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Underdog

There was a TV cartoon back in the 60's called "Underdog" about a little puppy, named "Shoeshine Boy," who had a portable shoe shine box, and he'd do your shoes for a small price. Nobody could imagine, however, that little, humble, timid Shoeshine Boy was really "Underdog!", the heroic canine who flew about and fought like Superman, and who took upon him the cause of the little guy, like him. It was a hit!

The underdog has always been a hit with Americans, the one least favored to win, the one to whom opportunity and success offered little hope. Many cheered on the New York Giants in the Super Bowl, because they were the underdogs. They were battling a team which had proven their mettle during the season, not one loss to their record, the great New England Patriots; yet, to the delight of many, the Giants won.

In the Bible, too, there have been underdogs. The stalwart sons of Jesse were brought before Samuel the prophet who was looking for the identity of the new King of Israel. Surely, Jesse thought, it would not be the little brother out in the sheep pasture. When young David finally passed before Samuel, the Lord said, "He's the one," and the prophet poured the oil of anointing on the head of the new King of Israel (1 Samuel 16).

Slow-talking Moses thought he was too verbally backward to speak out, to defy Pharaoh, and lead the twelve tribes of Israel out of 400 years of hard slavery, but he was the one whom the Lord tapped for the job (Exodus 4:1-14).

Jesus was born to a manger by an "insignificant" young lady of the first century. At that time there was nothing in his background, except perhaps His bloodline, that would indicate He would be qualified, but others could have met that particular requirement. *"Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; and when we see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him. He is despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him"* (Isaiah 53:1-2).

The odds-makers would never have forecasted it. They made the classic mistake that people always seem to make with God, *"You thought that I was altogether like you"* (Psalms 50:21). In other words, "You have bet on the favorite, but I have picked the winner."

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For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For the innocent who are suffering in the midst of war.

For the “people in the box” the lost in our families and community.

For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ in our own time

For marriage to stand in our laws as God ordained it.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chetri

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel

Praise Report: Rick Richmond’s recent MRI reveals great improvement in his battle with the brain tumor. He is having a port installed soon to facilitate his chemotherapy and other procedures. He is also having a screen installed to prevent the blood clot in his leg from moving any closer to his heart.

Emerson Coriell had his third round of chemotherapy on Friday.

Sarah Gilliland’s tests reveal infection in the discs of her spine. Thursday she goes to Riverside for a biopsy of her spine.

Alex Cram goes for an appointment on Monday regarding the build up of spinal fluid pressure and the resultant periods of blindness. This is a very important appointment for Alex.

Cathy Ramey had her back surgery last week. She is home now but is still in much pain.

Ellen Lemon has been diagnosed with endometrial cancer. She has an appointment in Columbus on 3/25 to schedule a surgery. Initial assessment is that this is treatable.

Patsy Graff was in an auto accident on Wednesday but was not injured. She fell at work on Friday and broke her right arm.

Loretta Skaggs is in SOMC with liver failure.

Hannah Ludwick (3 yr old relative of the Lindeman family) in critical condition following surgery for removal of a brain tumor.

Michael Corbin (friend of the Lindeman family) suffered a massive stroke while driving his car in Denver, CO and did not get to the hospital for several hours. He is in a deep coma and his family has been asked to consider taking him off life support.

Becky Blume and Chris Blume (relatives of Donnie Miller) have both been readmitted to OSU Hospital with complications from abdominal surgery and Crohn’s disease, respectively.

Spirit Club Parents, Look!

Due to all the family activities usually associated with Easter, we will not be having the Spirit Club meeting this evening. However, **next Sunday, we resume our schedule.** At 5:30 pm we have our end of the month **Spirit Club Party** (ice cream this time) at 5:30 pm. This is for students who have been faithful in coming to the Spirit Club meetings. Parents, if you want to make yourself an ice cream sundae, give a dollar to Kim McCray to cover the cost. At 6 pm we go back out to the auditorium to work on our verses.

