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I Don't Really Care What You Think...

Recently I saw an article about how one of the largest denominations near our former abode (3,000 strong) is putting a vote to its members on whether or not a split should occur. While it was stated that there were several items in question, the catalyst of the issue was based on whether or not to allow homosexual clergy to lead the congregation. At the end of the article you were able to read comments generated by the column. As you can imagine there were comments from both sides of the argument. However, there was one thing I was completely vexed about. While there were many opinions, never once did they mention what the Bible said about the issue. People gave their ideas on God, what they perceived His thoughts to be, and their own thoughts on religion, but they never turned to the Word God gave to us.

To be perfectly honest, in situations like this I don't really care what you think. The only thing that should be considered is what God says. I thought to myself, "This should not even be up for a vote, because our opinion does not matter." Do not get me wrong, God does love everyone and He proved this by giving His Son for us. *"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him."* (Rom. 5:8-9) However, he is also very clear about sin. He does not hate homosexuality more than other sin, he hates sin. To flaunt sin in the face of our Savior is the utmost in arrogance and only goes to prove the words of Paul in his letter to the Romans...

For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools... Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ones. In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed indecent acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their perversion (Romans 1:21-23, 26-27).

We are to, *"Love as Christ loved us"* (Eph. 5:2) but we are also to follow his commands, *"If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed"* (John 8:31). Remember don't let our own thoughts or desires make us fools.

Wade McKnight
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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 respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For Derek Miller and Mark Ellis in Afghanistan; **Darren Shepherd** in Iraq

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

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

Alex Cram had his surgeries at Children's in Columbus on Thursday and Friday. All went well and he is home now recuperating. December 20 Alex and his family will go the NIH in Maryland for four days of testing and consultation.

Corey Bender (friend of Laryssa Grashel, 42 yr old father) diagnosed with lymphoma. PET scan this week showed tumors almost completely gone; however, a new spot has been detected near his hip.

Mike Dixon diagnosed with a herniated disc, surgery recommended.

Dan Ruch (Dennis and Toni's son) has completed first round of chemo. Has 5 more to go. Doing well.

Dolly Vandyne continues to recuperate at home.

Janie Hawkins (Sharon Gamp's sister in law in Texas) had to discontinue tumor embolization. Will be taking standard chemo.

Valerie Lemaster in James Cancer Center since November 23, undergoing blood stem cell transplant.

Steve Miller had a successful stem cell harvest at OSU. PTL! Transplant starts at OSU on December 20. See note below.

Sarah Gilliland having kidney failure due to medications.

Terri Young has state board tests coming up soon, prayer requested.

Irma Colley (friend of Jo Anne Miller) in ICU in Lexington with a serious blood disease.

Annie Rhinebolt (known to many here at Sunshine) is in critical condition in the hospital in Mansfield, OH.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Robert Dale Rogers** (father in law to Sharon Rogers) who passed away this week. Services are today in West Union.



Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

12/12 Mk 2:23-3:12
12/19 Mk 3:13-19
12/26 Preaching Service
1/2 Matthew 5
1/9 Matthew 6
1/16 Matthew 7
1/23 Preaching Service
1/30 Luke 7:1-35

Wednesday

12/15 Proverbs 21-31
12/22 Eccl 1-4
12/29 Eccl 5-8
1/5 Eccl 9-12
1/12 Isaiah 1
1/19 Isaiah 5-6
1/26 Isaiah 7, 9, 11
2/2 Isaiah 40



Coming Events

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12/12 Deadline for deacon response
12/17 Christmas Program 6:30 p.m.
12/18 Teens to Clifton Mill
12/19 Teen Christmas Party

Prospective Deacon Deadline

The shepherds of Sunshine have seen the need to increase the number of men serving as deacons here at Sunshine. They have prayerfully contacted and gained consent from the following men to put their names before the congregation as possible deacons for the church. They are **Dewey Cordle, Nick Davis, Shawn Gragg, Aaron McCray and Mark Risner**. The elders are asking each member of the church to consider each man and determine if they are qualified to serve as deacons by the standards of 1 Timothy 3:8-13. **Whether you agree or disagree, the elders would like to hear from you by today.**

Teen News and Events

December 18--We will be traveling to **Clifton Mill** to see the Christmas lights and then going shopping at the outlet mall and eating out. The kids will be shopping for a passing party gift for the teen Christmas party. (Contact Tim about cost of the gift.)

