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The Teddy Bear of Jesus

I put my son to bed, and went through the routine. "I love you, I love mommy, I love your brothers, etc." Then he stopped, looked up at me, and asked, "What about my Teddy, don't you love my Teddy?" I looked over at a tattered, dingy, stuffed animal that was on it's last leg quite literally. I paused as I looked at the lifeless bear so limp and beat, and then to my son's wide eye anticipation as he held his breath, waiting for my response.

Finally, after an awkward silence, I replied, "Yes, I love your Teddy too." He smiled and happily settled onto his pillow clutching his teddy to his chest. He snuggled into his warm blanket comfortably as I tucked him in.

As he fell asleep, I looked at him and his Teddy. What If I had replied "No, I don't love your Teddy. It's just an old stuffed animal that is about to fall apart. Besides, I love you, not your bear." My son would have been crushed. It would have been the same as if I had said those things about him. I told him I loved his Teddy because my son loves his Teddy.

This made me reflect on Jesus and his relationship to his church. No Biblical writer ever writes anything ugly about the church. The church is always spoken of in endearing terms. Yes, the church had problems to deal with, but the Biblical writers did not degrade the church because of it.

Jesus loves his "Teddy", an old ragged animal. There may be an eye missing. It may be tattered. It may even have been broken open from time to time only to be re-stuffed and repaired. But the church is most wonderful to our Lord Jesus. The Bible refers to the church of Christ in this way:

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church-- for we are members of his body. "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. This is a profound mystery--but I am talking about Christ and the church (Ephesians 5:25-32)."

We may look at the church and see all kinds of stains, wrinkles, blemishes, tears, etc. But according to this, Jesus sees only a holy and blameless church, one that he has "repaired" by the washing of water through the word. Let's remember this the next time we down ourselves for our blemishes. Let's see the church as Christ sees it the next time we trash the church, and remember that even though we are not perfect, we are forgiven.

John Telgren
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PRAYER REQUESTS

For our nation as we are going through troubled times.

For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their 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 **Mark Ellis** in Afghanistan.

Cheryl Lemon is walking and eating and alert but remains in Heartland for now.

Dennis Mead (former superintendent of Minford Schools) battling cancer but has recently received good reports about his condition.

Kalynn Coriell is scheduled for tonsil surgery on November 15.

Phyllis Eckhart recently moved to Heartland.

Dolly Vandyne now in Best Care having rehab for her hip. Improving.

Janie Hawkins (Sharon Gampp's sister in law in Texas) diagnosed with liver cancer.

Valerie Lemaster is in chemotherapy for lymphoma. There will be a benefit to help with expenses in Waverly on November 6.

Brandy Gampp had foot surgery last Friday and will have to stay off her foot for 6 weeks. Tuesday she was taken to SOMC with severe abdominal pain and is being tested for causes.

Praise Report: Steve Miller has good news. Tests indicated near complete remission. A blood stem cell transplant is coming in mid November. God is good all the time.

Amber Maynard (25 yr old daughter in law to Terri Young's boss) diagnosed with breast cancer.

Benefit Event for Medical Expenses

Valerie Lemaster is undergoing treatment for a recurrence of lymphoma. Benefit event, Saturday, November 6 at the Waverly church of Christ. See poster on bulletin board.

Welcome Woodsfield Teens

Visiting with us today are the teens from Woodsfield, Ohio. Welcome and thanks for being a part of our annual hayride.

Free International Adoption Seminar

Here at the Sunshine Church of Christ, November 20, 2010, 10AM to 12PM. A flyer is posted on the bulletin board. Contact Jennifer Gampp if you require more information.

Men's Fall Retreat: Deadline Today

Scheduled for next Friday and Saturday at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. Theme is "Breaking Down Walls." Plan for Friday evening and Saturday early afternoon. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the foyer. **The camp needs a count by tomorrow.** Please sign up if you plan to come. Total cost for the weekend is \$40.00. Pay at the camp when you arrive on Friday evening. **The schedule for the weekend is available on the table in the foyer.**

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child kicks off this month for the Shoe Box project. Anyone interested get in touch with **Candi Gampp**. She is making a list of items that can be shipped.

Coats for Kids and Joy of Giving

It's time for our annual "Coats for Kids" and "Joy of Giving" drive. The program is starting early this year given the need for fall coats for Minford students as well. We will be working along with the Secret Sister back pack program to provide the jackets/coats needed. We are asking for donations only once. Coats will be purchased first, then with leftover money, Joy of Giving will take place. Please give money to Kristine Coriell, Eugene Risner, or drop it in an offering box in an envelope marked "Coats for Kids."

Christmas Giving Opportunity

We have been made aware of another need for the Christmas season through Children's Services. Currently there are 52 children that are in need of gifts for Christmas; these children will receive nothing without outside assistance. Children's Services will provide us with the name, gender and clothing sizes for the kids. The gifts usually include an outfit, underclothing, socks, and small toy. We would like to help with this, but need to know how many children to ask for. Our teen group has committed to take care of 10 children. If you would like to provide the gifts for one of these children either financially or by actually purchasing the gifts yourself, sign up on the sheet on the table. **If at all possible, we need to know today.** See David or Marsha Coriell with questions.

November Sweet Monday

Nov. 1 at 7:30 PM Theme: A Night of Thanksgiving! Hope to see you there!

