FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

October 7, 2010

Dear Life Group Leader,

This week's study focuses on the ministry of elders based on Ephesians 4:8-16. To equip you for the discussion, we've included the first in a 4-part lecture series on elders by Pastor John Piper. Next week we'll send the second message. If you'd like the whole series, let us know and we'll send it to you. The coaching tip continues the theme of leadership with an article on leader fatigue. If you've served more than a year as a life group leader, you know that leadership can take a toll on you. Read this tip and learn how to recharge your spiritual batteries!

Finally, let me urge you to take advantage of an upcoming ministry opportunity that will tighten the relationships between your small group members and our larger church family. This is a once-in-a-lifetime, must-see event! Plan to attend with your family and life group members!

Big Event! All-Church Christmas Dessert
December 3rd—Doors open at 6:30 pm
Two Talented Christian Entertainers!
Songwriter/Recording Artist: David Harsh
Gifted Actor: Steve Wilent in "The Traveler"

The purpose of this event is to enjoy the miracle of Christmas with our entire church family gathered together in celebration. Our goal: To sell **350 tickets** and fill all the seats! To make that happen, we need your help. Would you please talk with your small group members and ask them to consider taking on one of these 8 responsibilities? We need to quickly form at least 8 teams devoted to the following tasks. Please contact us right away if you can help!

Team 1: Advance ticket sales ($5)
Team 2: Prayer team
Team 3: Preparation of desserts
Team 4: Setup on December 3rd
Team 5: Setup on December 3rd
Team 6: CD sales at the event
Team 7: Servers during the dessert
Team 8: Cleanup after the event

Please discuss this opportunity right away! As soon as you let us know how you'd like to help, we'll send you the details and a timeline of when and how your team can help.

Thank you as always!

Pastors Gary and Glen

P.S. To sample the multi-talented ministry of David Harsh, go to www.davidharsh.com. To enjoy the creative ministry of Steve Wilent, go to www.mastersimage.com.

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