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President Hamilton?

Alexander Hamilton - a recent 'Groupon gaffe' declared him to be "as everyone knows... undeniably one of our greatest presidents." Now, 1st U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, yes. Founding Father of our country, yes. President... no never. Call it silly, call it uninformed or un-googled - but it's wrong. When we take something that wasn't and pretend like it was is and "egg on face" moment. But what about taking something that is and pretending like it isn't...

"They devoted themselves to... fellowship... Everyone was filled... all the believers were together... Every day they continued to meet together... enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number..." (from Acts 2:42-44, 46-47)

The church is the beautiful bride of Christ - the body of Christ - a temple prepared for worship... but many treat it as an optional side-dish on the great buffet of God. To say that we don't need the church is silly, it's uninformed, it's un-researched - and it's wrong. God's church is not optional - not a side item, not an 'if I feel like it' addendum or Christianity's 'elastic clause'... it is both a place to believe and a place to belong. But many times, what early Christians considered 'devoted' many now consider 'demoted'.

We laugh a little at the quick and unverified mention of Alexander Hamilton's presidential presence, but then deny the verified intention of God's active presence and purpose in the church. "Fellowship, filled, together, meet, favor..." - when this happened because of a deliberate desire to fellowship, to comfort, teach, worship... to help establish a community of believers - then great stuff happened. Then (the opposite here) I have to believe that when we pretend that moments like that aren't that important - then there is a breakdown of God's awesome purpose and work within that fellowship - then the crumbling of hearts happens because fellowship is deemed optional, the sapping of strength occurs, we become disjointed and discouraged, flavorless with each other and flavorless to the lost. Numbers declining instead of rising...

"God give us a desire to love the church with the same heart that loves You. Then we will share and become what Your desire is... that we shine as Your bride, built up as Your temple, and weaved together as Your body. Lord, make us completely Yours."

"You can be committed to church but not committed to Christ, but you cannot be committed to Christ and not committed to church." - Joel Osteen

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Please Pray For:

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 "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.

Debbie Krumpelman (cousin of Teresa Hayward in Cincinnati) has finished chemo treatments and will soon have surgery.

Bob Wright (former elder in Pike County) had brain surgery at OSU on Friday to remove a tumor from his brain. Not all was removed. Biopsy reports due in about a week. Reports will determine treatment.

Jim Young (Terri Young's husband) is now under hospice care at home.

Kay Hammond had cancer surgery back in December and has started chemotherapy this week.

Garnet Lindeman (at Nancy Taylor's house) improvement has stalled. Cards, prayers, phone calls welcome.

Paul Jacobs will be at OSU tomorrow for an MRI and an ablation procedure on his heart.

Tracy Cordle undergoing medical tests.

Angela Boren (Patty Hayward's cousin) critically injured and needing blood. Blood donations can be made at SOMC in her name.

Angel Salyers (friend of Clyde and Penny Ball) had surgery this week on an abdominal mass. No cancer.

Anna Mei Cram having tests and evaluations at Children's in Cincinnati this past week. Several major problems have to be addressed.

Clyde Ball receiving shots in the eye for macular degeneration.

Landon Kleinman (6 months old, known to Dee Bradshaw) being treated through Children's in Columbus for inability to hold his head upright.

Amanda Montgomery (Sarah Gilliland's sister in Columbus) now in Best Care in Wheelersburg.

Bud Coriell fell last Sunday afternoon and has broken 5 ribs. Recuperating at home.

Gregg Ferrell was readmitted to Christ Hospital in Cincinnati. Prayers requested for him and his family.



Coming Events

2/23	Haiti Report at evening service
3/16-4/6	Sunday 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

Area Events

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

- 3/7-8: WV Marriage Getaway at Charleston Civic Center
- 4/5: Day of Edification at Chapel Hill church in Gallipolis



Sympathy Extended

- To the family of Lillian Knore who passed away at her home on Tuesday (2/18). The visitation is set for 6-8 pm Tuesday evening at Erwin-Dodson and one hour prior to the funeral which is set for Wednesday at 11 am at the funeral home.
- To the family of Nathan Adkins (Valley HS student) who died last week as a result of a breathing problem. The funeral was Wednesday in Minford.

Here At Last!

