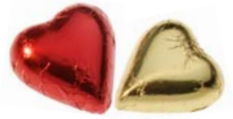


Out of My Mind...

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For Your Consideration...

Given the current economic climate in our country you may be asking yourself, "Where's the bail out for me?" You'll be gratified to know that Dave Scull, Associate Minister for Camping and Youth for Converge MidAtlantic, is offering a stimulus package to bailout your summer vacation prospects.

He'd like you to consider spending your vacation at Camp Burton for Family Camp, Aug 9-14 and have a great family get away! Where else could you go and have programs for adults and children, all your meals prepared, enjoy spiritual renewal and return home not feeling like you need a vacation to recover, for a phenomenal price? All



this plus, the **Burton Money Back Guarantee**. If your family's expectations are not met by your week at Camp Burton, your entire registration fee will be refunded! Isn't it nice to know that someone in higher places is looking out for you??!!

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In My Briefcase...

John Adams
by David
McCullough



Chasing Daylight
by Erwin McManus

X Factor Evangelism
by Michael Wiles



Out in Cyberspace... www.IStandReady.com—outreach & follow-up



From The Field... Pastor Ernie Bartolome describes his January '09 kick-off service

"The idea to do a Banner Day Celebration came when the prophet Isaiah provided us a very clear theme for our worship service: "In that day, the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to Him, and His place of rest will be glorious." (Isaiah 11:10) Clearly this prophetic vision is a direct reference to Jesus Christ as the coming King who He will rally whole nations to Himself.



I tapped our artistically gifted youth pastor, Omar Foote, to do the banners. I was confident he would excel in this area. Initially, he did 12 banners with each one displaying a name/title of Jesus Christ such as The Bright Morning Star, The Lion of Judah, and Immanuel. Each banner had its own character and design. On Sunday morning each banner was carried by a man dressed in a different international costume symbolizing what Revelation 7:9 describes as people from every tribe and nation worshipping before the throne of God. We also distributed among the ladies 24 scrolls on which would be written a Scriptural passage about triumph and victory. During the celebration each one holding a scroll read/recited the passage aloud.



We also employed banner dancers and tambourine girls in the celebration each one wearing colorful attire and waving colorful banners as well. A trumpet and a huge drum were incorporated to add importance to the occasion.

We encouraged everybody in the community to participate so when that Sunday came, 90% of the crowd was wearing colorful and different costumes. It added to the festive atmosphere present in the fellowship hall."

ON OUR PRAYER WATCH:

Alan Gross

Selah: "If your church is full of members, you get an occasional missionary.
If your church is full of missionaries, the rest is just about geography."

Erwin McManus

