



TOGETHER

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By Tim Pyles

As I mentioned in my "Sunday's Coming!" email last week, the time is rapidly drawing near for Kim, Hannah, and Coleman to join me here in Broken Arrow. Please continue to pray that all will go well with the completion of the school year in Texas, the closing on the house here, and the physical move. The elders have been extremely gracious in allowing me to be in Texas when I have needed to be, including last Thursday for Hannah's final high school choir concert.

As I had done a few times before, I drove to Texas after our Wednesday evening service. On a few of those late Wednesday night drives, I have listened to Deutsche Welle Radio (Germany's international broadcaster) which is aired (in English, thankfully!) at 9:00 p.m. on Public Radio 89.5 KWGS. I find it interesting (sometimes enlightening; sometimes amusing) to listen to different perspectives on world news and current events. Last Wednesday evening, there was a story about Gerd Honsik who is currently on trial in Austria and could face up to 20 years in prison. His crime? Denial of the Holocaust. In Austria, it is illegal to propagate the idea that Nazi Germany did not wantonly exterminate millions of Jews. Now, I don't understand how someone could maintain that the Holocaust never happened, but I also can't understand how a country (and a European one at that!) could punish someone for their ideas and their speech, regardless of how wrong and irrational they may be. Disagree with Mr. Honsik? Absolutely! Demonstrate the error of his thinking? Certainly! But, jail him? Apparently, some subjects have become so sensitive that opposing viewpoints cannot even be allowed to be heard. A bit scary, if you ask me!

What about us? Are we willing to listen to those with whom we may disagree, and then test the spirits to see whether or not they are from God (I John 4:1) and examine the Scriptures to see if those things are true (Acts 17:11)? Or, do we merely surround ourselves with those who say what we want to hear (II Timothy 4:3)? Truth has nothing to fear in the open discussion of ideas! "Come now, and let us reason together," (Isaiah 1:18)!

10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Lee Turner

Humble Yourself - 745

I Will Call upon the Lord - 63

Servant Song - 694

Shepherd's Prayer – Ron Baxter

All Things Praise Thee - 43

Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? - 382

Lord's Supper

Contribution

Scripture Reading - Philippians 2:25-30

Seek Ye First - 555

NO BIBLE HOUR

"By Way of Introduction"

Speaker - Tim Pyles

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus - 674

Thank You Lord

Prayer

5:00 PM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Scott Keele

"Looking for Home" - John 14:1-7

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Burnt Cabin Christian Camp

is just around the corner, May 31 - June 6.

Get your application in NOW! Applications are at the youth booth & on the youth page of our website at bacoc.org.



Shepherds' Corner

"through the Church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known..."
Growing, Strengthening, and Involving the church

Present Action

- Thank God for prayer. Thank you to all that participated in our 24 hour prayer marathon
- Thanks to all that helped with the new lighting
- Shepherds are available in the conference room during Bible class on Sundays & Wednesdays to pray for any need. Come by and have the elders pray with you
- Summary of Shepherd/Minister Meeting May 18
 1. Prayer request taken & prayer offered
 2. Reviewed plans for Prayer Marathon
- Pray for Dave Brockway's efforts in Cambodia
- Pray for campers' & counselors' hearts

Future View

- Shepherd contact for May - Dave Larson
- Shepherd contact for June - Richard Mosby
- Next Shepherd/Ministers Meetings - June 8 & 22
- Camp is May 31 through June 6
- New bus campaign to start soon

In Mike's Basket

Communication is to love what blood is to the body. When communication stops, love begins to die. Husbands and wives should be constantly talking about values, aspirations, and Godly goals; or they will never become truly one. What happens so often is a relationship of "married singles." Dr. David Mace, the past president of the American Association of Marriage Counselors wrote: *"Poor communication is the main problem in 86 percent of all troubled marriages."*

Columnist Ann Landers says: *"The most important single ingredient in a marriage is the ability to communicate. If my mail is a fair reflection of what goes on with Mr. and Mrs. America behind closed doors (and I think it is), most marital problems stem from the inability of two people to talk to each other. How precious is the ability to communicate!"*

There are many books being produced today that deal with the problems that occur in marriage. In fact, a common denominator in all of them is this "communication" word! In our **spiritual marriage** with Christ, the same holds true. Almost everyone in the church desires a better prayer life and a better discipline when reading scripture. Talking to God and listening to God in a greater way are much desired! Jesus said: **"Men ought always to pray and not lose heart."** I hope you had the opportunity to experience the 24-hour prayer marathon. What a blessing to those around us and to the church. Paul wrote: **"Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the WILL of God in Christ Jesus for you."** (I Thess. 4:16-18). Let's continue to keep the communication between God a constant one! Have a great week!

