

Details on Dunamis Course on the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit

We're delighted that you've chosen to join us to learn more about the Holy Spirit through the Dunamis Course. Hopefully the following will answer some questions which may have come to your mind.

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 27th through Nov. 15th, and Saturday, Nov. 12th

Tuesdays

6:45 - 9:30 brief worship, video teaching, small group discussion, prayer ministry, review



Saturday, November 12

8:30 AM – 4 PM – similar format to the Tuesday evenings, but with a bit more time. Lunch is included.

Where:

Kortright Presbyterian Church, sanctuary.

Bring:

- A journal and something with which to write
- Your Growth Goals: How do you hope to grow through participation in the Dunamis course? Bring your ideas with you the first evening.

Spiritual Preparation

Personal Devotions: Brad Long suggests that during the course participants may benefit by using Oswald Chambers *My Utmost for His Highest*, as the basis for personal devotional time.

Preparation for the first night: The following prayer exercise from Lesson 1 generally requires more reflection than the time we can give you in our opening session. So we encourage you to start on that now. Bring your reflections with you to the first evening.

Do a history of God's calling in your life. Consider each phase of your life starting with your birth and then ask the Holy Spirit to bring to mind how God has called you to follow Jesus.

How is God calling you to witness to Jesus Christ in your present circumstances? Ask the Holy Spirit to show you what it is you are to do that will bring glory to Jesus. Ask Him to show you where and how you are to do it.

Place a world map before you and ask Jesus Christ to speak clearly to you about what your role is to be in fulfilling the Great Commission.

Costs:

- **Course costs:** Please note that there is a *voluntary* donation for the course. While we hope to meet all expenses from donations, please do not let that prevent you from coming if you cannot make a donation. KPC advanced the price of the DVD's and there are manuals as well as miscellaneous supplies. We estimate the course material costs at about \$24.
- **Meal costs:** We are asking participants to contribute ~\$3-4 dollars per person toward the meal expenses for our Saturday lunch.

- **Total cost** if you are able, for meals and course is only about \$40. Make cheques payable to Kortright Presbyterian Church, and indicate Dunamis on the memo line.
- **Donation to PRMI:** Later in the course we will give you an opportunity to make a donation to Presbyterian Reformed Ministries International – the group that developed the Dunamis course and operates as a faith based organization.

Optional books:

Brad Long, our teacher in the video Dunamis course, has written a book “*Receiving the Power*” with Douglas McMurray. This presents the key ideas from the video teaching in a highly readable format. Much of the course is covered and expanded upon in this book. The cost is US\$14; approximately C\$18. We have a few books on hand.

Brad and Doug have also written a book, *Collapse of the Brass Heaven*, related to worldview – a pivotal issue that our course addresses in a two of our sessions. This book is out of print, so we can’t offer you copies to buy. But we do have a few copies we can circulate from our personal library. We suggest that you try to finish the book in a week or two, so it’s more available for others to read during the course, too. If you would like to start reading that before the course, just let us know.

Finally, another book written by Brad Long, *Passage Through the Wilderness*, in which he candidly speaks of times in the wilderness and how God uses the Wilderness times of our lives to purify and prepare us for deeper ministry. We have one copy in our personal library to lend out.

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Place: Kortright: *downstairs* for dinner, *up in the sanctuary* for the course

When: Tuesdays, starting September 21st.

Time : 6 – 6:10 gather over punch

6:10 – grace, dinner, dessert, testimony, announcements, business

7:00 – 9:30 brief worship, video teaching, small group discussion, prayer ministry, debriefing



Meeting dates: We have two options for presenting the final two lessons.

- **Option 1:** Continue to meet on Tuesday evenings: Nov. 16th and 23rd.
- **Option 2:** Meet on Saturday, November 13th from 8:45 – 3:15 at Camp Edgewood out in Eden Mills. This would give us time for discussion and extended prayer around the topic of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which completes the course. (This would coincide with the Alpha Holy Spirit weekend at the same camp.)

We'd like to discuss and decide this at our first meeting on Sept. 21st, based on your availability for the Saturday option. So please come prepared with your preference.

Costs:

- **Course costs:** Please note that there is a *voluntary* donation for the course. KPC purchased the video and there are manuals as well as miscellaneous supplies. While we hope to meet all expenses from donations, please do not let that prevent you from coming if you cannot make a donation. We estimate the course material costs at about \$25. I'll explain the breakdown at the first course meeting.
- **Meal costs:** We are asking all attendees to contribute about \$4 dollars per person per night toward the meal expenses. This could be done as a one time donation to the church by cheque, to simplify your cash flow, week to week. There will be two potluck meals (no charge) – thus a total of 7 or 8 meals to pay for (depending on whether we're out at the camp in November or not).
- **Total cost** as you are able for meal and course for the 10 weeks is only about \$60-70 which includes about \$10 for the camp rental for the Saturday.

Optional book:

Brad Long, our teacher in the video Dunamis course, has written a book "*Receiving the Power*" with Douglas McMurray. This is recommended reading for the Dunamis course. Much of the course is covered and expanded upon in this book. If you would like it please let us know **by September 13**. We will pick it up in Michigan and have it here by 21 September, thus saving shipping charges. The cost is US\$14; approximately C\$19. Barb and Les have one copy which you may look at before ordering.

Alpha connection:

The Dunamis course will function as a Kortright T-cell group, which means that we will include an intentional outreach component. We are asking you to mingle with and extend hospitality to the Alpha course members during dinner and keep them in our prayers as an outreach to Alpha. (The Alpha course will begin the week after we do, on September 28th.)