

# Bloomington-Normal Great Banquet & Awakening

Community News & Events August 2015

## Welcome New Members !

### Banquet # 110

Larry Van Gundy	Steven Mann	Mike Straza
Austin O'Neall	Matt Wilcox	Myles Singleton
Richard Stover	Giff Hardy	Jonathon Thompson
Brandon Copes	Jamie Dukes	Tim Higginson
Josh Summers	David Fluty	Eddie A Perkins
Andre Jones	Jake Zook	Herbert Steffen

### Banquet # 111

Cathy Applington	Pam Buggar	Linda Carner
Lindsey Cuba	Chelsea Duke	Laurie Fuller
Audrey Hall	Janet Kibler	Robin Kirchner
Kelsie Kuhlmann	Emily Lewis	Tami Masters
Hannah McCorkle	Martha McNair	Lori Nimke
Liz Simpson	Georgia Steffan	Brandi Watson
Tirza Wolf	Nancy Zeine	

### Awakening # 6

Alex Williams	Jay B Ready	Gage Morgan
Connor Kennedy	Jimmy Spencer	Brady Patrick
Lawson Parker	Patrick Bromley	Joe Wilcox
Bradshaw Huddleston	Andrew McAllister	Joe Ahrends

## Who are you sponsoring?

Applications available on-line

[www.BNGreatBanquet.org](http://www.BNGreatBanquet.org)

## Walking by Faith

2 Corinthians 5:7 says "For we walk by faith, not by sight." (MEV) And this fall the Bloomington Normal Great Banquet Community is doing just that. This fall our weekends will feature 2 adult weekends at Lake Bloomington, 2 youth weekends at Lake Bloomington and a female prison weekend at Logan Correctional Institute. Adding another weekend means that 5 of 10 weekends this fall will be filled with our community showing the love of Christ to others.

An extra weekend means more opportunities to serve on team, to serve meals, to make agape, to participate in various weekend activities and most importantly to sponsor participant on the weekend! The BN Great Banquet Board has stretched out in FAITH to help make these weekends possible. Teams are already meeting and sponsorship application are starting to arrive.

Mark your calendars because the community needs your help! Your service during set up and clear, your participation during the weekend events, your agape, your sponsorship and most importantly your prayers are needed this fall. We are hopeful to repeat this again this spring to assist our youth weekends as they develop youth leaders in the Great Banquet/Awakening Movement.

Plan ahead, see how you can be involved in the weekends. Often people remember the little things of the weekend such as a room filled with candles, a name on a prayer vigil, or a simple act of agape. Won't you plan on helping us walk by faith this fall and in the future?

See you at the Lake!

Kevin Daugherty, Community Lay Director

# Men's Great Banquet # 112

## September 10-13, 2015

**Dedication: Sun., September 6 • 6:00 pm at Calvary UMC**

Lay Director	Brian Finch
Asst. Lay Director	Rick Bauersfeld
Asst. Lay Director	Dick Runner
Musician	Glenn Dicken
Musician	Mike Casali
Board Advisor	Jim Gonsalves
Talk 1 - Discovering Priorities	Darren Plattner
Talk 2 - God's Gift of Grace	Randy Williams
Talk 3 - Ministry of All Believers	Steve McNair
Talk 4- Our Response to Grace	Steve Barrow
Talk 5 - The Way of Relationship	Tim Nave
Talk 6 - The Truth Through Study	Brad Ladage
Talk 7 - Sacramental Grace	Phil Rodrick
Talk 8 - The Life of Christian Action	Robin Shelton
Talk 9 - Obstacles to Grace	Kevin Gordon
Talk 10 - Disciples	Alan DeCrane
Talk 11 - Changing our Environment	Kevin Cook
Talk 12 - A Life of Grace	Ralph Smith
Talk 13 - The Body of Christ	David Kaeb
Talk 14 - Staying Power	Brian Finch
Talk 15 - Establishing Priorities	Bob Bills
Agape Chapel Leader	Don Stogsdill
Agape Chapel	Rod Smithson
Agape Chapel	Larry Custer
Agape Chapel	Jacob Zook
Agape Chapel	Dan Cochran
Agape Chapel	Matt Schaber
Table Leader	Jeff Hoschek
Table Leader	Austin O'Neall
Table Leader	Bill Ray
Table Leader	Pete Falstad
Table Leader	Mike Kreun
Table Leader	Mark Wylie

