



TOGETHER

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From Tim Pyles

In the film *Invictus*, Francois Pienaar (played by Matt Damon) wonders aloud, "how you spend 30 years in a tiny cell and come out ready to forgive the people who put you there." Pienaar was the Afrikaner captain of South Africa's national rugby team, who were preparing to meet New Zealand in the finals of the 1995 Rugby World Cup. The subject of his amazement and admiration was South African President Nelson Mandela, played by Morgan Freeman. Mandela spent 27 years in prison, and was finally released on February 11, 1990. Just four years later, he was elected as South Africa's first black President.

Invictus is a powerful film that focuses on Mandela's efforts to bring about racial reconciliation and healing. Violence and hatred had existed for decades on both sides of Apartheid's racial barriers. It is remarkable how much positive ground was gained through Mandela's leadership.

Back to Pienaar's question: "How do you spend 30 years in a tiny cell and come out ready to forgive the people who put you there?" When I heard that line delivered by Damon in the film, my mind immediately connected to another question, one that causes me to feel a simultaneous sense of awe and shame. "How can the spotless Lamb of God, the only true innocent one who has ever lived, willingly go to a cross to suffer an excruciatingly violent and painful death, and ask for the forgiveness of those who put Him there." "Father, forgive them. They do not know what they are doing."

I preach and teach a lot about forgiveness, but sometimes I struggle with it. I don't have difficulty with receiving it, mind you. That is quite easy, and I am most eager to accept it. It is in the dispensing department that I am sometimes found lacking, especially when I feel like I have been misunderstood, unappreciated, or treated unfairly. Theologically and intellectually, I can convince myself that I have forgiven. Then my feelings or obsessive thoughts about a situation will remind me that I have not yet released it, and I am harboring things that can only do me spiritual and emotional harm. The example of Nelson Mandela inspires me and demonstrates to me that I *can* forgive. The example and teaching of Jesus humbles me, shames me, and reminds me that I *must* forgive.

10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Wayne Pope

To God Be the Glory - 4

The Battle Belongs to the Lord - 749

On Zion's Glorious Summit - 227

Shepherd's Prayer – Bruce Binkley

Faithful Love

In Christ Alone

Lord's Supper

Contribution

Days of Elijah

Scripture Reading - John 5:30-47

NO BIBLE HOUR

"Witnesses"

Speaker - Rich Dolan

Wonderful Merciful Savior

When All of God's Singers Get Home - 859

Prayer

5:00 PM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Kyle Thomas

Speaker - Scott Street



**Stay Cool
this Week!**

Shepherds' Corner

"through the Church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known..."

Growing, Strengthening, and Involving the church

Present Action

- The church of Christ at Broken Arrow welcomes YOU
- Welcome Home, Medical Mission Team
- Thanks to Matt Crain for filling in for Scott during the Ukraine emergency change of plans. Thanks for the understanding and flexibility
- Rich Dolan to preach this morning & Scott Street will bring the evening message
- Pray for spiritual growth during the Ukraine Mission campaign
- Let your prayer needs be known. Pray with a shepherd every Sunday morning or Wednesday night during Bible class time in the conference room for any need
- Sign up and participate in 50 Days of Food & Fun
- Summer series this Wednesday. Come hear Dan Schnell
- Summary of Minister/Shepherd's meeting: 6-23-10
 1. Shepherding groups reports given
 2. Medical mission report given
 3. Prayer offered for members & mission efforts

Future View

- Shepherd contact for June - Keith Walvoord

In Mike's Basket

STAGES OF A COLD!

How does a typical husband respond when his wife comes down with a cold?

In the first year of their marriage: "Sugar dumpling, I'm really worried about my baby girl. You've got a bad sniffle, and there's no telling about these things with all the terrible viruses that are going around these days. I'm taking you to the hospital, Dear, where I've reserved a private room for you. I know the food might not be so good, so I've made arrangements to have Buck's cater all of your meals. It's already been okayed with the head nurse."

