

The PRISM



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Breaking Ice to Baptize

T.B. Larimore, noted gospel preacher from days gone by, wrote the following account of a baptism.

“Last night, when we got to the water, we found that no one had cut the ice. Finally, after we had stood there from twenty to thirty minutes, they succeeded in beating, with a long, heavy piece of timber, room through the ice for the baptizing. The lady who was to be baptized had on old, thin, leaky shoes; hence, of course, her feet were wet from walking and standing in the deep sloppy mud. As I lowered her into the cold grave, the broken ice naturally closed over her, so that she was literally covered over; the grave filled with ice. The mass of broken ice over her must have been many inches thick. As I raised her up, she said, “Oh! I’m so glad!” Talking and praising God in a low soft, sweet voice, she came up out of the water, pushing great blocks of ice out of her way.”

How long has it been since you saw a person so anxious to be baptized? This kind of anticipation was characterized in the scriptures. In Acts 8, the Eunuch, after learning the truth from Philip, asked, “What doth hinder me to be baptized?” In Acts 16, the jailer didn’t wait for the morning to complete his obedience. Obviously, these men realized the importance of baptism to their spiritual well being.

I am afraid that, in some instances, we have lost the sense of urgency connected with baptism. Many in the religious world downplay it’s importance, and if we are not careful, we can be guilty of the same thing.

The Bible has not changed it’s emphasis on baptism. Acts 2:38 declares, “Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” Acts 22:16 emphasizes, “And now why tarriest thou? Arise and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on his name.”

Let us never loose sight of the importance of baptism, and let us share that insight with our friends.

Ron Stough
Liberal, KS



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 lost in our families and community.

For the ban on partial birth abortion to stand as law.

For marriage to stand in our laws as God ordained it.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chetri

For the people in and around Port Charlotte,

Florida who were hit by Hurricane Charley

Praise Report: Doris Crawford (Troy Crawford's grandmother--Troy is Marta Brown's son-in-law) has received test results that show the spots on her liver are actually cysts. Praise the Lord.

Price Gammon (our Price Gammon's uncle and brother to Bill Gammon) had quadruple bypass heart surgery at Grant Hospital on Monday. Everything went well.

Alva Warner (Aaron Franke's grandfather) had open heart surgery on Tuesday at the Cleveland Clinic; he is having problems in recuperation.

Robert Millar (coworker with Joanne Miller) is in ICU and is not doing well. Prayers for whole family.

Gary Glispie's parents are considering divorce/separation. Gary asks for God's intervention.

Brook Butler (little sister of Zach Coriell's coworker) is scheduled open heart surgery.

Mike Fisher (Sarah Gilliland's nephew in Florida) having serious problems with arrhythmia in his heart.

Eric Hoover (friend of Steve Williams) suffered possible brain damage when he fell out of a PU truck.

He is in Cabell-Huntington Hospital.

Danny Deveck (Rhonda Berry's uncle) continues with his chemotherapy.

Scheduled Bible Study Texts

Sunday		Wednesday	
8/15	Mt 7	8/18	Job 42:1-17
8/22	Lk 7:1-35	8/25	Prov 1-17
8/29	Lk 7:36-8:3		

Scheduled texts and teachers through the end of the year are posted on the church web page.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Ron Miller** in the passing of his wife, Nancy, this past week. Ron has also had a recurrence of his own cancer.

Thank You

Received from Roger and Cindy Coriell in appreciation for cards, prayers and visits during his recent illness and hospital stay. Card is posted on the bulletin board.

Teen Devo

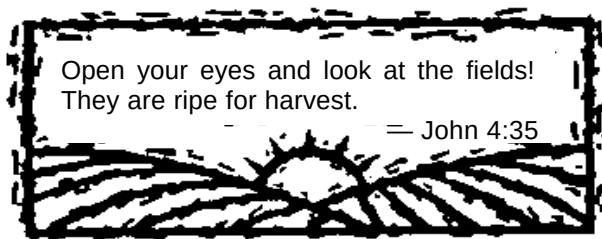
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, at the Stimperts house. There is a movie to follow so the devo will go till about 11 pm.

Shepherd's Prayer Session

This Thursday, August 19, our shepherds are meeting at 7:30 pm to pray for the congregation and the families that make it up. If you have a special request that you want included in the prayer, please give it to one of the elders before Thursday.