### Simple Weekend Outline

#### Thursday

7:00 pm Registration  
7:30 Send off/Sponsor's Hour

#### Friday

7:30 am *Meal Servers Arrive*  
8:00 Breakfast  
9:15 Discovering Priorities  
11:15 God's Gift of Grace  
11:30 *Meal Servers Arrive*  
12:30 pm Lunch  
1:45 Ministry of All Believers  
3:00 Our Response to God's Grace  
5:00 *Meal Servers Arrive*  
5:30 Dinner  
6:30 The Way of Relationship

#### Saturday

7:30 am *Meal Servers Arrive*  
8:00 Breakfast  
8:45 Truth Through Study  
10:15 Sacramental Grace  
12:00 pm *Meal Servers Arrive*  
12:30 Lunch  
3:00 The Life of Christian Action  
4:30 Obstacles to Grace  
5:00 *Meal Servers Arrive*  
5:30 Dinner  
7:00 Disciples  
7:30 *Community Arrives for Gut Bucket*  
8:30 *Candlelight Worship*  
10:00 *Candlelight*

#### Sunday

7:30 am *Meal Servers Arrive*  
8:00 Breakfast  
8:50 Changing Our Environment  
10:00 A Life of Grace  
11:00 Body of Christ  
11:30 am *Meal Servers Arrive*  
12:00 Lunch  
1:30 Staying Power  
2:30 Establishing Priorities  
4:45 *Community Arrives for Closing*  
5:00 Closing

# Women's Great Banquet # 113

## September 24-27, 2015

**Dedication: Sun., September 20 • 6:00 pm at Calvary UMC**

### Community Support

#### 72 hour prayer Vigil

Support the weekend with your prayers!  
Sign-up on-line through Sign-up Genius  
[www.bngreatbanquet.org](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org)

#### Meal Servers

Be Christ's hands and feet while serving our guests and team!  
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[www.bngreatbanquet.org](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org)

#### General Conference Room Agape letters

Let our guests and team know how you have been praying for them and offering up sacrificial acts of agape on their behalf!

#### Set-up/Clean Up

4:30 pm Wednesday before the weekend  
4:00 pm - 1 hour after Closing

#### Gut Bucket Band

7:30 PM, Saturday

Bring a costume (or we will provide a silly hat!)  
sing a song, provide entertainment(?) for the weekend.

#### Candlelight Worship

8:30 PM, Saturday

Join us for community worship, as we lift up each guest and team in prayer, celebrate communion & reconnect with oneanother.

\* Help with set-up at 7:00

#### Closing Worship

5:00 PM, Sunday

Hear how God has changed lives in 72 hours!

#### Banners

We are in need of new banners to share on the weekends. A great reunion group project!

#### Agape Gifts

All those cute little gifts can make a BIG impact.  
Plan on 60-70 gifts per weekend.

Lay Director	Gudrun Dunt
Asst. Lay Director	Janae Bledsoe
Asst. Lay Director	Marty Steinke
Musician	Linda Williams
Board Advisor	Bert Cochran
Talk 1 - Discovering Priorities	Terri Dicken
Talk 2 - God's Gift of Grace	Betty Nave
Talk 3 - Ministry of All Believers	Laura Pritts
Talk 4- Our Response to Grace	Judy Vadala
Talk 5 - The Way of Relationship	Kathy Rygh
Talk 6 - The Truth Through Study	Carol Tompkins
Talk 7 - Sacramental Grace	Mary Kay Henson
Talk 8 - The Life of Christian Action	Vicki Stogsdill
Talk 9 - Obstacles to Grace	Kim Burke
Talk 10 - Disciples	Michelle Giermann
Talk 11 - Changing our Environment	Cheryl Shelton
Talk 12 - A Life of Grace	Kathleen Thornton
Talk 13 - The Body of Christ	Diane Lehner
Talk 14 - Staying Power	Gudrun Dunt
Talk 15 - Establishing Priorities	Barb Bills
Agape Chapel Leader	Bev Branning
Agape Chapel	Trudy Heafer
Agape Chapel	Tami Masters
Agape Chapel	Sue Etherton
Agape Chapel	Peggy Kennedy
Table Leader	Kate Mueninghoff
Table Leader	Fran Crownheart
Table Leader	Jimma Parker
Table Leader	Gayle Dustman
Table Leader	Sheila Carrell
Table Leader	Linda Walker

Check out [www.BNGreatBanquet.org](http://www.BNGreatBanquet.org) for updates!

