



COME ALIVE

WAKING UP TO
THE LIFE OF GRACE



Welcome to Woodmen!

Woodmen Valley Chapel is one church with multiple locations, Rockrimmon and Woodmen Heights. You will notice as you worship with us today, that while we have pastoral and worship arts teams at both locations, our communities are connected via live video-cast in order to worship together as one church body on both sides of the city. Although geographically separated, both communities are expressions of Woodmen in every way: the vision, the passion and the invitation to live authentically and abundantly through faith in Jesus Christ.

If you're new ...

1. Fill out the tear-off portion of this bulletin and stop by Guest Central.

We'd like to greet you personally and answer any questions you may have, as well as offer you a special 'thank you' gift for making Woodmen part of your weekend. Guest Central is located on the lower level of the Worship Center at Rockrimmon and in the Atrium at Woodmen Heights.

2. Visit our website.

For an in-depth look into all that's going on at Woodmen, be sure to visit woodmenvalley.org.

3. We offer a safe place for your children at KidsCove!

We are committed to teaching your children about the Good News of Jesus Christ in a safe, secure environment, offering age-appropriate, biblically-based curriculum. KidsCove, for ages birth through 4th grade, runs concurrently with the weekend adult services. Kids in 5th and 6th grade attend Switch56 on Sunday mornings at 9 am (RR) or 11:15 am (WH).

4. Check out Connections Bookstore & Café.

At Connections, you'll find a vast selection of gifts, books, CDs, messages and coffee from Colorado Coffee Merchants! We're located on the lower level of the Worship Center at Rockrimmon and in the Atrium at Woodmen Heights or online at woodmenvalley.org/connectionsbookstore. All proceeds benefit the ministries of Woodmen.



Giving Update and Report

Woodmen Valley Chapel Fiscal Year — October 1, 2012–September 30, 2013

General Tithes & Offerings (GTO)	Received	Budget Request	Difference
Giving Weekend of 12/2/12	\$ 223,960	\$ 201,000	\$ 22,960
Giving Fiscal Year-to-Date	\$ 1,680,320	\$ 1,809,000	\$ (-128,680)

GTO received is used for ministry operations and routine facility upkeep.

	Total Needed	Fiscal Year to Date
Capital & Reserve Fund	\$ 800,000	\$ 17,503

The capital fund is used for substantial facility improvements and emergency needs.

Give securely online at woodmenvalley.org/onlinegiving. 

WVC Holiday Main Office Hours

- December 26–28: Open 9 am–3 pm; December 31: Open 9 am–12 pm
- January 2: Regular office hours, 8:30 am–4:30 pm

Women's Winter/Spring Bible Studies

- Online registration now open. Classes begin in January.

Our women's Bible studies are a great way for women to connect and study God's Word together. Register at woodmenvalley.org/thepursuit.

Reception for Missionary Jeanetta McCurdy Basson

- Tuesday, Dec. 11, 6–8 pm, RRCC, Rm 100

Come hear our missionary in South Africa, Jeanetta McCurdy Basson talk about our missions impact in Africa. Refreshments will be served. Hosted by Dave and Sondra Wayman.

Scars and Straw Christmas Production

- Performance Dates: Dec. 12, 13, 14 at 7 pm; Dec. 16 at 3:30 and 7 pm, RRWC Auditorium

Scars and Straw is an exciting new family Christmas production that weaves together music, film and live drama to provide a modern-day look at the wonder of the birth of Christ. General Admission: \$5. Tickets on sale at Connections Bookstore and online at woodmenvalley.org/scarsandstraw. Childcare (birth-K) is available, with 48-hours notice.*

Give Your Student Camp for Christmas

- Fusion (High School) Winter Camp: Feb. 1–3, Frontier Ranch, Buena Vista, CO. Cost: \$150
- Switch (7th/8th) Summer Camp: June 9–14, Camp Redcloud, Lake City, CO. Cost: \$295

Camp Christmas packages are back and available for purchase after all services through Dec. 16, or at woodmenyouth.com through Dec. 31. Get free camp gear with your \$35 (nonrefundable) deposit!