The second year of marriage: "Listen, Darling, I don't like the sound of that cough and I've called the doctor to rush right over. Now you go to bed like a good girl, and I'll take care of everything."

The third year of marriage: "Maybe you'd better lie down, Honey. Nothing like a little rest when you're feeling lousy. I'll bring you something. Do we have anything to make chicken soup?"

The fourth year of marriage: "Now look, Dear, be sensible. After you feed the kids and do the dishes you better go get some rest."

The fifth year of marriage: "Why don't you take a couple of aspirin?"

The sixth year of marriage: "If you'd just gargle or something instead of sitting around barking like a seal all night..."

The seventh year of marriage: "For Pete's sake, can't you stop that sneezing! You're gonna give me pneumonia or something! Where's the remote?"

Love has a way of growing cold unless we work hard to keep it fresh and alive! If you want a good marriage it takes commitment, time, and a desire to grow closer to your spouse each day. That's true in our human relationships and can be very true in our relationship with God. Read what Peter writes in II Peter 1:5-9. We need to continually add to our faith characteristics of God (characteristics of love) so as to be more effective in our relationship with Him and others. The best news is this: God's love for us never changes! His love knows no measure; it is overflowing! (See Ephesians 2:4,5 & Romans 5:8)

Have a good week! *Mike*

CURRENT EVENTS

JUNE/JULY

Ukraine Mission Trip Continues to 7/5
Senior Trip Continues to 7/1

27 Dolan/Walker Wedding Shower
Take-A-City #7 meeting

29 **MS - Out of Eden & Timothy
Classes****

2 GoldenAgers to Skiatook

4 **Combined Devo****

5 Office Closed for Holiday

6 Clothing Room Opening for
50 Days families

**MS - Out of Eden & Timothy
Classes****

GoldenAgers Social

7-13 **HS Mission to Conifer****

13 GoldenAgers Luncheon

23 Family Fun Night

25-29 VBS

31 Breakfast CONNECTION

FUTURE

Aug 1 Kara Ratzlaff Wedding
Shower

FUTURE: MS &/or HS ONLY

Jun 29 **MS - Out of Eden & Timo-
thy Classes****

Jul 4 **Combined Devo****

Jul 6 **MS - Out of Eden & Timo-
thy Classes****

Jul 7-13 **HS Mission to Conifer****

Camp Lost & Found!!



**Check the table in the
foyer for items left at camp. After
the July 4th weekend all unclaimed
items will be donated to the Cloth-
ing Room.**

Conifer Mission Trip

July 7-13

Sign-up sheets are near
the youth booth. There is
room on the bus for 20
people. Teens & adults
are welcome.



**CHILDREN'S
BIBLE HOUR**

*For 3 year olds thru
1st grade*

**July 4, 2010
NO BIBLE HOUR
Holiday**

July 11, 2010
Lesson 36 – Day of Pentecost
Teach C Hoffmeister
Monitor D Ward

**July 18, 2010
NO BIBLE HOUR
VBS Preparation**

**July 25, 2010
NO BIBLE HOUR
VBS**

August 1, 2010
Lesson 37 – Peter, John & the Lame Man
Teach D Ward
Monitor E Emerson

MISSION TRIP TO UKRAINE

Greetings from Ukraine, and a special greeting to Travis Blevins (who went into the hospital the day before the team to Ukraine was to leave and therefore could not make the trip as planned). For me, it has been an unexpected (about 27 hours before the team was to leave I replaced Travis) pleasure to be here.

Our VBS day camps at the first two cities are going well. At the time of this writing (Thursday), we have teams in Hartsisk as well as Yasnivatia. We are having many visitors and are enjoying the chance to teach the King David. Tonight, cities, then meet for a program will include all Yasnivatia singing some morning and afternoon. chance to bring gospel tendance. We will end and interpreters sing a dren and parents. After- ally with the parents and time. We will be getting the local preacher, Dr. with the visiting families.



