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MY DEVOTION FOR THE MEN'S BREAKFAST IN THE MORNING

I also want to talk about Fence Posts today, I can't take credit for the idea I read about it in a book. In the book the author was talking about how one night him, his wife and their son and his family were sitting at the dinner table eating and he started telling his son how proud he was of him for what he had accomplished in his life and how he was serving the Lord. His son replied with "Dad I feel like a turtle on a fence post". His dad said "what", the son replied with, "how can a turtle get on a fence post", they all looked puzzled and he said "the only way is for someone to put him there". He said "dad if it had not been for You and Mom and many others encouraging me and telling me I could make it when things got tough I know I would not be where I am at today". His dad asked him who some of the others were and the son went on to name many names of family, church members and friends who had been there for him.

The book I'm reading now has a chapter where a man who is friends with the dad of a professional golfer had the chance to golf with the professional. As they walked along together the professional told the man "you know if it hadn't been for you and he called another man's name I probably wouldn't be playing on the tour today. I'm not sure if you remember, but when I was real small and dad would let me tag along and hit a few balls, most men would laugh at me because I would miss the whole ball or only hit 20 yards or so, but not you and he called the other man's name, ya would always tell me some thing positive like nice swing, you'll get it next time or when I would hit 20 yards ya would make out like I had just hitten it 300 yards and that made me happy, it made want keep playing, to be around you guys and keep trying to improve, and look where I'm at today".

Men 1st Thessalonians 5:11 tells us to encourage one another and build each other up. It's telling us to put some turtles on some fence posts. These turtles can be young or old. Most of you know I just retired, a lot don't know the busy 4 or 5 months I had leading up to it. I started my new job while I was still finishing up with my old one and I put in some long hour days, most starting at 5 am and ending at 10 pm each night then working weekends. It was tough, I was tried it was tough on my family life; they would be a sleep when I left in the morning and most of the time all ready in the bed when I got home. I had a guy who during this keep picking me up and putting me on the fence post, he calls me Sargeo and he would call and say "Sargeo I'm praying for you man I know you got to be tired, hang in there your almost to the end". If he couldn't get me on the phone he would leave me a voice message or shoot me an e-mail. He doesn't know how much his words of encouragement helped me get through that tiring time.

Guys what I want to challenge us to do today, is to open our eyes and see those turtles around us that need to be put on a fence posts, it can be that kid from the housing projects that's coming to church now, it can be that man we work beside at the factory, it can be another man here in the church, it can be our pastor or our youth guy, it can be our family, our kids or our grand kids. Let's remember 1st Thessalonians 5:11 and put some turtles on those posts. Let's pray.



Coming Events

Prayer Concerns

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) some decline over last few weeks, but currently stable.

Peggy Hollback has a date for her transplant: Aug 4, 2015 at OSU Med Center.

Garnet Lindeman stable for now. Living at Nancy's house.

Al Graff's CT scan shows his cancer continuing to grow. Due to other complications, his medication has been discontinued temporarily. Will be trying new ones in early September.

Henry Mason now at home, current treatments taking a toll on him

Eric Meredith diagnosed with a cancer in his right eye.

Jim Book (uncle to Rich) diagnosed with lung and brain cancer.

Mitch LaPrade (friend of Meaghan Miller) suffering with chronic lymphatic leukemia.

Peggy LaPrade (friend of Meaghan Miller) recent discovery of spot on her lung.

Jimmy and Jamie Forbes as they adopt a 7 month old baby boy from their extended family.

Paul Miller (brother to Donnie) recuperating from heart surgery.

Bonnie Johnson (friend of Irmalee Gampp) now home recuperating, possible cancer of lymph nodes now detected.

Ruth Miller heart catheterization on Monday

John Gampp gall bladder surgery went well on Tuesday

Jodi Barker (Cheryl Villinger's sister-in-law) major surgery on Thursday

Tina Koch (34 yrs, mother of 3) co-worker of Sherry Shepherd, cancer spread to multiple locations.

Jim Harris (cousin of Jennifer Gampp) diagnosed with mesothelioma.

Looking Ahead at Sunshine

8/2 First Sunday Breakfast

8/9 Deacons Meeting

8/16 Third Sunday Evening Fellowship

9/26 Acappella Concert in Waverly

Acappella Concert Tickets

All former members of the Elmgrove/Piketon Youth group are having a reunion at the Pike County Fairgrounds September 25-27. Of course, others are certainly welcome. Several guest speakers are slated to speak and on Saturday afternoon, at 1 pm, Acappella will be giving a concert at Waverly High School as part of the reunion. Details are posted throughout our building. **Tickets to the Acappella concert are available from Spike and Jean Ferrell or Jason and Tammy Foster.**

Singing Tonight

This evening at 6 pm all are invited to come and enjoy a time of singing before our evening Bible study. See Nick Davis for details.

