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Greetings BFC Families!

The month of September is coming to an end and the weather seems to be slowly cooling down. We hope that you can all take a moment to enjoy this transitional period from summer to fall and make sure to prepare for the cool temperatures that will be approaching us soon!

This Sunday is our Afternoon Service In The Woods! We will begin service at 4PM followed by a Potluck Dinner. As always, we are going to organize three groups for Main Dish, Side Dish, and Desserts. Please bring the designated dish according to the list below:

Families with last names **A-J**: Main Dish

Families with last names **K-R**: Side dish

Families with last names **S-Z**: Desserts

BFC staff will provide the rice, kimchi, drinks and utensils.

We encourage you to take this opportunity to spend time with your family and friends during the day and visit other churches. Please feel free to bring guests to our afternoon service!

Last day for Early Bird Registration for Energize! Couples Retreat is October 3rd.

Don't miss this opportunity!!

Save the Date: Sunday, October 8th is the Sunday School Tag Sale. Please donate any items that are in good condition that you no longer need. Any and all donations are appreciated!

(Rain Date: Sunday, October 15th)

Missed last week's National Update? Click [here](#) to watch.



Energize! Couples Retreat

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION ENDS OCT. 3RD!!

Come join the BFM and BMP team at our next Energize! Couples Retreat for couples both young and old in the midst of the autumnal splendor of the Pocono Mountains!

Enjoy this refreshing 3-day, 2-night getaway and enjoy the splendid views of the Pocono mountain as you relax in the intimate lodge and mountain resort setting. The retreat will be held in the beautiful [Pocono Manor Resort and Spa](#).

Registration is now open, and the early bird rate will end October 3rd, so make sure to register before then! Scholarships are available for first-time attendees so don't let the cost of the retreat be a hindrance.

We can't wait to share this experience with you! Click [here](#) to learn more or register!

To get a better sense of what to expect, check out these videos from past retreats [here](#), and [here](#)!



UTS Online Degree Program

UTS is going global with new online, distance learning program. For the Fall semester, Dr. Tyler Hendricks is teaching *Unification Apologetics in Practical Contexts* and Dr. Andrew Wilson is teaching *Divine Principle in Depth*. Since these graduate-courses are being taught by the premier Unification scholars in the world, they are much more advanced than typical courses or workshops. You can see descriptions for each course either on the UTS website at uts.edu or by sending an email to online@uts.edu in which you request more information.

These courses are for a period of 8 weeks not 15 weeks and start on Monday Oct. 16. They'll be offered on our new, state-of-the-art CANVAS platform and include significant interaction. The courses are intensive and asynchronous, meaning there is no set class time. During the Spring term, additional courses will be offered. Please inform your friends and contacts of this valuable new initiative by UTS.

A \$1000 distance learning scholarship is available for each credit-bearing course taken as part of the launch of this new initiative, so the tuition is 2/3 less than for a regular course taught at UTS. A student will pay \$605 for a 3-credit course, rather than the normal amount of \$1,605. If you take 6 credits during a semester, then you will be eligible for Federal financial aid, if you are an American citizen.

Please click [here](#) to read the UTS Newsletter that announces the new online, distance learning program. More information can be found [here](#) in the brochure and also on the UTS website at www.uts.edu.

Whoever is interested in the program ***should complete the "non-degree application"***, since the admissions process for the degree application takes more time. Subsequently, after deciding upon a degree program that applicant can complete a regular "degree application" and the credits that were accumulated will be applied toward a master's degree.