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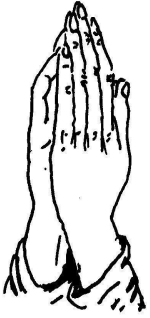
Speaking Buffalo

We traveled to the Wichita Mountains recently to take in some of the local terrain. As we were pulling into the visitor's center, a group of buffalo were leaving. At the back of the herd was a huge bull, with his tongue hanging out, making grunting/groaning sounds. As they ambled past and were only a few feet from the car, my daughter, Marlie, started doing a very close imitation of the grunting from the bull. I'm not sure what she was saying (it could have been something about his mama or come over and see me some time or he may have even thought our white car was the spirit cow), but I saw that bull roll his eyes and start paying attention to the car. At this point I said, "Marlie maybe you better stop doing that," and the buffalo "roamed" without any ugly incident.

For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man's spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words (1 Corinthians 2:11-13).

We may not be able to understand buffalo, but we can know the words of God. It was given to us as a gift in the form of the Holy Spirit. I know we sometimes get a little skittish when we talk about the Spirit, and even more squeamish when we talk about, "Speaking in the Spirit," but we need to embrace the True Spirit as the precious gift that it is. Look at this verse in 1 Corinthians. The Spirit lets us understand what God has, ***"Freely given us." It also lets us use the power that dwells in us when we are living by the Spirit (Ephesians 3:20)*** and it lets us speak to God not with only words but our very hearts, minds and emotions. ***"In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express (Romans 8:26)."*** I would say that is much more useful than speaking buffalo.

—Wade McKnight



For our nation as we are going through troubled times

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 Todd Fulkerson (Special Forces in Afghanistan--known to Gabe Coriell)

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.

**Please
Pray
For...**

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chetri

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

Lacie Rodriguez (25 years old, friend of Becky (Miller) Butcher) has been in critical condition waiting for a small intestine transplant. Her mother (Laura), her husband (Jose) and Lacie have been struggling for months in a lot of different areas and need our prayers and help.

Lowell Brown (Peggy Hollback's brother in Nashville, TN who has been hospitalized for a motorcycle accident for past 8 weeks) now out of the hospital, but a long recovery ahead.

Kayleigh Justice (known to Holly Hayward) 3 years old, in stage 4 cancer, undergoing chemotherapy.

Steve Coleman (June Book's cousin) had a heart pump installed at Cleveland Clinic a few weeks ago. Complications have developed and his life is in jeopardy.

Gina Henry is now home but is still struggling with memory loss.

George Literal (known to Tamera Green) suffering from complications of a knee surgery.

Mary and Nathan Collins were in an automobile accident a couple of days ago and were shaken up but not injured, PTL!

Flu Shots Cancelled

We apologize if you showed up this morning to get a flu shot. This is the third announcement to be made about flu shots being given here, sorry for the changes and confusion. **SOMC notified us on Monday that no flu vaccine would be available for churches to give shots on premises.** There is no shortage of vaccine, just a change in how it is distributed. **There are sheets on the table in the foyer which give the various locations in Scioto County where you can get your flu shot if you want one.**

Ontario Mission Meeting Today

After morning services today, Caleb Miller would like to meet for 10-15 minutes with those who may be interested in helping with a mission work project at Strawberry Point Christian Youth Camp in Ontario. Strawberry Point is located on Manitoulin Island (largest freshwater island in the world) in Lake Huron. The camp is supported by Christians in Canada and those Christians are working hard to improve the camp facilities. Caleb, Jacob and Meaghan Miller worked at the camp for a week this past summer and are up-to-date on the needs of the camp. Questions, see Caleb.

4th Sunday PM Service

This evening for our 4th Sunday service we will be watching a special video presentation called "Indescribable!" This was a 45 minute presentation made at a youth conference in Texas recently. It is one of the best presentations about God and His creation we have ever seen. For tonight we are recommending that all students from 4th Grade on up remain in the auditorium for this presentation.

Rain On The Roof

As JFK said, "The time to repair the roof is when the sun is shining." Unfortunately, the weather didn't cooperate with us this weekend and the roof repair next door has been put on hold for the time being. Thanks to everyone for showing up, we'll make an announcement when it gets rescheduled.

Directory Revision Deadline

TODAY is the deadline to update or revise the fellowship directory posted on the window in the foyer. Please check your information. Edit it in any way necessary. If you would like to be included, add your name and address, phone, etc. This is not a list of Christians or members of the Sunshine church; it is a list of people who attend Sunshine on a regular or semi-regular basis.

Spirit Club Tonight

This evening at 6 pm. We will be reviewing our three verses for this month.

Sunshine Girls News

This evening at 6 pm.

