

## BE INVOLVED, BE CONNECTED



Today after Church we'll be baptizing on the grass out front.

We'll provide Hotdogs & drinks; Bring a side/dessert to share! There will be no after church cafe this day.

For more info see Louie.



Sunday, 10/12 during service we will be welcoming & praying for our new Hillsiders.

### Prayer Night

Wednesdays

7pm

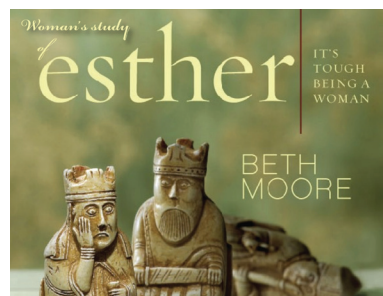
Hillside



We have prayer night every wednesday upstairs at Hillside with Jon E. For more info see Jon.



Join us for painting with Claire Stephens October 18th at 6pm. \$20/person & includes materials. Please bring an appetizer/dessert & a favorite Octoberfest beer/wine to share. For more info see Claire.



Two new books studies on Esther are happening on Tuesdays. One in the evening at Noel's, and one in the late morning with Joni at Hillside. Book & workbook: \$20. For more info see Noel or Joni.



## FLIPPED: The Heart Of The Matter

When I was younger, I equated much of Christianity & my relationship with God to "the Rules:" things I was supposed to do, & things I was NOT supposed to do. If I followed "the Rules," I was doing good with God, & if I didn't, well, I was doing bad. Over time, I got pretty good at keeping "the Rules" & if I would admit it, I was pretty proud of myself. Why? I'm glad you asked.

Because I was good at keeping the Rules I measured myself against other peoples' abilities at Rule keeping... & , to me, it seemed like most people weren't as good at me at keeping the Rules. Which made me a 'better' Christian. Just about every aspect of my life reflected the fact that I was religious. Went to church & youth group (rarely missed.) I was known for my good behavior.

Except I was mean to people. Judgmental. Arrogant. Unfriendly. I could go on...

My life didn't reflect Christlikeness – the "God-family traits" that show up in His kids were glaringly absent from most of my interpersonal interactions. I was well on my way to becoming a Pharisee: great at keeping "the Rules" while at the same time completely missing the heart of the matter.

The point of following Christ is to become LIKE Christ in how we think, how we act, & how we interact with each other & the rest of the world. It means digging deep into Scripture to allow it to be planted deep in our hearts so that the Holy Spirit can work to apply it & transform our hearts & minds from being selfish, self-focused, self-righteous people to being people who reflect Christ's love, mercy, compassion, & justice.

One of the things we'll be talking about this Sunday is how I transitioned from just following "the Rules" to looking to follow Christ & reflect Him in every area of life.

Let your light shine today.

- Louie

You can listen to past & current Sunday messages via podcast on iTunes! Just search "View From A Hillside" or visit <http://Hillside4.Podbean.com>



Do you Facebook? Find us on Facebook by searching for 'Hillside Church Family' for updates on events and other happenings at Hillside.

# Ministries & Missionaries Hillside Supports

## Global



Hillside partners with Compassion First to help stop sex-trafficking in Indonesia. [www.compassionfirst.org](http://www.compassionfirst.org)



Ron Toft will be opening a Compassion First office in Jakarta, Indonesia.  
<http://www.RonToft.org>



Foursquare Missionaries to Estonia  
Brett & Tammy Toft  
<http://goo.gl/X60aLy>



Foursquare Missionaries to Russia  
Steve & Kim Cecil  
<http://goo.gl/DgfA4A>

## Local



Outreach to the Reno/Sparks area – to kids 0–6 years old – helping them discover who Christ is.  
<http://www.littlelites.org>



Providing meals for people in need.  
<http://fbnn.org>

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# HAPPY SUNDAY TO YOU!

## September 28, 2014

- **WORSHIP & WELCOME**
- **COMMUNION**
- **TITHES/OFFERINGS**  
You can also give via PayPal <http://www.Hillside4.org>
- **COMMUNICATIONS**  
Here's what's happening this week with Hillside
- **CONNECTION TIME**  
This is a 10 or so minute time to interact w/friends, new & old, & grab a cup of coffee & a pastry
- **KID CONNECTION**  
Where kids from Nursery - 5th Grade discover the power of God's Word & God's Love
- **SPEECH - FLIPPED: The Heart Of The Matter**  
Matthew 5:17-30