BUILDING AN ARK

(23rd Anniversary)

IN THE BEGINNING

A. The verse that started it all (Hebrews 11:7 NKJV)

1. Established a name and some key components for the church

THE FIRST ARK BUILDER (Genesis 6:8-11 NKJV)

A. Noah's pattern

- 1. He had a life with God
- 2. He was willing to be different. The entire world was corrupt and full of violence.
- 3. He stayed with God over the long haul
- 4. God's grace impacted his life and the life of his family

LEARNING FROM NOAH

A. Personal takeaways

- 1. We can have a life with God
- 2. A life with God is counter cultural to the world around us
- Our life with God is a long term relationship
- 4. God's grace still provides big in our lives

B. Church takeaways

- 1. By faith we build a modern day ark
- 2. Our obedience helps us build
- 3. Our message is still a message of hope and strength (2 Corinthians 13:14 NKJV)