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Is History Important?

Do you know much about the history of your family? In many cultures of the past and in some cultures today, children are taught about their family history. Many things are passed on by word of mouth, old letters, mementos and in other ways. It was important to know where the family came from, who descendants were, and interesting stories about individuals in the family. Sadly, too many in our younger generation do not know much about family history. Perhaps it is due to the fast paced world in which we live or the view that those who are older are "out of date" and "out of touch." Whatever the reason, there is a lot of history being lost with the passing of time.

History is important to God's people! Consider the way Peter used history as he preached the first Gospel sermon to the Jews who were in Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2). He concluded his discourse with these words: "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ" (Acts 2:36). With the correct use of history, about 3,000 were persuaded to obey the Gospel and were baptized for the remission of their sins (Acts 2:38). It was on this day, the same church of which we are members today, was established.

The Apostle Paul wrote about the importance of history with these words, "For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope" Romans 15:4. Paul also used history to warn the Christians in Corinth about the danger of certain sins. He wrote "Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition..." (1 Corinthians 10:11).

We owe a debt of gratitude to those who "blazed the trail" of the local church. Do you know about the Christians who first established the church of Christ in our area? What circumstances brought them here and what can we know about the church from decades ago? Are there interesting stories to be told about the church through the years? Those and other questions are important as we desire to understand who we are and the direction we wish to take in the future.

It is appropriate to give honor to whom honor is due (Romans 13:7). With that in mind, all Christians should investigate further about the history of the local church. We should be thankful for those who had vision for the future and dedication to the church for which Christ shed His blood. Without the strong faith of our predecessors and actions which accompanied their faith, we might not be here today.

The Psalmist wrote in Psalm 77:11, "I will remember the works of the LORD; Surely I will remember Your wonders of old." The Lord has worked in the past and is working today through His people (the church). As we continually seek to do His will and bring glory to His name, all those who are faithful can expect His blessings to abound (Proverbs 20:28).

Let all who are members of the Lord's church be thankful to God for our rich history! It is a history that began thousands of years ago and continues to be made each day.

Mark Hammitt

Weber Road Church of Christ
Corpus Christi, TX



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

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 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 Derek Miller, and Steven McGraw in Afghanistan.

Susan Hutchinson (coworker of Jim Jacobs) severe problems with digestive system.

Kaye Rice (friend of Jim Jacobs) in a Columbus nursing home with acute diabetes.

Cheryl Lemon has changed medicine and is now back in Heartland. Some improvement.

Steve Miller starts second round of chemo on Tuesday. So far tolerating it well. PTL

Alex Cram scheduled for 3 days of testing and evaluation at National Institute of Health in Bethesda, MD September 7-9.

Carol Rawlins (friend of Penny Ball) in Concord Nursing Home with a broken leg.

Ed McLaughlin recuperating at home from ankle surgery.

Adam Lemon (Millie's grandson in Maryland, newborn twin) had a presurgery MRI on Tuesday at Children's in D.C. Tuesday they will get a date for the surgery.

Betsy Coriell now in Hempstead Manor.

Brother of Phyllis Eckhart (friend of Irmalee Gampp) diagnosed with cancer.

Dennis Mead (former superintendent of Minford Schools) now battling cancer.

Bob Conley (local farmer) seriously hurt in tractor accident now in Pleasant Hill in Piketon.

Randall Rogers (husband of Sharon Rogers) hospitalized 3 times this summer with multiple serious health problems, now showing some small improvement.

Sharon Rogers is scheduled for an ultrasound this week on her foot/ankle.

Virgil Copas (Eric's uncle) scheduled for heart by pass at Riverside on September 2. All went well. Pray for no complications.

Ada Bradbury (Sarah Gilliland's sister in Florida) had successful hip replacement surgery on Monday, now in rehab.

Valerie Lemaster had a port installed at OSU on Tuesday and started chemotherapy for lymphoma on Friday.

Weldonna Evans in SOMC with complications from heart bypass surgery.

Rachel Fannin (niece to June Book) had surgery this week while away from home on vacation.

Spirit Club & Sunshine Girls

Still in summer recess.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Jeff Shaffer** (relative of Clyde Ball) who passed last week. His funeral was Monday.

