



Friends of Crystal River,

Our primary school, Bright Beginnings Learning Academy, is now enrolling students for the 2019-2020 school year. As you know, we began two years ago with Kindergarten. Last year we opened First Grade, and in the 2019-2020 school year, we will be adding Second Grade.

We are grateful and very blessed for where we have come over the past two years as a school, and for our students' achievements. Our classes are small, which means there is more one-on-one attention given to our students. It also means that, as a parent, you have greater access and input into your child's early education, and we know these are foundational years for their future success. Do not let the idea of "Private School" deter the possibilities for your student's future education. Also, do not allow finances to direct your decision. Give us a call and we will walk you through the process, and work with you as a family so that your students can achieve their best in a very nurturing environment.

As a school, BBLA offers financial assistance through the "Step Up Program" sponsored by the State of Florida. The Step Up Financial Assistance Program is currently accepting first time students who have not received financial aid. Right now if you have an interest, as the parent of a first time student, you would go to their web site (www.StepUpForStudent), register your interest, and you will be placed on a list. Step Up will then notify you through e-mail letting you know that you can go and complete an application for the coming school year. It is important that you get on the list, because the earlier you register, the better off you will be in qualifying for funding. This is a first-come first-served application process, because, just as anything else, there is limited funding. In registering, you will need to use the school name "Bright Beginnings Learning Academy," and they will ask you for our school number which is 8419.

There is no cost in taking the time to check us out and in placing your name on the Step Up Financial Assistance list. Pray about this possibility for your family, let others in your circle of friends know about us, and consider enrolling your student with us for the 2019-2020 school year.

WEEKEND WORSHIP

In This Issue

E Note From the Pastor

Care Notes

Discovery Group

Thrift Store

Commitment Card

Nomads

UMW Luncheon Cancelled

Share Our Spirit

Scouting For Food

Newsletter Announcements

Service Times

Calendar

Life Groups

**Salvation Army Bell Ringer
Appreciation Breakfast**

BBP Learning Academy

BB Preschool

Office Hours

Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

Sunday School

Congregational Care

Stephen Ministries

This past weekend we looked at how we might "Train our Minds." We discussed how there has been this on-going debate as to the difference between our brain and our minds. One thought is that the brain is like the hardware of a computer, where as the mind is like the software in a computer. So to equate this to everyday life, it is your thoughts and your emotions that represent your mind, the software in your brain. Our thoughts and emotions direct our behavior and actions. **"All Aspects of human nature are influenced by what we do with our thoughts,"** as stated by Dallas Willard, a writer and theologian. Willard goes on to contend that our thoughts are our "first freedom," for they are a gift that allows us to think through how we will act and behave. It is the mind that can conceive both the visible and the invisible. So if we are going to train our minds, we need to "Think about what we Think about."

One of the techniques that can be useful in training the "Mind" is to study God's Word and spend time meditating on scripture. When we meditate and memorize, we plant the word deep within our minds and the scripture helps to guide our thoughts and emotions. Meditation from a Christian perspective is to fill our minds with the appropriate thoughts. So in filling our minds with God's Word, it allows us to know and love God more deeply, because if you do not control what you think, you will never control what you do.

The last suggestion that was made on Sunday as a way of training your mind was to **Write It, Think It, Confess It, until you Believe It.** As was said last week, part of training your mind is being able to defeat strongholds in your life. Strongholds are things that keep you from living a life that is guided by God. If we are going to control what we do, we have to identify the strongholds and defeat them, or as scripture says, let Christ take captive our thoughts and make them obedient to him. When we write it, think it, confess it, we will be guided by God's Word, and then we will come to believe it. This action becomes a way in which God can renew our minds because our lives will always move in the direction of our **"Strongest Thoughts."** If you will Change your Thinking, you will Change your Life.

WEEKEND SERMON

This weekend we will dive into how we can recognize the things that we need to change, and then "Reframe" our perspective in how we see life, circumstances and situations. This series is titled, "Reframing Your Thinking," so we will look at some principles on how we can reframe our thinking. Think about this: "The life you have is a Reflection of the Thoughts you Think." Hope you will join me this weekend as we dive deeper into how the Apostle Paul offers us a perspective on reframing our thinking, and see how he did this in his own life. You always bless others and me when you are present in worship. Come and be a blessing.

Have a great weekend and thank you for making Jesus the center of your life, and for loving His Church as a means of making a difference in your life and in the lives of your neighbor. God has no one else but you to be His hands and His feet.

Blessings,
Pastor David

Celebrate Recovery



FEBRUARY 2019						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		

ALL MEETINGS ARE PUBLIC WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SPRC

FRIDAY- February 8, 2019

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery (S)

SATURDAY- February 9, 2019

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
2:30 p.m. Celebrate Leadership (RM 13)

SUNDAY - February 10, 2019

9:00 a.m. Traditional (S)
9:15 a.m. Upper Room (RM 8)
10:30 a.m. Contemporary (S)
10:30 a.m. Kennedy Disc (RM 8)
6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 415 (T)

MONDAY - February 11, 2019

6:00 RV Meeting (RM 13)
7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal (C)

TUESDAY - February 12, 2019

9:30 Worship Design (R 13)
6:00 p.m. Praise Team (S)
6:30 p.m. Cubs Pack 415 (T)

WEDNESDAY- February 13, 2019

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
6:00 p.m. Youth Group (Rm 22)

THURSDAY - February 14, 2019

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.



