



Genesis 1: Space Probe



**Blast off for a
faith-fueling VBS
Odyssey with EP!**

ACTS 17:24

June 21—June 25

Opening night on June 20th

8:45am—noon

Children 4yrs. Old—Grade 5

(must be 4 by June 21)

Contact Linda Cate x 126 or the
Church Office to register.



A community of God's people seeking the Spiritual, Cultural, and Social renewal of Annapolis and the surrounding community as we are moved by the Gospel into devotion to Jesus Christ, love for His Body, and service to His World...that Christ would be glorified, and that Annapolis and the world would know that God has sent His Son.

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In celebrating America's Birthday, have a safe Fourth of July Weekend.

NorthBay



EP ALL CHURCH RETREAT

Come join us! August 6th - 8th

Join us for a time of fellowship and studying God's Word this year at **North Bay Adventure Camp**. Cost includes 2 night stay, 5 great meals, zip lines, ropes course, climbing walls, boating, swimming and games. You can spread your payments out monthly and scholarships are available. For more information, call Bob Mori 410-798-9187 or Tom Beall 410-266-8091 x117.



FAMILY

Ages 0-3 are Free
Ages 4-12 - \$67
Ages 13-Adult - \$135
Family Rate - \$400

“Growing the Body”



How to Register:
Pick up a brochure/
registration form and reg-
ister in the Fellowship
Hall on Sundays, during
the week in the Church
Office or with Tom Beall.



EP All Church Retreat

Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Annapolis will be celebrating it's 50th Anniversary in 2014. We wanted to take you down memory lane in each EPistle that will lead us up to that time.

EP was founded in 1964 by a small group of people who were involved in various forms of ministry in the Annapolis area, and desired to see a church established that would help to sustain a solidly scriptural witness to the Gospel of Christ. Sam and Sylvia Elder, Jim and Betsy Wilkins, and Graham and Libby Gutsche were the first to commit to this new work, and were soon joined by John and Ruth Ehlers, Ron and Jeri Sweaney, among others.

The first gatherings for prayer and Bible study were held in the home of the Ehlers', in the community of Wardour in West Annapolis (a painting of this home is displayed in the hallway of our facility between the Sanctuary and the Fellowship Hall). The first worship services that were open to the public were held in the Wilkins' home in the community of Lindamoore.

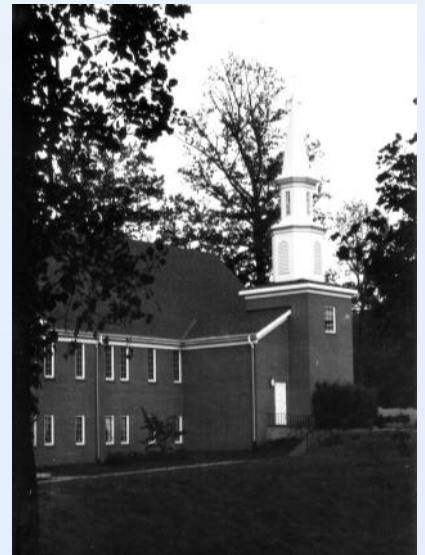
Once the group grew too large for these homes, EP Church began holding public worship services at West Annapolis Elementary School. It was during this season of the church's life that our first Pastors were called. Our first Supply Pastor, Rev. George Bragdon, traveled to Annapolis each weekend from Wilmington, Delaware, where he served as Associate General Secretary for World Presbyterian Missions. His part-time ministry at EP lasted for about 1½ years. Then, following the ministry of Pastor Bragdon, Rev. David Gardner was called to serve as EP's second Pastor. Pastor Gardner served for just over a year before being called to his native England in early 1967.

Within a few months of Pastor Gardner's departure, Rev. William A. Mahlow began to preach each weekend at EP.