Just A Reminder to Everyone

We expect that things may be crowded today in our AM service. Please try to move up to the front and over to the middle of the pew as you seat yourself this morning. That will help alleviate the crowding problem.

Youth Service Next

Sunday PM

Next Sunday evening we will be suspending all of our classes so that everyone can be in the auditorium for our youth service. The young men of the congregation will be leading us in worship. Check the Bible Study Curriculum to see how this affects our classes for the weeks following.

Dr. John Hare at SSU

Dr. John Hare will be giving his lecture, “Can We Be Good Without God?” on Tuesday, March 25, at 7:30 pm in the Flohr Lecture Hall in Clark Memorial Library at SSU. Dr. Hare is the Noah Porter Professor of Philosophical Theology at Yale Divinity School and the author of The Moral Gap and Why Bother Being Good? He argues that any system of ethics/morals that does not rely on a Creator is weak and ineffective. The presentation is free to the public.

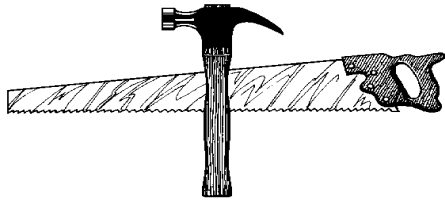
Verse of the Month

I Jn 3:16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us...

Big Tents for VBS

We will need to have five outdoor sites for our VBS this year. So we are needing 5 large (200-250 sq feet minimum) tents or canopies to have those classes. We have 2 substantial canopies (20 X10) already promised. Do you have a canopy/awning/tent that you would loan to us for the week of VBS? If so, get with Steve Miller immediately. Otherwise, we will be renting tents.





Bible Study Curriculum

Update on Future Expansion and Budget

The elders announced last Sunday evening that the budget goal for 2008 for Future Expansion has been increased from \$50,000 to \$250,000. The congregation's response as seen in the contribution over the last two weeks has been overwhelming. The numbers on the board do not reflect an additional \$5000 plus that has been given each week either for chairs or for the new building. The need for more room has also become more and more pressing. We are adding people to the congregation on a weekly basis. The elders believe we need to move forward in faith as quickly as possible. It is the goal of elders to have the new building site selected and the money to pay for it in hand (estimating \$250,000) before the end of 2008. The elders are creating a building fund to receive any special contributions that are made toward the new building. There will be a graph tracking the build up of the funds as they come in.

In the meantime, steps will be taken to increase the space available for auditorium seating, classroom space and parking. But the church needs to remember that all of these are only temporary fixes. The permanent solution will involve moving to a new site and facility.

Sunday

3/23	Acts 27-28
3/30	No class-Teen Service
4/6	Romans 1-2
4/13	Romans 3-4
4/20	Romans 5-6
4/27	Romans 7

Wednesday

3/26	Micah 1-6
4/2	Nahum 1-3
4/9	Habakkuk 1-3
4/16	Haggai 1-2
4/23	Zechariah 1-8
4/30	Zechariah 9-12



3/29	Angel Food Delivery 8:30-9:30 a.m.
3/30	PM Youth Service (no classes)
4/25-27	Youth Retreat @ Fort Hill
5/26	Memorial Day Parade in Minford
6/23-27	Vacation Bible School @ Sunshine
7/13-19	Sunshine Week @ Fort Hill Camp

VBS Leaders Needed

We had a great VBS last year, but I think we may have a better one this year. We're working on the theme of **LOST CITIES OF THE BIBLE**. We are going to take our VBS students to 12 different Biblical cities over the course of VBS, three each night. They'll learn something about the city itself, but they will also become part of a reenactment of some Biblical event that happened in that city.

