



TOGETHER

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By Mike Baskett

You knew it was coming didn't you? Some "reflection" from my recent leg injury, so here is one of the many lessons learned! As I was laying in bed the other night, laptop on my lap, some snack items on the bedside stool, a nice cold Powerade recently "hand-delivered" by my lovely wife, and feeling pretty calm and relaxed from the drug-induced, pain-free, state of euphoria that said drugs produced...life was good! One of the kids came in and kind of, under their breath said: "Must be nice." Nice? Really? Oh, I get it, the laying around, working from home, eating good snacks, getting a Powerade, and feeling good (for now) "must be nice." How about the: can't drive for 4 months, can't walk without crutches, can't carry anything without help, can't take a shower, can't keep your foot down for more than two hours, can't survive without said drugs, can't bowl, can't play catch, can't mow the yard, can't....can't....can't.... I told my child, "I'll trade you, right now, no questions asked!" "Uhhhhhh, no thanks!" You see, what it **cost** to get to the **on your back, being served stage** was NOT worth it! There was definitely a perception problem.

Hey, Mike, this is an article about missions...what gives? I think mission-work sometimes has a perception problem. Well, it just seems to me that when we went to Conifer everyone kept saying things like, "Thanks for giving up your time." "Thanks for taking time out of your busy schedule." "Thanks for sacrificing your time." What? Are you kidding? This is the EXACT OPPOSITE of the above paragraph! We loved serving the congregation in Conifer! We loved *being served* by the congregation in Conifer! It was an amazing trip! We didn't have to sacrifice anything to receive this blessing! I know speaking for myself and Karen, and gauging the comments of those who attended the Conifer trip, there was no "sacrifice of time" or "feeling of drudgery" for attending that trip! We were honored, excited, willing participants who were blessed from the experience! I mean truly blessed to serve our Lord and Savior and we came home changed people! We didn't have to give up anything to serve in this capacity, we, in fact, were the ones who received! I can't tell you how blessed YOU will be to attend a mission trip of any kind. You are following the will of God, you are doing what every Christian is commissioned to do, and

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10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Joel Pence

Unto Thee, O Lord - 794

Faith Is the Victory - 469

Shepherd's Prayer – Tim Walton
On Zion's Glorious Summit - 227

Low in the Grave He Lay - 344

Lord's Supper

Contribution

Mission Forum Purpose Cards

Praise Him! Praise Him! - 300

BIBLE HOUR - Jesus & Nicodemus
Scripture Reading - I Corinthians 15:1-11

"Dear Church: Death Doesn't Win!"

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Jesus Is Tenderly Calling - 947

The Glory-Land Way - 535

Prayer

5:00 PM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Erich Anderson

Mission Reports

**Coming
Next
Sunday!!**

 It's time to
"Fall Back!"
Daylight Savings Time
Ends Sunday at 2am

Mission Forum

**9 AM Bible Class
in Auditorium**
(5th Grade & Up)

10 AM Worship

**World Potluck Dinner
followed by
Afternoon Worship
in Outreach Center**

Shepherds' Corner

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

Growing, Strengthening, and Involving the church

Present Action

- Welcome to the church of Christ at Broken Arrow
- Shepherds are available in the conference room during Bible class on Sundays & Wednesdays to pray for any need. Come by and have the shepherds pray with you
- Welcome our new members. Help them get involved in our work
- Summary of Ministers/ Shepherds Meeting 10-19-09
 1. Involvement & Equipping Ministry presented by Paul West and Reese Parker
 2. Mission Forum Worship – elder involvement planned
 3. Round table discussion of Shepherding groups. Prayer offered regarding blessings, health, and specific needs
- Life Group information meeting TODAY at 3 pm

Future View

Shepherd contact for October - Bruce Binkley

Shepherd contact for November - Steve Copeland

Mission Forum - November 1

Next shepherd/ministers meetings - November 2 & 16

Relationships Matter - December 6-9

In Mike's Basket

This is Tim writing in "Mike's Basket" today while Mike shares some thoughts related to missions on page 1. Since I wrote about Scott when I invaded his space in last Sunday's bulletin, it is only fitting that I communicate some things about Mike today.