Uncle Bill

Uncle Bill, as he was affectionately called, along with his wife Sarah, traveled each weekend from Wilmington, DE where he served as the General Secretary for World Presbyterian Missions. But after about a year of commuting, Pastor Mahlow accepted the call to move to Annapolis and serve as the permanent Pastor of EP Church. Uncle Bill preached God's word faithfully at EP for over 25 years, until he retired in May of 1991.



EP CARE NET is the communication and coordination network for volunteer care in our congregation. Recently Nancy Miller agreed to serve as our fourth director. She oversees the transportation and growth partners coordinators for EP Care Net and we are grateful for her help. Cyndy Crouner, our freezer meals coordinator, also wants to thank the Sunday School classes that have been helping to stock our EP Care Net freezer. Your meals are proving effective in providing relief for several families dealing with sickness and other distress. Keep up the good work.

In the pew rack, or Church Office, are the green EP Care Net brochures. If you are able to volunteer, please fill in the areas where your gifts could be used to bless the congregation. To date, 158 volunteers are in the Care Net database and are willing to assist with a wide variety of needs. Please let us know if there is a need within the body of Christ; EP Care Net is here to help share your burdens.

BLESS HIM FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW...
 What an awesome and merciful God we have, and a wonderful body of believers who demonstrated His grace and love to us in our time of weakness and need. We received plenty through the newly formed, and highly successful "Care Net" providers; (Eph 3:20) with many hours poured into the coordination of precious volunteers who gave so generously and cheerfully to ensure all of our needs would be met. Starting with several pastoral visits at home and Holy Communion, behind-the-scene prayer warriors interceding for the success and healing of Ernie's spinal fusion and surgery, bedside vigils and visitations to the hospital, encouraging cards, phone calls, flowers, meals, doctor visits, cleaning, shopping, and even taking out the trash and recyclables. We remain humbly grateful to our Lord and Savior for everything, especially the strengthening of old plus newly formed friendships because of our mutual kinship to the greatest friend of all. May God bless you a hundred-fold.
 Ernie and Fern Crapster



With Joyful Hearts

Jonathan and Lois White request the honor of your presence at the marriage ceremonies of their daughters:

*Leah Michelle to Dzu Dinh Do
 on Saturday, **the fifth of June**,
 two thousand ten,
 at four in the afternoon.*



*Erica Lynn to 2nd Lt. D.J. Green
 on Saturday, **the third of July**,
 two thousand ten,
 at four in the afternoon.*

The weddings will be held in the EP Sanctuary. This invitation is extended to the entire church body in gratitude for all of those who have so warmly blessed us by being a part of Erica and Leah's lives over the years. We regret that, due to budget constraints, the reception to follow is by personal invitation only, but we would be deeply blessed by your presence at the ceremony.

*With grateful hearts in Christ,
 Jonathan and Lois White*



ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

GIVING THRU MAY 16

Operating Fund:	Year To Date
Budgeted Giving	\$ 965,000
Actual Giving	\$ 944,000
Surplus or (Deficit)	(\$ 21,000)
Building (Campaign) Fund	
Total Amount Pledged for 3 Years on 01/01/08	\$ 646,000
Anticipated Giving to Date	\$ 530,000
Actual Giving to Date	\$ 352,000
Ahead or (Behind) Anticipated Giving Level	(\$178,000)

Deadline for the

Sept / Oct/ Nov EPistle is August 3rd.

The EPistle is published quarterly and distributed free of charge to members and friends of Annapolis EP. For submissions, send them to mdrouin@epannapolis.org, by email or paper copy to the Church Office. Submissions may be edited for clarity and brevity.

If you would like to receive the EPistle electronically, please email Melissa Drouin, mdrouin@epannapolis.org.

FROM THE DIRECTORS KEYBOARD

by Randy Pendleton



Well, it has been one year since I started at EP (April 13, 2009 to be exact). Belinda and I have been in our home at 709 Black Forest Road since two weeks prior to Christmas '09. We are still getting acclimated to our new neighborhood and reestablishing relationships from our past when we lived in Annapolis while I was with the Naval Academy Band (1979 - 1992). As Belinda and I continue to connect with all of you, (and what a blessing it has been) please continue to come up to us on Sundays and introduce yourselves...EP has three services which equals three different church bodies...a lot of folks to connect with!!

