

Today at New Community
 Wednesday, March 18, 2009

Adult Study: The Story

Tonight in “The Story” we will look at the life of Ruth- the foreigner, outsider and widow. We will follow her ventures into a foreign land to take care of her mother-in-law. Through her journey she will meet Boaz who offers her words of encouragement and actions of acceptance.

Palm Valley Kids’ Church

Tonight we begin a new series “BIG”! We will be learning in the following weeks just how *BIG* God is, how *BIG* His love is for us, and how *BIG* His plans are for us. In today’s lesson our main point is “God loves me, created me and knows everything about me!”

FUEL Middle School

The easiest way to keep sin out of our minds, is to fill it with the right things. Tonight in Fuel we will learn to fix our eyes on that which will steer us in the right direction.

AXIS High School

Tonight in Axis we will talk about the lie we tell ourselves: *My unhappiness is someone else’s fault.*



WATER BAPTISMS

This evening we are celebrating the baptism of the following people:

MANUEL ZARATTELIZCANO	MARLINE BARRERA
ROBERT PEREZ	EDUARDO BARRERA
LILLY GUTIERREZ	VICTOR CARDENAS
MARY GONZALEZ	ARMANDO REYES
MICHELLE GARCIA	MARIA ANDREA PINALES
JEZRAEL PEREZ	CONNIE FLORES
ERIC PENA	JESSICA GONZALEZ
LORENZO NUNEZ	MIKE GONZALEZ
TRISHA ALANIZ	JUAN REYES
AMANDA LANDEROS	HILDA FLORES
SASHA LANDEROS	TRUDYE KLEMENT
NIKKI GARZA	BEATRIZE LOPEZ

What’s Near

**AXIS High School:
 Day in the Life of Master’s**

Are you familiar with our in-house discipleship program, Master’s Commission? Here’s your opportunity to find out more. March 20th Axis High School Students are invited to join Master’s for a day in their life. Students will participate in a time of chapel and prayer, have fun enjoying team building times, and join in small groups with Master’s students. To sign-up, stop by the kiosk, call the church office at 956.585.3203, or e-mail Micah at micahc@palmvalleychurch.com.

PVKC: Story Time

Once upon a time...the 3-5 year old kids of Palm Valley Church all got together for a nice little story. They did a fun craft, played a fun game, saw the Bible come to life, and didn’t want it to end. Don’t miss this adventure, Saturday, March 21st, 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. To sign-up for Story Time, stop by the kiosk, or call the church office at 956.585.3203.

**Celebrate Recovery:
 Forgiven and Set Free**

On Wednesday evenings starting April 1st, Palm Valley Church will begin a Bible Study “Forgiven and Set Free.” This Bible study is led by women who have had abortions themselves and are now living in the fullness and freedom that only Christ can give. You are not alone! To participate, call the office at 956-585-3203 or e-mail info@palmvalleychurch.com.

For more upcoming events, check out the events calendar at www.palmvalleychurch.com/events.

Today’s Summary

The story of Ruth the foreigner, outsider, and widow ventures into a foreign land to take care of her mother-in-law. Through her journey she meets and marries Boaz who offers her words of encouragement and actions of acceptance. And, if all this weren’t enough, God made this woman the great-grandmother of King David. David was the model for the perfect, eternal king to come, and was in the lineage of Jesus. Through Ruth, God shows again inclusion of non-Jews in his forever-family, and demonstrates that in his Kingdom of Grace.

Ruth 1:1-2 (p. 99), “In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land. So a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. The man’s name was Elimelek, his wife’s name was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion.”

Two Things to Remember:

1. They were from Bethlehem.
2. God again, is going to use a famine to work out his Upper Story or plan.

Ruth 1:4 (p. 99), “Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.”

Ruth 1:11-13 (p. 100), “Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me – even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth to sons – would you wait until they grew up? No my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the Lord’s hand has turned against me!”

Ruth 1:16 (p.100), “Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God.”

We can learn from Ruth that God desires for us to be pro-active and to do our part and to step into faith and to take steps.

Boaz Offers Ruth the Following:

1. Words of Acceptance
2. Actions of Acceptance