Mike

REQUEST: If you can come to Camp Burnt Cabin and help in the kitchen on Thursday, June 4th – we need you! We have all the other days covered but need a couple of volunteers for Thursday! Thanks!

CURRENT EVENTS

MAY

- 22-June 14 Dave Brockway - teaching in Cambodia
- 24 Robbie Riggs & Cassie Tyler Wedding Shower
GoldenAgers Committee Meeting
Homeless Ministry Meeting
HS Devo**
- 27 Kitchen Training
WinGS Book Club Deadline
- 30 **SMORG****
- 31 Take-A-City #7 - Fellowship Hall
- May 31 - June 6 Camp**

FUTURE

- June 1 50 Days of Food & Fun begins
- June 2 GoldenAgers Social
- June 6 GoldenAgers Picnic
- June 7 Promotion Sunday for Nursey Dept thru HS
Ukraine Mission Dinner
Take-A-City #4 Potluck - Parlor
- June 9 MS Gals' "Out of Eden" Class begins & MS Guys' "Timothy" Class begins****
- June 9-15 Senior Trip****
- June 14 GoldenAgers Luncheon
Meagan Tate Tener
Baby Shower
- June 18 S.A.L.T. begins****
- June 19-July 6 Ukraine Mission
- June 20 GoldenAgers Banquet - hosted by teens**
- June 21 3rd Sunday Food, Fellowship & Worship
- June 28-July 1 Work Camp****
- July 4-9 Conifer Mission Trip****
- July 4-12 Medical Mission
- July 11 Family Fun Day hosted by Men's ministry
- July 26-30 VBS**

FUTURE: MS &/or HS ONLY

- May 24 **HS Devo****
- May 30 **SMORG****
- May 31 - June 6 **Camp**
- June 9 **MS Gals' "Out of Eden" Class begins & MS Guys' "Timothy" Class begins****
- June 9-15 **Senior Trip****
- June 18 **S.A.L.T. begins****
- June 20 **GoldenAgers Banquet - hosted by teens**
- June 28-July 1 **Work Camp****
- July 4-9 **Conifer Mission Trip****
- Aug 3 & 4 **HS Six Flags Trip****

** Youth Events

**CHILDREN'S
BIBLE HOUR**

For 3 year olds thru 1st grade

May 31, 2009

Lesson 31 – *The Last Supper*

Teach E Emerson
Monitor F Lynn

June 7, 2009

Lesson 32 – *Jesus Washes the Disciples Feet*

Teach F Lynn
Monitor G Murdock

June 14, 2009

Lesson 33 – *Jesus in Gethsemane, Betrayal*

Teach G Murdock
Monitor H Martin

June 21, 2009

Lesson 34 – *Jesus Before Pilate*

Teach H Martin
Monitor I Honea

I KNOW WHO HOLDS TOMORROW

An elderly man remembered a time with his son. He spoke these words with care, a fondness in his eyes.

"When my son was small, we often walked together out through the fields and neighboring pasture behind the house. At first the little fellow would hold onto my finger, but he found that when he stepped into a hoof-print or stumbled over something, his grip would fail and down he'd go in the dust or snow. Not giving it much thought, my mind on other matters, I'd stop and he'd get up, brush himself off, and grab my little finger again, gripping a little harder this time.

"Needless to say, this occurred frequently until one day as he was brushing himself off, he looked at me and said, 'Daddy?' I replied, 'Yes, Son, what is it?' He said, 'I think if you would hold *my* hand, I wouldn't fall."

At saying this, the elderly father, with redness in his eyes said, "You know, he still stumbled many times after that, but he never hit the ground. Now, as you walk with God, don't try to hold on to Him, let Him hold on to you. You may stumble but He'll never let you fall."

"If the Lord delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm; though he stumble, he will not fall, for the LORD upholds him with his hand." Psalm 37:23-24

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, May 31: *"Walking in the Spirit"*

"In Search of the Lord's Way" at Eureka Springs, AR
Pine Mountain Theater
June 25-27th, 2009 from 2-3 PM each afternoon
Theme: "Back to the Bible for Christian Unity"
(See the bulletin board for more info)

Congregational News

A Wedding Shower for Robbie Riggs & Cassie Tyler TODAY, from 1:30-3:30 pm in the Parlor. They are registered at Crate & Barrell, Pottery Barn and Target.

Homeless Ministry: Meeting TODAY after evening worship in room 200N. Anyone interested in this ministry is welcome.

GoldenAges Committee Meeting TONIGHT after evening worship in room 101N.

Summer Kitchen Training: There will be a mandatory training session for all summer kitchen volunteers & substitutes Wednesday, May 27th in OC 4, during class at 7:15.

Clothing Room will be closed until June 2. Please hold all donations until after June 2.

The OC will be closed in the evenings during the week of camp, May 31 through June 6.