Youth Worship

This leads me to a group that has been missed on Sunday worship times, our Youth. If you were at church on the 2nd of May you will remember seeing our young people leading with me at both the 9:15AM and 11:00AM services and presenting a service in the evening. We have so much talent in our youth department that we need to focus on grooming them for our future leaders in the Kingdom. For the past 3 months they have been meeting with me from 5:00-6:15PM on Sunday's to rehearse and to begin to build a song base for their meeting times in the Cove (lower level area near the chapel). Our plan is to have a Youth Band Camp during the third week of August from 9:00AM-12:00PM, grades 7-12. We will have a middle school team and high school team. This will be an intense week of honing instrumental, vocal and leading skills...plus fun and food.

“God’s glory should be the primary goal of anyone serving on a worship team. A tension exists every time we lead people in praising God. It’s necessary that we be heard and seen, or there’s no reason to be leading. But if our behavior encourages people to focus on us, worship has become entertainment. Worship musicians lead, but they ought to lead in order to direct attention to God, not themselves.” – Bob Kauflin, Sovereign Grace

Please pray for our youth and this ministry to be honoring to God and a stepping stone in guiding our young people deeper in their faith and a missional tool to draw their “unbelieving” friends to church. To God be the Glory!!

Worship Ministry Needs:

If you have an interest in being involved in the Worship Arts Ministry please contact me at rpendedton@epannapolis.org or 410-266-8091 x106. (we need all positions: sound crew, administration, instrumentalists, visual tech crew, youth worship team adult staff.... and the choir is always looking for more voices and administrative support).



MEN'S MINSITRY NEWS

by Tom Wenger

To encourage men to grow in their faith and love for Jesus Christ; To provide fellowship opportunities and growth in the Body of Christ;

To provide opportunities for using spiritual gifts in ministry; To share the Good News of the Gospel to a dying world

Salt Water Fishing Trips: We will be arranging fishing trips throughout the spring and summer for Rock, Bluefish, Sea Trout, Perch, etc. A number of men in our congregation have boats and are willing to take 2 or 3 at a time. If you are interested in going, call Tom Beall to arrange a time. Watch for announcements in the bulletin, but many trips will be worked out over the phone.

Orioles Baseball: In late May or early June, bring your family to the EP Orioles night at Camden Yards. Though the new ticket prices have not been firmed up yet, it will probably cost \$6/seat + \$2/3 for the bus. Watch the bulletin and our website for details.

Small Group/Bible Studies: Join us for Bible Study, prayer, and encouragement. Studies meet at EP Tuesday - Saturday mornings; Monday evenings; and at many locations and times during the week. Call Tom Wenger ext. 105 for more details.

Women's Ministries Summer 2010

*"Show me Your ways, O Lord,
teach me Your paths;
guide me in Your truth and
teach me, for You are God my
Savior, and my hope is in You
all day long."
Psalm 25:4-5*



Joining our Hearts on the Lord's Path...

Dear Friends,

I have come to love the beginning verses of Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi. He begins with confessions of gratitude to God for the 'saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi.' I echo his gratitude for the 'saints' in our midst. Two of the greatest joys of my job as the Director of Women's Ministries is to watch the women in our fellowship love each other well and then partner together to reach out to those in our community who don't know the Lord. As we as a church continue to seek the Lord's direction and power to grow as a community of grace, what an incredible blessing to see the Lord's work in and through us, to watch God knit our hearts together as we 'partner in the gospel'. If you are looking for a place to connect, there are summer studies, MOPS playdates, special events, or the Women's Fellowship class. Make it a goal this summer to connect and reconnect, ask a group out for lunch or dinner.

