# **JESUS: THE GOOD NEWS**

"When the Good News is Tough and Tender", Luke 13:10-21 September 23, 26-27, 2015: Cam Huxford, Senior Pastor

# I. Engage <u>Tenderly</u> When Needed!

Jesus sees a woman in need...He stops teaching verbally...and starts teaching by example.

"What the poor need even more than food and clothing and shelter is to be wanted." - Mother Theresa

Compassion always requires a risk and a reach!

## Ways that Jesus shows compassion:

- Jesus tenderly speaks first!
- Jesus tenderly touched her.

An appropriate, tender touch, can be so powerful, affirming and encouraging. Mark 10:13-14,16

Jesus tenderly made time.

My best ministry opportunity today may come brilliantly disguised as an interruption.

# II. Employ Toughness When Redemptive.

# Ways that Jesus teaches humility:

- If we humble ourselves, we will grow!
- If we refuse to humble ourselves, we will be humiliated. Luke 14:11

#### III. Enjoy Celebration When Blessed!

# What Jesus is saying:

- My church will start out very small...but it will grow until the whole world knows about My Father's love.
- My church will have a <u>permeating</u> affect taking the Gospel and the love of God to the whole world!

Choose to live every day with a sense of <u>awe</u> that the Kingdom of God is here...and it's growing...and we get to be a part of it!

# **Ministry Opportunities**

For more information about these and other events, go to SavannahChristian.com/Events.

#### **Point University Dual Credit Enrollment Information Session**

1 - 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27

#### Rooms 211 and 212, Adult Ministry Center across the street

Point University at our Henderson Campus offers a program that enables high school students to earn credits towards a college degree while still in high school. This is a great way to get a head start on college. Find out how you could receive free college credit through this program at this event. For more information, contact Roxane at roxane.pace@point.edu.

#### **Country Carnival**

# 6 - 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Oct. 1 and 2

## **Henderson Campus**

Come to our family-friendly Country Carnival with games, inflatables, blue grass music and prizes! Food will be available for purchase. This is a great opportunity to invite your friends, co-workers and neighbors to a fun event at our church. We are collecting candy to give out as prizes in the collection bin in the lobby. If you would like to volunteer, sign up at SavannahChristian.com or at Connecting Point.

## **Family Fishing Day**

#### 7 - 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3

#### **Henderson Lake**

Bring your fishing gear and spend the morning with your family at Henderson Lake. This is a fun opportunity to enjoy time with friends and neighbors who are not connected with the church. Catch and release only. You will need your own equipment. This is the last Family Fishing Day of the season.

## Step into the Deep Retreat

### 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6 - 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7

#### Epworth by the Sea

Ladies, join us for an overnight retreat as we take time out from the busyness of life and focus on finding our strength in Christ. Take a step deeper in your relationship with Him and refresh your understanding of who He is. We'll focus on the stories of Mary and Martha through teaching from Sarah Huxford, Joy Gill and Perri Baxter. Pay the registration fee at SavannahChristian.com by Friday, Oct. 23.

#### Men's Breakfast

#### 8 - 9:30 a.m. Saturdays

#### **Adult Ministry Center across the street**

Men, join us as we study the Bible and share fellowship over breakfast. A \$5 donation is requested to cover the cost of the meal. No registration required. This is a great opportunity to get connected here.

#### **Celebrate Recovery**

#### 7 - 9 p.m. Fridays

#### **Adult Ministry Center across the street**

Celebrate Recovery is a safe place for you to find freedom from life's hurts, habits and hang-ups.

Enjoy fellowship and celebrate God's healing power as we share our experiences, strengths and hopes, seeking God's grace in solving our problems and freedom from our addictive, compulsive and negative behaviors. Childcare begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Lighthouse building.