I first met Mike and Karen Baskett when they were serving with the Walnut Hill church in Dallas a few years ago. As I mentioned last week, Walnut Hill is a congregation where Kim and I, as well as Scott and Kim Keele, share a common history. What are the chances that three of the ministers at the Broken Arrow church would have a ministry background at the same church in Dallas? No chance at all; just Providence. We learned through friends at Walnut Hill about Mike and Karen's passion for youth ministry and their effectiveness in maturing young Christians and leading them in reaching out to their friends with the message of salvation. They were deeply loved and greatly appreciated at Walnut Hill. In early 2007, I attended a Dallas area ministers' luncheon and was informed by Mike that he and his family had just accepted a new ministry in Oklahoma and would soon be moving to work with Christ's church in Broken Arrow. His excitement and enthusiasm about the transition was extremely evident.

Last December, when I learned that the Broken Arrow church was still searching for a pulpit minister, Mike was the first person I called. That conversation led me to pursue further contact with the elders. On the Sunday that my family and I visited BA in early February of this year, we had lunch with the Baskett family. We talked about our families, our ministries, and what the Lord was doing through His church in Broken Arrow. That discussion and our immediate comfort level and affinity with the Basketts was a significant part of our decision to accept the elders' invitation to join the work here. In the months that have followed, I have witnessed firsthand the talent, commitment, energy, passion, maturity, sincerity, and love that Mike and Karen demonstrate in working with the youth at Broken Arrow. They are a vital part of our ministry staff and a blessing to the entire congregation!

CURRENT EVENT

OCTOBER

25 Fall Good Guy Carnival
HS Devo**

31 Trunk or Treat, 5-7 pm

FUTURE:

Nov 1 Mission Forum & World
Potluck Luncheon
Medical Mission Reception
for Belize Minister
MUDD

Nov 3 GoldenAgers Social

Nov 7 Wives of Deacons Brunch

Nov 8 GoldenAgers Luncheon
Shara Stidham Baby Shower

Nov 10 Ladies Bible Class &
Luncheon: **Westview Boys
Home Piggy Shower**

Nov 13-15 GoldenAgers to
Branson

Nov 15 Kyler Roper Baby Shower
Area Wide Skate Nite**

Nov 20 Christian Business
Breakfast

Nov 20-22 Fall Retreat**

Dec 4-5 Men's Retreat

Dec 6-9 Relationships Matter

Trunk or Treat, 5-7 pm

We will be providing a safe "Trick or Treat" environment for local neighborhood children on our parking lot. The idea is to sit in the parking lot with your "trunk open" and have candy to hand-out to the kids... if you want to decorate, wear costumes, etc...it's up to you! Come help the kids have a safe Halloween.



Teens

HS DEVO

TONIGHT

@ JON & LIZ HUFF'S
HOME

EVERYONE BRING \$2!!

**PLUS BOYS BRING POP
& GIRLS BRING DESSERT**

A BUS WILL BE AVAILABLE

**CHILDREN'S
BIBLE HOUR**

*For 3 year olds thru
1st grade*

November 1, 2009
NO BIBLE HOUR
Mission Forum

November 8, 2009
*Lesson 8 - Jesus Cleanses
the Temple*
Teach H Martin
Monitor I Honea

November 17, 2009
*Lesson 9 - The Samaritan
Woman at the Well*
Teach I Honea
Monitor J Saffell

November 22, 2009
*Lesson 10 - Jesus Heals the
Nobleman's Son*
Teach J Saffell
Monitor K Larson

November 29, 2009
NO BIBLE HOUR

12 Reasons Family Devotionals are Important

1. They unify the family and sweeten the home life.
2. They cultivate Christian graces and relieve tensions that sometimes threaten family unity.
3. They aid boys and girls (and grandkids) in becoming Christians, and help them to develop ideals and character.
4. They yield spiritual resources for daily tasks and cultivate dependence upon God.
5. They strengthen in the face of adversity and enable greater trust in God.
6. They make us conscious of the daily abiding presence of our Savior and Friend.
7. They allow others to know that we are Christians.
8. They under-gird the teaching of the Bible class.
9. They afford opportunity to pray for and to sharpen concern for lost souls.
10. They help give the right place to spiritual values and reduce concern for the temporal things in an age of materialism.
11. They encourage practical Christianity.
12. They honor God and provide an excellent outlet for the expression of our gratitude.

(Author unknown. taken from the Jacksonville church of Christ newsletter, *Glad Tidings of Good Things*)

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, November 1: *"1st Century Christianity in the 21st Century"*

Born Again: Congratulation to **Heath Nicholas**, friend of Lauren McCullin, for accepting Jesus as his personal savior on Monday, October 19.
Congratulations to **Isaac Michael** for choosing to put his Lord on in baptism on Wednesday evening, October 21.