This summer in most of our summer studies we will be reading and studying Psalm 119. Have you ever stopped to really wonder that the God of the Universe has condescended to speak to us in our language? God reveals himself to us through His scriptures. What is your attitude towards the Bible; a place to keep old bulletins, to record family marriages, births and deaths or a heavy book to hold down the edges of the carpet? There is no book like the Bible; the Psalmist declares it to be his delight, his riches and his comfort. Come join one of our summer studies as we seek to understand, with the writer of Psalm 119, the connection between the Bible and our happiness. Don't take a 'summer vacation' from God's word! Plan for encouraging candid discussion and fun with new and old friends.

See you this summer! In His Grace, Jenny Woodruff,
Director of Women's Ministries

Registration for Summer

You may register for a Women's Bible Study in one of the following ways:

- Fill out a registration form and put it in the Women's Bible Study mail slot in the Church Office.
- Contact the Women's Ministry Office at 410-266-8091 ext. 127.
- Look for our sign up table in the Fellowship Hall between services on Sundays in June.

We are organizing childcare for the study at the Luecks and Coleman homes, if interested contact the Women's Ministry office.

Tuesday Mornings June 29-Aug 3 9:30am-11:30am	At the Home of Beth Coleman In Edgewater
Tuesday Afternoons July 6 - August 10 1:00pm-3:00pm	At the Home of Ellen Lyttle, In Heritage Harbor
Tuesday Evenings June 29-August 3 7:30pm - 9:30pm	At the Home of Becky Graham In Annapolis
Wednesday Mornings June 30-August 4 9:30am-11:30am	At the Home of Christy Jo Wilson in Severna Park
Wednesday Evenings June 30-August 4 7:30pm-9:30pm	At the Home of Jill Benjamin In Crofton
Thursday Mornings July 1-August 5 9:30am-11:30am	At the Home of Brenda Lueck In Arnold
Thursday Afternoons July 1-August 5 1:00pm-3:00pm	At the Home of Carol Breza, In Annapolis
Thursday Evenings July 1-August 5 6:30pm-8:30pm	On the boat of Gretchen Best or Jackie Billingsly In Bay Ridge
BORDERS BIBLE STUDY: Wednesday Evenings, 8:00pm-9:30pm	At the Borders Café in the Annapolis Mall Topic "What is the Gospel"

NO ONE LIKE GOD

I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me.
Isaiah 46:9

“God wins at everything He does, all the time. No one else can do this. Only God. There is no one like God. He made everything and He is in charge of everything.” This is a quote from our summer curriculum published by Children Desiring God. During the month of July and the first Sunday in August, each elementary Sunday School class will be taught by a team of high schoolers with an adult supervisor. The material they will be teaching is a Backyard Bible Club curriculum called “God Always Wins!” The 11:00 hour will be divided into an introductory game, lesson, follow-up activity and recreation time. This program will run July 4th through August 1. We are excited about having our young people sharing God’s truth and building relationships with EP’s elementary kids!

The Summer Sunday School quarter begins June 6 and will end August 29. During the month of June **grades K-5** will continue to study the units they have been using during the school year. They will remain in their current classes until Sunday School Promotion Day which will be September 5!

In The Ark (our preschool department) summer teachers will begin teaching their “Show Me Jesus” summer curriculum also on June 6. Our Noah’s Ark preschoolers who are starting Kindergarten in the Fall will have their special day called “New Kids in the Pew” on Sunday August 29. Valerie Chick will send out more information on that promotion sometime in August.

Missions Update:

Stephen and Melanie Kaiss, Youth for Christ missionaries, visited The Well on Sunday, May 9. They shared with the children about their gospel work with teens in northern Anne Arundel County. Our EP Kids gave \$500 in offering money to buy Bibles for Stephen to give to the young people who come to his Club.



In Christ’s service,
Linda Cate, Valerie Chick, & Christy Lenham

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

May 30 - Last Day for The Well, K-5 Children’s Worship Time. We will resume again September 5.