On Sunday we will be worshipping in the towns of Gorlovka and Shoktorsk and making preparations for a great week of VBS camp and Bible teaching.

As you can imagine, we have amazing stories of how we are reaching the children and parents. I have seen great team work among each of our teams of teachers! I am incredibly proud in Christ of those who are on this mission trip as we are receiving the benefits of significant spiritual growth! Please keep us in your prayers as we finish our trip. May we be able to keep up our energy and enthusiasm and find ways to overcome any obstacles in our way to teach Jesus and His values to the people of Ukraine.

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, July 4: "God Bless America"

NEW MEMBER: Marie Leniger, 3113 W Pittsburg PI, BA, 74012 ph. 918-459-0797

Congregational News

Pictorial Directory: Be sure to pick yours up in the foyer!! There is one directory labeled for each family. Additional copies without pictures are available.

Wedding Shower for Randall Dolan & Kassie Walker, TODAY at 3 pm in the Fellowship Hall. They are registered at Sears and Target.



GoldenAgers to Skiatook Opry Show: Friday, July 2. Bus will leave building at 4:45 pm for dinner at Delta Café and then on to Skiatook for the musical show at 7:30 pm. Sign-up at the Information Center by Wednesday, June 30 if you plan to go. Questions? See Ron or Gail Baxter.

Clothing Room will be closed for work days until the end of June. It will be open on July 6 for the 50 Days families & July 31 for the general public. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer for volunteers to help on those days.

TEACHERS NEEDED

Men...do you have a desire to influence young minds toward the work of God? We have a need for a 4th grade boys teacher on Wednesday nights. We are looking for one (or more who can rotate) to help nurture our young men in the Lord.

Ladies...a Great opportunity to shape and mold young lives. If you are interested in helping our young women learn more about God we could use you as a teacher in the 4th grade girls class on Wednesday evenings. We are looking for one or more who can rotate to teach and nurture our young ladies in the Lord.

If you are interested in helping in one of these areas, please contact Kevin Lee.

SERVICES

Sunday -- Worship -- 10:00 a.m. -- Bible Class 9:00 a.m. -- Evening 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday -- Ladies Bible Class -- 10:00 a.m. (Sep-Apr)

Wednesday -- Bible Classes and Devotional -- 7:15 p.m.

•Mike Baskett (357-2144)•Scott Keele (286-6403)

•Tim Pyles (991-8457)•Rich Kilmer (806-6742)

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MR. & MRS. RON LEE
ANNOUNCE THE MARRIAGE
OF THEIR DAUGHTER

Renee' Deann Lee

TO

Patrick George Jennings

SON OF PATRICK JENNINGS, SR.

AND LISA JENNINGS DUGGIN



SUNDAY, THE THIRTEENTH OF JUNE

TWO THOUSAND AND TEN



CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

Welcome, Guests!

You honor us with your presence and your willingness to join us in worshipping God.

If you are a member of the Church of Christ and are looking for a place to worship and serve, please consider placing yourself under the oversight of our shepherds and becoming part of our family in serving the Lord.

If you are not a member of a church and would like to learn more about the Church of Christ, we would be honored to answer any questions you may have. If you would be interested in a home Bible study or a Bible correspondence course, please contact Scott Keele at 918-258-9602 or e-mail skeele@bacoc.org.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Menu: Ham Dinner

Serving from 5:30 to 6:45 pm

Cost: Adults \$3.00

Children 6-11 \$2.00

Please mark the attendance card just below your names, indicating the number of adults and children that plan to attend.