Candlelight Remembrance Service

- Thursday, Dec. 13, 6:30 pm, RR Stone Chapel. No RSVP required

Join with others who have experienced the loss of a loved one at this special service. Please bring a photo of your loved one to share. Childcare (birth-11 yrs) is available, with 48-hours notice.*

SOFA Christmas Party (18–20somethings, single or married)

- Friday, Dec. 14, 7pm, RRCC, Rm 100

Throw on your ugly sweater and join us for a Christmas party! Worship, food, community and a gingerbread house contest are all part of the evening. This is a great opportunity to introduce some of your friends to the Sofa community. Childcare (birth-11 yrs) is available, with 48-hours notice.*

Boy Scout Troop 88 Christmas Tree Sales

- Now through Friday, Dec. 14, Sonic Drive-In Parking Lot at Chapel Hills Mall

Support Troop 88 by purchasing a high quality Christmas tree. Lot hours are 3:30–8:30 pm (weekdays) and 9 am–8:30 pm (weekends). For more info, contact Ed Skalisky at edskalisky@comcast.net.

Freedom from Codependency Workshop

- Tuesdays, Jan. 22–Mar. 12, 2013, 6:30–8:45 pm, RR Gym. Cost: \$25; \$30 after 1/18/2013

This workshop is for any adult who wishes to experience healthier relationships and learn how codependency affects families. To register, visit woodmenvalley.org/codependency. Childcare (birth-11 yrs) is available, with 48-hours notice.*



Get Connected ...



Christmas Eve Serving Opportunities

• Sunday, Dec. 23, 9 & 11:15 am; Monday, Dec. 24, 1, 3, 5 & 7 pm, Both Campuses

Each year at Christmas, thousands of guests come through our doors. When you join us for one of our Christmas Eve services, we encourage you to come early, or stick around, to volunteer at another service. Areas to serve:

- Childcare
- Usher
- Greeter
- Campus Guide
- Guest Central Host
- Communion prep and clean-up
- Parking

For more information and to sign up (by Dec. 17), visit woodmenvalley.org/christmas.

NOTE: No service on Saturday, Dec. 22 or Sunday night, Dec. 23.

Questions about serving in childcare? Call Sue at 719.388.4952.

Questions about serving as an usher, greeter, campus guide, parking attendant or in Guest Central, or if you don't have access to the internet, but want to serve with us, call Ceana at 719.388.4977.



Gift of Love Celebration

• Dec. 14–22, Westside Community Center

Help us bless more than 300 families by bringing unwrapped gifts for children and parents to Woodmen through Sunday, Dec. 9. After Dec. 9, gifts can be taken to the Westside Community Center at 1628 W. Bijou Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904 through Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Volunteers are still needed to host the Celebration events. For more info and to sign up, go to woodmenvalley.org/actsevents.

Hospitalization

If you or a loved one will be hospitalized and would like prayer or support, contact Dee Dee at 719.388.4974 or deedee.martin@woodmenvalley.org.

Prayer Requests/Comments

- I am going through a difficult time and would like to discuss being connected to a Stephen Minister.
 - Please invite others to pray about this.
 - Please keep this request confidential.
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Part 6 – GRACE: (continued) Getting Your Life Back Romans 5:17

December 8/9, 2012 • Senior Pastor Matt Heard

What good is the gospel?

It's a pretty blunt question, but also a necessary one. During our *Think Again* series this past Spring, we delved into truth, doubt and questions that matter. As a result of that journey we took together, many were struck by the credibility of the Gospel — that it really is true!

But a great follow-up question would be, “So what?” What are the rewards of actually becoming a follower of Christ? On a daily basis, what good is His gospel? “Gospel” means “good news.” Is it really, on a practical level, “good news”? Some might feel it sounds a bit selfish to ask such a question. But the Bible is not at all hesitant — nor is Jesus — when it comes to referring to the benefits of believing and following Him.

Hebrews 11:6 states that, “. . . anyone who comes to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek him.” During the *Think Again* series, you could say we focused on the first of those two realities (“believe that He exists”). *Come Alive: Waking up to the Life of Grace*, is about the second: “He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.” In this teaching series, we’re delving deeper into the rewarding results of following Christ.