New Members: **Russell, Tara, Brooke & Sydni Ryan**, 6415 S 221st E Ave, BA, 74014 ph: 906-6487
Don & Karen Ames, 805 W Helena St, BA, 74012 ph: 355-4211
Daniel Byers, 1111 E 133rd St. Glenpool, 74033 ph: 630-4191
Nick & Stephanie White, 1123 N Main St, #7, Tulsa, 74106 ph: 640-0061

Congregational News

"Life Group" informational meeting TODAY from 3:00 to 5:00 in the Auditorium. Anyone who is interested in serving as a potential Group Leader, Co-Leader or just interested in finding out more information regarding Life Groups, is invited to attend the meeting (men and women). Patrick Edison, Jim Hoffmeister and Tim Pyles will present the proposal approved by the Elders and show a DVD explaining Life Groups.

BA Christmas Parade Planning Meeting is TONIGHT in the Fellowship Hall following evening worship. Broken Arrow Church of Christ will be sponsoring a float in the parade (December 5th @ 10 am) this year. We are looking for volunteers to help build & decorate the float. Questions? See Kristina Dixon.



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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 (991-8457)• Rich Kilmer (806-6742)

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Go Light the World!
\$160,000
Goal
Come be a
part of it!
Mission Forum 2009
October 25th - November 1

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you are being molded, changed, and blessed beyond anything you will ever experience. Jesus knew what He was talking about when He said, ***“Even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together.”*** There is great joy in doing the work of God! We felt a “gladness” of being together with another group of Christians 750 miles away...working together, serving together, worshipping together...it is a joy money can't buy! I highly recommend it!

Wednesday Night Meals

Menu: Chili Your Way

Serving from 5:30 to 6:45 pm

Cost: Adults \$3.00

Children 6-11 \$2.00

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

Hope Harbor Needs:

Evaporated Milk



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.

November 1, 2009 - TO SERVE
SONG LEADER
Matt Hoffmeister

PRAYERS

Dave Larson
Charles Emerson
Steve Copeland

LORD'S SUPPER A.M.

1. Kevin Guillette
2. Lee Turner
3. Jimmy Turner
4. Harold Tydings
5. David Updike
6. Cameron Walker
7. Terry Walker
8. Jim Walton
9. Tim Walton
10. Keith Walvoord
11. Joshua Wann
12. Steve Wann
13. Rick Ward
14. Jeff Watson
15. John Wells

PRAYERS FOR LORD'S SUPPER

For Bread - Gary Jones
For Cup - Richard Davis

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

Rich Kilmer

CLOSING PRAYER

David Maynard

November 1, 2009 - TO SERVE
SCRIPTURE READING
NA

MORNING NURSERY HELPERS

100S	111S
Kristina Dixon	Francis Gillin
Sue Doss	Lori Gillin

DOORGREETERS

1. Robert & Tracey Michael
2. Richard & Emma Mosby
3. Bill & Jean Murdock
4. Linda Reeder & Brett Roper
5. Brent & Barbara Saffell
6. Tom & Karen Scism

USHERS

2. Cliff Fitzgerald
3. Rocky Giles
4. Bill Hancock
5. Archer Honea

INFORMATION CENTER

AM Hosts - Jeff & Deanna Watson
PM Hosts - NA

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

AM Hosts - Nathan & Wendy Lee
Steve & Jackie McDonald

PM Hosts - NA

November 1, 2009 - TO SERVE
SUNDAY P.M. SONG LEADER
Matt Hoffmeister

EVENING PRAYERS

Ron Baxter
Tim Walton

EVENING NURSERY HELPERS

100S	111S
Kristi Foreman	Gloria Hale
Ganesa Guillette	Sharon Hamilton

LORD'S SUPPER P.M.

Paul West
Ray Wilburn

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:

Leslie Brewer has returned home following surgery at MD Anderson in Houston.

Marge Curnutt is struggling with health problems.

Ray Duwe has been moved to room 6118, St. Francis.

Camille Fitzgerald will start radiation & chemo on both lungs in the next couple of weeks.

Tabitha Hanson showed an "all clear" concerning her cancer.

Carolyn Keele had back surgery on Thursday at Oklahoma Surgical Hospital. No Visitors.

Faith & baby Brody Kuykendall are expected go home this weekend.

Carolyn Lee will have knee surgery on Thursday, October 29.

Joyce Burdine (mother of Jennifer Bradley) began radiation treatments on Friday.

