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Playing Church, Playing Christianity

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A brother in our church brought a message recently dealing with prayer, focusing somewhat on our position for prayer. He brought several New Testament illustrations of where the disciples kneeled, perhaps got on their knees, in prayer. His point was that we might ought to learn something from that.

While I don't see kneeling as a requirement for prayer, my brother's point that we need more reverence, more commitment to what we do is well taken. But that leads me a bit further: how much are we playing church, playing Christianity?

The illustrations of disciples kneeling in prayer are not necessarily given for us to follow verbatim, though the kneeling might have been the habit of several back then. Fact is, Jesus talked in a complimentary way in Mark about people who stood praying. Then, there is the teaching of Jesus that we not pray standing on a corner but in a closet. Well, there was more to that one. It was to not pray to be seen of men. Still, in line with my brother's thoughts, there is a thought that we might ought to be more reverent, more spiritual, than we typically present ourselves, whether it is in our praying or otherwise.

Perhaps we take Jesus' command to not do to be seen of men too far - too literally! Maybe we make it our lifestyle to not let people know we are Christians, or that we are church people. That puts a little different light on it, doesn't it? My view is that Jesus was not saying not to pray in public; he was saying don't do it to be seen of men. If we do what we do as Christians or as church people (should that be "churched" people? Where did I get that, anyway?) to do what God wants us to do in spreading the message, it seems right to me.

I say we might ought to consider being more reverent and more spiritual not only in our prayers, in whatever stance we take, but in our everyday living also. That is part of what Jesus meant when he told us to do good deeds because therein people would see our good deeds and glorify the Father who is in heaven.

Maybe, we ought to try getting on our knees the next time we pray. It might do more good than we think.

Chuck Owen
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PRAYER REQUESTS

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 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

For Tim and Jennifer in the adoption process

Jack Thatcher (father of Tamera Green's oldest son, Brian) is being tested for cancer of the lungs. Brian and Jack both live in Pataskala.

Jim Devins (Marybeth Coriell's father) is now home recuperating from a stroke.

Trish Moore (Candi Gampp's aunt in PA) has been hospitalized since last weekend with an undiagnosed condition.

Jim Young (Terri Young's husband) has been off work for the last few months and was told this week that his lung condition is bad enough he cannot return to work.

Mary Collins had a cranial cyst removed this week which turned out to be malignant. She had further tests done and the malignancy has been contained. She has already started two weeks of chemotherapy.

Cathy Ramey came home on Friday after being hospitalized on Wednesday with dizziness and nausea. Tests showed possible problems with her liver.

Julie Miller (niece of Donnie Miller) in North Carolina is 5 months into a pregnancy with twins. She has become very sick and is now in the hospital in Greenville, NC. The twins are apparently ok at his point but the mother's condition could change that very quickly.

Riley Johnson (11 yr old son of Robert Johnson, principal in South Webster schools) was seriously injured in a 4-wheeler accident and was life-flighted to Cabell-Huntington. Doctors are not holding out hope.

Laurie Adams (young mother of 2 Minford students) starts chemotherapy this week. Her cancer is classified as Stage 4.

Doug Crawford (young man who lived with Don and Millie Lemon years ago) has had stroke at age 49 and in a Columbus hospital.

Bob Dotson (cousin to June Book) had a heart attack on Wednesday.

Alma Coriell had successful hip surgery last weekend (after a fall) and is scheduled to come home this weekend.

Ruth White (Sarah Gilliland's sister) had carpal tunnel surgery on Thursday.

Rachel Kallner (Sarah Gilliland's sister-in-law) struggles with severe breathing problems.

Mary Ellen Kallner (Sarah Gilliland's sister in law) still having blood pressure control problems.

Wild Hog Ride

The men's motorcycle tour of West Virginia this past weekend went well, the guys traveled about 500 miles. Thanks to Scott Gampp for making arrangements for overnight accommodations.

Other Area Events

- Senior Retreat will be September 11-13 at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp.
- The Lion's Club will present a Gospel Concert with the Pfeiffers and Good News on September 22nd.

Flyers for these events are posted on the bulletin board

Sunshine Men's Retreat at Fort Hill

Friday evening, October 5, through Saturday around 2 or 2:30, the men of the Sunshine congregation are all invited to the planning retreat at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. Cost is \$20.00 per person which covers three meals (supper on Friday and breakfast and lunch on Saturday) and a place to sleep on Friday night. This is a very important meeting. We will be discussing and praying about the future of this congregation. Last year's meeting set the tone for 2007. This year's meeting may yield even greater fruit. Sign up on the list on the table. We need a firm number by September 26. Bring your \$20.00 to camp with you. A schedule for the retreat should be available in a few weeks.

Teen Devo

Terry & Debbie's, Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.

Roundlake Men's Retreat

September 28-29, several of our men are going to Lakeville, Ohio, to the Roundlake Men's Retreat. Buddy Bell (Montgomery, AL) and Dr. Curt Niccum (Oklahoma Christian University) are the featured speakers. There's also a golf outing that is held in conjunction with the retreat. Please indicate on the sign up sheet if you plan to participate in that. Full details are on the board in the foyer. Deadline for registration is September 12 (however, they will fudge a little on that). Cost is \$50.00 per person and the golf event is another \$30.00.

