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Before The Lord

It is an easily-missed scene from the kids traditional animated Christmas favorite, "Santa Claus is Comin to Town"... not the Burgermeister outlawing toys, or the Winter Warlock's heart melting because of a gift, not even the 'One foot in front of the other' song (my wife's personal favorite at this time of the year)... but do you remember the scene where Kris Kringle asks Jessica to become his bride?

Here's the scene, and it helps if you read these words in the mental voice of Fred Astaire... "It was a lovely wedding, yes sir. They held it on Christmas eve, and since no town welcomed them, they stood before the Lord in silent winter woods, and a grove of pine trees was their cathedral."

"Husbands, love your wives..." Colossians 3:19

"However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband." Ephesians 5:33

"Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral." Hebrews 13:4

"May your fountain be blessed, and may you rejoice in the wife of your youth." Proverbs 5:18

Husbands and wives... you stand before the Lord. Your relationship is blessed by the throne of Heaven. During this season of giving and receiving, when you honor each other - when you fall in love again with each new day... you honor the God who made you one from two, made you together from apart, made a new creation... no matter the cathedral you were sealed in, whether a grove of pine trees in a silent winter wood, or in front of hundreds on a day like no other. The place isn't the venue, the place is the heart. So love, respect, honor, keep pure, and rejoice!!! That's the kind of gift that melts my heart every day. Stand before the Lord and rekindle the love that once brought you close - and praise the God that makes this all possible.

"...they stood before the Lord"

Mike Anderson
Corbin, KY

Please Pray For:

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 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 Chhetri and Ashok Basfor.

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel.

For the people in the Philippines affected by the typhoon.

Angie Arnett (friend of Laryssa Grashel, mother of 2 children) fighting cancer.

Joe Hannah (nephew by marriage to Pam Coriell and Irmalee Gampp) fighting brain cancer.

Eldon Conkel (former member now living in Atlanta) cancer of the bladder. Starting his chemo on November 27.

Paul Jacobs in SOMC being tested for persistent chest pain. Had a heart catheterization on Friday. Remains in the hospital for further testing.

Jim Young (Terri Young's husband) completed his chemo this past week.

Dylan Remy (5th grade classmate of Kelsey Isley) fighting cancer of the brain.

Debbie Krumpleman (relative of Delores Gampp in Cincinnati) diagnosed with cancer, facing chemo and radiation.

Russell Bryant (Amy Graff's uncle) liver failure, doctors say only one or two weeks left at best.

Bud Bryant (Amy Graff's uncle) aggressive cancer, not doing well.



All the Crams (including Anna Mei) made it back to Minford yesterday evening.

Kaye Hammond home on Friday after surgery at OSU on Thursday. Doing very well. PTL! She says thank you for the prayers.



Coming Events

12/15	Christmas Caroling
12/21	Christmas Lights in Ashland
1/8	PG Men begins
1/18	Henry Baby Shower

Congratulations

To **Aaron Oesch** and his family as Aaron graduated yesterday from the University of Cincinnati with a bachelors degree in business.

Budget Request Deadline

The deacons are in the final stages of preparing the budget for 2014. If you anticipate any need for funding from the church for projects or events in 2014, please get your request in with one of the deacons ASAP.

Shepherds Prayer

This Thursday at 7:30 the elders and ministers are meeting to pray for the needs of the congregation. If you have requests that need to be included in the prayer, please write it down and give it to one of the elders right away.

PG Men Starting Soon

About 15 of our men so far (18 and older) will begin meeting soon on Wednesday evenings during class time (plus 15 minutes) to view the DVD series The Mousetrap and to have a few minutes of discussion each time. There are 18 sessions in all. We hope to begin this special class January 8, 2014. If you would like to join the class or have other questions, see Steve Miller. This is a follow up to the presentations made by Lou Butterfield a few weeks ago.



Christmas Caroling Today

Youth Group, look! Be at Sunshine at 1:00 PM to stuff bags and practice singing carols with other groups involved. We will be visiting the Concord nursing home from 3:00-4:30. The youth group will be making cookies and cards for 125 residents between two different nursing homes (Concord and Fountainhead). Fountainhead is very small and will be visited some time later by a small group.

Food and Lights

Youth Group, look! Saturday, December 21, 4:30-10 PM. We're headed to Ashland to see the Christmas lights and to eat at a "sit down" restaurant (not fast food). Sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

Coats for Kids

Between now and Christmas vacation, we are supplying new winter coats and jackets for needy students in the Minford schools (based on recommendation of the teachers and administration). Eugene Risner and Kristine Coriell are heading up this project. Give your money to them and they will make sure the coats are purchased and delivered ASAP. A typical coat/jacket costs about \$30.00. Checks can be made to Sunshine church.