June 6 - Summer Sunday School Quarter begins Kindergarten children remain in the same classes. 1st - 5th grade will be combined by grade level. Watch for an explanation letter in the mail.

June 20-25 - Vacation Bible School Genesis Space Probe
Staff positions still available!
Registration for campers begins June 6.



July 25-30 Tri-Presbytery Junior Camp Summit Lake Camp, Emmitsburg, MD
Overnight camp for children entering 4th - 6th grades

August 6-8 - All Church Retreat
Sunday School, August 8, will only be offered to nursery and preschool children at 9:15 service at home in Annapolis.

September 5 - Sunday School Promotion Day
Kindergarten through 5th grade children will go to The Well at 10:55 and meet their new teachers.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Also seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.
Jeremiah 29:7

We wanted to first thank you for your incredible generosity over the past several months to the various ministries at EP. **The Change for Life Baby Bottle Campaign** was held this past February. As a congregation we were able to collect \$3, 383.13 for the Bowie, Crofton, Severna Park Pregnancy Center.

Good News Club at Germantown Elementary (located near Navy stadium) recently finished its second full year. With the help of teachers, parents and volunteers from our church every Thursday from 4:00 to 5:00PM, we were able to share God’s Word with **27 students**. We will begin a new year in October. If you would like to be involved in this wonderful ministry please contact Laurie Nelson or Donna Schmidt.

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Thank you for your overwhelming support for our **Send a Kid to Camp Campaign**. Your generosity has made it possible for 22 children to attend Camp Wabanna the week of June 27th through July 3rd. Please continue to keep these children in your prayers that God would work in their hearts and that they would come to know Him as their personal Savior. Camp Wabanna Campers 2010:

Woodside Gardens - Jada Fagan, jr girl, Jamaree Fagan, jr girl, Jahbrie Fagan, jr boy, Keorra Travis, sr girl, Jasmine Morton, jr girl, Alexis Mundell, sr girl, Jada Scrivner, jr girl, Kanija Travis, sr girl, MyKera Watkins, jr, girl, Nyzjhla Mullins, jr girl, Aronna Mullins, jr girl, Kameer Davis, jr boy, Kamal Davis, jr boy, Nehemiah Carter, jr boy. **Angel Tree** - Jermelle Footman, jr girl, Octavia Green, sr girl, Russel Butler, sr boy. **Iglesia de Dios** - Katherine Seriano, jr girl, Jessica Sola, jr girl, Olga Zelaya, jr girl.

Woodside Gardens Tuesday Summer Camp - Do you love hugs, laughter and especially sharing God's love? We are in the process of putting together a team that will minister to the children (ages 5-12) at Woodside Gardens this summer. If you would like to help with singing, Bible stories, crafts, recreation, etc., we need you! The Tuesday summer camp dates are July 13, 20, and 27 and August 3, 10, and 17. Volunteers are encouraged to come each week but we would love to have you whenever you are available. Look for more information in the bulletin this month.

The Power Of A Simple Gift is more than a slogan for **Operation Christmas Child**. Through simple, everyday, "taken-for-granted" items placed in a shoebox (something that is typically thrown away or recycled), God works in the hearts of children impacted by profound poverty, war, natural disasters, and disease. The shoeboxes, otherwise known as **"Gospel Opportunities"**, open the doors of many areas of the world and open the hearts of children, their families, and their communities to the life-changing message of Jesus. In one community a single shoebox has changed 150 people's hearts and lives - a powerful simple gift!

Each month at Annapolis EP, different items are being collected in anticipation of a **"Shoebox Packing Party"** to be held in the Fall. **In April, almost 500 small stuffed animals were donated!** Scheduled collection items include:

May	Hairbrushes & Combs
June	Jump Ropes & Small Balls
July	Crayons & Markers
August	Bar Soap & Washcloths
September	Hard Candy & Lollipops
October	Yo-Yo's & Small Cars

For more information, stop by the Community Outreach table located in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday, or contact Nanci Hulting at 410-729-4549.

