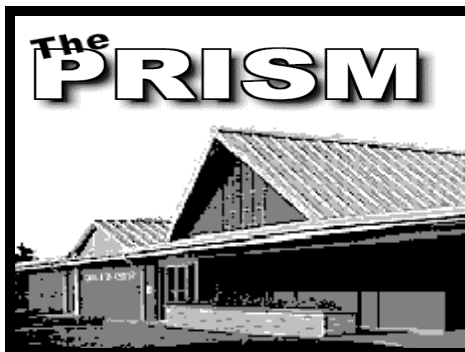




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Faith Props

"Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls." (1 Peter 1:8-9)

For many people one of the great challenges of the Christian faith is accepting the Bible as sufficient testimony to that faith. It is as if something else is necessary to prop up or reinforce what they believe. Is it because the witness of Scripture has been weighed and found wanting? No. It is more likely because some people's faith is weak or nonexistent without the presence of something material. Ironically the very thing that God gave to give them faith, his word (Romans 10:17), is set aside in pursuit of a shroud, a shrine or a statue.

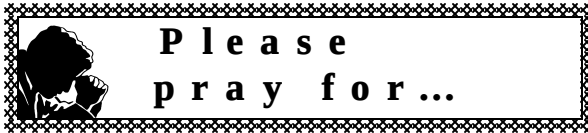
Recently the Associated Press reported, "When Border Patrol agents spotted a body in the Rio Grande, they launched a rescue mission. But the supposed victim turned out to be a life-size fiberglass statue of Jesus. Now, the faithful are flocking to the Eagle Pass police station to view the figure. One woman told the San Antonio Express-News that it's a sign that Christ is alive and with us." But why should we need more than his word for that? And if we did, would a floating piece of fiberglass do it?

When the apostle Thomas exclaimed "My Lord and my God" upon seeing the resurrected Christ, "Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'" (John 20:28-29). If I don't need to see the physical body of Jesus with my own eyes to believe or to have my belief strengthened, how much less should I need to see a man-made image?

"Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen." (Revelation 1:7) It is enough.

Brad Fry

North Oak Church of Christ
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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 Eldon Conkel as he continues his rehab at home.

Bob Millar (guidance counselor at Valley and friend to Joanne Miller) was taken to Mayo Clinic this past week and had a 7-hour surgery. He is doing well but still requests our prayers for himself and his family.

Soledad Cunningham (Jim's wife) came home on Tuesday from SOMC after being treated for a blood clot in her leg.

Mary Gleim Davis had quadruple bypass surgery last week at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton. She is out of ICU and seems to be doing well.

Leslie Lucas (step-father to Bill Collins) has been admitted for 30 days of psychiatric care after attempting suicide.

Dewey Cordle (father to our Dewey) was involved in a tractor accident on Wednesday where he sustained several broken ribs and a punctured lung. He has been moved out of ICU and is in a regular room at Cabell-Huntington Hospital.

Shepherd's Prayer Session

This Thursday at 7:30 pm the bishops of the congregation are meeting to pray for this church and its members. If you have a special request that you want included in that prayer, please give it to one of the elders.

COMING EVENTS

- Oct. 23 - Teen Hayride
- Oct. 30 - Costume Party
- Nov. 6 - Wedding Shower for Zach and Jessie
- Nov. 13 - Sr. Ambassadors Banquet (5 pm)
- Nov 20 - Ladies Day here at Sunshine

Scheduled Bible Study Texts

Sunday		Wednesday	
10/17	Mk 6	10/20	Daniel 6
10/24	Mk 7:1-9:1	10/27	Haggai & Zechariah
10/31	Mt 17-18	11/3	Gen 1:1-23

Elbrooke Services in November

November is our month to conduct Sunday and Thursday services at Elbrooke Pavilion. We need people to commit to help with conducting the services as well as people to just come and help with the singing, etc. Sunday services are at 2 pm and Thursday services are at 7 pm. We need speakers, prayer leaders, song leaders, etc for Sunday. On Thursdays we want to sing for the people at Elbrooke. All you singers and song leaders show up for Thursdays. If you can help with the Sunday service, sign up for the job and the date you will help. Sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

Flu Shots

Due to a nationwide shortage of flu vaccine, **the Health Ministry Team will NOT be able to provide flu shots this year.** Federal guidelines recommend that people with (1) chronic illness (2) over age 65 receive the vaccine. See your doctor for questions and concerns. On Thursday, Kroger's will be offering vaccines. See the newspaper for details. The Portsmouth Health Department will be getting a limited number of doses soon, including doses for babies. **Pneumonia shots ARE available through the Health Ministry Team.** See Kristi Cordle if you need one. Remember that pneumonia shots are only needed once every 5 years.

