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Who Is This?

Then he climbed into the boat with them, and the wind died down. They were completely amazed for they had not understood about the loaves; their hearts were hardened (Mark 6:51-52),

We cannot understand this miracle unless we see it as a kind of examination period given to these disciples after the feeding of the five thousand. Our Lord had sent them out, had given them power. They had seen their ministry confirmed and authenticated by the hand of God working through them. They had come back excited and turned on by all they had seen and done. They had now been taught that Jesus was the one who was coming to fulfill the expectation of a Messiah to be given to Israel, promised throughout all the prophetic centuries. But somehow they seemed to miss it all.

So He gives them an examination, a test, to see how they are doing. He sends them out into a storm, but this time it is different. He is not with them in the boat. He sends them out alone, deliberately, and He goes up into the hills to pray. How many of the storms of our life are made up of these two elements? Trouble that comes to us and seems to be overwhelming us, and the seeming absence of the Lord? Nevertheless, there is One up on the hillside praying for us.

After the storm has blown for several hours and the disciples are in deep distress, Jesus comes to them, walking upon the water. When they see Him they are scared out of their wits because they think He is a ghost. He has to reassure them: It-that thing you see that scares you to death-it is I; don't be afraid. How many times does He have to say that to us? That thing that scares us, frightens us-It is I; be not afraid. He got into the boat, and they were absolutely flabbergasted! This indicates the grade they got on this exam. It was an "F." It was a total failure, but it astonished them. For the second time, now, their eyes are opened to begin to question: Who then is this? And they begin to listen. This opens the door for some of our Lord's greatest teaching to His disciples regarding why He came.

And this is our Lord's question to us: Who is this? Who sends the storms into our lives? Who tests us? Who makes provision for our needs and then tests us on it? Who gives us a promise and then sends us out to see if we believe what we teach or what we say? It is the Lord Himself. This is what He is doing with us, as he did with His disciples. He is training us, teaching us, preparing us, building into our lives, as He built into their lives, so that we might be men and women of faith, confident and calm and able to cope with life.

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.

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

Jim Young (Terri Young's husband) planning to start another round of chemo on Monday.

Debbie Krumpelman (Delores Gampp's niece in Cincinnati) has finished three weeks of chemo and radiation, three more to go before surgery.

Ruth Miller in SOMC with congestive heart failure. Treadmill test on Monday prerequisite to pacemaker.

Bud Coriell expected to transfer to Heartland for rehabilitation.

Richard Dunham (Bill Gammon's brother in law) in SOMC dealing with cancer.

PG Men Underway

Thirteen of our men began meeting Wednesday evening for the first installment of the DVD series **The Mousetrap**. There are 18 sessions in all. This class is a combination of DVD presentation, discussion, prayer and scripture. We would be glad to have a few more guys for the group. We are **meeting in Room A3 in the Annex**. Plan to stay till 8:30, rather than 8:15. There is a manual that goes along with the class that can be purchased. This is optional. If you want a manual sign up on the sheet on the table and give Steve Miller your money (\$14). Will be placing an order for paid orders no later than next Sunday.

Roller Skating

Monday night, Jan 20, 6 pm, at Skatelan in Wheelersburg, \$1 Skate rental. This is for everybody.

Area Events

Details for all of these events are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

- 1/24-25 Ohio Winter Lectures, Fishinger & Kenny COC, Columbus
- 2/7 Caring Hearts Gala, Dinner and Auction 6:30-10 pm to benefit Midwestern Childrens Home
- 3/7-8 WV Marriage Getaway at Charleston Civic Center

Honduras Mission Trips Set

Two short-term trips are planned for Honduras. The first is May 14-21 and then a second trip specifically designed for families with children, June 5-9. More information will be available soon. See Jamie Riley for details.

Haiti Mission Trip Set

Two of our members, **Kristi Cordle and Cheryl Villinger**, are heading to Haiti January 25-February 2 on a medical mission trip through Hope for Haiti's Children. The children in HFHC ministry get a thorough medical check up at the beginning of each year. Both Kristi and Cheryl have the background to be very useful in this part of the ministry. HFHC has requested that we supply socks for girls (white, cuffed) and boys (black or navy blue) in sizes small, medium and large and ties of various kinds for men. There will be some kind of collection box in the foyer soon.