Pregnancy Clinic Volunteer Training

Do you want to make a difference one life at a time? The Pregnancy Clinics of Bowie, Crofton and Severna Park, a Christian outreach to women and families in unplanned pregnancies, is offering a 10 week Summer Volunteer Day-time Training Seminar beginning Thursday, June 10 from 9:30AM to 12:30PM, at Faith Community Church on Riedel Road in Gambrills. Class size is limited. Call for more information at 410-431-5000 or register online at www.pregnancyclinicministry.org.

Lighthouse Homeless Shelter - If your Sunday School class, Bible Study, small group or family would like to provide dinner for the Lighthouse Shelter (located off of West St.), EP has committed to the 4th Saturday of each month. **This summer 6/26, 7/24, and 8/28 are available.**

Strong Towers Ministry - Have 4 hours to give on the morning of 6/19, 7/17, or 8/21? Volunteers will be reaching the homeless & poor in Annapolis and Baltimore. As Christ would, we meet them "outside" where they are with unconditional love. This is an open ministry to all men and women able to support. Contact: Todd Materazzi at 410-570-6737 in advance. We are also looking for families or small groups to make 200 sandwiches (food supplies are provided) sometime during the week preceding each outreach Saturday. Please contact Laurie Nelson if you are interested.

Project Backpack - On Monday, **August 16th, 9:00AM to 11:00AM** we will be assembling and delivering backpacks for the children at Woodside Gardens. This is a great ministry in which the whole family can participate. If you are a bargain hunter and would like to assist in the purchasing of school supplies, please contact Laurie Nelson. We will begin collecting financial contributions as well as school supplies on **Sunday, July 18th**.

Habitat for Humanity: We will be joining with Broadneck EP to build a house in Annapolis beginning this summer - hopefully in May/June. Our desire is to spread the Gospel to the community on Clay Street and to the family who will eventually receive the home. Check the bulletin and our website for details as we put together a schedule.

For more details for any other ministry or to get on the Habitat for Humanity mailing/email list, call Laurie Nelson ext. 103, lnelson@epannapolis.org or Tom Beall ext. 117.

THE DARKNESS OF GRIEF

by Carolyn Woodie

The days and months of grief can be very dark. The world rushes on around us, but we don't see, we don't hear, we hardly function. Every breath is permeated by the fog of grief which surrounds us. At times like this, the Psalms can be a great source of comfort.

If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you. Psalm 139: 11-12

In our grief, we are reminded that although we feel overcome by the darkness, God is THE source of light...THE source of hope in our lives.

All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. Psalm 139:16

Loss doesn't just "happen" to us, for the Bible tells us that God has planned our days. Alan Redpath, (British evangelist, pastor and author) wrote in Victorious Christian Living:

"There is nothing - no circumstance, no trouble, no testing - that can ever touch me until, first of all, it has gone past God and Christ, right through to me. If it has come that far, it has come with a great purpose, which I may not understand at the moment. But as I refuse to become panicky, as I lift my eyes up to Him and accept it as coming from the throne of God for some great purpose of blessing to my own heart, no sorrow will ever disarm me, no circumstance will cause me to fret, for I shall rest in the joy of what my Lord is. That is the rest of victory."

That is a huge concept to get our mind around, but with God's help, we can learn to trust Him that His ways are perfect. GriefShare is a special weekly seminar/support group for people grieving the death of someone close. It's a place where you can be around people who understand how you feel and the pain of your loss. The next session of GriefShare will begin in early October. Watch for announcements of the date, or for more information, contact Paul and Carolyn Woodie 410-626-8430 - carolyn.woodie@verizon.net or Walt and Karen Asplund 410-923-3285 - asplundmd@yahoo.com.