Annual Thanksgiving Service

The Sunday after Thanksgiving we traditionally have four of our men give their personal thanks and praise to the Lord before the congregation. Sunday, November 28 is Thanksgiving Sunday this year. Our four men who will be speaking are John Gampp, Caleb Miller, David Rice and Mike Gampp. Be ready for a great service of thanks and praise.

November 7: Veterans Sunday

The official date for Veteran's Day is November 11, but we will be doing a couple things on Sunday November 7 to show our honor and appreciation for those who have served or are now serving our country in the military.

1. At the conclusion of our morning service we will be showing our **music video presentation** of all past and current members of the military from our congregation. If you have an addition, deletion or change you wish to make in the presentation, please get with Al Graff by Wednesday evening and give him your information or photos, etc.

2. **The Secret Sisters will be serving a delicious breakfast in the annex next Sunday morning at 9 am** to honor veterans and their spouses and family and/or invited guests. All we need to know is how many to prepare for. We need at least a rough idea how many will be coming. Please sign on the tablet on the table in the foyer if you will be coming. We would like to have this information no later than Wednesday evening. This invitation is open to all veteran/active duty regardless of whether they have connections to Sunshine or not. Invite someone to come.

Dishes

We have many casserole dishes and serving bowls in the annex which need to be reclaimed by their owners. Please stop by and pick up your items today.

November 14: Adoption Sunday

In preparation for our Adoption Seminar on Saturday, November 20, we will have a special lesson on November 14 about adoption and a short video presentation (2-3 minutes) after morning services concerning adoption.

Children's Bible Time Commitment

Sunday, November 21, after morning services, all CBT teachers/leaders and helpers (current and prospective) will meet in the annex to commit for the month(s) and age group they would like to handle in 2011. Please make time for this important meeting. If you have questions, see Kristin Riley or Julie Miller.

Gimme A Break Information

1. Everything is "go" for the ladies retreat Nov. 12 and 13.
2. For room assignments, sign up on posters on the window in the foyer.
3. To pay for the retreat, check your name and put money and registration form in the envelope on the foyer table. Checks made out to Sunshine church of Christ. Pay today!
4. Extra things to bring for the weekend: board games, beachwear/luau attire, snacks, drinks, bed linens (sheets, pillows, blankets).
5. Deadline for signing up for the retreat and paying is next Sunday. We need a definite count to give to the Camp.
6. New location: Scioto Hills Christian Youth Camp. Questions, see Kim McCray, Julie Miller, Kristine Coriell, Cheryl Villinger.

Time Change Next Week

Get ready to move the clock back one hour next Saturday evening before you go to bed. Daylight Savings Time ends on November 7.

Spirit Club Kickoff Party

We will be firing Spirit Club back up on Sunday, Nov 7th at 5 p.m. with a Pizza Party. We will be splitting our youngsters up into two groups this year. 5yrs. old and younger will be working on their 66 Books of the Bible to start out the year. 6 yrs. old and up will be working on Memory Verses. Spirit Club meets every Sunday evening before church @ 6 p.m.



Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

10/31 Jn 4
11/06 Lk 4:16-30, 5:1-11
11/13 Mk 1:21-45
11/20 Mk 21-22
11/27 Preaching Service

Wednesday

11/3 Ps 19, 119
11/10 Ps 8, 95, 103, 148
11/17 Ps 1, 15, 37
11/24 Ps 23, 121, 139
11/30 Proverbs 1-9



Coming Events

- 11/01 - Sweet Monday
- 11/5-6 - Sunshine Men's Retreat at FHCYC
- 11/07 - Spirit Club Kickoff Party
- 11/07 - Daylight Savings Time ends
- 11/12-13 - Ladies Gimme-A-Break Retreat
- 11/20 - Adoption Seminar
- 11/21 - Children's Bible Time meeting
- 11/28 - Thanksgiving Service

Area Events

- 10/31-11/3 **Gospel Meeting** with Brad Poe at the Sunrush Church of Christ, Jesus Is A True Story! Flyer Posted.



THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

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

October 31

Tom Kelley
Nick Davis
Spike Ferrell
Rich Book
Chuck Allison
Dave Coriell
Tim Coriell
Gabe Coriell
Dewey Cordle
Bill Gammon
David Gamp
Gary Glispie
Steve Miller
Jason Coriell

November 7

Don Coriell
Ralph Gamp
Eric Copas
Ira Coriell
Derek Gamp
Jeff Hayward
Dale Kuhn
Tyler Jones
Aaron Kallner
Eric Miller
Shane Mougey
Lane Raiser
Steve Miller
Greg Coriell

Sunday Evening

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

Josh Coriell
Davey Coriell
Shawn Gragg
Jacob Miller
Troy Gahm
John 4

Zach Coriell
Rick Coriell
Mark Gamp
Matthew Hoskins
Mark Villinger
Lk 4:16-30, 5:1-11

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Aaron McCray
Mike Gamp
Ps 19, 119

Caleb Miller
Jack Jennings
Ps 8, 95, 103, 148

Children's Bible Time

Oct. Theme: *Courage Instead of Fear*

3-5: Pam Coriell, Irmalee Gamp,
Rhonda & Kylie Berry

6-8: Kristin Riley, Autumn Risner, Don
Coriell

Nov. Theme: *Thankfulness*

3-5: Mandi Coriell, Jessie Coriell,
Rebecca Dixon

6-8: Tammy Foster, Shellie Vanatta,
Jason Foster, Jeff Vanatta

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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