Sunday PM Bible Study

Tonight we will continue our discussion of the new definition of marriage.

Natural Bridge Trip

The senior youth group (grades 7 and up) will be taking a trip to Natural Bridge State Park in Kentucky on Thursday August 6. We will be leaving the church at 7:00 Thursday morning and will return that evening. We will be eating one meal at a fast food restaurant that day so please bring a few dollars. You will need appropriate clothing and footwear for hiking. Please bring a snack, water, and a lunch in a pack. Please sign up in the foyer if you plan to attend.

Kings Island Trip

The Youth Group will be going to Kings Island on Tuesday August 18. We will be leaving the church building at 8:00. Each person is responsible for obtaining their own ticket. This event is for both the junior and senior youth groups. Junior youth group members will need to be accompanied by an adult. Anyone planning to attend should sign up in the foyer. If you have any questions please see Tim.



Men's Retreat at Fort Hill

Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24, the Sunshine men are having a retreat at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. We have a special guest speaker this year: Ben Merold. He'll be talking to us about church growth and the situation at Sunshine. Ben has served as a minister for 60 plus years, serving about 5 different congregations. The last two congregations he served with started with 350 and 175 respectively and both reached an attendance of 3000. Ben will be making a couple presentations to us and will be available for a question-answer period. Sunday, October 26, Ben will be speaking at our Sunday morning assembly. We are looking forward to a great weekend for Sunshine. In the weeks to come we will be publishing the particulars of cost and deadlines, etc. Our goal: every male Christian at Sunshine present at Fort Hill for this weekend.

Thank You Received

This past week we received a note from Terri Young asking us to put something in the bulletin about the heroes from Sunshine who had meant so much to her and Jim. The following paragraph is lifted from the text of her note:
"We had a water line break today, and within a few hours Mark Gampp had someone at our house and it was fixed. Terry Sullivan came over a few weeks ago and did some plumbing for us. Steve visits twice a week to do Bible study with Jim. Jason Coriell or Shawn Gregg bring us communion every Sunday. We receive cards of encouragement every week from numerous members of the church. I believe you (Al and Patsy) and JoAnn Miller are the most faithful in sending cards. The church has truly lifted us up in prayer. John and Delores visited Jim last week, this also was an encouragement to Jim. I just want to acknowledge everyone for what they do, including prayers. I also have Deacons call me randomly and ask if I have a special prayer request. I could go on and on. Sunshine members have truly been supportive of us."

 **Holy Hotlines:**
*ring up these scriptures,
Lines are open 24/7*

Worry Hotline.....	1 Peter 5:7
Fear Hotline.....	Isaiah 41:10
Temptation Hotline.....	1 Corinthians 10:13
Doubt Hotline.....	Romans 10:17
Suicide Hotline.....	John 10:10
Sickness Hotline.....	Isaiah 53:5
Depression Hotline.....	Psalms 34:18
Loneliness Hotline.....	Deuteronomy 31:8

*(if those don't work call on God.
♥ He always answers)*



THOSE WHO SERVE



	8/2/2015	8/9/2015
Sun. Morning		
Welcome	Wayne Gampp	Tom Kelley
Reading	Jared McCray	Roger Cooper
Midservice Prayer	Spike Ferrell	Troy Gahm
Communion	Gabe Coriell	Jason Coriell
Sermon	Jamie Riley	Steve Miller
Closing Prayer	Wesley Book	Johnny Beekman
Sun. Evening	8/2/2015	8/9/2015
Song Leader	Rich Book	Shaun McCray
Reading	Steve Williams	Jared McCray
Communion	Mark Villinger	Dale Kuhn
Assist	Jay Coriell	Garris Coriell
Prayer	Josh Coriell	Dewey Cordle
Wed. Evening	8/5/2015	8/12/2015
Song Leader	Zach Coriell	Jamie Riley
Prayer	Mike Gampp	Josh 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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Decipher this familiar scripture from Romans 3.

Solution to the puzzle is on page 3.

**VAT MOO QMZP FLGGPC,
MGC DAKP FQATU AV
UQP IOATN AV IAC.**

HINT:

G=N, T=R