Facing Your Giants

"As Goliath moved closer to attack, David quickly ran out to meet him." (I Samuel 17:48) How do you face your giants? What are your challenges? Beginning Sunday night, September 12, we will be having a study for men—led by Mark Villinger—and women—led by Cheryl Villinger—using the book, "Facing Your Giants." This class is intended for couples, singles, young and old. Most of the time we will meet separately and then there will be times where we will come together as one group. The book is available at Praises or on the internet. It is not absolutely essential to have a book. Study sheets will be provided. Please sign up on the pad of paper in the foyer if you plan to be in the class.

Sweet Monday Coming

September Sweet Monday, Sept. 6 at 7PM. The theme is Peace Be Still. We will be having a short presentation on managing stress!

Know Why You Believe

Starting Wednesday, September 22, we will be starting a 13 week class on Christian Evidences using the book "Know Why You Believe" by Paul Little. You will need a book for the class. When you sign up for the class indicate if you want me to order a book for you. Books are \$12.00. Pay the first night of class. If you want, you can go on line and order your own book. Used books are much cheaper. This is a class about our reasons for believing in God, in the resurrection, in the inspiration and authority of the Bible. Areas of study will be archaeology, science, medicine, history, inspiration and canon of the scripture, etc. Sign up pad is on the table in the foyer.

Gimme-A-Break—New Location

Ladies, mark your calenders for November 12 and 13. Location will be at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. Just a reminder: Be ready to have some fun; great fellowship, lots of chocolate, horseback riding, team activities or just relax in the hot tub. Questions please ask Rhonda Berry 820-3989. Let us know on the pad in the foyer if you are a Yes, No or Maybe for Gimme A Break.

And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Matthew 3:17

Men's Fall Retreat

Scheduled for November 5 and 6 at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. Tentative theme: Breaking Down Walls. Plan for Friday evening and Saturday early afternoon. Don't forget the corn hole tournament.

Fort Hill Teen Retreat

September 10-12, Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. Fruits of the Spirit. Begins 6 pm Friday evening. \$35.00 per camper. Pre-register on line. See flyer on bulletin board.

Baby Shower Coming

There will be a baby shower for **Zach and Jessie Coriell** on October 9 here in the annex-more details to follow!

Parents and Teachers, Look!

Wednesday, September 1, is the official class advancement date for children moving up to the next class.

Elders/Deacons, Look!

Joint meeting of elders and deacons on Sunday, September 12, 5 pm.

Response

Wednesday evening following our Bible study **Norman and Faye McGinnis** responded to the invitation. Norm came to indicate his desire to be a part of the Sunshine church. He became a Christian while attending the Sciotoville Christian Church and now wishes to be part of the fellowship here. Faye also came forward to confess past sin and to ask the church to forgive and pray for her. Faye also wishes to be recognized as a member of the Sunshine congregation. We welcome both Faye and Norm to our fellowship. Be sure and give them the Sunshine welcome this morning. Please add the following information to your directories: McGinnis, Norm and Faye; 18 Greenbriar Road; Lucasville, Ohio 45648 456-8200.

Community Service Opportunity

Oct 8th Minford vs West. We need 20 helpers for the football concession stand. Please sign up in the foyer. This will be a big game. Wear a Sunshine t-shirt if you have one. Rhonda Berry 820-3989



Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

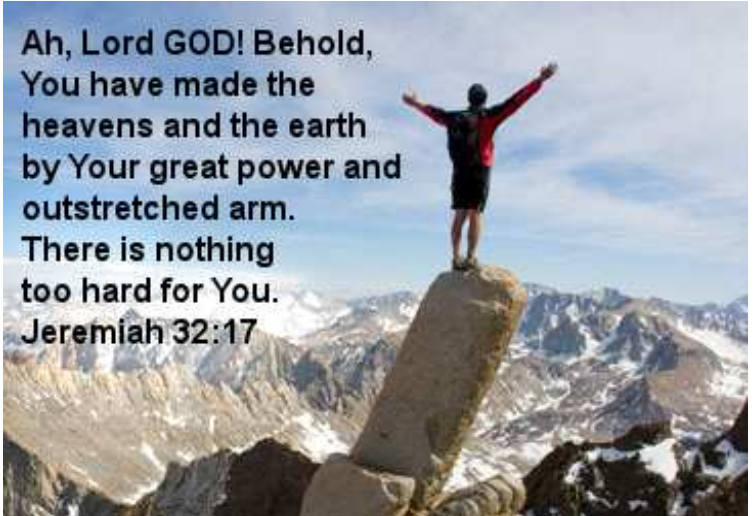
9/5 Mt 3:13-17, Lk 3:21-22
9/12 Mt 4:1-11, Lk 4:1-13
9/19 Jn 1:29-51
9/26 Preaching Service
10/3 Jn 2:1-12
10/10 Jn 2:13-22
10/17 Jn 3: Lk 3:19-20
10/24 Preaching Service
10/31 Jn 4