LIBRARY LINES

by Ruth Burge

Recent Developments: The library has undergone some important changes to make it more useful to you.

- Added a Facebook page for the library: EP Annapolis Church Library. If you are in to Facebook, look us up and click "like" to be a fan and get more frequent updates on library material. As of May 5, we had 80 fans.
- Eliminated the audio and video tape collection by giving them away to you.
- Expanded the remaining materials into the empty shelves to give more growing room in each section
- Vacuumed all the books and shelves as they were moved
- Did an inventory of all the library material. This confirmed the fact that some people are using library material without checking it out, a practice we would really like to discourage. Checking out material allows us to keep you accountable to return material, and it encourages us by allowing us to know how the library is being used. We found the following material missing:
 - ~ 26 adult books
 - ~ 13 youth fiction books
 - ~ 6 children's DVD's
 - ~ 2 adult DVD's
 - ~ 1 adult CD
 - ~ 1 youth CD

Library Hours: You may have access to the library almost any time during the week, but librarians are available to assist you on Sunday morning before and after all services. During the summer the library is free during the 11:00 hour for leisurely browsing of material.

Library Location: The library is located in the library/board room in the corner of the hall behind the sanctuary between the worship office and the church offices.

Library Website: To browse our catalogue from your home computer, visit the library website at www.libraryworld.net/opac. The library name is EPA Church Library. Select the guest option. No password is needed. Then search by keyword, title, author, or subject.

Darren Heater is a pastor to Christian artists in a non-profit artists' ministry. He is the Director of Creative Paradox and SOTA (Studio of the Arts), which is located at 49 Spa Road near Westgate Circle in the heart of the Annapolis Art District. Darren's wife, Charity, gives administrative support, especially in the financial aspects of the ministry. They have a three-year-old son, Caleb.

Darren grew up in Bowie, Maryland, where he was active in the youth ministry of Mount Oak Methodist Church. He graduated from the University of Maryland with a degree in engineering, but he felt called to go into full time ministry. He graduated from Capital Bible Seminary and served as the Youth Pastor at Mount Oak Church. The arts, music, and videos had played a large part of Darren's life. As a teenager, he had played in a band, and later in life he played in a Christian band. Darren had a love for artists and felt the need for a Christian ministry to talented Christian artists, so that they could be influential in our culture to shape the way people perceive God. He wanted to open up a space where art and faith would interact and artists could be poured into spiritually and pushed to show the truth in their work. Eight years ago Darren began Creative Paradox.



The Studio of the Arts has been opened to empower Christian artists and send them out into the culture so that their lives and work glorify God. SOTA is an incubator for Christian artists that provides space for fine arts, fashion, digital photography, film making, and music recording. Artists have access to one-on-one Christian counseling, group Bible studies, work critiques, and seminars on such things as how to run a business. Openings are held for the public to attend.



Darren feels that this ministry has produced many blessings. Finding a building and opening the studio with gallery space even in a recession has been a great blessing. Darren feels that the artists at SOTA are awesome and growing in their faith. Also, the city of Annapolis has been welcoming and encouraging in their endeavor. The greatest challenges are that they are totally non-profit, so finding funding and support can be a challenge, and they need to walk with the Lord and move on to the next level God is planning for them.

Prayer Requests:

1. The artists at SOTA would grow spiritually and artistically.
2. The finances to support the ministry would continue to grow.
3. God would send the artists out as missionaries in their work.
4. SOTA would continue to impact Annapolis, and they would be a light of God's word.
5. God would bless their work at Bates Middle School.



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as long as it is day

NATIONAL TOUR 2010

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

SUNDAY
07.25.2010

MORNING WORSHIP
AND
6:30 PM CONCERT

A musical group of friends and artists from Belmont University. They will be joining Randy on Sunday morning by leading us in worship and then performing a concert that evening at 6:30pm. A love offering will be taken.



June 21-June 25
Opening night on June 20th
8:45am-noon



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