December 19--After evening services we will be having our annual **teen Christmas party**. This will include food, movie and a passing party.

Children's Bible Time Need

There are still a few openings left for Children's Bible Time in 2011. The schedule is posted on the window in the foyer. If you are willing to teach or help, please sign up for the slot that works for you.

Christmas Program & Soup Fellowship

Our annual Christmas Program will be presented on Friday, December 17, at 6:30 pm. Please sign up in the foyer today if your child would like to participate this year. We will be having a soup fellowship immediately following the program so start planning your favorite soup recipe to share with everyone. We have a great community response to this; it's a great outreach for the Sunshine church. Please plan to help out if you possibly can. See Kim and Aaron McCray or Jamie and Kristin Riley for details.

Attention All Cooks and Bakers

Cookies and soup are needed in connection with our annual Christmas Program (see above). There is a sign up sheet in the foyer; please stop and put your name on the list! Thanks!

Change in Classrooms

Due to overcrowding in the 2nd and 3rd grade classroom, we are moving them to a larger classroom.

The 2nd and 3rd graders will move to Class #2 (middle classroom in the back hallway) and the 2 and 3 year olds will move to Class #9 (classroom off the south hallway which leads to the back hallway). If you are confused, see Rich Book.

Note from Steve

Brothers and sisters, here are some things I need to say to you as I am approaching a critical time in treatment. First of all, I really appreciate the wonderful support you have given me and my family over the last 15 months with your prayers and cards and phone calls and acts of service. You have been wonderful to me and I will never forget it. Secondly, I am going into the hospital on December 20 for about three weeks for a blood stem cell transplant. I cannot afford to get sick between now and December 20. As much as I would like to hug and shake hands with every one of you, I really can't and I hope you understand. Third, during the hospitalization my contact with the outside world will be very limited. I will have no immune system. Visits are not recommended. I will be posting as much as I can on Facebook. Fourth, I will have to be very careful after this hospitalization for a period of weeks until my immune system builds back up. Touching or being close to people who have colds, flu, etc., would be dangerous for me. For awhile our relationship is going to be "long distance." We might see each other but we can't get too close. I really hate this whole thing, but when I get through it, I promise to make up for it with an extra hug or two when I can. I love you all dearly. Thanks for being a great congregation. Sincerely, Steve.

Worship Service Teams

The deacons are in the process of developing a new approach for the organization of those who serve during our Sunday morning worship service. The intent of this change is to offer more men an opportunity to actively participate in services and to decrease the pre-service confusion. A team leader would be responsible to fill the roles of communion servers, prayers (opening and closing), and scripture reader. We envision each leader being responsible for approximately four services per year. Several men expressed an interest in this approach during the recent men's leadership retreat. A meeting was held last Sunday AM to organize ourselves in this effort. If by chance you missed the meeting, see Shaun Gragg to be included in this program.