We need at least TWELVE dedicated people to take on the planning and building of a lost city and then to figure out how to portray the event that happened in the city. There are already some ideas in place but the leaders are free to work with the city in the way that they see fit. We have \$100.00 budgeted for each city. Some of our locations will be under tents outside. (Yes, we have run out of room in the building.) At this point, we may be setting up as many as

five large open-wall tents for VBS. We're planning a VBS for 200 students and about 80-90 adults and helpers. This will be a huge challenge for us, but I can "see" it happening and it will be a VBS to remember.

THE SHEETS WHICH DESCRIBE EACH CITY ARE ON THE SOUTH WALL OF THE AUDITORIUM. MORE THAN ONE PERSON CAN SIGN UP TO CREATE A CITY, BUT WE DEFINITELY NEED AT LEAST ONE DEPENDABLE PERSON FOR EACH CITY. THERE ARE OTHER JOBS LISTED TOO: Auditorium Decoration, Refreshments for VBS, Picnic Meal for Friday's program, teachers for Cradle Roll, the Two's and the Three's. We are eliminating the craft/activity period and incorporating more activity and craft type things in the "city visits." I would like to have these spots filled by Sunday, April 13. VBS will be held June 23-27 this year, from 6:30-8:45 pm. Pray hard, work hard and God will bless this VBS.



Our Mission: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

Your Mission: "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4

Those Who Serve

<u>Sunday Morning</u>	<u>March 23</u>
Welcome & Prayer	Wayne Gampp
Song Director	Nick Davis
Scripture Reading	Steve Williams
Prayer	Gabe Coriell
Lord's Supper –Bread	Rich Book
Wine	Spike Ferrell
Server 1	Chuck Allison
Server 2	Troy Gahm
Server 3	Dale Gampp
Server 4	Barry Gampp
Server 5	David Gampp
Server 6	Josh Coriell
Message	Jamie Riley
Closing Prayer	Greg Coriell

<u>March 30</u>
Tom Kelley
Ralph Gampp
Aaron McCray
Mike Gampp
John Berry
Jason Coriell
Eric McLaughlin
Ryan Coriell
Gregg Ferrell
Jack Jennings
Ira Coriell
Mark Risner
Steve Miller
Bill Gammon

Regular Service Times

Sunday
Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 p.m

Wednesday
Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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Sunday Evening

Song Director	Aaron McCray
Scripture Reading	Gary Glispie
Lord's Supper	Matt Hoskins
Assist	Jacob Miller
Prayer	Eric McLaughlin
<i>Bible Class Text</i>	<i>Acts 27-28</i>

TEEN SERVICE

Wednesday Evening

Song Director	Mark Gampp
Prayer	Caleb Miller
<i>Bible Class Text</i>	<i>Micah 1-6</i>

Zach Coriell
Jeff Hayward
<i>Nahum 1-3</i>

Children's Bible Time

March 3/5: Kim McCray, Aaron McCray
March 6/8: Kendra Cram, Derria Kelley, Meaghan Miller
April 3/5: Mary Beth Coriell, Ira Coriell, Josh Coriell, Christian Coriell
April 6/8: Kristin Riley, Jessie Coriell, Renee Higbee

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please make arrangements for a substitute. Thank you.



SCRIPT-O-GRAM

Decode the scripture from Acts 28 below. Hints U=S, B=E
Solution will be posted on bulletin board.

S B Z X C K L T K X G B P B J L P B

Q K X L A L Q, X G D X X G B

U D H W D X Z L K L J N L M Z U U B K X

Q K X L X G B N B K X Z H B U, D K M

X G B A T Z H H G B D P Z X.

Script-O-Gram Solution

**BE IT KNOWN THEREFORE UNTO YOU,
THAT THE SALVATION OF GOD IS SENT
UNTO THE GENTILES, AND THEY WILL
HEAR IT.**

Acts 28:28

Full Alphabet Map

D = A	K = N
S = B	L = O
I = C	Y = P
M = D	O = Q
B = E	P = R
J = F	U = S
N = G	X = T
G = H	Q = U
Z = I	W = V
F = J	T = W
C = K	E = X
H = L	A = Y
V = M	R = Z