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Josh Wilson's song "I Refuse," on his recently released album *See You*, was inspired by the aftermath of storms that flooded the city of Nashville, Tennessee in the spring of 2010. "I realized after a while that I was using my own prayers as a defense against having to do anything myself," said Josh. "I can't do everything, but I refuse to do nothing." The lyrics of his song are featured here in conjunction with next week's special contribution for Japan. Please take the time to read and reflect.

I Refuse

by Josh Wilson

Sometimes I, I just want to close my eyes
And act like everyone's alright when I know they're not.
This world needs God, but it's easier to stand and watch.
I could pray a prayer and just move on like nothing's wrong.

But I refuse 'cause I don't want to live like I don't care.
I don't want to say another empty prayer.
I refuse to sit around and wait for someone else
To do what God has called me to do myself.
I could choose not to move but I refuse.

I can hear the least of these crying out so desperately,
And I know we are the hands and feet of you, oh God.
So, if you say move, then it's time for me to follow through,
And do what I was made to do. Show them who you are.

'Cause I don't want to live like I don't care.
I don't want to say another empty prayer.
I refuse to sit around and wait for someone else
To do what God has called me to do myself.
I could choose not to move but I refuse.

To stand and watch the weary and lost cry out for help.
I refuse to turn my back and try and act like all is well.
I refuse to stay unchanged, to wait another day, to die to myself.
I refuse to make one more excuse.

'Cause I don't want to live like I don't care.
I don't want to say another empty prayer.
I refuse to sit around and wait for someone else
To do what God has called me to do myself.
I could choose not to move but I refuse.



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 in Afghanistan.

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 the people of Japan who are suffering from the effects of the earthquake, tsunami and radiation from damaged nuclear reactors

Matthew Gampp (stationed with the Navy in Japan). His unit is being moved north out of the radiation area but they are involved in rescue operations from their new location.

Kelly Gampp about to begin chemo.

Janet Risner had knee replacement surgery (both knees) on Tuesday at SOMC. She has done well and is in rehab.

Henry Coriell in his fourth round of chemo.

Stanley Peach at home and improving.

David Blackburn (Amy Graff's uncle) preliminary diagnosis is leukemia..

DeeDee Duduit (Troy Gahm's sister) definitely has a recurrence of cancer affecting lymph nodes.

Livie Amato came home Friday from Children's after several scope and biopsy procedures. Several meds were prescribed. Waiting for full results.

Gavin Rupp (11 yr old son of Joanne Miller's niece) recently had surgery for a brain tumor and the biopsy showed a malignancy. In chemo at this time.

Roger Cooper recuperating at home.

Tom Kelley recuperating at home from foot surgery.

Marzelle Gardner (Julie Miller's grandmother in Brandon, Mississippi) is back in the hospital.

Herman Isham (father of Linda Haney) recurrence of bone cancer.



Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

3/20 Home Groups
 3/27 Home Groups
 4/3 Home Groups
 4/10 Home Groups
 4/17 Mk 4:1-29
 4/24 Mt 13:24-53
 5/1 Mt 8:18-22; Lk 8:22-39
 5/8 Mt 9:10-34

Wednesday

3/23 Ezekiel 18, 28
 3/30 Ezekiel 34, 37
 4/6 Daniel 1-2
 4/13 Daniel 3
 4/20 Daniel 4
 4/27 Daniel 5
 5/4 Daniel 6
 5/11 Daniel 7



Coming Events

3/20 PM Home Group Meetings
 3/27 Japan Relief Contribution
 4/17 Deacons Meeting
 4/23 Easter Egg Hunt
 4/29-30 Women of Faith Conference
 6/20-24 VBS 2011 for Sunshine
 7/21 Mother/Son Fun Day

Spirit Club

No meeting this evening.

Home Group News

Home Groups continue this evening. The Home Group meeting at Nick and Kerri Davis's house will be meeting this evening at the Davis home. **Hosts**, please record your attendance from last Sunday on the chart in the foyer (on the bulletin board).

Service Questionnaire

Two weeks ago we began to hand out a **Service Questionnaire** to everyone. Extra copies are available on the table in the foyer. The elders are asking every member of the Sunshine church to fill out and return their completed questionnaire within the next few weeks so that we can update our service/ministry information. The last time we did this was about two and a half years ago. It's time to update our information. If you have been visiting for awhile, this questionnaire is an opportunity for you to become an "official" part of Sunshine. The first two questions on the questionnaire are critical. We need to know that you are a Christian and that you are looking to the Sunshine elders to be the shepherds and overseers of your soul. If those two requirements are met, we invite you to check the ministries and jobs on the questionnaire that you are willing to do. Any questions, see Nick Davis.

Appointment of New Elder

At the end of services this morning, the present eldership will publicly and formally appoint **Rich Book** as a shepherd for the Sunshine church of Christ. This is an important event for the congregation and we hope that you will stay for the installation of our new elder. The Sunshine bishops thank the church for their prayers and input in the process of evaluating Rich for the office of elder. We sincerely appreciate Rich's willingness to serve the congregation as shepherd

Pharmaceutical Collection Event

Friday, April 29, 2011, from 10 am to 3 pm, there will be a collection of all old prescription medicines at the SOMC Life Center parking lot. This is an event sponsored by the Lawrence-Scioto County Solid Waste Management District and is designed to prevent prescription medicines from getting into our water supply. Brochure is posted on the bulletin board.

