

Catch the Spark 3
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Are You on Fire?

Leading Adaptively in a New Day

A Cautionary Word

- The power of a fire to burn
- Negative experiences of fire—a home, a church
- The pain of people who have suffered burns

The Power of the Image

- Genesis 19:24
- Deuteronomy 1:33
- Matthew 3:11
- Acts 2:3

Are You on Fire?

- If so, what for?
- If not, why not?

How the Theme and Title Came Together

- Catch the Spark
- It only take a spark...
- *Pass it On*

Pass it On

(song)

Memories

- Presbyterian Point (camp)
- Campfires
- Songs
- Stories
- S'mores

Building a Fire... A Process

- Clearing space
- Gathering wood—tender, kindling, hard wood
- Building the fire
- Tending the fire
- Sustaining the fire—concern that it not go out
- Extinguishing the fire

In Small Groups

- What memories do you have of building a campfire, of sitting around a campfire, of being by a fire in the fireplace in your home?
- What warm feelings emerge as you recall and share these memories?

**Around the Fire:
Warm Feelings and Good Stories
from the Past**

Family Campground at Presbyterian Point

- Beautiful fires
- People gathering—a large circle around the fire
- Campfire stories
- Everyday stories
- Community
- All are welcome to pull up a chair
- Looking forward to tomorrow night...

A Glowing Church...

Good Memories from the Past

- Membership growth
- New buildings
- Programs
- Pastors, staff
- Volunteers
- Children, teens, and families

A Glowing Church...

Good Memories from the Past

- Involvement of members
- Commitment of members
- Healthy church budgets
- Mission—locally, regionally, nationally, internationally
- A confident presence in the community

A Glowing Church...

Good Memories from the Past

- A sense of healthy community
- All are welcome to pull up a chair and sing...

Pass it On...

(song, verse 2)

In Small Groups

- When has your “fire” burned bright as a church?
- How was your “fire” fueled?
- Who searched for new wood?
- Who tended the fire?
- What about the fire and church community encouraged others to *pull up a chair*?

Pass it On...

(song, verse 3)