

Minister & Spouse Retreat 2009

Please join us for a time of rest, renewal and fellowship
at Tubac Golf Resort July 23-25, 2009

- Thursday, July 23—optional night, meet & greet
- Friday, July 24—golf, ladies' brunch, evening banquet
- Saturday, July 25—breakfast gathering

Cost is \$65 per night, per room (\$130 for both nights) and includes golf, brunch, Friday dinner and Saturday breakfast. Singles welcome. We encourage churches to send their ministers and cover their fee. Rooms will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis. *RSVP required by June 10, 2009.*

For more information, call (520) 745-1011
or email office@catalinaassociation.org



Entertainment will be provided by Tony Antista,
Music Pastor at Emmanuel Baptist Church.




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FAITH IS A MUSCLE TO BE STRETCHED

The Bible says we are called to walk by faith. The pages of Scripture are filled with pointed commands and commissions for us to walk by faith. Dr. Chris Stephens of Faith Promise Church in Knoxville, TN recently asked the following questions to a small group he was leading. I think these are questions we need to consider.....



1. What is your greatest step of faith and how did it turn out for you?

Almost everyone that has ever taken any steps of faith can tell a story of how the Lord moved. Now if you have a hard time with this question, is it because you have taken so many or so few?

2. Why do we become more cautious as we age?

When we are young we aren't afraid to step out and yet as we age we slow down and protect what we have. It is like a football team moving into a prevent defense. We don't try to win – we just try not to lose.

3. How you ever taken a step of faith and fallen?

I guess failure can stop people from trying again. If you failed, why did it happen? Did you miss God?

4. What is the biggest mountain you are facing now?

We all have problems, so, which one will cause you to have to

step out in faith? I believe God will allow problems in our lives to help us step out when we don't want to anymore. "Without faith it is impossible to please God."

5. Can your last leap be the longest?

The last leap should be the longest. As we walk by faith we should grow in our faith. Faith is like a muscle and it will grow if it is worked and exercised. After a lifetime of walking by faith our last leaps should be the longest.

6. Where would you be today if you had not taken the past steps of faith?

Every time we step out and God moves we have new doors opened and new opportunities. If you would have been disobedient in past faith moves where would you be today?

The walk of faith is awesome and filled with thrills and excitement. Are you still climbing out on the end of the limb? That is where all the fruit is!!

Blessings,
John

Association Resources

The Association has a library of resources our churches may borrow. Here are some of the titles available:

The Harvest—a modern-day parable, multi-language dvd

The Mind of Christ—vhs
Seven Words of Worship, the Key to a Lifetime of Experiencing God—dvd

Beth Moore—dvd

- To Live is Christ
- A Heart Like His (David)
- Esther

Announcements

- **Monthly Pastor's Breakfast** at First Southern Baptist Church has been change to the last Tuesday of each month.

Events

- **Minister & Spouse Retreat**—July 23-25, Tubac Golf Resort. RSVP by June 10, 2009. office@catalinaassociation.org or (520) 745-1011
- **Developing and Managing People Workshop**—Friday, May 15, 9am-4pm. Mountain View Baptist Church. Please RSVP to office@catalinaassociation.org or (520)745-1011 by May 10.
- **Pastor's Breakfast**—Last Tuesday of each month, 800am at First Southern Baptist Church.
- **Hispanic Pastor's Breakfast**—Second Tuesday of each month, 9:00am at the Association office.

Please check our online calendar for updates and additions:
www.catalinaassociation.org/events

Please Pray

- For our pastorless churches: First Southern Baptist Church, Corona de Tucson Baptist Church.
- For all the pastors, churches and staff in the Association.
- For support and growth of new church plants.

Budget Requirements for 2009

Annual Budget	\$162,489
Monthly Requirement	\$13,541
Income March	\$14,725
Over (under) for month	\$1,184
Income to date March	\$40,484
Over (under) for 2009	(\$139)

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