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Money and Happiness

It turns out money can make you happy - if you spend it on the right things. Recent consumer research has shown that people feel happier spending their money on experiences rather than on material objects.

This intuitively makes sense. If I think back on my most memorable purchases this past summer, they're all highly relational: holding my wife's hand in Paris for eight days; attending an Arcade Fire concert together; sharing an outstanding meal with friends; swimming laps with my son at the local pool; and hiking down to the edge of a small mountain lake, in the rain, with my family.

To be honest, it's hard to even recall any of the *material* things I bought.

So yes. Spending money on experiences does bring a deeper and more lasting joy. And this makes sense from a theological perspective as well.

We are made in the image of a relational God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - who is always doing things together. God is into shared experiences and expends resources on relationship, both within Himself and with us. It's part of God's nature, and presumably the most meaningful way to exist. When we spend our resources *doing things together*, we become more human and we more fully image God.

One thing these consumer studies affirm is that our love for shared experiences comes to us naturally. God made us to find meaning in spending ourselves relationally. We are meant to spend all that we have on a shared experience with God. And, in a lesser sense, when we spend our money, time or effort on a shared experience with another human being and find joy, satisfaction or peace there, we experience a foretaste of what we're ultimately made for.

When a good friend listens to you over coffee at Starbucks, you can be assured that God, too, is always listening. When you delight in your child's freedom as they play, you can know that God also feels that same kind of delight toward you, His child.

Through their consumer studies, researchers conclude that there are several reasons why spending our money on experiences can, in a sense, buy happiness. One is that experiences engage our imaginations more deeply: we pre-plan and dream about our future trips and therefore experience more pre-spending joy. Again, we're made in the image of a God who pre-planned and imagined all of history - the whole trip!

Another reason researchers cite is that experiences evoke less social comparison and envy in others. This is partly because experiences don't have to be expensive to bring happiness. A dinner with good friends can go a long way in terms of bringing joy. Researchers also say that experiences are a little harder to directly compare, as opposed to a pair of shoes or a flat-screen television.

I'm not sure I fully buy this rationale, as I'm sometimes envy my friend's experiences as they post about them on Facebook. Yet it is true that no two experiences really are the same. And in this way they are not clearly comparable. I've often had very inexpensive experiences that seem just as meaningful as my more expensive ones. So, experiences seem to have a capacity to bring happiness regardless of the amount of money spent. To be human, then, is to spend your self, in faith, on an experience with Another. We're meant to do things together. With each other and with God.

John Van Sloten
Calgary AB, Canada



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.

Jim Young (Terri Young's husband) has stabilized.

Peggy Hollback at her home on Bussey Rd now. Continuing peritoneal dialysis until kidney transplant. Cards still appreciated. Please limit phone calls.

Matt Cram is at NIH in Washington being treated.

Praise Report: Norm McGinnis had back surgery last week at OSU, home now, no rehab required, no pain.PTL!

Sawyer Grashel (son of Terry & Laryssa) has a dislocated kneecap and will be off his feet for extended period of time.

Gregg Ferrell is back in Christ Hospital in Cincinnati.

Sonja Brooks (friend of Steve) is having a bone marrow transplant, needing a donor.

Dick Havens is now back at Heartland. Some improvement.

Shirley Glispie (Gary Glispie's mother) is also in Heartland near Dick Haven's room.

Macy Shumway is in Concord after a stay in the hospital.

Vivian Woodworth (now living in Searcy, Ark) had stents placed in her kidney this past week. Will be having kidney stones removed soon.

Heidi Fugate (John Oesch's sister) a turn for the worse, cancer metastasized.

Valerie Lemaster is scheduled for removal of lymph nodes soon.

Jim Cunningham is now in Riverbend. Cards very much appreciated.

Dee Duduit (Troy Gahm's sister) is at home but weak.

Garnet Lindeman is showing some improvement lately. Staying with Nancy, her daughter.

Alan Graff is being treated for cancer of the lung and kidney, having problems keeping blood pressure regulated due to medications.

Ray Evans (Dee Bradshaw's father) is having some unspecified medical issues.

John Gardner's (Julie Miller's father) eye surgery went well. Cards to 215 Old Town Lane, Brandon, Miss. 39042.

Melissa Buffington (friend of Kalyann Coriell) diagnosed with cancer.

