

LITTLE PRAIRIE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

APRIL, 2026 EPISTLE



IGNITE is a stateside mission whose mission is to bring hope to Chicagoland by starting churches. We specifically support Robert (Bob) Szoke, who is a minister at the church in Merrillville, Indiana. The church is in a low-income area, with many needs. Here is an excerpt from two of his weekly updates from the church: "A phone call to the church brought this guy to our attention. Like many released from prison, he has the basics to get by for a very short while. His concern was he starts a job at McDonalds but is a week away from a paycheck. I encouraged him to come to see me so I could get more information. He did show up.... He had a high profile job at one time earning a significant amount of money, but the money became a pipeline for other things which brought him down... other places keep suggesting I (the man asking for assistance) stay at other places, but I can't be around druggies... I... gave him some assistance, though not all he had asked for." He told Bob that he would be at church the next Sunday.

Lorraine (Bob's wife) taught a session of junior boys. She talked about the betrayal by Judas, the things that occurred, how Jesus was arrested and died on the cross. At the end, some of the boys asked to pray. "They thanked God for the discussion. They also thanked God that Jesus died on the cross for them. They ended the prayer and class time wanting to know more about Jesus."

Please pray for Bob and Lorraine, who are senior citizens, that their health and stamina will remain.



Our worldwide mission is Pioneer Bible Translators. We support Timothy and Erin McSaveny as they work to translate the Bible in whatever language they are led to do. Currently they are translating books of the New Testament into Kinyamulenge, a language spoken by people from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). They are working out of Louisville, Tennessee, translating with native speakers there. The books of Luke and Acts are done, bound together and being distributed in Africa as well as areas of the U.S. Along with the success they've had translating scripture, they've had some setbacks. One of their U.S. translators learned that his 94-year old father had been killed in a military action. This has caused the family much grief, coupled with them being insulted by U.S. citizens for being refugees.

They are also losing their workspace which was provided by a local church, who is repurposing the space. Please pray that a new workspace can be found in a convenient area at a decent rent.

Save the Date for

Junkyard Redemption VBS 2026

Mon, July 6 - Thurs, July 9 6:00 - 8:30 PM

Through the Gospel, God brings eternal beauty from the rust in our lives! And one day, Christ will return and restore total perfection! Step into Junkyard Redemption this summer!



VBS 2026 T-Shirt Sales

We will be offering Junkyard Redemption 2026 shirts for sale at cost until NEXT Sunday, 4/12. There are 4 color choices, Eph. 1:7 and the church's name on the shirt. Check out the details at the WC foyer table. Payment will be due AFTER the shirts arrive.



PLAYTIME FOR THE KIDS, FELLOWSHIP FOR MOMS!

1-3 pm in the gym

April 16

May 21



Coming Soon in April

- 5~Benevolent Sunday
- Easter Sunrise Service & Breakfast
- 10~Forge
- 11~MIIIA Dogeball Tournament
- 15~4-H
- 16~Kid's Playtime
- 18~SND:Horizon @ Oil Belt
- 26~Congregational Prayer Time

Prayer Requests

Prayer Concerns: Lupita Arriaga, Norma English, Gary Harris, Garrel Knight, Jeff Loyd, Mike & Brenda Loyd, Seth Loyd, Diane Magligner, Kerri McCaleb, Danny Newport, Irma Over, Dave Skillman, Gary Stevens, LuAnn Stevens, Brenda Swegman, Jeff Wick

Those Fighting Cancer: Jason Balding, Ruth Barnett, Ed Black, Linda Caldwell, Marlenys Cortez, Patricia Fisher, Diane Haines, Michael Hunt, Mart Johnson, Harley Lear, Todd Lingafelter, Silas Martinez, Cally Mitchell, Harper Newport, Bob Orr, Irma Over, April Perkins, Glenda Raber, Todd Weiss, Joe Williams, Dan Woodward