Spirit Club Verse of the Month

Psalm 118:24 This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Angel Food Update

Our food ministry is growing! We are now handling orders for over 60 families. Each month we are experiencing an increase in participation. Several people have worked together enabling both the order taking and food distribution processes to be successful. We need more help taking orders this week, Tues.-Thurs. from 5-9 p.m. at the building. Distribution for September's order will be Saturday, September 29. We need extra help for that day as well. If you can help, please contact Jason Coriell for more information.

Quick Phone List Deadline Today

We are compiling a quick reference phone list of everyone who presently attends Sunshine. Please check the draft sheets on the window in the foyer and make any needed corrections. Initial your info so we know you've checked. You do not have to be a member or a professing Christian to be on this list, it is just a list of those who attend here regularly. If your name is not on the list, please feel free to add it and give us your phone number.



Ice Cream Social Tonight

Tonight after our Bible Classes you, your family and friends are invited to an ice cream social in the annex. Those who can, bring some homemade ice cream and a dipper to serve with. Others are encouraged to bring finger food. See Scott for more information.

Pictorial Directory Available

There are ten copies of the pictorial directory on the table in the foyer. If you don't have a copy pick one up (one/family) We will leave them out for a few weeks and then we will take the remainder and store them in the office for future use.



9/28-29 Roundlake Men's Retreat

10/5-6 - Men's Planning Retreat @ FHCYC

Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

9/9 Matthew 27:32-66
John 19:23-24
9/16 Matthew 28:1-15
Mark 16:1
Luke 24:13-43
John 20:1-8

Wednesday

9/12 Proverbs 21-31
9/19 Eccl. 1-4

Possible Appointment of New Deacons

The elders would like to increase the number of deacons presently serving the Sunshine congregation. Two men before the congregation for consideration and evaluation, **Gabe Coriell** and **Aaron Kallner**. Please consult the qualifications for deacons as set forth in I Timothy 3:8-13. If you think there is some deficiency in either one of them, please speak with one of the elders for guidance on how to handle your concern. We are allowing two months, September and October, for the congregation to prayerfully consider the two candidates. A decision will be made and announced to the congregation in November. The Sunshine Shepherds.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Robert Adams** (grandfather to Jamie Veach) who passed away last week The funeral was Sunday afternoon at Erwin-Dodson-Allen.

To the family of **Ed Kelley** (brother-in-law to Esther Crisp) who passed away this week.

To the family of **John Oesch**. His brother-in-law, Randy, was killed in a plane crash in Tennessee last weekend.

Christmas Shoe Boxes for Haiti and Operation Christmas Child

This year we are starting on this a little earlier than last year so it won't be so hectic and tight on everyone's budget. Each week in the bulletin there will be a couple of items to pick up. This week the items are: **crayons, coloring books and flip-flops**. If you have any questions or suggestions I am open to anything that will help this go smoothly. Last year we shipped 109 boxes, let's see if we can double that this year. The first 100 boxes will go to Haiti, any boxes over that will be shipped to Operation Christmas Child. If anyone is interested in going to Charlotte NC to help with the shoe box processing for Operation Christmas Child, please let me know ASAP so we can reserve hotel rooms. Thanks, Candi Gampp.

*We've checked with **Hope for Haiti's Children** to see if any of the churches or schools that HFHC serves receive Christmas Boxes for their kids. None have received them in the past. Since we will be working directly with these congregations and schools in the future, we wanted to redirect the bulk of our effort and support to them. We are also trying to see if the orphanages and churches in Honduras that we helped this summer might benefit from having the Christmas Boxes. No word as yet on that. —Steve.*

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

— Proverbs 22:6

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning
 Welcome & Prayer
 Song Director
 Scripture Reading
 Prayer
 Lord's Supper –Bread
 Wine
 Server 1
 Server 2
 Server 3
 Server 4
 Server 5
 Server 6
 Message
 Closing Prayer

September 9
 Wayne Gampp
 Shaun McCray
 Steve Williams
 John Berry
 Dewey Cordle
 Gabe Coriell
 Chuck Allison
 Ira Coriell
 Matt Cram
 Michael Dixon
 Spike Ferrell
 Aaron Franke
 Steve Miller
 Bill Gammon

September 16
 Tom Kelley
 Nick Davis
 Gregg Ferrell
 Jason Coriell
 Rich Book
 Gary Glispie
 Ryan Coriell
 Tim Coriell
 Brent Frazee
 Troy Gahm
 Price Gammon
 Barry Gampp
 Steve Miller
 David Gampp

Sunday Evening

Song Director
 Scripture Reading
 Lord's Supper
 Prayer
 Bible Class Text

Zach Coriell
 Josh Coriell
 Greg Coriell
 Mike Coriell
See inside bulletin

Matthew Hoskins
 Sean Higbee
 Jeff Hayward
 Tim Gampp
See inside bulletin

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
 Prayer
 Bible Class Text

September 12
 Mark Gampp
 Shawn Gragg
Proverbs 21-31

September 19
 Aaron McCray
 Aaron Kallner
Ecclesiastes 1-4

Children's Bible Time

September 3/5: Brandy Gampp, Teresa Hayward, Kathy Glispie, Regina Kuhn
 September 6/8: Stephanie Copas, Judy Meyers, Debbie Sullivan
 October 3/5: Jodi & Aaron Kallner, Pam Coriell
 October 6/8: Kristen & Jamie Riley, Don Coriell

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



Jesus told his disciples a story. Fill in each blank below with the vowels in the box. The first three have been done for you.



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