



Our Vision

To launch and strengthen a fleet of Christ-following communities who are compassionately sailing through a turbulent culture toward a deeper amazement of God's grace.

Three Implications of Our Amazement

(Indications of the Amazement we already have, as well as catalysts for deeper amazement.)

Exploring

If we are amazed, we will **Explore** God's Grace through digging into Scripture and applying it to the story of our personal and corporate journey.

Experiencing

If we are amazed, we will **Experience** God's Grace through acknowledging our desperation and submitting it to the forgiveness and power of His intervention through Christ, resulting in an authentic relationship with Him as well as others in community, and experiencing daily transformation as a result.

Expressing

If we are amazed, we will **Express** God's Grace by fully engaging with life, worshiping on an everyday basis, communicating the liberating gospel of grace to others, living lives of compassion within and outside the walls of the church, all in an environment of creativity and calling.

One Church, Multiple Locations

Rockrimmon Campus

290 E. Woodmen Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80919

Woodmen Heights Campus

8292 Woodmen Valley View, Colorado Springs, CO 80908

Service Times

Saturdays 6 pm, Sundays 8:45 & 11 am

Video Café Services: Saturdays 6 pm,

Sundays 8:45 & 11 am (Rockrimmon)

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WOODMEN VALLEY
CHAPEL

A DREAM CALLED WOODMEN

Vision Weekend, 2009

Welcome to Woodmen!

Woodmen Valley Chapel (WVC) is one church with multiple locations, Rockrimmon and Woodmen Heights. You will notice as you worship with us today, that while we have pastoral and worship arts teams at both locations, our communities are connected via live video-cast in order to worship together as one church body on both sides of the city. Although geographically separated, both communities are expressions of WVC in every way: the vision, the passion and the invitation to live authentically and abundantly through faith in Jesus Christ.

If you're new to Woodmen...

1. Fill out the tear-off portion of this bulletin and stop by Guest Central

We'd like to greet you personally and answer any questions you may have, as well as offer you a special 'thank you' gift for making Woodmen part of your weekend. Guest Central is located on the lower level of the Worship Center at Rockrimmon or in the Atrium at Woodmen Heights.

2. Grab the latest issue of *The Woodmen Journal* and visit our website

The Woodmen Journal is our monthly magazine filled with stories on what's happening to and through our community. We invite you to flip through the pages and discover what may bring tears, laughter, reflection or amazement at what God is doing. For an in-depth look into all that's going on at WVC, be sure to also visit our website at woodmenvalley.org.

3. We offer a safe place for your children at KidsCove!

We are committed to teaching your children about the Good News of Jesus Christ in a safe, secure environment, offering age-appropriate, biblically-based curriculum. KidsCove, for ages birth through fifth grade, runs concurrently with the weekend adult services.

4. Check out Connections Bookstore & Café ... with free


At Connections, you'll find a vast selection of gifts, books, messages, CDs and Pikes Perk Coffee! We're located on the lower level of the Worship Center at Rockrimmon and in the Atrium at Woodmen Heights, or online at connectionsbookstore.com. All proceeds benefit the ministries of WVC.

Giving Report and Attendance

	Received	Budgeted
Giving Weekend of 9/6/09	\$160,244	\$147,430
Giving Year-to-Date	\$7,818,264	\$7,773,715
Capital Fund	\$27,064	\$695,200

WVC is experiencing continued growth in attendance! The numbers below are provided for review and as a focus of prayer as we welcome new individuals and families to our community:

Average Weekly Attendance	2009	2008
Rockrimmon (August)	3,839	3,949
Woodmen Heights (August)	1,324	1,099
TOTAL	5,163	5,048

 Give securely online at woodmenvalley.org/onlinegiving

Saying YES Arts Conference

Sept. 30, 6:30 pm–Oct. 2, 4:30 pm, RR Worship Center

Join us for passionate worship, powerful teaching and practical equipping for anyone who cares about the place where creativity, God and people intersect. Visit SayingYesArtsConference.com to register or find out more!

Starting Over Workshop

Tuesdays, Sept. 15–Oct. 20, 6:30-8:30 pm, RRWC, Rm 107

This workshop is designed to help those experiencing divorce, separation or loss of a significant relationship. For more info, visit woodmenvalley.org/startingover.

Breckenridge Fall Motorcycle Ride

Saturday, Sept. 19, 8:30 am, RR Upper Parking Lot

Join us for our last ride of the season. Visit woodmenvalley.org/events for details.

Starting Point Orientation/Groups

Sept. 19/20, after each service, Guest Central (both campuses)

Starting Point is a 10-week small group study for those seeking or starting a relationship with God.

Foundations at Woodmen

Classes begin Sunday, Sept. 20 and Wednesday, Sept. 23, Cost: \$10/class

Foundations courses are designed to promote spiritual growth and development. Register online at woodmenvalley.org/foundations.