Remember to stop by and sign the prayer cards on Sunday morning. Then if you would, take the time to write a personal note of encouragement to these persons as well. The Care Notes are available at the table on Sundays. Thanks for serving and caring together as the CRUMC family of faith.

Mary Lee
Mother of Cindy Davis

8:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels (K)
6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (C)
6:00 N. Citrus Civic Assoc. (T)
7:00 p.m. 4-H (RM 22)

FRIDAY- February 15, 2019

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery (S)

SATURDAY- February 16, 2019

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
2:30 p.m. Celebrate Leadership
(RM 13)

**if you have a change or
cancellation of a regularly
scheduled meeting/Bible Study,
please be sure to call the
front office with your
information so that our
calendars remain current.
Thank You!**

Sanctuary- (S)
Bethel Chapel- (BC)
Choir Room- (C)
Tabernacle- (T)
Kitchen- (K)

MARCH 20TH @ 6:30



JOIN US IN THE SANCTUARY

Discovery Group

February 19th.
Ziggy's Bird Sanctuary
2600 W Haynes Rd., Inverness

LIFEgroups

Please Contact The Church
Office for a Listing at 795-3148



Bright Beginnings
Learning Academy
is Accepting
Applications
for Kindergarten,
First & Second
Grade.

To apply call
352/795-1240

\$5.00 Donation for tour
Lunch to follow at Angelo's
Pizzeria and Restaurant

Please sign up at Connection Point

We will be car pooling as needed please contact
Jean Bush if you need a ride.
352-795-6350

PLEASE DON'T FORGET



To complete and return your
Estimate of Giving
Commitment Card

Extra commitment cards can be found at
the connection point or by going to
www.crumc.com/giving.asp



Preschool Hours are 6:30
a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Infants through VPK

Now enrolling for VPK
2018/2019 School Year

VPK Hours
Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
with wrap care
available

Call 352-795-1240
Lic# C05C10049

Divinely Unique Thrift Store



5015 N. Citrus Ave • Crystal River, FL 34428

(352) 436-2221

Wed thru Fri 9 - 4

Saturday 9 - 1

Answering God's call
to serve others

A Ministry of Crystal River United Methodist Church

OFFICE HOURS

MON - THURS
9 A.M. - 12 P.M.
Closed Fridays

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

February 8
Bryan Bush

February 9
Justine Carufel
Jayne Stanley
Richard Yerton



Our Nomads are here.

Please show your support and gratitude
for all that they do for our church by
signing up to provide and serve lunch.

Available dates for lunches can be signed up for at the Connection Point or by calling the front office!



The UMW Valentine Luncheon,
Scheduled for February 9th,
Has been cancelled



Sign up for a four week
learning experience @
the connection point



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

Scouting for Food

February 3rd was Boy Scout Sunday. The Scouts asked that you fill bags with food to feed the needy. The Scouts will collect the bags this Sunday, February 10th. So, don't forget.

February 10

Theodore Burridge
Debra Cleary

February 15

Alva Young

February 16

Raymond Blandin
James Copeland
Bob Kegan
JoAnn McDaniel
Jim Shiver

February 18

Ruth Grega
Jo Steele
Mary White

February 26

Thomas Kennedy

If we have missed your
Birthday, please contact the
Care Team at

careteam@crumc.com



February 6

Patricia & Gerry
Schabruch

February 10

Jenny & Ron Bass

February 14

Judy & Terry Leavitt

February 18

Justime & Jerry Storey

If we have missed your



Mrs. Ruth and CRUMC received a letter from the Salvation Army thanking her for the collection of \$2,938.04 during the week she recruited all of us to "ring the bell" for the Red Kettle at Publix

The Salvation Army Bell Ringer Appreciation Breakfast:
March 1st 8:00 A.M.
@ the Homosassa UMC

anniversary, please contact the Care Team at

careteam@crumc.com



Do you love discussing Scripture and offering your thoughts on it?

Then we have the perfect class for you!

9:15 a.m.-Upper Room Jesus Fellowship (Room 8)

10:30 a.m.- Kennedy Discussion Class (Room 8)

We can't wait to see you there!



Get Your Copy @ The Connection Point



Stephen Ministry is an ongoing ministry to meet the needs of persons going through a crisis or in need of care.

Stephen Ministers provide one-on-one confidential Christian Care giving to those in need. To refer yourself or someone else, call Judy Leavitt



CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Our Congregational Care Team helps to connect people in the congregation through visitation, phone calls, emails, & correspondence.

If you have a need, please call the office @ 352-795-3148

or email

careteam@crumc.com

@ 352-746-7716.

Stephen Ministers meet every fourth Thursday of each month for continuing education and supervision.

A Note of Thanks

Dear Pastor David,

Thank you so much for visiting me last Saturday. It was so good to have someone to talk with. Thank you for the flowers. I love flowers. I want to thank you for bringing Julia with you. She is such a nice person.

Sincerely
Phyllis Colquitt

Maybe one day I will get back to church.

Dear Friends from Crystal River UMC,

I received your note with prayers and blessings today. Thank you all very much. You made me feel so good and I feel blessed to be in Crystal River with so many good people.

With Love & Thankfulness,
Karen Colin (Tonya's Aunt)



Join us every Friday night for Celebrate Recovery.

Dinner begins at 6 p.m.

Worship follows shortly after at 7 p.m. following with small groups

All are welcome to attend.

Free child care is available - please call the church office to make arrangements!

Click to like
(Click banner below)



[To view the best version of the message, please click here](#)

4801 N Citrus Ave, Crystal River, FL 34428

352-795-3148

<http://www.crumc.com>