In the News

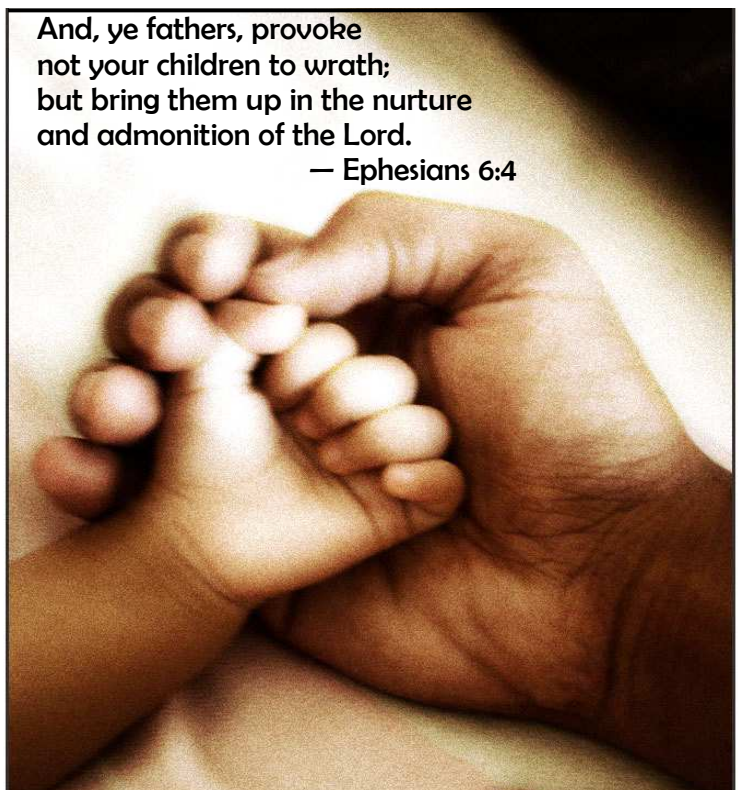
Matthew Risner competed last Sunday afternoon in Cincinnati at half-time of the Bengals-Saints game in the 7 year old division of Pass-Kick-Punt competition. He was one of four finalists from this area of the country. Congratulations to Matthew for finishing 2nd place in the competition. We're looking forward to next year when he will compete in the eight year old division.

Children's Services Gifts Deadline

Today is the deadline for getting all the Children's Services wrapped and here at the building. They will be delivered tomorrow, December 13, to Children's Services. See David or Marsha Coriell for details.

**And, ye fathers, provoke
not your children to wrath;
but bring them up in the nurture
and admonition of the Lord.**

— Ephesians 6:4





THOSE WHO SERVE



Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Scripture Reading
Prayer
L O R D S
Wine
S U P P E R
Message
Closing Prayer

December 12

Jon Coriell
Scott Gamp
Spike Ferrell
Rich Book
Roger Cooper
Ryan Coriell
Dale Gamp
Dewey Cordle
Gabe Coriell
David Gamp
Jerry Gamp
Lane Raiser
Steve Miller
Aaron Kallner

December 19

Wayne Gamp
Nick Davis
Greg Coriell
Ira Coriell
Derek Gamp
Ike Hardin
Jeff Hayward
Zach Coriell
Jason Coriell
Mike Coriell
Chuck Allison
Dave Coriell
Steve Miller
Rick Coriell

Sunday Evening

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

Aaron McCray
Mike Gamp
Gary Glispie
Matthew Hoskins
Jack Jennings
Mark 2:23-3:12

Shawn Gragg
Troy Gahm
Tyler Jones
Caleb Miller
Bill Gammon
Mark 3:13-19

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Don Ramey
Jamie Veach
Proverbs 21-31

Mark Gamp
Tim Gamp
Ecclesiastes 1-4

Children's Bible Time

Dec. Theme: *The Birth of Jesus*
3-5: Stephanie Copas
6-8: Becky Dixon

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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Mark 2:23 - 3:12

ABIATHAR PHARISEES
BRIDEGROOM PRIESTS
CONSECRATED SABBATH
DISTRESSED SHRIVELED HAND
FASTING SILENT
GALILEE SMALL BOAT
GRAIN STUBBORN HEARTS
HERODIANS SYNAGOGUE
HUNGRY UNLAWFUL
JERUSALEM UNSHRUNK
JOHNS DISCIPLES WINESKINS

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Word Search Solution
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Mark2:23 thru 3:12

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