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The Occasional Newsletter of The Lutheran Student Center

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Bible Classes at the Lutheran Student Center include:

Sunday 4:00-6:00PM the Spirituality of the Cross

Monday 7:00-9:00PM Begin

Tuesday 7:30-8:30PM Faith on the Edge

Thursday 3:00-4:00PM Interfaith Dialog

Saturday 2:00-3:00PM Girls Day Out and In

For more information about any of these classes, go to our website and click on Weekly Bible Classes under the Events tab.

A New Name: After much careful and prayerful consideration, our board of directors changed the name of the University Lutheran Center (ULC) to the Lutheran Student Center (LSC). The change is to help remove the mistaken notion prevalent among many of the WSU students and much of the surrounding community that we are a church. *(Some people are very reluctant to step inside of a church.)* Hopefully the name change will stress that we are not a church, but a student center.

Check out our brand new website: Our new website is located at www.sharingtheloveofjesus.com. You will find our calendar of events, devotions, apologetic material and a lot of other great information about the Lutheran Student Center.

"Like" Us on Facebook: If you want to keep up on all the latest events at the LSC, follow us on Facebook at LSCWSU.

Psalms with Dr. Reed Lessing: This past summer we were pleased to be the one and only site in Wichita to host the all day webinar on Psalms led by Concordia Seminary professor, Dr. Reed Lessing. We will keep you posted on the webinar for next summer as information becomes available.

An International LSC Diner?: Every other Thursday at the LSC we are serving lunch to 50-60 WSU students from India. Volunteers from St. Andrews Lutheran Church have been essential in getting this started. *(Thank you St. Andrews!)* We provide the food, but the students do all the cooking and clean up. It is delicious authentic Indian food. But even more importantly it builds some great relationships, introduces the students to the LSC and demonstrates the love that God has for them in Jesus Christ. There is also plenty of Telugu Christian literature that they are encouraged to take. The Chinese students have now expressed a desire to do the same thing. Who knows where this may lead?

Dr. John has enjoyed speaking to the LWML groups at St. Peter's, Humbolt; Immanuel, Hepler; and Holy Cross, Wichita. He enjoyed preaching at St. Paul, Cheney; Faith, Derby; and Risen Savior, Wichita. He is always glad to speak to the LWML ladies or fill in for any LCMS pastor who needs a break. All proceeds go directly to the Lutheran Student Center.

Thrivent Choice is a program that gives money to very worthy causes. If you are a Thrivent member you can direct your "Choice Dollars" to the University Lutheran Center-Wichita (ID # 506083479). It costs you nothing and it supports the LSC. To find out how to do this, talk to your Thrivent representative today.

Volunteer Needed: We are looking for someone to volunteer as our Buildings & Grounds/Maintenance person. This person would help keep the place clean and do light repair work. The position would take about 5 hours a week. Maybe this could be your special service ministry. If you are interested call Dr. John at 684-5224.

Two Board Members Needed: Our Board of Directors needs a new recording secretary as well as a new treasurer. We usually meet every other month. If you are interested in helping the LSC by serving in one of these positions please contact Dr. John at 316-684-5224.

Interfaith Dialog: A new Interfaith Dialog group meets every Thursday at 3:00. We are currently studying Hinduism and Christianity. We read a portion from the Bhagavad Gita then a portion from the Bible and discuss the similarities and differences. As the discussion proceeds it is becoming more evident that the similarities between the two religions are very superficial; whereas, the differences are quite profound. This discussion is led by Dr. John.

New Birth or Rebirth? is a fictitious story about a discussion between Jesus and Krishna written by the very popular Christian apologist, Ravi Zacharias. It is a small book, but carries a big message—Hinduism has nothing of the forgiveness, freedom and salvation that Christianity has. Some of the Indian students at WSU have talked about the possibility of translating this small booklet into Telugu so their Hindu friends can easily read it. Dr. John has made the initial contact with the publishing company to get their permission. Please pray that this project will succeed—to the glory of God and the extension of His kingdom.

International Friends: Working in partnership with Holy Cross Lutheran Church and International Students Inc., we have joined about a dozen international students with local Lutheran families. The goal is to learn about another culture, build relationships, and share Christ. This program is working out so well, in 2013 we hope to expand it to involve the other Lutheran Churches in the Wichita area. Please pray for its success so more of our international students may come to know Jesus Christ.

LifeTree Café: On January 20, 2013 at 3:00PM the LSC, with the help of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, will be hosting its first LifeTree Café. Lifetree Café is all about stories. On film and in person, you'll hear stories that will make you think, spice up your conversation, help you make sense of the world, and inspire you. And in the fun, casual, safe environment of Lifetree Café, you may share your story, too. If you're looking for a place where you can explore life, meet new friends, and experience the love of Jesus...then Lifetree Cafe is your kind of place. *(Thank you Holy Cross for helping with this.)*

Service Days: At least once a month (sometimes more) our deaconess intern Debra Rose organizes a service project for the WSU students. This is often done with Habitat for Humanity (www.habitat.org) or Interfaith Ministries (www.interfaithwichita.org). The dates are always posted on our calendar on our website. If you are interested in lending a helping hand for a worthy cause call Debra at 253-1485. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Please Remember WSU, Our Students & Their Friends in Your Prayers: Some who have attended Bible Study at the LSC are: Alan, Vasanthan, Ramesh, Rachael, Jacob, Patrick, Michael, Mark, Eric, Benson and Jaron. Ask the Lord to continue to bless them with His love and lead them to increase their spiritual wisdom and discernment.

One Last Request: This important campus ministry of the Lutheran Student Center is only possible with your generous assistance. Please help us continue reaching out with the love of Jesus by remembering us in your prayers and use the enclosed envelop to send us your financial contribution—Thank you. May the joy of Christmas be yours always.