# Logan Great Banquet # 15

Friday, October 9-Saturday, October 10

**Dedication: Sunday, October 4 • 6:00 pm at Calvary UMC**

Lay Director	Kim Williamsson	Agape Chapel Leader	Vicki McCain
Asst. Lay Director	Ellen Reeves	Agape Chapel	Bert Cochran
Asst. Lay Director	Sybil Nash	Agape Chapel	Peggy Gentes
Musician	Glenn Dicken	Agape Chapel	Lis Hiltabrand
Prison Liaison	Karen Layten	Agape Chapel	Martha McNair
Board Advisor	Donna Able	Agape Chapel	Sandy Schwoerer
Speaker: Discovering Priorities	Crystal Ward	Table Leader	Hellena Beal
Speaker: The Way of Relationship	Lynette McClelland	Table Leader	Teresa Blakeney
Speaker: Ministry of All Believers	Laura Sanders	Table Leader	Beth Brent
Speaker: Disciples/Study	Nancy Harvey	Table Leader	Jenifer Drat
Speaker: Life of Action/Body of Christ	Amanda Richards	Table Leader	Teri Drollinger
Speaker: Environment / Establish Priorities	Gayla Tate	Table Leader	Sherry Evans
Spiritual Director: Sacramental Grace	Tim Mitchell	Table Leader	Rita Garrison
ASD: Life of Grace	Dan Jassman	Table Leader	Michelle Giermann
ASD: God's Gift of Grace /Response	Jason Damkoehler	Table Leader	Jean Johnson
ASD: Obstacles to Grace	Dave Jassman	Table Leader	Kathy Knecht
		Table Leader	Karen Layten
		Table Leader	Karla Lohnes
		Table Leader	Poonam McAllister
		Table Leader	Peggy Parker
		Table Leader	Jan Runner
		Table Leader	Annie Schwoerer
		Table Leader	Gail Sigler
		Table Leader	Vicki Stogsdill
		Table Leader	Monica Tervan
		Table Leader	Linda Walker

## Logan Community Support

### Prayer Vigil

Sign-up on line at [Bngreatbanquet.org](http://Bngreatbanquet.org).

### General Conference Room Agape Letters

Share with guests that you have been lifting them in prayer to grow closer to Jesus!

### Sponsor's/Agape Letters

We all know how special the agape letters are.

Help us provide letters for our Logan sisters

Address to: "Dear Sister in Christ"

Sign: "Sister in Christ or Friend"

Do not seal envelopes

### Agape Gifts

Paper agape works best ... bookmarks, origami,

kids coloring pages and art work are always a hit!

\*\*\* no stickers, staples, tape, paper clips

## Off Site Candle Light

Fri., October 9 • 6:00 pm  
@ Calvary UMC

Join us at Calvary UMC in Normal for an off-site candlelight, we will share in a time of worship and communion, plus, lift team and guests in prayer.

## Community Calendar

### Fall 2015

#### Men's Banquet # 112

Th. September 10-Sun. September 13  
Dedication:

#### Women's Banquet # 113

Th. September 24-Sun. September 27  
Dedication:

#### Fourth Day Meeting: Thurs. October 1

7:00 pm at Calvary UMC

#### Logan Women's Banquet # 15

Fri. October 9-Sat. October 10

Dedication:

Offsite Candlelight:

#### Girl's Awakening # 7

Fri. October 23-Sun. October 25

Dedication:

#### Boy's Awakening # 8

Fri. November 13-Sun. November 15

Dedication:

### Spring 2016

#### Girl's Awakening # 9

Fri., February 26-Sun. February 28

#### Boy's Awakening # 10

Fri. March 4-Sun. March 6

#### Men's Banquet # 114

Th. March 17--Sun. March 20

#### Women's Banquet # 115

Th. March 31-Sun. April 3

## New Website

The Great Banquet/Awakening Board would like to announce the launch of our new improved website!

Many thanks to Matt Beal and Jason Bozarth for designing and populating our new look and feel.

With the new design it will be easier to update ... so check the site during our weekends for up to the minute information, including things like weather updates, guest additions and snack requests.

