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Leaving Your Mark

Once upon a time I thought history was just a collection of dates and statistics to be memorized and regurgitated for tests. Understandably this was quite a hindrance to my willingness to study history and I hear it is so with many others as well. It is always hard to grasp cold numbers and faceless facts.

So it was with some relief that a gifted college professor changed my view of things. Pat Taylor's class wasn't a recalling of numbing details. Dr. Taylor saw and communicated history as a series of stories. And boy could he tell stories. People would audit his classes just to be there and listen. Because of the stories I found it easier to remember details because they were presented in the context of the lives of real people.

We all love to hear stories. And the best story teller of them all has to be God. Just open the Bible and read almost anywhere. God lays out the cold hard facts of sin and salvation. God provides the "what to's" and the "never do's". But wrapped within and around all of the details are the wonderful stories of His grace and deliverance. And His stories are always about people: old and young, good and bad, strong and weak, male and female. God shares with us their great spiritual victories and their spectacular failures. The Bible is chock full of stories about people just like us.

Every congregation is full of great stories about folks who have passed but left their mark. These stories help define us as a family of God and our remembering of and repeating of those stories shows our respect for the great heritage with which God has blessed us. The stories also remind us how important each of us really is to the Body of Christ. For just as those who have gone to be with Jesus, we are also expected to leave signs of our passing: stories of our own faithfulness to and love of God and His Church.

Remember that God is still collecting our stories. Though the Bible was completed over 1900 years ago, the Book of Life is still being written. When we get home, He is going to open that book. Make sure there's a story worth telling when He mentions your name.

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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 “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

For our Haiti Mission Team leaving in January

Millie Lemon is at home recuperating from her last surgery. Hopefully she will be back with us soon.

Jon Coriell had carpal tunnel surgery on his hand on Wednesday.

Renee Bissell is tolerating round 4 of her chemo fairly well. The next 4 rounds are not as toxic as the 1st four and there is hope that things will be a little easier.

Rick Richmond had his “gamma knife” treatment on November 20. A small spot was detected in another location of his brain and was treated at the same time as the tumor at the original site.

Alex Cram will be admitted to Children’s Hospital in Columbus on Tuesday, November 27 and will be in the hospital till November 30. He will be having 9 invasive tests including a spinal tap, GI tests and genetic testing. Pray that Alex will have strength and patience to go thru these tests and that his parents can be strong and calm to help him.

Matthew Risner had his appointment this week at Children’s and nothing new was learned. He is going back in 3 weeks for another consult about his arm.

Praise Report: Shaun Young is back in Minford, living at his parents’ home and working at Bennett’s Collision in Muletown. Because of parole conditions he is not allowed to come to church, but when the restrictions are lifted he will be here with us. Pray for this young man’s future.

Juli Rase is going to be in Texas a while longer because the custody hearing has been delayed till February 12. Pray for a speedy resolution so she can come home to her father.

Bob Monasco (Manager of Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp) had heart bypass surgery a few weeks ago is having rehab in Cincinnati before he comes home.

Praise Report: Tim and Jennifer Gampp have been informed that their tentative travel date to China is December 13. They have to stay in China for two weeks and then they will be permitted to bring Zoe Mei Gampp home, probably somewhere around December 27-29. This travel date is much sooner than expected. Kara Jo McCray has been praying that Tim and Jennifer would get Zoe for Christmas. PTL.

Shirley Gilliam will be going into the hospital on Tuesday, Nov 28 for knee surgery.

Spirit Club Verse of the Month

Philippians 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always and again, I say, rejoice.

Baby Shower

Tim and Jennifer Gampp’s baby shower/celebratory dinner for Zoe is December 1, 2007, at 5 pm in the annex. This is a **family** shower—including husbands and children and a potluck dinner, bring your favorite dish. Info sheet on the bulletin board with gift ideas. For more info see Stephanie.