Thank You

To the owners of the Christmas Store/Lady Bug Greenhouse (Merrit and Helen Hayward) for the beautiful poinsettias in the building for the holiday season. They have provided these for the church for many, many years.

Seeing Hope

The Flatwoods church of Christ is collecting old prescription glasses to distribute in Peru where they are presently involved in a mission work. They have asked us to help them by gathering up all our old prescription glasses and sending them to Peru. There is a basket in the foyer for collecting these glasses. We have until January 31, to get everything collected. Questions, see Cheryl Villinger.

Baby Shower

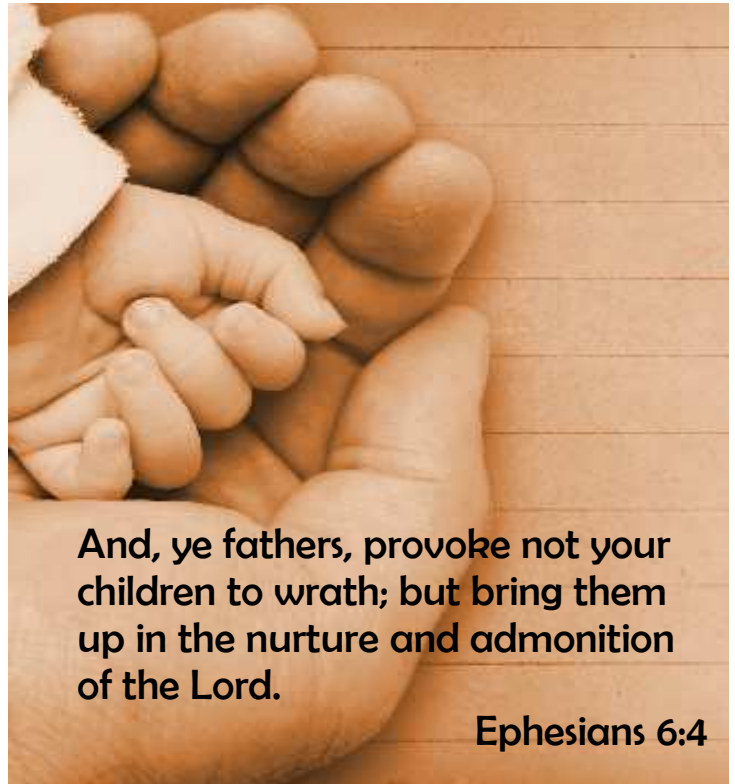
For **Dusty and Mary Henry** on Saturday, January 18, at 1 pm in the church annex. They are registered at Walmart.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Matt Mitchell** (uncle to Meaghan Hickman) who died Tuesday in Florida as a result of a motorcycle accident.

Song/Worship Leaders Class Suspended

The song leading/worship leading class is suspended till January, 2014.



Brotherly Love Will Cause Us To:

- Rejoice with them that rejoice, weep with them that weep - Rom. 12:15.
- Prefer one another - Romans 12:10; 1 Corinthians 10:33.
- Forgive one another - Colossians 3:13-14.
- Bear one another's burdens - Gal. 6:1-2.
- Take care not to offend - 1 Corinthians 10:32-33.
- Restore one another in the spirit of meekness - Gal. 6:1.
- Show compassion - 1 John 3:17-18.
- Stir up love and good works in brethren - Hebrews 10:24.
- Avoid harsh judgments and criticisms - Matthew 7:1-2.
- Receive a brother until he is stronger - Romans 14:1.
- Avoid envy - 1 Corinthians 3:4.
- Be kind and tenderhearted - Ephesians 4:32.
- Avoid evil speaking - James 4:11.
- Shun acts of vengeance and jealousy - 1 Peter 3:9.
- Stay clear of all frictions and strife, if possible - Rom.14:18-19.

3 extra stars, band on jar, brim of crown, 2 less star beams, jewel on crown, eyebrows, 3 jewels on chest, hem of robe, decoration on cloak, shadows in sleeves, base of manger, kings mouths.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Worship Leaders

Message

December 15

Wayne Gampp
Aaron McCray
Greg Shepherd
Steve Williams
Jamie Riley

December 22

Tom Kelley
Nick Davis
Don Ramey
Jimmy Forbes
Steve Miller

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Scripture Reading
Lord's Supper
Assist
Prayer

Gabe Coriell
Dewey Cordle
Don Ramey
Tim Coriell
Jim Cunningham

Shawn Gragg
Caleb Miller
Jason Coriell
Mark Gampp
Troy Gahm

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer

David Bradshaw
Mark Villinger

Zach Coriell
Ira Coriell

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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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Try to spot all thirteen differences between the two images below. Solution to the puzzle is on page 3.