## Community Board of Directors

Community Lay Director	Kevin Daugherty	309-962-3529
Weekend Events	Gina Dew	309-378-3407
Weekend Events	Dave Theile	309-662-4768
Prayer Vigils & Meal Servers	Lindsay Aupperle	309-310-4014
Set-up/Clean-up	Nick O'Neill	309-261-2709
Set-up/Clean-up	Jim Gonsalves	309-660-4299
Set-up/Clean-up	Scott Dunt	309-824-1523
Supplies	Mike Beal	309-825-7705
Supplies	Kaye Schroeder	309-826-9502
Supplies	Bert Cochran	309-530-5252
Registrar	Donna Able	309-242-7792
Lincoln Liaison	Harry Jiles	309-830-2642
Logan Liaison	Karen Layten	309-261-3556
Team Selection & Training	Karen Reginelli	309-830-4507
Newsletter/Website	Shelly Hanover	309-826-6336
Fourth Day Meetings	Terry Pitzer	309-310-2128
Gatherings	Kim Toulon	309-287-3583
Musician	Phil Reginelli	309-838-6903
Agape Correspondence	Crystal Ward	217-855-3389
Database	Darren Plattner	309-726-1574
Treasurer	John Plattner	309-828-1684
Spiritual Director	Dan Jassman	309-287-3242

## Many Thanks ...

A donation to the community was received in name of Norman and Carolyn Brown as thank you for their kindness and generosity in sharing their farm for the Beneze-Roberts wedding.

And, another thank you to Norman and Carolyn for hosting our annual "Brown's Picnic" Summer Gathering. Our community is truly blessed by your hospitality!

**check out our new website:**

**[www.BNGreatBanquet.org](http://www.BNGreatBanquet.org)**

# Awakening Sneak Peak !

More information coming soon .... Please continue to pray as Lay Directors work on filling teams

**Do your part... sponsor a youth today !**

## Girl's Awakening # 7

**October 23-25, 2015**

Dedication: Sun., October 18 • 6:00 pm

@ Jacob's Well (304 Jersey Ave., Normal)

Lay Director	Cara McMorris
Asst. Lay Director	Jill McNiff
Asst. Lay Director	Amanda Jassman
Musician	
Youth Musician	Ellie Dew
Co-Board Advisors	Gina Dew & Shelly Hanover
Talk 1 - Identity	Kristen Tucker
Talk 2 - Love	Amanda Cryer
Talk 3 - Meaning of Life	Jennifer Bauerfeld
Talk 4- Sin and Love	Kim Burke
Talk 5 - Salvation	Lori Bultemeier
Talk 6 - Following Jesus	
Talk 7 - Study	Autumn Hart
Talk 8 - Prayer	Gabi Toulon
Talk 9 - Worship	Lindsay Gist
Talk 10 - Friends	Ellie Dew
Talk 11 - Loving Jesus	
Talk 12 - Distractions	Judy Kelly
Talk 13 - Environment	
Talk 14 - Church	Lauren Spaid
Talk 15 - Power	Cara McMorris
Agape Chapel Leader	Carly Bauman
Agape Chapel	Ellen Wylie
Agape Chapel	Becca Rice
Agape Chapel	Natalie Fletcher
Agape Chapel	
Table Leader	Tony Langelier
Table Leader	

## Boy's Awakening # 8

**November 13-15, 2015**

Dedication: Sun., November 8 • 6:00 pm

@ First Presbyterian in Normal

Lay Director	Tim Knecht
Asst. Lay Director	Aaron Shane
Asst. Lay Director	Tom Payne
Musician	Tyler Blanks
Board Advisor	Dave Theile
Talk 1 - Identity	
Talk 2 - Love	Dave McMorris
Talk 3 - Meaning of Life	Tim Gaines
Talk 4- Sin and Love	
Talk 5 - Salvation	Mel Devall
Talk 6 - Following Jesus	Dewey Drollinger
Talk 7 - Study	
Talk 8 - Prayer	
Talk 9 - Worship	
Talk 10 - Friends	
Talk 11 - Loving Jesus	Chuck Anthony
Talk 12 - Distractions	Rick Lohnes
Talk 13 - Environment	Austin O'Neill
Talk 14 - Church	
Talk 15 - Power	
Agape Chapel Leader	Dean Buhrke
Agape Chapel	
Agape Chapel	
Agape Chapel	
Agape Chapel	
Table Leader	
Table Leader	

## The Image of the Awakening Weekend

I Samuel 3:1-10 is the biblical image of the Awakening. Samuel is a boy who ministers to the Lord under Eli, the priest. One night as Samuel is lying down within the temple of the Lord, the Lord calls, "Samuel! Samuel!". Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him, so he did not recognize who was calling him. After the Lord calls Samuel three times, Eli perceives that it's the Lord calling. He instructs Samuel to respond with, "Speak, Lord, for thy servant hears," when the Lord calls again. Samuel does as Eli instructs, and hears from the Lord.