COMING EVENTS

- Aug. 29 - **Sunday PM Youth Service**
- Sep. 3-5 - **Summit Rally in Columbus**
- Sep. 14-16 - **Ft. Hill Senior Retreat**
- Sep. 18 - **Ft. Hill Golf Scramble**
- Sep. 19 - **Area Wide Worship (Cincinnati)**
- Sep. 24-25 - **Round Lake Retreat & Golf Scramble**
- Oct. 1-2 - **Annual Leaders Retreat**
- Oct. 3-5 - **Willard Tate Meeting**
- Oct 17 - **Sunday PM Home Groups begin**
- **Nov. 13 - Sr. Member Banquet**
- Nov. 14 - **Home Group meetings end**



Sunday PM Youth Service

Sunday evening, August 29, the young men of the congregation will be leading our services. **Zach Sims** will be speaking for us. Be sure to be here for a great service of worship and praise and teaching.

Sunday PM Services

This Sunday evening we will be having a singing devotional for our worship.

Summit Weekend

A group will be going to the Summit Rally at the Columbus Convention Center on Saturday, September 4. Speakers include Patrick Meade and Jeff Walling. See Terry Sullivan for details.

Baby Shower Today

Today, 2:30 pm, you are invited to the home of Rhonda Berry to a baby shower for **Logan Tyler Allison** who should be arriving in a couple months in the home of **Evan and Leslie Allison**. Let Rhonda know this morning if you are coming.

Fair Honors

I know that many of our young people have received prizes and honors this week at the fair. We would like to publish a complete list in our bulletin next week. Stop by the bulletin board and fill out the pad for Fair Awards and Honors. Congratulations to all who have done well in their projects and competitions.



Historical Display on Wall

On the north wall of the auditorium you will see the first two panels of an historical display depicting the history of the Sunshine congregation. When it is completed there will be 6 panels in all. Panels 3 and 4 will go up soon. They will be titled "Sunshine Moves to Minford" and "Sunshine in the New Building."

We are still needing photographs for Panels 5 and 6 and you are encouraged to give them to Ruth Miller to be copied and returned. Panel 5 will be called "Former Ministers, Elders, Deacons and Song Leaders."

Panel 6 is entitled "Memory Lane." In the last panel we need pictures of any and all members. We would like pictures of those who have passed on and also pictures of our older members in their youth and early married life. We have a way of scanning and copying the pictures by computer so we shouldn't have to keep them for a long time.

This historical display has been a project involving many different people: **Wayne Gampp, Estelle Coriell, Joan Coriell, Ruth Miller, Debbie Raiser, the Lemon family** and also people from the community. Thanks to all for your contribution but special thanks to **Ruth Miller** for coordinating the whole thing.

The Andersons

Mike and Amy Anderson (Mike was youth minister here back in the late 80's and early 90's) have recently moved to Corbin, KY where Mike has accepted the position of minister with the Shiner church of Christ. The other big news is that there is another Anderson on the way! The new addition is due to arrive in January, 2005.

Those Who Serve

Scheduled Services

Sunday

Bible Study - 9:45 am
Worship - 10:30 am
Eve. Worship - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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Sunday Morning

Bible Class Text
Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Scripture Reading
Prayer
Lord's Supper - Wine
Bread
Assist
Assist
Assist
Assist
Message
Closing Prayer

August 15

Matthew 7
Jon Coriell
Shaun McCray
Greg Coriell
Matt Cram
Jason Coriell
Rick Brown
Hayes Wilcox
Mark Risner
Dewey Cordle
Greg Coriell
Steve Miller
Jamie Riley

August 22

Luke 7:1-35
Wayne Gampp
Ralph Gampp
Tim Coriell
Troy Gahm
Mike Coriell
Mark Gampp
Jerry Gampp
Chuck Allison
Ira Coriell
Rick Coriell
Jamie Riley
Eldon Conkel

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Opening Prayer
Lord's Supper
Closing Prayer

Jeff Hayward
Eric McLaughlin
Greg Coriell
Mark Gampp

Aaron McCray
John Berry
Dewey Cordle
Gary Glispie

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Gabe Coriell
Terry Sullivan
Job 42:1-17

Bud Coriell
Don Coriell
Proverbs 1-17

Advance listings for Those Who Serve are posted on our website.

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Scott Gampp	820-3545	Worship, Special Events
Gary Glispie	776-4279	Church Directory, Program of Work
Alan Graff	776-7905	Bulletin, Advert., Front sign, Computers
Dick Havens	456-5009	Building Maint., Supplies
Taylor Hoskins	820-4645	Worship, Insurance, Budget
Shaun McCray	776-7738	Treasurer, Office Supplies
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Terry Sullivan	776-7056	Youth Ministry

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