If you would like to volunteer on the Host Team, let Erin know.)

Starting Point Orientation:

None until the beginning of the year.

Married Life Live is coming soon:

Saturday, December 13th. For more information visit www.marriedlifeonline.com.

Host Team Training:

Sunday, January 11th, 1:15- 3:15. To register contact erin.ritter@buckheadchurch.org.

GENERAL/ONGOING:

To connect to a community group fill out a GroupLink card.

If people want to write a check to the Be Rich campaign, please ask them to make sure to write "Be Rich - [specific giving opportunity]" in the memo line, before it is forwarded to Accounting. For example, if I'm giving a globalX gift at North Point, my check memo line might include, "Be Rich - Scholarship for one orphan child to go to college". Or, it might say, "Be Rich - Grocery assistance", for that gift. If they're giving to multiple opp's, that should be included too.

If you get questions from people about where they can learn more about the bible and how to study it, suggest these:

Theopraxis – We piloted our first Theopraxis 8-week model earlier this year with Old Testament survey. This class is open to group leaders and apprentice leaders. We plan to beta another group this fall. The goal is not to provide a survey of the Old Testament, as that would be impossible to do in 8 weeks. We are seeking to provide a method for our leaders and potential leaders to study the Bible for themselves and to process what they are learning with other leaders in their learning community. Each meeting time lasts for approximately 2 hours and is comprised of teaching time and discussion time at tables. We are in the process of developing 4 other modules in addition to Old Testament but I doubt they will be available until later next year. Staff people facilitate these groups.

BTCL (Bible Training for Church Leaders) - This class is similar to a seminary class. We host the class but it is taught by an outside organization (see www.btcp.com.) They ask that new class members take their first Bible Study Methods course before taking the other modules. We offered the Bible Study methods course earlier this year and they recently began their Old Testament survey class. These classes are much more of a survey-style, in-depth training. Trained instructors teach the class and there is not a discussion time built into the format.

UPDATES FOR SINGLES WORLD:

We have a new printed piece for SINGLES! This piece was created around the 5 primary felt needs we identified in people seeking connection.

A desire to...

1. "Explore Faith" - Starting Point
2. "Grow Spiritually" - Community Group
3. "Meet People" - Fusion
4. "Need Help" - Care Network
5. "Social Events" - Singles Events

As you are telling people about the options we have for singles, it's easier to talk about what they are looking for (felt need) than our environments. The idea behind this piece was to help people identify what they are looking for and then connect them to the best environment.

****To join a gathering, sign up on line**

<http://www.buckheadsingles.org/fusion/getconnected.jsp>

or have the info team sign you up on one of our computers. OR call 404.814.7038. If you sign up by 3pm you will be contacted to join a gathering for that night!

Every Fusion Sunday, we will have a list of people currently registered for Fusion, their leader name and gathering directions (if they forget where to go or did not get an email from their Fusion leader). DO NOT give out the Fusion directions to anyone NOT on this list! If someone is NOT registered for Fusion they can either register on the Fusion website or complete the Fusion registration card. If they want to get into a Fusion gathering that night they must register by 3pm on a Fusion Sunday.

For all general Fusion questions, please direct them to fusion@buckheadchurch.org or 404.814.7038.

We have a Fusion Coach Leader meeting on each Sunday of Fusion at 10AM in the church offices on the 4th floor.

Fusion Gatherings ~ Spring Schedule ~ Registration opens December 22nd. To join: see above info.

- Fusion 1, January 25
- Fusion 2, February 8
- Fusion 3, February 22
- Fusion 4, March 8
- Fusion 5, March 22