Carroll Klinker (Sharon Gamp's sister) is in rehab now. Address for cards: 10542 Oak Branch Trail; Stongsville, OH 44149.

Henry Mason is showing some improvement. Cards to Alexandria House, 811 Findlay St, Portsmouth 45662.

Etta Lewis had tests this past week in Columbus. She is scheduled for surgery Oct 13.

Ray Powell (former resident of this area, now living in Columbus) is now under hospice care with advanced cancer.

Spiritfest Coming

The youth group and Campus Ministry will be going to the Spiritfest youth rally in Corbin, KY on November 14-16. Anyone interested in going should sign up in the foyer. Further details will be provided as the trip draws nearer. Please see Tim or Jamie with any questions.

Men's Fort Hill Retreat

October 24 and 25 all men in the congregation are invited spend some great time of fellowship together at Fort Hill Camp. Things start at 7 pm on Friday with supper and will conclude by noon on Saturday. Cost is \$40/participant. Pay at camp. Deadline for sign up quickly approaching.

Card Ministry Reminder

There are several on our prayer list who need cards. Over and over again I have heard how much these cards are appreciated when they are received. They are a visible reminder of your prayers. Remember that in the Annex on the wall we have a rack of very nice cards to send out free of charge. If you will fill out and address the card, lay it on the counter in the office, we will put the stamp on and see that it gets mailed.



Coming Events

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

10/5-26	Home Groups at Sunshine
10/24-25	Mens Retreat at Fort Hill
11/7-8	Ladies Retreat at Fort Hill
11/14-16	Spiritfest in Corbin, KY
11/30	Thanksgiving Service
1/23-24	Ohio Winter Lectures, Columbus

Worship Leaders Class

Suspended during Home Groups.

Singing

Suspended during home groups.

Updated Directories Available

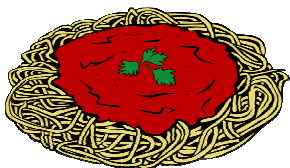
The latest edition of our Fellowship Directory is on the table in the foyer.



Home Groups Continue

Not too late to join a group. The pads are still laid out. **Hosts**, don't forget to record your attendance on the chart in the foyer.

Midwestern Collections



Please bring in donated items for Midwestern Children's Home. This week we will focus on two items: **PASTA AND PASTA SAUCE**. Get a copy of the complete list on the table in the foyer.

Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Joshua, Jude, Esther, Psalms, Daniel, Leviticus, Genesis, Acts

Daughters of the King

2014 Sunshine Ladies Retreat



Ladies, please join us on November 7 & 8 at Fort Hill CYC. Enjoy a weekend of fun while we learn more about our identity as Daughters of the King! Sign up list is in the foyer. Cost will be \$45 per person. More details to come. Please see Cheryl or Mandi with any questions.

Foyer Bulletin Board

Needed: A person willing to take care of the foyer bulletin board. See Steve or Irmalee.

Backpack Project News

The annual backpack project is under way! Please see Mandi for a name.



Good News



Kyle Rase confessed his faith in Christ and was baptized into Him on Tuesday evening. Congratulations to Kyle and all his family. Kyle married Melissa Hayward Rase a few months ago. Address and phone number are in the latest addition of the fellowship

directory. Be sure and give Kyle the Sunshine welcome this morning.



THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Worship Leaders

Message

October 12

Don Coriell
TBA
Shawn Gragg
Jason Foster
Steve Miller

October 19

Jon Coriell
Aaron McCray
Greg Shepherd
Steve Williams
Steve Miller

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Scripture Reading
Lord's Supper
Assist
Prayer

Home Groups



Home Groups



Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer

David Bradshaw
Troy Gahm

Greg Shepherd
Mike 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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Books of the Bible

Each of the phrases at the left are taken from the first chapter of a book in the Bible. Fill in the name of the book in the spaces provided. A few letters have been provided to assist you.

1. I cannot speak: for I am a child.

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2. A whirlwind came out of the north.

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3. Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise.

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4. Ye should earnestly contend for the faith.

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5. Vashti the queen made a feast.

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6. His leaf also shall not wither.

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7. And the king spake unto Ashpenaz.

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8. Wring off his head, and burn it.

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9. God saw that it was good.

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10. Why stand ye gazing up into heaven?

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