Addition to the Body of Christ

Last Sunday morning after services two precious souls were added to the kingdom of God: **Lee Lowder** (a friend of Nick Copas who has been coming a lot recently) and Lee's mother, **Elizabeth Bentley**. Elizabeth decided to be baptized into Christ when Lee called home to ask his mother to come witness his baptism. She presently is attending another church. Please add his contact information to your directories:

Bentley, Elizabeth and Lee (Lowder);
1161C Riddlebarger Rd;
Portsmouth 45662.

We are rejoicing with Lee and Elizabeth as they have put on Christ in Christian baptism. Give them a Sunshine welcome today.

Special Contribution for Japan Relief

In response to the devastating crisis in Japan, the Sunshine congregation will be taking up a special collection to assist with relief efforts for our brothers and sisters in Christ in Japan. This will be very similar to what we did a few years ago for the people of New Orleans, with the exception that this need is much greater. Please be prayerful about this matter and come prepared with your offering for the Japanese people next week (Sunday 3/27). Julie and Derek Miller lived in Japan and worshipped with the churches of Christ there for a time, so our money will be able to go directly through their contacts. Also, please continue to be praying for the people of Japan as they endure this tragedy: for their grief, for their health, for their salvation and hope in Christ, for their peace and comfort. It has been suggested to place the red dot of the Japanese flag on the back side of your hand as a visible, tangible prayer reminder to be in constant prayer for these people over the next few weeks. (There will be several red permanent markers on the back foyer table if you are interested.) If you have questions, please feel free to contact Dewey Cordle or Julie Miller.

Mailboxes for New Deacons

All recently appointed deacons, you now have a mailbox in the church office. Stop by, find your box and try to check it each week to pick up messages and mail, etc.

Christian Comedy Show

Christian comedian Tim Hawkins will be having a show in Beavercreek, OH on Saturday April 2nd @ 7p.m. A group from Sunshine is planning on going up to this show. If you are interested please sign up on the sheet in the foyer TODAY to guarantee a ticket. The tickets are \$16.50, you can give your money to Aaron McCray or Autumn Risner.

Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Easter egg hunt is planned for Sat., April 23. A LOT of candy is needed! Donations of individually wrapped candy will be greatly appreciated! Remember, no nuts. Please put candy in the basket under the coat rack. Thanks!

Online Sermons

Most of the Sunday morning sermons preached at Sunshine from the present back to April of 2009 are now available for download to your computer or MP3 player. They may be found on our web page, media.sunshine-church.com, or as a free download from iTunes.

Balderdash!

Balderdash: a race between bald men.

My dad used to tell me God only made a few perfect heads... and the rest he covered with hair. He also said, men who are bald in front are thinkers... men who are bald in back are lovers.. and men who are bald in the front and back think they are lovers. My dad is a thinker.

We sometimes joke about baldness, but remember the boys who mocked Elisha. *"From there Elisha went up to Bethel. As he was walking along the road, some youths came out of the town and jeered at him. 'Go on up, you baldhead!' they said. 'Go on up, you baldhead!' He turned around, looked at them and called down a curse on them in the name of the Lord. Then two bears came out of the woods and mauled forty-two of the youths. And he went on to Mount Carmel and from there returned to Samaria."* II Kings 2:23-25

Those who are bald, gray haired, or wrinkled are to be honored, not mocked. Study these verses.

"Gray hair is a crown of splendor; it is attained by a righteous life." Proverbs 16:31

"Rise in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly and revere your God. I am the Lord." Leviticus 19:32

In this youth driven society, the elder members are often ignored. They have wisdom to share if we will listen

Jay Crook

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"But those who
hope in the LORD
will renew their STRENGTH.
They will SOAR on
wings like eagles;
they will RUN and
not grow weary,
they will WALK
and not be faint."

Isaiah 40:31



I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. - Psalm 16:8

THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Worship Leaders

Message

March 20

Don Coriell
Nick Davis
Dale Kuhn
Jamie Veach
Jamie Riley

March 27

Jon Coriell
Ralph Gampp
Tim Gampp
Tyler Jones
Steve Miller

Sunday Evening

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

*Home
Group
Meetings*

*Home
Group
Meetings*

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Gabe Coriell
Aaron Kallner
Ezekiel 18, 28

Shaun Gragg
Dewey Cordle
Ezekiel 2-4

Children's Bible Time

March Theme: *Confidence*

3-5: June Book, Jacob & Jordan
Book
6-8: Kim McCray, Aaron McCray

April Theme: *Respecting our Bodies*

3-5: Jill Williams Kathy Glispie, Steve
Williams
6-8: Cathy Coriell, Christian Coriell, Sam
Williams

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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Deadline for each issue is 3 p.m. Saturday. News items may be called to **Al Graff** or **Steve Miller** or e-mailed to:

info@sunshine-church.org



A verse from Psalm 16 has been scrambled with a simple letter substitution code. Determine which letters have been switched to reveal the scripture. Answer may be found at the bottom of page 3.

