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Gods Wind Farm

It sounded strange to me at first. In a recent conversation, some were talking about a “wind farm.” I had some of the strangest images in my head until they described what it was. I had seen pictures before, but didn’t know this was called a wind farm. In some parts of the country where the wind blows constantly, they install a field full of giant windmills to harness the natural energy of the wind.

The windmills did not get there by windmill seeds, but by the building efforts and vision of people who saw a rich source of energy that was untapped. Our Lord also has provided a rich source of energy for us. Notice the following passages that speak of that energy.

“The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit (John 3:8).”

“He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.’ But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; John 7:38-39.”

“...that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man...(Eph 3:16)”

The Spirit whom Jesus gives is an endless source of power. It flows constantly like rivers of living water. However, just like the wind that blows constantly, we cannot see it, only its effects.

But wind doesn’t do any good unless we harness its power. The Spirit will do us little good if we don’t allow it to lead us and strengthen us. We need to set up our windmills and allow the Spirit to energize our spirituality and propel us to growth and maturity.

Okay, we can understand the analogy well enough, but where does the rubber meet the road? How can we make practical use of it?

Here are some suggestions on how to install our windmills. The first comes from 1 Thess. 5:19 which tells us, “Do not quench the Spirit.” We are to keep it burning. The context of this verse tells us how to do it; always rejoice (1 Thess 5:16), pray without ceasing (1 Thess 5:17) and give thanks in everything (1 Thess 5:18)

The second part of the list comes from Ephesians 4:30 which tells us, “Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God...” We are to make the Spirit joyful by living according to His goals for us. The context of the passage tells us that this involves how we treat one another; speak no unwholesome words, only edifying ones to give grace (Eph 4:29), put away all bitterness, anger, slander, clamor and malice (Eph 4:31), and be kind, tenderhearted, and forgiving to one another, just as our Lord is (Eph 4:32).

So the windmill involves a dual focus of our relationship to God through prayer and thanksgiving, and focus on our relationships with one another. When we strive to do these things, our windmills are up and facing the wind of the Spirit that breathes his strength onto us and energizes us to do what we ought to.

Where is your windmill facing?

John Telgren, Leavenworth, KS



Please pray for...

Jeremiah Gayheart (8 yrs old) has an inoperable brain tumor.

Danny Deveck (Rhonda Berry's uncle in New Philadelphia, OH) has had his first round of chemotherapy and is tolerating it well. His first bone marrow test shows negative for cancer.

Brian Harving (friend of Terry Royster) is very close to becoming a Christian. Pray hard.

Larry Evans (friend of Shaun McCray) had an accident with needle-nose pliers and may lose his eye. He had surgery in Columbus.

Mary Glenn (Marta Brown's mother) is still in Riverside in Columbus somewhat improved but still has problems with her legs and movement somehow associated with her kidney condition.



This is our list of graduates as revised from last week:

Eric McLaughlin, masters from Ohio University.

Jonie Elswick, bachelors from Asbury College.

Caleb Miller, bachelors from Shawnee.

Kate Brown, bachelors from

Shawnee.

Jamie Brown, bachelors from Lipscomb University

Rachel Gampp Coriell, nursing from Shawnee

J.P Lindeman (Garnet Lindeman's grandson) from high school (Gallipolis).

Congratulations to you all!

Teen Devo

Tuesday, 6:30 pm at Terry and Debbie Sullivan's house.

Impact Sr. Meeting

Short meeting after morning worship services this morning for everyone going to Impact Sr. and their parents.

Sympathy Extended

- To the family of **Forrest Hayward** who passed away early Tuesday morning at SOMC. Burial was Tuesday afternoon at Batterson.
- To the family of **Harry Woodworth** who passed away Thursday morning. Burial was yesterday at Batterson. A memorial service in honor of Harry will be held today at 4 pm here at the building. All are invited.

Thank You

Adrian Hayward and her family express their sincere thanks and appreciation for the prayers and concern that was shown for them as Forrest, her husband, passed this week. She appreciates the food and the flowers and the cards. Please continue to remember her in your prayers.

Memorial Gifts

Per request of the Woodworth family, a memorial gift to the Sunshine church was requested rather than flowers. There are small envelopes located on the oak table in the foyer to use for these memorial donations. Be sure your name and address are included with the donation. Memorial gifts can be placed in the Offering Boxes. A letter to the Woodworth family and the donor will be sent out promptly.

Sunday PM Services

This Sunday evening we will be having a very brief service about 6:30 pm after the memorial service for Harry Woodworth and the refreshment and visiting time is completed.