Children's Bible Time Reorganizing

Kristin Riley and Julie Miller are in the process of reorganizing CBT for 2010. Ideally we would like for each leader/teacher to sign up for a 2 month span. Several have done that, but some have opted for a one month span. We can also use people who might be able to team up with another person to cover a month or two. Some of us work every 2nd and 4th Sunday's; others work every 1st and 3rd Sunday's. Obviously, if the two collaborated, a full month could be covered. If you are one of these people and would be willing to team up, see Kristin or Julie. We'll try to find your partner and cover all Sunday's in the month. A curriculum is in place so you can see what the lessons should be about along with ideas about how to do it or you can create your own lesson plan to teach the lesson. We have openings for both the 3-5 age group and the 6-8 age group. Many hands make light work. The more people we get involved here, the easier it is for each one of us. CBT parents, please consider taking at least one month being of service to your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Ushers Wanted

The deacons are looking for a few good men to serve as ushers for our Sunday morning worship services. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Gabe Coriell for more information.

And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.- Gen 22:18

Roundlake Men's Retreat Deadline

I talked with Russell Howard, the Roundlake Retreat Coordinator, and he needs a fairly accurate count from us by tomorrow. No money, just a yes or no. If you are going, please get your name on the list today. The retreat is October 2 and 3 (Friday evening and Saturday till about 2 pm). Cost is \$48/person. Theme is Godly Men Make a Difference. Driving time to Roundlake is about 3 hours one way. This is one of the best men's retreats in the State of Ohio. Several of us have gone to this retreat in the past. Information and sign up sheet are on the bulletin board in the foyer. Also on Friday there is a golf outing throughout the day that many from the Retreat participate in. See Jamie Riley for details on that. **Men, please note we will not be having a men's retreat at Fort Hill this year. We are recommending this Roundlake Retreat in lieu of our own retreat. Next year we will be able to use the new multipurpose building at Fort Hill which is now under construction. Our date will be moved to a weekend that fits us better.**

Sunshine In the News

Please note the new bulletin board in the foyer, **Sunshine In the News**. Anytime one of our people, regardless of age, are mentioned in the newspaper or other media, we would like to post that information on the News bulletin board. Give any items to Ruth Miller. If it's a newspaper picture/article, do not cut it out. Give her the whole page, please. The other bulletin board in the foyer is being converted to a board which will introduce **New Members** at Sunshine to the rest of the congregation.

More on Gimme A Break

Ladies, things are happening, the excitement level is escalating...and the fun has almost begun. Don't miss out!!! Check the Retreat Info window for updates. Sign Up Information: 1) Please sign the yellow pad if you are going--either yes or maybe. 2) All Craft classes have a sign up deadline of October 4. Classes are limited--don't wait. **Remember to choose only one Craft Class.** 3) Room Assignment chart is up now. 4) Spiritual Class sign ups will be in October, once we finalize leaders. We are encouraging everyone to spend Friday night; however, if you choose not to sleep at the camp, we have adjusted your package to \$42 plus your class fee. **Several have asked about bringing friends--by all means--bring your friends! As long as we have room, any girl or woman is welcome.**



Coming Events

- 9/27 Ontario Mission Meeting
- 10/2-3 Round Lake Men's Retreat
- 10/24 Men's Super Saturday
- 11/6-8 Ladies Gimme a Break Retreat

Specialty Classes Starting

There are some changes coming for our adult teaching program. We are beginning a series of specialty classes which will cover a wide range of topics. All are invited to be in the classes. They will meet in the Annex on Wednesday or Sunday evenings, depending on what fits the schedule the best. The first specialty class is based on a book by **Jimmy Jividen: Glossolalia--from God or from Man**. This is a study of tongue speaking in the NT and as it is practiced in modern times. The book is \$7. I need to know how many books to order. Class begins Wednesday, October 28. We will need to know who is in the class no later than Wednesday, October 14. Sign up on the pad in the foyer and I will order you a book. Pay for your book anytime you want to by placing \$7 in the offering box in the foyer. Honor system. Other classes we are considering offering: Wine in the Bible, Christian Evidences, Resurrection of Christ, Restoration History and Principles, How to Study the Bible, Marriage Enrichment, Raising Kids By the Book (the Bible), Money Management as well as some in-depth studies of I Corinthians and I Timothy. Gabe Coriell will probably be offering a class soon on I Timothy. We have had several ask about topical type studies. This is your chance to get involved. — Steve

Super Saturday for Men

Saturday, October 24, from 8-10 am, all of our men are invited to show up at the Annex for breakfast and a time of fellowship together. No charge for the breakfast, donations accepted. The elders are wanting to improve fellowship and communication with the men of the church.

Gospel Meetings

- **Kenova church of Christ**--October 2-4, 2009, Roger Coffman speaking on the Greatest Commandments. Details are posted.
- **Friendship church of Christ**--October 1-3, 7 pm each night. Brent Duncan and John Brown speaking. Flyer posted.



Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

9/27 Video Service
10/4 Hebrews 7-8
10/11 Hebrews 9-10
10/18 Hebrews 11
10/25 Preaching Service

Wednesday

9/30 1 Samuel 8-11
10/7 1 Samuel 12-13
10/14 1 Samuel 14-25
10/21 1 Samuel 16
10/28 1 Samuel 17

Verses of the Month

Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 20:11 Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right.

Philippians 2:14 Do everything without complaining and arguing so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God.