A Baby Shower for Meagan Tate Tener will be Sunday, June 14, from 2 to 4 in the Parlor. Meagan and Brandon are expecting a girl and are registered at Babies-R-Us & Target.

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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-May)

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

•Mike Baskett (357-2144)•Scott Keele (286-6403)•Tim Pyles (214-493-9769)•

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**DO YOU THINK THE
CHURCH NEEDS
A NEW BUS?**



**SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION
JUNE 14TH
GOAL: \$35,000**

Ladies

SECRET SISTERS 2ND QUARTER Want to be a Secret Sister from July—September? See the WinGS table for information about current and future revealings and sign-ups.



Mentoring Profiles are due by the end of May. Please turn them in to Fran Garrett or Loretta Turner.

WinGS Book Club questionnaires are located on the WinGS table in the foyer. Please return to same table by Wednesday night, May 27.

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

**MEALS WILL NOT BE SERVED
DURING THE SUMMER.**

Enjoy your summer vacation time and look for the dinners to resume in September.

Look for opportunities to create new teams or join an existing one.

Hope Harbor Needs:

*Stick Style
Antiperspirant*



May 31, 2009 - TO SERVE
SONG LEADER
Joel Pence

SHEPHERD'S PRAYER
Bruce Binkley

LORD'S SUPPER A.M.

1. Ed Mainprize
2. Mike Martin
3. David Maynard
4. Evan Maynard
5. Steve McDonald
6. Lonnie Miller
7. Wayne Mitchell
8. Bobby Morrow
9. Richard Mosby
10. Robby Mosley
11. Bill Murdock
12. Tim Murdock
13. Dick Page
14. Ken Palmer
15. Jim Parker

PRAYERS FOR LORD'S SUPPER

For Bread - John Huff
For Cup - Gary Jones

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

Keith Kashwer

CLOSING PRAYER

Rich Kilmer

May 31, 2009 - TO SERVE
SCRIPTURE READING
Eric Norris

MORNING NURSERY HELPERS

100S 111S
Gayla Alexander Michelle Bryan
Ashley Bonwell Barbara Craghead

DOORGREETERS

1. Junior & Joyce Ackley
2. Carl & Peggy Alexander
3. Bernard & Carol Anderson
4. Mitchell & Charlene Bean
5. Harold & Dorothy Billings
6. John & Jimmie Cash

USHERS

2. Jerry Lundy
3. Jared Pence
4. Tim Plowman
5. Mike Rampey

INFORMATION CENTER

AM Hosts - Joel & Kathleen Pence
PM Hosts - Lynnda Brown & Alicia Askew

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

AM Hosts - Scott & Mechell Reeder
Sherman & Alice Boley

PM Hosts - Sonny & Rosie Steele
Patrick & Jamie Edison

May 31, 2009 - TO SERVE
SUNDAY P.M. SONG LEADER
Archer Honea

EVENING PRAYERS

Kevin Lawrence
Jim Lee

EVENING NURSERY HELPERS

100S 111S
Tama Davis Betty Crittenden
Ashley Dent Sue Doss

LORD'S SUPPER P.M.

Brett Roper
Brent Saffell

If you will not be available to serve in the area listed, please contact:

LORD'S TABLE

(South) Larry Brewer 357-1433
(North) Dwayne Canton... 281-9171

PRAYERS

Jerry Lundy..... 357-5728

DOOR GREETERS

Gary Southern 355-3131

USHERS

Jerry Lundy..... 357-5728

PRAYER LIST

Hospital/Tests:

Mitchell Bean is home following tests this past week.
Kim Binkley is recuperating at home following surgery on the thirteenth.
Gavin Kuykendall is home recuperating. Post op will be in a couple of weeks.
Alta Lamirand is now at home.
Jack Osborn was moved to ICU 4447 at St. Francis-Tulsa on Wednesday.
Lucas Heffner will report to Ft. Leonard Wood this week to begin training.
Jenna Kate Benedick (newborn niece of Bill & Colleen Detherage) was life flighted to Dallas due to breathing difficulties.
Larry Colangelo (brother of Colleen Detherage) is struggling with complications of recent injuries.
Logan McAfee (grandson of Hal & Linda Logan) scheduled heart surgery has been postponed until June 4.
Members: Allan Butler, *Evan Marshall (in Africa)*, Kayla Minter, Ruby Mitchell, Brent Saffell, *Jared Scism (in Japan)*

Friends & Family: Dennis Arner (friend of Sherrie Slaton), Sindra Arnold (relative of Sherrie Slaton), Norma Boley (sister of Doc Garrett), Dan Boyd (brother of Mignon Harris), John Burdine (father of Jennifer Bradley), Diane Cook (sister of David Parrott), FK Doss (Sue's brother-in-law), Ed Fitzgerald (Lynn Marshall's father),
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WEDNESDAY - June 3, 2009