VBS Cookies

If you can provide cookies for VBS, please sign up for a specific night or nights to supply them. The sign up sheet is on the table with the other VBS materials. Questions see Estelle Coriell or Teresa Hayward.

Looking Ahead at Sunshine

Jun. 19 - **Dinner & a Movie @ 6:30 p.m.**
Jun. 18-21 - **Junior Impact**
Jun. 21-25 - **Senior Impact**
Jun. 28 - Jul. 2 - **Vacation Bible School**
Jul. 11-16 - **Sunshine @ Fort Hill Camp**

Scheduled Bible Study Texts

Sunday		Wednesday	
6/13	Jn 4	6/16	II Kgs 25
6/20	Lk 4:16-30	6/23	Ezra 1-6
	Lk 5:1-11		
6/27	Mk 1:21-45	6/30	Ezra 7-10

Scheduled texts and teachers through the end of the year are posted on the church web page.

Video Challenge

Jennifer Gampp asks each teen to borrow a video camera and interview several Christians in our congregation. Ask them questions about how and why they decided to follow Christ, How long they have been a Christian, What their advice is to anyone who has not made the decision to follow Jesus, etc. Details in every area would be wonderful. Let each person talk as long as they want to about these things. Try to fill up the video tape as much as possible with people giving their testimonies and then give Jennifer the video tapes. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer.

VBS Sign Up

For students, pads are laid out on the table in the foyer. Please sign up your child for their class. Pre-registration is not required but it would be helpful to know ahead of time how many and who is coming. If you are bringing children from outside the congregation, please take a VBS Registration card to the parents and have them fill out one for their family. Return the cards to the box on the table or bring them the first night of VBS.



Area Events and Activities

Check the bulletin board for more details.

- 6/18 - **Friday Night Sing** at the Vienna, WV Church of Christ (7-9 pm)
- 7/11-18 **Future Preacher Training Camp** at Alkire Road church, Grove City, OH

VBS Coming

Our VBS is set for June 28-July 1, from 6:30-8:30 pm, with our program on Friday evening (July 2) at 7:30 pm. The theme this year is **MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE**. Many times in the Bible God gave impossible missions to various people. Humanly speaking, the missions were impossible but with God involved the missions were more than possible; they were accomplished.

We'll have an introductory skit each night--humor included. Count VBS and the other puppets will be back. We're emphasizing memory verses this time around. At the end of VBS, every student should have 8 memory verses under their belt. About 20 of our people have been working on VBS for the past 4 or 5 weeks getting ready for the big week. I think this may be one of the best we've ever had. You can be confident about bringing your neighbor's kids. They will have a blast learning about the awesome power of our God. We are set for ages 3 months to 12 years. Flyers will be available next week to advertise our VBS.

VBS Support Workers Needed

We have also posted a big chart on the window in the foyer. We need guides (or shepherds) for each class and other support people to help with refreshments and clean-up, etc. Please write your name in pencil in the slots and days you can help. We also need people to just be on stand-by as alternates.

Those Who Serve

<u>Sunday Morning</u>	<u>June 13</u>	<u>June 20</u>
Bible Class Text	John 4	Lk 4:16-5:11
Welcome & Prayer	Don Coriell	Jon Coriell
Song Director	Scott Gampp	Shaun McCray
Scripture Reading	Tim Coriell	Troy Gahm
Prayer	Dewey Cordle	Rich Book
Lord's Supper - Wine	Troy Gahm	Jamie Riley
Bread	Mark Gampp	John Berry
Assist	Barry Gampp	Tim Coriell
Assist	Matt Hoskins	Barry Hayward
Assist	Jim Jacobs	Dale Gampp
Message	Jack Jennings	Harold Gampp
Closing Prayer	Jon Coriell	Steve Miller
	Jamie Riley	Terry Sullivan
<u>Sunday Evening</u>		
Song Director	Wayne Gampp	Bud Coriell
Opening Prayer	Mark Risner	Gary Glispie
Lord's Supper	Aaron Franke	Greg Coriell
Closing Prayer	Caleb Miller	Jason Coriell
<u>Wednesday Evening</u>		
Song Director	Eric McLaughlin	Wayne Gampp
Prayer	Mark Gampp	Terry Royster
Bible Class Text	II Kings 25	Ezra 1-10
Advance listings for Those Who Serve are posted on our website		

Scheduled Services

Sunday

Bible Study - 9:45 am
Worship - 10:30 am
Eve. Worship - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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