Join us in supporting the upcoming weekend to help to help "sleepers/participants" recognize and respond to God's voice!

## Sponsorship

Awakening weekends are open to

**Freshman in High School - Freshman in college.**

Please be in prayer about who YOU can sponsor this fall.

Applications can be found on-line at:  
**BNGreatBanquet.org**

## Financial Support

The average cost per participant is \$150. We are asking "participants" to pay a \$100 registration fee.

1. Because parents expect to pay when their youth attend an event and they value things more with a fee.
2. It seems "less cult like" for parents un-familiar with 3-day model weekends.

We will continue our community's policy of accepting all participants regardless of ability to pay the registration fee.

Financial support may be sent to:

B/N Great Banquet

PO Box 707, Bloomington, IL 61702

Or paypal at [www.bngreatbanquet.org](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org)

## Weekend Support

### 55—hour Prayer Vigil

Prayer Vigil starts at Noon on Friday! Sign-up on line at [Bngreatbanquet.org](http://Bngreatbanquet.org)

### Make Pillow Agape & Banners

All those little gifts can make a BIG impact!

### General Conference Room Agape Letters

How amazing that people in our own community are praying and sacrificing for us to grow closer to Christ.

We need **YOU** to write a letter.

### Meal Servers

Make it a party! Bring some table decorations, a little agape and have a good time! Please note: Parents/Sponsors of sleepers should not serve until Sunday.

Sign-up on line at [www.bngreatbanquet.org](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org)

### Weekend Snacks

It's High School kids—you know how they can eat!

Drop by some home-made goodies for the weekend.

### Set-up & Clean Up

Set-up—4:30 pm—Thursday before the weekend

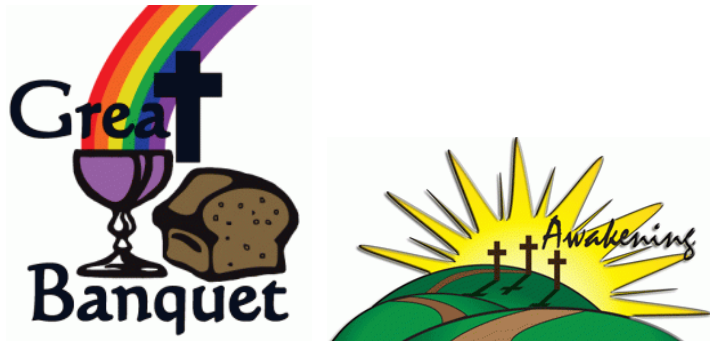
Clean-up—3:00 PM—Sunday

**\* This is a great need for Awakening, and a wonderful act of sacrificial agape!**



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## **Kids and Weekends**

Please remember, events taking place at East Bay Camp are for adults and youth who have attended a Fourth Day (Banquet, Emmaus Cursillo) or Awakening weekend.

Children (and others who have not attended a weekend) should not be at weekend events to serve meals, attend registration, candlelight or closing.

However a great way to get the kids (and others) involved is to have them attend the dedications and make weekend agape.

Thank you for respecting this policy.

## **Add Me to the E-list !**

Join the Great Banquet e-list to be notified of community events, weekend needs and more, send an e-mail to Shelly Hanover at [shellyhanover@me.com](mailto:shellyhanover@me.com)

## **Follow Us on Twitter**

Follow our tweets at @bngreatbanquet. Get reminders on website updates, upcoming events, and any community news or needs the instant we tweet them!

## **Meal Servers & Prayer Vigils**

Sign-ups for the meal servers and prayer vigil spots are now on-line through sign-up genius. Visit our website at [www.BNGreatBanquet.org](http://www.BNGreatBanquet.org) to sign-up.

## **Great Banquet Fourth Day Meeting**

Thurs. October 1 - 7:00 pm at Calvary UMC

Fall guests and those looking to get more involved with our community are invited to share about their Fourth Days, create reunion groups and learn more about the community.