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FIRST Connection is a casual opportunity to hear about the mission and values of First Free. You can attend the first Sunday of the Month from 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. in Room 202.

more INFORMATION

FirstLook is a publication that highlights all upcoming events and ministries for a quarter of the year. Copies are available at the Guest Services Desk.



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Global Partners Chris & Gary Persons

- The Philippines have experienced several earthquakes and typhoons recently. One typhoon hit Bolinao just before Gary arrived there and another just after he left the area. Bolinao suffered damage to property during these typhoons, but no lives were lost. Others lost both lives & property. Pray for those who have lost so much.

2026 SHORT TERM MISSION TRIPS INFO MEETING

Jan. 11
12:15 p.m.
Room 200

MEXICO
Jul. 9 - 18

JAPAN
Jul. 15 - 31

EGYPT
Jul. 17 - 26

ALASKA
Jul. 18 - 25


up and COMING

- **FIRST Connection:** TODAY • 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. • Room 202
- **Discovering The Bible:** Every Monday • 6:30 - 8 p.m. • Harmony Gardens
- **Membership Matters:** Jan. 9 • 6:30 - 9:15 p.m. • Pastor Todd's Home
- **Widow/Widower Event:** Jan. 9 • 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. • Fellowship Hall
Certified instructor Jeannine Brown. RSVP in the Lobby TODAY.
- **Marriage Conference:** Jan. 10 • 9:30 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. • RSVP by Jan. 6
- **2026 Israel Trip Info Mtg:** Jan. 11 • 10:15 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. • Room 202
- **Pizza With the Pastors:** Jan. 18 • 12:15 p.m. • Room 202
- **Greg Strand Constitution Event:** Jan. 18 • 4 - 5:30 p.m. • Worship Center

family NOTES

- **Dec. 27** – Ardie Lindahl passed away on Dec. 27. Service in late Jan.
- **Dec. 27** – Ralph Nordquist, father of Heather (Nathan) Greenwalt and Andrew (Amy) Nordquist and brother-in-law to Bonnie Gauderman, passed away on Dec. 27.
- **Jan. 24** – A Baby Shower for Grace Wellendorf will be held at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. RSVP to Ali Keller (Alimkeller@me.com) by Jan. 15.

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