A Cup of Water in My Name

God has really blessed Innermission the last few years with tremendous growth, both spiritually and numerically. With this growth have come other opportunities to reach out and support these students. Recently a couple of our members provided a home-cooked lunch for the students at Innermission. These students do not get the opportunity for real home cooking that often and those meals were received with great enthusiasm and much appreciation. Would you be willing to provide a home-cooked lunch for 25-30 students? If you are interested see Aaron or Kim McCray. If this is not down your alley, please continue to pray for Innermission and the many students who are blessed by your support.

Thanksgiving Service

The Sunday after Thanksgiving, we have a tradition where 4 or 5 men in the congregation take a few minutes to thank and praise the Lord before the congregation for the many ways that God has blessed them. In the past this has included specific examples of prayers answered, people through whom God has ministered to and blessed them, etc., or things of a more universal nature, such as the wonders of creation or a specific scripture or promise found in the Bible. The men who will be praising and thanking the Lord before the congregation are Mark Villinger, Zach Coriell, Eric Miller and Spike Ferrell. Thank you to each of these men for pointing us to the Giver of all Good Gifts.

No Children’s Bible Time Today

Since fathers, uncles, grandfathers and sons are going to be up front today, we want the children to stay in the auditorium with us for the entire service.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Francis Hawkins** (Sharon Gampp’s mother) who passed on Tuesday, November 20. Her funeral was Saturday in Wheelersburg.

Spirit Club News

Starting the first Sunday in January, we will begin using a musical CD by Steve Green called "Hide 'Em in Your Heart" as the basis of our memorization program in Spirit Club. We have selected verses from the CD for each month of 2008. Below is a list of months and the particular song/verse we will be doing each month. For the most part our list follows the order of the tracks on the CD. You can use the CD to teach your kids the song/verse as you ride in your car or while at home. We will be singing the basic tune at church like always before Bible Study on Sunday nights and Wednesday nights. Also, we may be having a Spirit Club meeting just before our evening Bible study on Sunday, say from 6:00-6:20 pm each Sunday evening to learn the verses and the songs that go with them and to do some review. The Spirit Club meeting would be open to all ages, anyone that would be interested in learning scripture this way.

Here's the list of verses for 2008. Keep this list on your refrigerator for future reference.

Jan	Matthew 19:14
Feb	Matthew 7:12
Mar	I John 3:16
Apr	Romans 12:21
May	Psalms 56:3-4
Jun	Ephesians 6:1
Jul	Matthew 6:9-13
Aug	Matthew 6:9-13
Sep	Acts 16:31
Oct	Matthew 5:14-16
Nov	Psalms 34:13
Dec	Matthew 22:37 & 39

The CD is available at Praises in Portsmouth for \$9.99. Kristi Cordle is getting ready to make a big order for us. See her to sign up for one of these CD's.

Songs of Thanksgiving

The songs played this morning before announcements were recorded by Jack Jennings and are his personal thanks and praise to the Lord for the blessings He has given to him. The songs are also a thank you to the Sunshine church from Jack for supporting him in his daily walk with the Lord. PTL!

COMING EVENTS

Today - Special Thanksgiving Service
12/1 - Baby Shower
12/2 - Congregational meeting after evening Bible study
12/7-8 - Youth Hunger Awareness Weekend
12/16 - Collection for Hunger Awareness Weekend
12/20 - Christmas Program
1/19-26 - Haiti Mission Trip

Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

11/25 Acts 9
12/2 Acts 10
12/9 Acts 11
12/16 Acts 12
12/23 Acts 19

Wednesday

11/28 Jeremiah 31
12/5 Lam 1-5
12/12 Ezek 2-4
12/19 Ezek 18, 28
12/26 Ezek 34, 37

Haiti Mission Update

For the last several months 7 of our members have been preparing themselves for a short term mission trip to Haiti in January, 2008 (January 19-26). Those who are going are Jason Coriell, Mike Dixon, Scott Gampp, Matthew Gampp, Brandy Gampp, Karren Griffith and Aaron Kallner. Some of our members could use some financial help to make this trip. If you would like to help sponsor one of our people see Jason Coriell or Aaron Kallner. Over the next two months we will be collecting some specific items to take to Haiti. Watch the bulletin for more information on this. Also, we ask that all of you begin praying in earnest for this mission. This is a big step for this church and we want to make that step with the full blessing and direction of the Lord.

