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# KidsUpdate

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A newsletter for the parents of children in the Faith Church Children's Ministry

## Mark your calendar

- March 12 — Daylight Savings Time begins (spring forward one hour)
- March 19 — Bishop Daniel Osoi will be sharing with children during both S.S. hours
- March 26 — Funny Munny Store
- March 30 — Family Skate Night

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## A Word from Miss Mary Lee

It seems that winter and spring are competing with each other these days, doesn't it? The first thing I do each morning is check the Weather app to see what the temperatures will be that day to know how to dress.

Spring is such a special time of the year because of Easter. Celebrating our Lord's death and resurrection is so very important—for our own lives spiritually—and for the ways we help our children grow in their understanding of Jesus and His

sacrifice for us. As Kari and I pray for you and your children, we pray for them to make the decision to trust Christ as Savior if they haven't done so already—and if saved, that they would continue to grow as a disciple.

We have an awesome missions emphasis in March, Bishop Daniel Osoi and his ministry among the Maasai in Kenya. Please see pages 2-3 for more information. And then in early April, we will be celebrating

Easter with our Kids Easter Celebration and Parents Night Out on Friday, April 7, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Online registration is already open!

Please know we pray for you regularly. If I can ever be of service to you in any way, do not hesitate to be in touch!



*Mary Lee*



**Friday, April 7, 2017 • 6:30-9:00 p.m.**

Advance registration required. (Online registration closes at noon on April 4)

Children, infants through 6th grade, will spend the evening focusing on the true meaning of Easter through games, crafts, story-time, snacks, and an "empty tomb" egg hunt — while parents enjoy an evening out.

This is a great opportunity to reach out to friends and neighbors by inviting their children to come and participate, while the adults go out for dinner or an evening activity together, or for parents to have a special date night.



## How to Pray for Bishop Daniel Osoi and His Ministry

- Pray that a children’s ministry would be established in all of the Kenyan Faith Churches—Sunday School in each church, as well as the training of Child Evangelism Fellowship teachers in all of the churches.
- Pray for their outreach to the Samburu tribe who live in Kenya—until now, they have been hostile to the Gospel, and there is much war and civil unrest between the neighboring tribes and the Samburu people.
- Pray for rain in all of Kenya—The people depend on grass to graze the cattle. When in drought conditions, the people must go long distances to search for pasture which makes sharing the Gospel very difficult.
- Pray for the entire Faith Church Kenya ministry—over 100 churches presently-training, discipling, and preaching the Gospel to the Maasai people.

A tree church in the bush



## Life among the Maasai People



Maasai children are taught to take care of the family herd animals at a young age



A house and the fence that protects the home compound from wild animals



Life can be hard for Maasai children



Maasai church elders



Maasai women (Mommas)



Under the tree church meeting



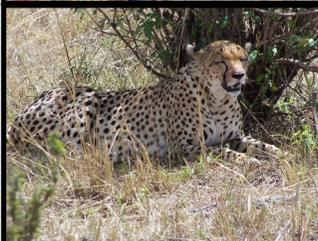
Children’s meeting in Maasai Land—300 children attended



Bible lesson for children



Our VBS kids raised the money for the black water tank



Some of the wild animals in their region: Left-Cheetah; Center-Elephant (elephants can be a real problem for their communities); Right-Lion cub in the Maasai savannah grass lands



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**Thursday, March 30,  
2017, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at  
Castle Skateland in  
Loveland**

Entrance Fee: One canned  
or boxed food item per  
person for the Faith  
Church Food Pantry

Skate Rental: \$2 per pair  
(if needed)

Join other Faith Church  
families in a fun night of  
rollerskating at Castle  
Skateland in Loveland.

## Kids @ Faith — Making disciples one child at a time

We love kids at Faith Church! The mission of our Children's Ministry is to make disciples one child at a time. We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with parents in this all-important responsibility.

The Children's Ministry exists to partner with parents as together we lay the spiritual foundation where real transformation takes place in the lives of the preschoolers and elementary children who attend our ministries at Faith Church. Our purpose is for children to experience a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ and grow in that relationship as reproducing disciples of the Lord Jesus. We desire that each child come to the place where he or she chooses to imitate the whole life of Christ by being in communion with God, in community with others, and on mission with Christ.



**KIDS @ FAITH**  
Making disciples one child at a time

## Upcoming Events



**Daylight Savings Time  
Begins — March 12, 2017  
(spring forward one hour)**



**Bishop Daniel Osoi sharing  
about the Faith Evangelical  
Free Churches in Maasai  
Land with S.S. children  
during each hour —  
March 19, 2017**



**Funny Munny Store —  
March 26, 2017, after each  
Sunday School hour**

**Family Rollerskating Night,  
Thursday, March 30, 2017,  
from 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

At Castle Skateland in  
Loveland. Text  
"SKATENIGHT" to 25399 or  
visit [faithchurch.net/events](http://faithchurch.net/events).

help lead us in worship of our  
Savior



**Easter Sunday — April 16,  
2017**

All children's Sunday School  
classes will meet as usual at  
both 9:15 and 10:45



**Kids Easter Celebration and  
Parents Night Out —  
April 7, 2017**

Advance registration required.  
Online registration closes at  
noon on Tuesday, April 4. You  
may also register at the table in  
the East Alcove or with Mary  
Lee ([mgriffith@faithchurch.net](mailto:mgriffith@faithchurch.net)).



**Preschool Vacation Bible  
School — May 16-18, 2017,  
9:30-11:30 a.m. each day**

For children turning 3 by May  
16 through Kindergarten

**Elementary VBS —  
June 19-22, 2017, 9:15 a.m.-  
12:15 p.m. each day**

For children entering Kinder-  
garten through 6th Grade

**Palm Parade — April 9,  
2017, during each worship  
service**

Our children will parade  
through the sanctuary during  
one of the worship songs to