H OSMT ETP POT ZVBW SZKSQE

JTYVBT GT: JTISXET OT HE SP GQ

BHROP OSAW, H EOSZZ AVP JT

GVMTW.

SMOKE SIGNALS FROM THE DEACONS

During the men's leadership retreat, one area identified that needed a lot of work was communication between leadership and the congregation. The deacons agree completely that in the past communication has been lacking. I Corinthians 12:27 states that "we are the body of Christ, and each one of us is a part of it." As is true with every organization, communication is essential for each one to be part of the whole. Communication is essential for unity, the participation of the people who make up that organization, and the ultimate success of an organization achieving goals.

In light of these thoughts, the decision was made in the deacons' December meeting that a report summarizing the major decisions and discussions made during our meetings would be prepared and provided to the congregation at the end of each quarter. As the first quarter draws to a close, the deacons are pleased to submit our first quarterly report to the congregation.

General

In the very near future, the congregation will be seeing quite a few changes. Throughout 2010, huge changes were being made within the leadership of our congregation, the most notable being the addition of five new deacons. Also, in 2010, the deacons had resolved themselves to play a more proactive role in the congregation. The newly added deacons really added to the momentum of the group, and a huge amount of work and decisions have been made for the betterment of the congregation.

Program of Work

During our first meetings, the primary goal of the deacons was to identify all major areas of ministry and assign a deacon to be responsible for that ministry. As mentioned previously, communication is a necessity, as is organization. To date, every major ministry listed in Sunshine's Program of Work now has a specific point person. We have included with this report an attachment which includes a list of the deacons and the areas assigned to them. In the near future, we will also be creating a page on the church website with the same listing for a quick reference.

The Program of Work is also being revised to include new ministries and omit obsolete ministries. Copies of the new Program of Work will be available in the very near future.

Gary Glispie is heading up compilation of the Program of Work.

Call-Em-All Service

By now everyone has probably received at least one phone

call from Sunshine's new Call-Em-All service. Utilization of the program was begun as a way to increase the communication within the congregation and the efficiency by which communication flows. There are so many uses for this service, and we have already seen some of the benefits of using it. One of the first benefits to be realized was the increased attendance in church functions. We are excited for the further use of this application. If you prefer not to be included in the call lists, please let us know.

To take advantage of this new service, contact Shaun or Aaron McCray.

Giving

A new option for giving is available to those who would like to utilize it. Now, in addition to the traditional means of giving, those interested can use direct deposit. The possibility of debit cards has also been discussed, but a sufficient number of people would have to commit to this method to make it worth while due to charges realized this type of service.

If you are interested in doing so, please contact Shaun McCray and Aaron Kallner.

Sermons

Another new exciting step for Sunshine is that all sermons can be downloaded from the church website and placed on your iPod or MP3 players. Copies of the sermons will continue to be available on DVD.

Please go to www.media.sunshine-church.com to take advantage of this service.

Crop Program

Sunshine has always been a congregation willing to give in any means. This year a new program will be used to supply an offering to some to-be-determined group. Sunshine is full of farmers, and the decision has been made to grow approximately 10 acres of corn and donate the proceeds from the sale of that corn. The seed and fertilizer have already been donated, and the use of machinery and manpower has been as well. This is another program that we anticipate will be very rewarding.

If you have any questions or interest in this ministry, please see Mark Risner.

Building Program

Many comments have been made by the congregation about how great it will be when the new building is a reality. The deacons would once again like to thank everyone for their participation in the building presentation in February. It has been very encouraging to us to see that the building fund is once again climbing.

Phase I construction drawings are complete, and the State has reviewed and approved our plans. We anticipate the work on Phase I to begin shortly after the youth rally in mid-April. As mentioned during our presentation, Phase I construction will consist of the removal of the folding wall in the annex, construction of new classroom space in half of the existing annex, demolition and relocation of some existing classroom walls to increase classroom size, and the installation of a new double door between the existing annex and existing sanctuary.

Gabe Coriell is our contact for this project.

Deacon Duties

Dewey Cordle – Work Projects

Father-Son Campout

Mother-Son Fun

Gabe Coriell – Attendance

Building Program

Women's Ministries

Jason Coriell – Benevolence

Home Groups

Mission Trips

Nick Davis – Education

Scott Gampp – Worship Services

Gary Glispie – Program of Work

Church Directory

Alan Graff – Bulletin

Computers

Shawn Gragg – Building Maintenance

Aaron Kallner – Financial Management

Health Ministry

Mission Trips

Aaron McCray – Christmas Program

Call-Em-All Service

Spirit Club

Campus Ministry

Shaun McCray – Financial Management

Call-Em-All Service

Homer Miller – Visitation

Eugene Risner – Coats For Kids

Health Ministry

Joy of Giving

Meals On Wheels

Mark Risner – Crop Program