Shelby Pyles (mother of Tim Pyles) is in the hospital with a broken arm, caused from a fall.

Members: Mike Baskett, *Laura Copeland*, *Georgiana Dixon*, *Robbi Gilliland*, *Tabitha Hansen*, Naomi Hall, *Gavin Kuykendall*, Jim Lee, *John D. Lee*, Darlene Mathis, James Mitchell, Tim Plowman, *Jared Scism (in Japan)*, *Karen Scism*, *Don Spink*

Friends & Family: Larry & Shirley Addington (brother-in-law & sister of Barbara Craghead), Earl Anderson (father of one of our new members, Erich Anderson),
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WEDNESDAY - November 4, 2009

INFORMATION CENTER

Tracey Michael & Sue Doss

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

Lonnie & Joni Miller
Terry & Dawn Walker

STATISTICAL REPORT

Week of
October 18, 2009

Bible Class	390
AM Worship	624
PM Worship	NA
Wednesday	431
Contribution	\$19,716
Budget	\$21,016
Contribution YTD	\$840,575
Budget YTD	\$882,672
Over/(Under)	(\$42,097)

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: LeAnna Blanchard (sister of Shane Blackstock), Juanita Caton (sister of Dorothy Billings & Ken Tobey), Alex Chmielewski (11 yr. old grandson of Fran Garrett's friend), Larry Coleman (brother-in-law of Lisa Dorman), Josh Detherage (16 yr. old nephew of Bill & Colleen), Oben Farrant (brother-in-law of Arlene Reed), Nita Fluke (sister-in-law of Fran Garrett), *Marilyn Herndon (sister of Mary Byrd)*, Marge Keirse (friend of Joyce Ackley), Carmelita McCoy (mother of Terry Willson & grandmother of Gary McCoy), Opal Pritchett (grandmother of Chris Slaton), Willard & Shelby Pyles (parents of Tim Pyles), Evalyn Sneed (mother of Denny Sneed), *Margaret Teakell (former member & member at Whispering Hill)*, Frankie Weir (mother of Dana Turner)

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

Congratulations to Adam & Faith

Kuykendall on the birth of their second son, Brody, on Thursday, October 22. **Brody** weighed 8 lbs 9oz. Mother & baby are doing well. **Gavin** is the very proud big brother.

Thank You for all of your prayers, food, visits and flowers. Your generosity during this time has given us all great strength.

Janice Pratt & family

Happenings Around the Area & Beyond

Oklahoma Christian Women's Association Harvest Dinner, Dessert, & Silent Auction

Thursday, November 19 @ 6:30 pm

Memorial Drive Church of Christ

747 S Memorial

For more info see the bulletin boards in the foyer.

The Role of Women In the Church

Presented by Phil Sanders
of the Search TV Program

Thursday, November 5 at 7 pm

At the Church of Christ in Wagoner

901 E Cherokee

For more info see the bulletin boards in the foyer.

More Congregational News

Mission Forum Change Cans can be returned to the table below the Wyoming flag in the foyer at any time. This year the change will go to Ukrainian orphans.

GoldenAgers Trip to Branson, MO last day to sign up is next Wednesday. Questions? See Ron or Gail Baxter.

Take-A-City #4 REZ REVIEW may be picked up at the Information Center.

Wives-of-Deacons Brunch: Saturday, Nov. 7th, 9:00-11:30, hosted in the home of Kim Pyles. RSVP to Kim at 994-7609

BABIES, BABIES, BABIES There will be a **shower for Shara Stidham** on Sunday, November 8, from 1 to 2:30 in the Parlor. Branden & Shara are registered at Babies-R-Us and Target. They are expecting a girl.



There will be a **shower for Kyler Roper** on Sunday, November 15, from 2 to 4 in the Parlor. Brett & Kyler are expecting a boy and are registered at Babies-R-Us and Wal*Mart.



Westview Boys' Home —Tuesday Ladies Bible Class' 15th Annual Piggy Bank Shower will be Tuesday, November 10. The goal this year is to collect enough money to sponsor five

boys and their pigs. This works out to be \$2500. Everyone is invited to be a part of this program. A brunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall following Ladies Bible Class and men are welcome to attend.

Secret Sisters: if you have not received your new secret sister, please check the gold box on the SS table.

Lap Robes are needed by Nov. 25th. We currently only have about twenty on hand. Please contact Berniece Rumsey if you have someone special that you would like to receive a hand made lap robe. 286-1473