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# WINTER

# GATHERING

JAN. 7-FEB. 11



## SPECIAL EVENT

Tres Rios Presbytery is hosting the Moderator of the General Assembly, Heath K. Rada, at FPC Midland on Wednesday, February 11. Please join the churches of our presbytery for dinner at 5:15pm in Lynn Hall, worship with the Moderator at 6:00pm followed by a time of Q&A.



## FIESTA! FPC HAS A LOT TO CELEBRATE!

Join us for a Winter Gathering kick-off Fiesta from 5:30-6:30pm in Lynn Hall. We're celebrating the arrival of our new Director of Student Ministries and Bridge Coordinator, Mac McCoy. Mac comes to us from Edmond, Oklahoma with over 24 years of youth ministry and worship leader experience. Bring your family and friends and come party with us as we get to know Mac. Gathering classes and koin groups will begin following the celebration at 6:30pm. Children's 5:55 club and Choir will resume as usual.

## THE GATHERING IS A CASUAL WEDNESDAY EVENING OPPORTUNITY TO

Fellowship and Break Bread • Gather Around the Word •  
Worship • Help and Encourage One Another

## GPS TO SPIRITUAL MATURITY

Facilitated by Mac McCoy, Director  
of Student Ministries and Bridge  
Coordinator, Room 219

I thought the title was catchy enough that you might continue reading but, to be honest, that GPS device does not exist! What does exist is a culture that does not support our kids growing up with the inherent value of going to church. Every parent I know, including myself, has wrestled with fitting in anything that has to do with faith development into the demanding schedules that comes with raising adolescents.

This class will be a time to collaborate, have fun getting to know each other, and I will share with you some of the hallmarks of spiritual maturity. One of my favorite GPS features is the "alternate route". What if we could come up with some alternate routes to spiritual maturity for our kids? One of my favorite parents ever said to me, "Nothing you offer works for my family!" With nothing better to say on my part than "what would work?", this parent delivered an idea that served hundreds of students over the past several years. After 39 years of volunteer and vocational youth ministry, I am convinced that the most "impressive" (see Deut 6:7) youth ministers are parents and our role is to partner with you to serve your kids. I am looking forward to sharing the journey with you!

## GATHERING SCHEDULE

5:30 - Dinner in Lynn Hall  
5:55 - Bible Club for K4-Grade 6  
6:00 - DivorceCare in FPC Parlor  
Jr. High ELEMENT

6:30 - Adult Classes and  
Children's Choir  
7:00 - Sr. High ELEMENT  
7:30 - Sanctuary Choir

## AWAKE 7:14 DISCUSSION GROUP

Facilitated by Rob Junell, Room 220

Join us to study and pray for Spiritual Awakening in our community and nation using materials by Dr. Jim Denison, entitled "Why Awakening?" A six week study leading up to AWAKE 7:14, March 15-17.

## DIVORCE CARE

Facilitated by L.E. Sawyer, Julie Edwards and KC Blacketter,  
Parlor, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk through separation or divorce alone. If you're separated, in the midst of video series and small group support, facilitated by Stephen Ministers LE Sawyer and Julie Edwards and KC Blacketter. If you'd like more info about this ministry, you can watch sample videos and view topics at [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org). \$15 registration fee includes materials.

## JUBILATE SINGERS AND INSTRUMENT ENSEMBLE

Facilitated by Greg Pysh, Choir Room

Play/Have Played/Haven't played an instrument since high school? Jubilate Singers and Instrument Ensemble is for you! We rehearse each Wednesday at 6:30 in the choir room. By participating, you will not only enhance our worship, but be able to play and sing, regardless of your current skill level, in thanksgiving and praise to God. For more information, please contact Greg Pysh at [gpysh@fpcmid.org](mailto:gpysh@fpcmid.org) or 684-7821 x 139.