What is it you long for?

How would you answer that question? The list could combine an enormous variety of pursuits: Experiencing some fulfilling relationships. Achieving a particular bank account balance. Having an enjoyable family. Pursuing a gratifying career. Accumulating enough stuff. Relishing a particular level of health and fitness. Avoiding disease and even difficulty. Discovering some interesting and consuming hobbies. Taking plenty of exciting vacations. Encountering enough fun and distractions along the way to keep the ache deep within our soul limited to a manageable level.

Sit back and take a look at that list. Is that it? Is that all that life’s about? A collection of well-crafted circumstances? Really?!

Deep down, we have a persistent suspicion, even a deafening hunch, that there’s more to the depth and dance and drama of our lives than that. We want to live life, not just exist through a lifetime. We want to come alive — which is precisely what Jesus Christ came to enable us to do.

We're glad you're here!

Today's Date _____

This is my 1st visit Campus attended: Rockrimmon Woodmen Heights

I attended Saturday, 6 pm Sunday, 9 am Sunday, 11:15 am Sunday, 6 pm

I am a Regular Attender Member Update My Records

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss Military Rank/Branch _____ AD Ret.

Name _____

Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____

Phone (Cell) _____ (Spouse Cell) _____

Email _____

Spouse Email _____

Birthdate (M/D/Y) _____ Spouse Birthdate (M/D/Y) _____

I am: Single Married Widowed Separated Divorced

Name, birthdates and gender of children living at home: _____ M/D/Y

First _____ Last _____ Birthdate _____ Grade _____ M/F

First _____ Last _____ Birthdate _____ Grade _____ M/F

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How did you hear about us?

Friends/Family Radio Email Internet Drive-By Phonebook Newspaper

Mailing Other _____

I'd like more information on: *(please include your contact information above)*

Children's Ministries: Early Childhood Elementary 5th/6th Grade (Switch56) Awana

Student Ministries: 7th/8th Grade (Switch) High School (FUSION)

Community Impact: A.C.T.S. Access Ministries (special needs) Global Impact (missions)

Grafted Vines (Orphan Care) Homeschool Legacy Ministries (50+) Men's Ministries

Military Ministry MOSAIC Single Adults (35+) Pastoral Care Small Groups

Sports & Recreation Ministries Women's Ministries

Worship Arts Young Adults (18–20somethings, single or married)

Other _____

Membership Baptism

Basic Christianity: a study designed around the life of Jesus and why He matters

My spiritual commitment today: *(please include your contact information above)*

I prayed to receive Jesus as my personal Savior.

I'm renewing my commitment to Jesus.

I'd like to declare my faith by being baptized.

I'd like to speak to a pastor about:

The Vision of Woodmen Valley Chapel

TO LAUNCH AND STRENGTHEN A FLEET OF CHRIST-FOLLOWING COMMUNITIES WHO ARE COMPASSIONATELY SAILING THROUGH A TURBULENT CULTURE TOWARD A DEEPER AMAZEMENT OF GOD'S GRACE.

Three Implications of Our Amazement — Indications of the Amazement we already have, as well as catalysts for deeper amazement.

Exploring

If we are amazed, we will Explore God's Grace through digging into Scripture and applying it to the story of our personal and corporate journey.

Experiencing

If we are amazed, we will Experience God's Grace through acknowledging our desperation and submitting it to the forgiveness and power of His intervention through Christ, resulting in an authentic relationship with Him as well as others in community, and experiencing daily transformation as a result.

Expressing

If we are amazed, we will Express God's Grace by fully engaging with life, worshipping on an everyday basis, communicating the liberating gospel of grace to others, living lives of compassion within and outside the walls of the church, all in an environment of creativity and calling.

One Church, Multiple Locations

Rockrimmon Campus

290 E. Woodmen Road
Colorado Springs, CO 80919

Woodmen Heights Campus

8292 Woodmen Valley View
Colorado Springs, CO 80908

Service Times

Saturdays 6 pm
Sundays 9 & 11:15 am
Sundays 6 pm*

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*Sunday Nights at Woodmen meets
in the Rockrimmon Auditorium.