Looking Ahead

1/18	Henry Baby Shower
1/18	Winter Jam in Columbus
1/20	Roller Skating, Skatelan 6 pm
1/25-2/2	Haiti Mission Trip
1/31	Deadline for Collecting Glasses
2/14-16	Winterfest in Gatlinburg
2/17	Roller Skating, Skatelan 6 pm
3/9-30	Sun PM Home Groups
4/20	Easter Sunday
5/14-21	Honduras Mission Trip
6/5-9	Honduras Family Mission Trip
6/23-27	VBS at Sunshine

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.

Winter Jam Deadline Today

The youth group will be going to the Winter Jam concert in Columbus on January 18. The cost for the tickets is \$30 plus food and souvenirs. Please sign up in the back if you plan to go. The last day to sign up and turn in your money is today.

Deacons Meeting Tonight

After services tonight the deacons will be meeting.

Winterfest 2014 Registration

Flyers with full information on Winterfest 2014 are available on the table in the foyer. Dates are February 14-16. Cost is \$110 per person. This covers transportation, 2 nights lodging and Winterfest registration fee. Food, souvenirs and other miscellaneous expenses are not included in the \$110. Registration will be handled through the church's website. Accommodations are limited to 100 people. Questions, check with Jamie Riley, Tim Gamp or Shaun McCray.

2014 Budget Available

Copies of the final budget for 2014 are available in the foyer on the table. Questions or comments can be directed to any of the deacons.

Shepherds Prayer

This Thursday at 7:30 the elders and ministers are meeting for prayer for the individuals and families of this church. If you have specific requests that you would like to have included in the prayer, please give it to one of our elders.

Song/Worship Leader Class Resumes

This evening at 5 pm, the Song Leader/Worship Leader Class resumes.

Baby Shower

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

Building Reservations

During the month of January Sunshine members have first chance at reserving the building for whatever functions they may want to schedule in the building through the rest of the year. On February 1, the remaining dates are scheduled for non-members on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are planning a **church event** or **family event** that will require the use of the building, please go ahead and get your date reserved with **Delores Gamp**. This is for our members: Please note that sometimes a funeral dinner might need to happen in our Annex. Of course, there is no way to schedule a funeral dinner in advance but it is a high priority with us. In the past we have always had the cooperation of those members who had the building reserved in advance to accommodate the funeral dinner and we thank you. We just want our members to know that if that situation arises we will do our very best to accommodate both activities, but there might be a situation where a scheduled event has to be adjusted to another date in order to handle the funeral dinner situation.

"Official" Church Calendar

Help!!!! There are a lot of people with a lot of ideas and plans around here. If you have an event or activity that directly involves the church, please take a look at the "official" church calendar in the office and see what else is happening before you pick a date or do any detailed planning. **Write your event and your name** on the date so the rest of us know to stay away from that date and who to call to find out about it. Also, it might be good to locate the deacon who oversees the area that your event/activity falls in. He will appreciate a "heads up" and may be able to help you.



THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Worship Leaders

Message

January 12

Jon Coriell
Aaron McCray
Zach Coriell
Tim Coriell
Steve Miller

January 19

Wayne Gampp
Nick Davis
Ira Coriell
Jim Cunningham
Steve Miller

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Scripture Reading
Lord's Supper
Assist
Prayer

Jacob Miller
Steve Williams
Dewey Cordle
Mike Coriell
Mark Villinger

Gabe Coriell
Tyler Jones
Price Gammon
Greg Shepherd
Jason Coriell

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer

David Bradshaw
Don Ramey

Matthew Hoskins
Mark Gampp

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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Paul took him to Jerusalem (Gal. 2:1)

Money paid for civil purposes (Rom. 13:6)

A daughter of King David (1 Chron 3:9)

A prickly plant (Prov. 15:19)

The practice of giving 1/10th (Lev. 27:32)

Burial places (2 Kings 23:16)

Used for biting and chewing (Exodus 21:24)

A valuable jewel from Cush (Job 28:19)

A group of families (Rev. 7:5)

Honesty as opposed to lies (Prov. 12:17)