Crown Financial Small Group

10-week course beginning Sept. 21, 7-9 pm, Cost: \$45/individual; \$55/couple

Crown Small Group is an in-depth study of what scripture teaches about money and possessions. Visit woodmenvalley.org/finance to register or for information.

Fall Colors Hike to Pancake Rock

Saturday, Sept. 26, 8:45 am

Last hike of the season! For directions and more information, contact Pete at peteroberts123@msn.com or visit woodmenvalley.org/catalyst.

Woodmen Classic Golf Tournament

Friday, Oct. 2, 12–6 pm, Kissing Camels Club • woodmenvalley.org/sports

This year's Woodmen Classic will benefit The Homefront Cares. Register online!

Past Sermons & More

Visit woodmenvalley.org/listenonline for MP3s, podcasts, sermon notes and more, or stop by Connections Bookstore & Café for messages on CD.

RR = Rockrimmon Campus • WH = Woodmen Heights Campus
RRWC = Rockrimmon Worship Center • RRCC = Rockrimmon Community Center
RRSC = Rockrimmon Stone Chapel • WVC = Woodmen Valley Chapel

To find out more about everything going on at Woodmen, visit us online at woodmenvalley.org or pick up this month's copy of *The Woodmen Journal*.



iServe Opportunities

September 12/13, 2009

COMMUNITY IMPACT: A.C.T.S.

Please check your area of interest, then complete your contact info on the reverse side of this form. We look forward to serving with you!

Campus: *(please check one)* Rockrimmon Woodmen Heights

MOBILE KITCHEN TEAM

Cook Driver Emergency Response Team

DEPLOYED FAMILIES TEAM

- Provide support and encouragement to military families with a parent or spouse deployed
- Support and care activities

EMBRACE MOTEL MINISTRY

- Food Pantry Clothing Store Celebration Team
- Children's After-School Program Medical Team
- Spiritual Team Operations Team Van Driver

TECH TEAM

Troubleshooting/computer repair Computer consulting

HOME REPAIR TEAM

Provide variety of home repairs/household projects for our community and WVC families

A.C.T.S. SATURDAY

Help serve the community in various ways the second Saturday of every month

SPECIAL EVENTS

Make a Difference Month (Oct. 3,10,17)

SIGN ME UP!

Use me where you need me

Hospitalization

If you or a loved one will be hospitalized and would like prayer or support, contact Terri at 719.388.4974 or tdole@woodmenvalley.org.

Prayer Requests/Comments

- I am going through a difficult time and would like to discuss being connected to a Stephen Minister.
 - Please invite others to pray about this.
 - Please keep this request confidential.
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A DREAM CALLED WOODMEN



September 12/13, 2009 • Matt Heard, Senior Pastor

A Dream Called Woodmen, WVC Vision Weekend

Joel 2:23-32

Dreams. They are what give us life and hope and energy. Dreams are what enable us to dance with each step and truly engage with our journey.

But, too often, our dreams get crushed by the failures and hurts and sins from our past. Pitfalls, whether we've stepped into them or we've been pushed, initiate a landslide of brokenness that piles up within our hearts and suffocates our dreaming. The result is a cowering heart that's afraid to dream again.

The gospel of Jesus Christ is aimed at rebellious and broken hearts that have forgotten what it is to dream. It's about human beings being given the privilege to dream again ... not because of some clever positive mental attitude techniques, but because of God's real, redemptive activity in history and in our hearts.

When we engage with His forgiveness and healing through Christ's work, we're freed to start living again on a journey of shalom, of wholeness. A journey in which our sins and failures and hurts and messes and disappointments are swept up by God's redeeming arms and are repaid with hope and vision. Vision regarding what living life really means and about the realities of eternity. Vision about the purposes He has for each of us.

Generations ago, God spoke to some defeated dreamers — men and women who had stopped dreaming because the centerpiece of their hopes and lives, their crops, had been destroyed by an army of locusts. He assured them with a tone of forgiveness and hope: "I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten ..." (Joel 2:25). He also promised them, as a consequence of Him opening the floodgates of redemption and pouring out His Spirit on them, that they would be able to dream again and see visions and engage with the future (Joel 2:28).

Today we're celebrating God's vision for us as a community of Christ's followers known as Woodmen Valley Chapel. It's a vision that carries with it a scent of redemption: because of His gracious redemption of us from the "locusts" we see in our rear-view mirrors, we are freed to dream about our future — as individuals and as a community — under His leadership. We are called to be, borrowing a phrase from T.E. Lawrence, "dreamers of the day" in which we envision a future under God's calling and leadership.

Today we're celebrating and engaging with our dream: that we might *launch and strengthen a fleet of Christ-following communities who are compassionately sailing through a turbulent culture toward a deeper amazement of God's grace*. It's a dream that defines who He's calling us to be, what He's calling us to do on the journey, and where we're going. It's a dream we can only achieve as we, together, dance to the music of His redemption.