Wednesday

9/8 Nehemiah 11-13
9/15 Esther
9/22 Job 1-2
9/29 Job 3-4, 8, 11-13
10/6 Job 32-35
10/13 Job 38-42
10/20 Ps 2, 16, 22, 45, 110
10/27 Ps 32, 38, 51
11/3 Ps 19, 119

Baptisms

Naresh Chetri in Siliguri, India reports there were 5 baptisms recently in the church we are working with there. His email is posted on the bulletin board.



Coming Events

- 9/10-12 - Teen Retreat at FHCYC
- 9/12 - Facing Your Giants class begins
- 9/22 - Christian Evidences class begins
- 11/5-6 - Sunshine Men's Retreat at FHCYC
- 11/12-13 - Gimme-A-Break

In the Area

- 9/9 **Flatwoods Bible Institute** Fall Session taught at Flatwoods church of Christ. See posted flyer for course offerings and schedule.
- 9/10-12 **Flatwoods church of Christ.** "Science and the Bible" with Brad Harrub, Ph.D. Flyer posted.
- 9/11 - **Ladies Day** at Elm Grove church of Christ, Maggie Goble speaking on "He's Still Working on Me." Flyer posted.
- 9/11 - **Ladies Inspiration Day** at Rio Grande Church of Christ. "God's Garden" with Ann Elliott, Terry Henby, and Kris Stout. Flyer posted.



THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Scripture Reading
Prayer
L Server 6
O Server 5
R Server 4
D Wine
S Bread
S Server 3
U Server 2
P Server 1
P Message
R Closing Prayer

September 5

Tom Kelley
Nick Davis
Josh Coriell
John Berry
Troy Gahm
Jack Jennings
Tayte Pridemore
Shawn Gragg
Mark Villinger
Ike Hardin
Dale Kuhn
Tyler Masters
Steve Miller
Rick Coriell

September 12

Don Coriell
Ralph Gampp
Steve Williams
Matthew Hoskins
Dave Coriell
Michael Dixon
Jerry Gampp
Rich Book
Aaron McCray
Jason Henthorn
Eric Miller
Jamie Veach
Steve Miller
Gary Glispie

Sunday Evening

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

Zach Coriell
Spike Ferrell
Mike Gampp
Dewey Cordle
Scott Gampp
Mt 3:13-17, Lk 3:21-22

Tyler Jones
Eric Copas
Caleb Miller
Greg Coriell
Ira Coriell
Mt 4:1-11, Lk 4:1-13

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Derek Mooneyham
Aaron Kallner
Nehemiah 11-13

Don Ramey
Jason Coriell
Esther

Children's Bible Time

Sept. Theme: Back to School with God
3-5: Kristine Coriell, Rebecca Dixon,
Vanessa Dixon
6-8: Debbie Sullivan, Stephanie Copas,
Nick Copas

Oct. Theme: Courage Instead of Fear
3-5: Pam Coriell, Irmalee Gampp,
Rhonda & Kylie Berry
6-8: Kristin Riley, Autumn Risner, Don
Coriell

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please contact Dewey Cordle at 820-4624

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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MATTHEW 3

A verse from Matthew 3 [NIV] is scrambled at the right using a simple letter substitution code. Figure out which letters have been swapped to reveal the verse.

Solution to the puzzle may be found at the bottom of page 2.

Hint: P=D, M=T

EAP E FCZYG XBCT HGEFGA IEZP,

"MHZI ZI TS ICA, DHCT Z WCFG;

DZMH HZT Z ET DGWW KWGEIGP."