

SUGGESTED POSSIBILITIES FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Sabbath before the month of revival begins

Next Sabbath the church will begin a month of spiritual renewal and revival. This is taking place as part of our commitment to be an Empowered Church. Each Sabbath you will receive a bulletin insert that will provide a curriculum on activities for the following week. The theme of the month will be the devotional life. Each week our attention will be directed to a certain phase of our lives. The first will be our personal devotions; next our relationship with our husband, wife or a prayer partner of our choosing; the next week will feature family devotions with the children and young people; and finally the devotional life of the church family will be highlighted.

2. The first Sabbath of month of revival

This Sabbaths begins our special month of spiritual revival and renewal. The goal of this first week is to encourage each of us to have a personal quiet time with God each day. Please read your packet of bulletin inserts. They will provide many ideas on why, when, where, and how to maintain your devotional life.

3. The second Sabbath of month of revival

You will notice that each week of our month of spiritual renewal featuring the devotional life is like adding another lane to the freeway. The first week featured the personal devotional life. This week will bring this to the level of husbands and wives and, in the instance of those who are single, choosing a prayer partner.

4. The third Sabbath of month of revival

Our church continues to grow from the inside out. How can we bring people closer to Jesus than we are ourselves? This week our emphasis is family worship. In a time when our children are being bombarded with influences all around them, dads and moms will need to be intentional about not only keeping these negative influences out of the home but about countering them with prayer and the Word of God each day with their children.

5. The fourth Sabbath of month of revival

You have noticed that our devotional emphasis for this week is directed to the church itself. We are pleased that God has laid upon the hearts of some in our church to be prayer warriors. But we want prayer to be more than a department of our church. We want everything we do to be bathed in prayer--from the church board, through the Sabbath school, and each department that ministers to our children and youth. As this occurs at every level, our church will become truly empowered to reach out for the salvation of our families, our friends, and our communities.