



Saturday Night Alive!

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At a Glance: Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 5 @
9:45am— Meet to car pool @
Knecht's parking lot to hike
Spearfish Canyon. Bring your
own lunch and gas money.

Saturday, October 12 @
9:00am. Service project.
Help Love, Inc at 2040 W.
Main St., Suite 311, Rapid
City.

Saturday, October 19 @
4:00pm. Football game at
BHSU and soup supper after.

Saturday, October 26 @
6:00pm. Potluck and Bible
Study @ Darcie's.

Saturday, November 9 @
7:00pm—Coffee House @ the
Coffee Mall, Rapid City

Saturday, November 16 @
6:00pm. Bowling in Spearfish
at Lucky Strike Lanes.

Saturday, November 23 @
6:00pm. Thanksgiving Potluck
and Bible Study @ Darcie's.

Saturday, December 7 @
6:00pm. Christmas caroling @
The Victorian and Prairie Hills
Nursing Home, Rapid City

Saturday, December 14 @
5:30pm. Christmas Party.

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Coffee House



Join us Saturday, November 9th @ 7:00pm—9:30pm @ the Coffee Mall, 3409 West Main St., Rapid City, to enjoy the musical duo of Jesse Wilson and Taylor Joy Gross. We will be enjoying their praise and worship music as well as plenty of socializing and fellowship. Cover charge is \$2.00 each. A variety of coffees and other beverages plus some refreshments are available for an extra fee. This duo is a young couple who bring energy and enthusiasm to their worship. Please come and join us for a great evening.

Commercials About God:

A fifth grade teacher in a Christian school asked her students to see if they could use commercials to communicate ideas about God.

Here are some of the ideas:

**God is like
HALLMARK CARDS**
He cares enough to send His
very best.

**God is like
TIDE**
He gets the stains
out others leave
behind.

**God is like
BOUNTY**
He's the quicker picker
upper... Can handle the
tough jobs.. And He
won't fall apart!!

**God is like
ALLSTATE**
You're in good hands
with Him.

**God is like
GENERAL ELECTRIC**
He brings good things to life.

When Life Gives You Lemons.....Pray For Lemonade **by Sherri Thompson**

I have grown quite fond of lemonade this past summer, and have gone through gallons of it recently due to grandchildren and babysitters overtaking my home. I follow my grandmother's recipe: start with a powdered mix and add fresh lemon slices and ice. Voila, a tasty refreshing beverage! Lemons in and of themselves are not necessarily a food item people consume regularly (except my baby granddaughter), but when they are squeezed, chilled, mixed with sweetener and water, they make an amazingly refreshing thirst quencher.

Many of us can relate our lives to those of a lemon, a small little sour fruit that is not the first choice for consumption. We feel unwanted, unloved, lonely or unattractive. We may also feel as if we have been handed a truckload of lemons—those difficult things that get dumped on us and it seems as if they are too hard to recover from, such as losses, disappointments, financial struggles, ill health, relationship issues, etc. We have all experienced trials that seem to take over our lives, and some of us have had multiple struggles. What does that mean for us as Christians?

Most of you have heard the saying, "When life gives you lemons, make lemonade." This speaks of having an attitude of thankfulness and a spirit of forgiveness. God does not allow us immunity from our struggles, as HE has a greater purpose for those trials. He desires for us to turn to HIM and He will give us rest. He promises us that HE will carry us through those deep valleys (and truckloads of lemons) and provide love and support, sympathy, understanding, encouragement, and so much more.

Sometimes we feel buried under those lemons, and we may find ourselves sinking into despair, depression, fear, worry and may even lose hope. BUT GOD promises that He will never leave us or forsake us. He promises that He wants only GOOD for our lives, if we turn to HIM and build a strong foundation in His Word. Jeremiah 29; 11-13 tells us: ¹¹ For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. ¹² In those days when you pray, I will listen. ¹³ If you look for Me wholeheartedly, you will find Me.