Evelyn Grace Henry was born February 17, 2014, to Dusty and Mary Henry at SOMC. She weighed 8 lbs, 5 oz and measured 22 inches in length. Thank you, Lord, for a safe delivery and a healthy baby! Congratulations to the families on both sides. We look forward to Evelyn's first visit to Sunshine.

Free VHS Materials

We are in the process of clearing out old VHS format materials from our building and offices. These are educational and entertainment type materials. All these items are laid out in the Annex on the counter along the wall. You are free to take any and all of these materials with you. We are adding more discard materials to the pile on a daily basis. Be sure and keep checking the pile. For details, see Steve Miller.



Haiti Mission Report Tonight



Following our time of evening worship, during class time we will be seeing pictures and hearing a report from **Cheryl Villinger** and **Kristi Cordle** about their recent trip to Haiti.

Home Group Hosts Needed

Our Sunday PM Home Groups are scheduled for March 16-April 6 (4 Sunday nights). We need to start now getting host homes lined up for the Home Groups. There is a pad on the table in the foyer to sign up as a host for these groups. **Please consider using your home as a place for these groups to meet. We need to start signing up for specific homes next week at the latest.**



More on Home Groups

The material we will be using for the Home Group meetings is a DVD series recently completed by Randy Harris called Living Jesus. It is based on the teachings of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount.

Sunday PM Update

Next Sunday evening we will be starting a DVD series called Living Jesus based on the Sermon on the Mount. We will do two sessions here at the building on March 2 and March 9 and then when Home Groups start we will continue with the series for the four weeks of Home Groups.



On Falling Down

To me, the most amazing event in all of sports is not the Super Bowl or pitching a perfect game, the most amazing event is the high jump. In a world class high jump, the competitor runs up and jumps over a bar that is higher than the top of the front door of your house. I just don't understand how that is possible. It is not like he grabs it and pulls himself over it, he completely jumps over it. In 1993 one man jumped over a bar that was over eight feet high! That means he could jump over your ceiling. That is amazing.

If that is an amazing feat, one of the most amazing facts is that the high jump always ends in failure. They keep raising the bar until the competitor can not jump it anymore. He walks away with the bar on the ground and he has failed.

I'm glad God doesn't do me like that. I'm glad he doesn't keep changing the bar to make me fail. God is on my side. As a Christian, we keep trying until we succeed. We do fail. We fall down, but we keep getting up again and again. Finally we get up one more time than we have fallen down.

The wise man said, "For though a righteous man falls seven times, he rises again, but the wicked are brought down by calamity." (Prov. 24:16). God does not expect perfection from us. He expects us to keep on trying. He knows we will fall down. He expects us to get up again. When we do fall down, the real test of Christianity begins. If we get up and try again, we are righteous. If we fall and quit trying, if we just lay there in our failure, then we have failed the righteousness test.

Have you failed? Have you stumbled? Have you fallen down? Get up again. In Biblical literature the number seven is usually not a literal number, but rather stands for a number that means "an unlimited number of times." God is really saying to us, "As many times as you fall down, a righteous person will get up again."

It is not how many times you fall that counts. It is how many times you get up that makes the difference.

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THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Worship Leaders

Message

February 23

Wayne Gamp
Shaun McCray
Jason Coriell
Terry Grashel
Steve Miller

March 2

Tom Kelley
Ralph Gamp
Troy Gahm
Shane Mougey
Jamie Riley

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Scripture Reading
Lord's Supper
Assist
Prayer

Gabe Coriell
Aaron Kallner
Mike Coriell
Tim Coriell
Don Coriell

Shawn Gragg
Steve Williams
Matthew Hoskins
Josh Coriell
Mike Coriell

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer

Don Ramey
Mark Villinger

Jacob Miller
Jim Cunningham

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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Ephesians 4

WORD SEARCH

Above all heavens	One faith
Apostles	One God
Be renewed	One hope
Doctrine	One Lord
Edifying	One Spirit
Evangelists	Pastors
Forbearing	Prisoner
Gift of Christ	Prophets
Grace	Righteousness
Grieve not	Saints
Knowledge	Sin not
Longsuffering	Son of God
Love	Spirit
Lowliness	Steal no more
Meekness	Teachers
New man	Truth is in Jesus
One baptism	Vocation
One body	Walk worthy

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Solution

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