INFORMATION CENTER

Allan & Sandra Butler

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

Keith & Frances Kashwer
Dick & Madolene Page

STATISTICAL REPORT

Week of
May 17, 2009

Bible Class	461
AM Worship.....	741
PM Worship.....	NA
Wednesday	356
Contribution.....	\$15,400
Budget.....	\$21,016
Contribution YTD.....	\$396,727
Budget YTD.....	\$420,320
Over/(Under)	(\$23,593)

Prayer Chain - Between 8am and 5pm, contact Nancy Johnson (357-3963) or Lois McNeal (251-4561). After 5pm call Mary Sampson (486-5945) or Cynthia Walvoord (355-5144).

PRAYER LIST (continued)

Friends & Family: Galen Groves (father of Gayla Alexander), Kaydn Guess (infant daughter of former members Vernon and Kanna Guess), Matt Mangrum (team member of Ron Lee), Dave O'Meilia (boss of Marjorie Jones' daughter), Glynn Overton (Rhonda Blackstock's grandmother), Marilynn Pruitt (sister of Claudia Updike), Brittany Schaudwald (niece of Marjorie Jones), Kayla Sediacek (friend of Bill & Connie Kimrey), *Margaret Teakell (former member & member at Whispering Hills)*, Kristi Tefertiller (daughter of Ron & Gail Baxter)

Military: Shawn Boggs, Travis Cardinal, Brian Chandler, Steven Copeland, Justin Garrison, Josh Holcomb, David Honea, Colby Jacobson, Brant Jacobson, Zac Leka, Rob Lee, Eric Lewis, Tray & Hope Mamula, Bryan McCall, Matt McGuire, Brett Moore, Joel Newton, Wyatt Paschal, John Stephens, Chris Wadsworth, Travis Williams, Angela Williamson

Shut-ins: Mary Barton, Nina Birge, Helen Broadhurst, Pauline Brown, Ruby Bryan, Ruth Davis, Clifford & Robbie Gilliland, Pete Huntsman, Belton & Dorothy Kuykendall, John D. Lee, Laura Moore, Lonita Nutt, Bill Powers, Jack & Doris Steele, Dorothy Stutz, Pat Tobey

Long-term Illness: Carla Bare, Leslie Brewer, Jim Bryan, Pam Bonwell, Pat Boulter, Candy Butler, Sacia Coleman, Gage Dixon, Ray Duwe, Michael Elliott, Camille Fitzgerald, L.H. Gassaway, Emily Graves, Dee Hall, Lisa Hancock, Vanelle Helm, Roxanna Honea, Herman Johnson, Marjorie Jones, Gavin Kuykendall, Lloyd Lamirand, John A. Lee, Betty Martin, Belinda Mitchell, Wayne Pratt, Don Spink, Sonny Steele, Walt Willson, Paris York

Sympathy

Sincere sympathy is expressed to the **family of Gene Shnell**, a former member. His memorial will be at the Southside Church of Christ in Lawrence, Kansas on Saturday, May 30, at noon. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be sent to the Gene & Sarah Shnell educational Endowment Fund at Hope Harbor Children's Home.

Deepest sympathy is sent to **Dee & Naomi Hall** on the death of Dee's sister, Phyllis George, on Tuesday, May 19. Her service was on Friday.

Thank You

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ, Thanks seems so little for all the prayers, calls, and cards for me during my surgery. We love you very much. In Christian Love, **Jess & Ruby Mitchell**

My Dear Christian Friends, Thank you for all your prayers, cards, food and concern for my health. I am doing better and know that God continues to take care of me. In Christ, **Sharon Love**

Dear Church Family, Thank you for the many prayers, calls, visits, cards, flowers and food we received over the loss of Anita. It is such a comfort to be surrounded by loving brothers and sisters in Christ. In Christian Love, **Don, Michael, Donnita & Abby Butts**

BA Church of Christ, The Teacher Appreciation Week Breakfast was outstanding! So cute and delicious. We appreciate everything you have done for us throughout this year. **Sherri Kindley, Principal & teachers of Rhoades Elementary School**

Congratulations

Robert L Brown, son of Lynnda Brown, graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's degree in Aerospace Engineering. Robert will remain at A&M as he begins his graduate work.



Congregational News (continued)

50 Days of Food & Fun: Sign-ups are available in the foyer. We are currently staffing for the month of June. There is still need for someone to teach a couple of days of math. Help is needed on Fridays during meal time & several are still needed for clean-up.



GoldenAgers Picnic: All "GoldenAgers" please join us for our annual picnic at the home of George & Phyllis Gwinn on Saturday, June 6th, 4:00 pm. Bring only your lawn chairs and a dessert. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided with all the extras. Plan to be with us for fun and fellowship.