God understands and shares in our sorrows and joys, even more so than a best friend or loved one can. We are HIS children, whom He created and loves unconditionally, and He does not want to see us hurting or dwelling in those hurts. BUT as a parent, He also knows that we may need discipline and shaping in our lives to make us better and stronger. Therefore He allows the lemons in us to be squeezed and twisted and dehydrated, and we merge into a whole new person, in the same way lemons become new in taste and texture as lemonade. We are HIS workmanship, created for good works. We are to be the "lemonade" for others in the world that needs a drink to quench their thirst.

So, when you feel that life hands you too many lemons, rejoice in the opportunity to make lemonade, and pray for the LORD to refresh your mind, spirit and soul. It really does work!

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May be placed on your refrigerator for easy access. (Or in your pocketbook or glove box!)
Go to www.saturdaynightalivesingles.com for more information, or call Darcie @ (605) 209-6677

October 2013

Saturday, October 5 @ 9:45am. Meeting to car pool at Knecht's parking lot in Rapid City to hike Spearfish Canyon. We will be leaving at 10:00am sharp. Please bring your lunch and money to help pay for gas. Hiking a trail or two in the canyon and having lunch on the trail is the plan. The colors should be beautiful!! Call Robyn @ (605)342-0613 for more information.

Saturday, October 12 @ 9:00am. Service Project. Love, Inc has asked us to help move them from one location to another. Meet at 2040 West Main St., Suite 311, (In the Rushmore Building) Rapid City. You may want to bring gloves to help. (Or even your pick up) This is a great opportunity to help out in our community. Contact Craig @ (605)348-2258 for more information.

Saturday, October 19 @ 4:00pm. Meet at the Black Hills State University football field to watch BH play Chadron. This event is hosted by the Black Hills Christian Singles group. Tickets to the game are between \$10 and \$12. After the game, you are invited to a soup supper at Vicki's. For more information, contact Vicki @ (605)569-0355 for directions and information.

Saturday, October 26 @ 6:00pm. Potluck and Bible Study @ Darcie's. Bill Aukamp will be leading a study on giving thanks. Bring a dish to share and your Bibles. Plan on having a great time sharing food, fellowship and discussion. For more information, please call Darcie @ (605) 209-0677.

November 2013

Saturday, November 9 @ 7:00pm. Coffee House @ the Coffee Mall, 3409 West Main, Rapid City. Cover charge is \$2.00. Beverages are available for purchase. Come and enjoy fellowship, worship and fun. Our musical worship leaders will be Jesse Wilson and Taylor Joy Gross, a couple of young singers with wonderful talent. What a great time of socializing and worshiping!! For more information call Lila @ (605)484-1460.

Saturday, November 16 @ 6:00pm. Bowling in Spearfish @ Lucky Strike Lanes, 1740 Ryan Rd., Spearfish. Cost is \$1.00 for shoes and \$3.00 per game. This event is hosted by Black Hills Christian Singles. Contact Vicki @ (605)569-0355 for more information and/or directions.

Saturday, November 23 @ 6:00pm. Potluck and Bible Study @ Darcie's. Since this is close to Thanksgiving, we will be having a Thanksgiving potluck. The turkey will be provided so you are asked to bring fixings for a great Thanksgiving meal that will go with turkey. Then Bob Hayford will be leading a great Bible study on giving thanks. For more information, call Darcie @ (605)209-6677.



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Mission Statement: Singles building relationships with God and others.
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December 2013

Saturday, December 7 @ 6:30pm. Join us for Christmas caroling at The Victorian, 1321 Columbus St., Rapid City and then at Prairie Hills Nursing Home, 916 Mountain View Rd., Rapid City. What a great way to bless others with the songs of Christmas. Even if you can't carry a tune, please come and share your smile with others. We will be going out for hot chocolate afterwards. Call Lila @ (605)484-1460 for more information.

Saturday, December 14 @ 6:00pm. Christmas Party. More information to follow.

Saturday, December 21st @ 7:00pm. Living Nativity at the Wildlife Sanctuary, 500 Tinton Rd. in Spearfish. This event is hosted by the Black Hills Christian Singles. Cost is \$5.00. For more information, please call Vicki @ (605)569-0355.

Tuesday, December 31 @ 7:00pm. New Year's Party. More information to follow.