Spirit Club Reports Due

Parents, next Sunday we need a Spirit Club Report filled out or sent by email (srmiller1522@yahoo.com). If you need new pictures, see Stephanie Copas or Jacob Miller.

Seamstress/Sewers Needed

Help is needed to sew costumes for the Christmas Program. Please bring your sewing machine, etc. If we work together it should go quickly Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm in the annex. More info see Joan Coriell.

Info Meeting

On December 2, after the evening Bible Study, all members of the Sunshine church of Christ are invited to come to the auditorium for a meeting concerning the future of the congregation. We will be discussing our need for more room and parking. Some possible solutions will be put forth and your input and questions will be welcome. This is a very important meeting. Please come.

Hunger Awareness

Friday, December 7, 6 am is the beginning of Hunger Awareness Weekend. Our youth will be participating by fasting for 36 hours. The first 12 hours everyone is on the "honor system." **At 6 pm Friday evening**, all youth are invited to the building for a camp out in the annex and a number of activities and trips that will start from the building. **At 6 pm Saturday evening**, we "break" the fast. (For your information, this will not be a complete fast—fruit or vegetable juices will be allowed at the regular meal times. That's it.) **Sunday, December 16**, the congregation will be challenged by the Youth to do their part in Hunger Awareness Weekend. The congregation will be given the opportunity to contribute to a special collection on that Sunday which will be used to feed people who are going hungry. Some of the proceeds will be going to the Scioto County Homeless Shelter and some will be sent to Haiti to help the people there as they recover from the destruction of Noel. The Youth will be deciding how that contribution will be divided up. More information will be coming as we get closer to the event.

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

November 25

Jon Coriell
Shaun McCray
Steve Williams
Aaron McCray
Shawn Gragg
Gabe Coriell
Rich Book
John Berry
Terry Sullivan
Spike Ferrell
Jeff Hayward
Mark Villinger
Thanksgiving Service
Wayne Gampp

December 2

Wayne Gampp
Nick Davis
Zach Coriell
Shawn Gragg
Aaron Kallner
Bill Gammon
Dewey Cordle
Michael Dixon
Gregg Ferrell
Aaron Franke
Brent Frazee
Troy Gahm
Steve Miller
Mike Gampp

Sunday Evening

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

Aaron McCray
Gary Glispie
Greg Coriell
Josh Coriell
Mark Gampp
Acts 9

Matthew Hoskins
Sean Higbee
Ira Coriell
Ryan Coriell
Nick Gampp
Acts 10

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Jamie Riley
David Gampp
Jeremiah 31

Jacob Miller
Zack Sims
Lamentations 1-5

Children's Bible Time

November 3/5: Julie, Caleb & Meaghan Miller
November 6/8: Kristin Riley, Jacob Miller
December 3/5: Joan Coriell, Pam Coriell, Irmalee Gampp
December 6/8: Kerri Davis, Kim McCray, Jessie Coriell

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

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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PHYSICAL FRUIT

Unscramble the names of the six fruits below.

1. SPEARG  1 2 3 4 5 6	2. GOREAN  1 2 3 4 5 6	3. CIPTORA  1 2 3 4 5 6 7
4. RHECRY  1 2 3 4 5 6	5. VADCOOA  1 2 3 4 5 6 7	6. MULP  1 2 3 4

FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

After unscrambling the names of the physical fruits, use the number pairs below to spell out the fruits of the spirit. First number of each pair is the fruit, the second is the letter number.

S 1,6 3,7 4,4 4,3 2,4 1,1 3,7 4,2 6,1 5,1 3,7 3,4 2,6 2,4 3,5 1,5
J 2,6 2,4 5,6 6,3 4,4 1,3 2,4 3,5 1,5 5,7 4,6
K 3,7 4,2 1,3 2,4 1,6 1,1 3,4 5,2 3,4 2,4 1,1