**Hope Harbor
Needs:**

*Stroganoff
Dinner Mixes*



PRAYER LIST (continued)

Members: Stephens Copeland, *Marge Curnutt*, *Jo Ella Gotcher*, Steve Hendon, Sherry Holleyman, *Lloyd Lamirand*, *Barbara Poteet*, Coleman Pyles, *Jerry Sampson*, *Jimmy Turner*, Kendy McWherter

Friends & Family: *Earl Anderson* (father of *Erich Anderson*), Jean Anderson (grandmother of *Erich Anderson*), Sandy Barker (co-worker of Tracey Michael), Pam Bell (member at Whispering Hills), Melanie Bennefeld (friend of the Manus'), Wilma Bingley (relative of Vests), *John Burdine* (Jennifer Bradley's father), Sonny Burgess (friend of the Buntins), Sandy Burton & her mother, Bobbie (friends of Bob & Carol Arledge), *Caiden Call* (baby of Colleen Detherage's niece), Bob Carriger (husband of Mary Jane), *Debbie Chovan* (sister of Darlene Mathis), Bob Manard (cousin of Rosie Steele), Joyce McMurrian (friend of Jennifer Bradley), Annette Overton (Rhonda Blackstock's mother), Chip Sears (friend of Holly Parker)

Military: *Shawn Boggs*, *Travis Cardinal*, *Brian Chandler*, *Stevens Copeland*, *Justin Garrison*, *Josh Holcomb*, *David Honea*, *Colby Jacobson*, *Brant Jacobson*, *Zac Leka*, *Rob Lee*, *Eric Lewis*, *Tray & Hope Mamula*, *Michael McCready*, *Matt McGuire*, *Brett Moore*, *Joel Newton*, *Wyatt Paschal*, *Mike Pyle*, *Derrick Roberts*, *John Stephens*, *Chris Wadsworth*, *Christopher Young*

50 Days Adult Help Needed!

Classroom aide/support is needed in the following areas.

Reading **Monday &
Tuesday**

Math **Thursday &
Friday**

Library **Monday,
Thursday & Friday**



VBS WILL SOON BE HERE!

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY II Bible Super Heroes

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (High School & Adult only) for all areas. Sign-up board is in the foyer. Please sign-up and leave a t-shirt size and contact information. See Loretta Turner if you have questions.

Approximately **250 small baby food jars with the lids** (empty and clean) are needed for a craft project. Jars can be left in the Christian Academy VBS collection box in the foyer or given to Loretta Turner.



Thank You

We want to thank all of you for your prayers, cards and visits during my hospitalization. A special thanks to Bill Rhodes for his unexpected kind deed. It meant so much. We appreciate your general concern and kindness during this difficult time. **Bob and Mary Jane Carriger**

Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, food and cards. We are deeply appreciative and sincerely ask for your continued prayers.

In Christian love, **The Ray and Clark families**

Thank you for your support to our family in the passing of Emily. Your words of comfort, prayers, flowers, acts of kindness and especially the funeral meal were very much appreciated. She felt at home with God in your congregation and now she is with Him. **Donald & Jennifer Graves, Andrew & Amanda**

Sympathy

Sympathy is expressed to **Erich and Joy Anderson & family** on the death of Erich's grandfather, Le Roy Grahn, of Wisconsin on Tuesday, June 22.

Heartfelt sympathy goes out to **Vincent & Lisa Dorman & family** on the death of his father, Earl Dorman, of Sperry, Oklahoma. The funeral was Friday at the Sperry Church of Christ.

Condolences are given to **Rachel Pewitt & Darrell Simpson** on the death of their aunt, Iva Sissney, on Wednesday, June 23. Funeral services were in Mountain Home, AR.

Congratulations

Archer & Roxanna Honea on the birth of a grandson, Parker Sampson Love, on Thursday, June 24, 2010. He weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and is 20 inches long. Proud parents are Ryan & Diana Love of McKinney, TX.

Phil & Kendy McWherter on the birth of a granddaughter, Harlow Kate McWherter, on June 19 in Durant, OK. She weighed 5 lbs. 9 oz. and is 18 inches long. Proud parents are Casey & McKenna McWherter. Great-grandmother is **Phylis McWherter** and great-aunts & uncle are **Beth Astor, Nancy McWherter & Gary McWherter**.