Teen Devo

At Stimpert's, Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.

Photos Needed ASAP

Terry Sullivan is looking for photos of members who have passed on (anytime in the past, not just recently) for a photo display at the upcoming Senior Ambassadors Banquet. Photos will not be damaged and will be returned to you after the banquet. The banquet is scheduled for November 13th, all members that are 55 or older and their spouses will be honored at this annual banquet. More details later, see Terry if you have questions.

Teen Hayride

Teens, next Saturday (October 23) at 3:30 pm the annual teen hayride will be starting from Ike and Sharon Hardin's place. We'll be making a visit to the Millers and then to the Franke's during the course of the evening. Wear warm clothes and good heavy shoes because there will be some walking as well as a bonfire and devotionals. Bring a flashlight and your friends. See Terry or Debbie for details.

Housing Needed

Since the Woodsfield Youth Group will be coming for our hayride next Saturday, we need a few homes to put them up for the night and to get them to church Sunday morning. If you are willing to house a few teens for next Saturday night, a signup sheet is in the foyer. See Terry or Debbie Sullivan for details.

Teen Helper Events Planned

Anyone that has helped with teen functions, hosted a devo, chaperoned, driven or in any other way helped with one of the teen events:

- A thank you dinner is being planned for sometime before the end of the year. More details later.
- A Teen Committee meeting will be held soon to begin planning for next year's events. Anyone interested in helping us plan for the youth rally, etc. is urged to attend. Date and time will be announced soon.

Terry

Third Day

Thanks to Jamie Riley and Scotty "Mac" Gampp for helping organize the trip to see Third Day in concert.

Ladies Class in Progress

A new ladies class started last Sunday in the fellowship hall based on the book, **The Purpose Driven Life**. All ladies are invited to attend. The class will last about 40 weeks. Books can be purchased at Wal-Mart for about \$12.00. For details see Judi Allison.

Costume Party Update

Our annual Halloween Costume Party is October 30, in the annex. There will be a costume parade by age group. Also BYOP (Bring your own pumpkin). There will be a pumpkin carving contest. The fun will start around 7 pm. Bring finger foods and beverages. See Kristin Riley for details.

Sunday PM Home Groups

Our Sunday PM Home Groups begin this evening and continue through November 14, five Sundays in all. The groups meet from about 6:30 pm till around 8 or 8:30 pm in 9 different locations. One group meets here at the building. The other 8 groups meet in homes of our members. A few of our homes still have room for more people. Go ahead and sign up. The pads are still laid out. The material we are using for the teaching is from a video series entitled ***Making Things Right*** by Paul Faulkner. These groups are a great way to get to know people better.

Home Group Leaders

A complete list of co-leaders and the locations to which they are assigned is posted on the window in the foyer. Take a look at that sheet because you may have been drafted.

Home Group Leaders and Hosts

Those of you who have signed up to lead Home Groups and those who are hosting a group in your home, please meet with me today after morning services in the annex for a few minutes. I will have information sheets and tapes at that time as well as communion bread.

Steve.

Teen Group

The teens will be meeting for the Sunday PM Home Group at Holly Hayward's. All teens are invited and bring your friends.

T h o s e W h o S e r v e

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

October 17

Mark 6
Wayne Gampp
Ralph Gampp
Steve Williams
Jamie Riley
Mark Risner
Shawn Gragg
Matt Hoskins
Jerry Gampp
Jim Jacobs, Sr.
Jack Jennings
Steve Miller
Dewey Cordle

October 24

Mk 7:1 - 9:1
Tom Kelley
Taylor Hoskins
Greg Coriell
Rich Book
Ryan Coriell
Rich Book
Ed McLaughlin
John Gampp
Ike Hardin
Barry Hayward
Jamie Riley
Aaron Kallner

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Opening Prayer
Lord's Supper
Closing Prayer

Sunday PM
Home Groups

Sunday PM
Home Groups

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Jeff Hayward
Gary Glispie
Daniel 6

Gabe Coriell
Mark Gampp
Haggai. & Zech.

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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
Homer Miller	776-7550	Funerals, Hosp. Visit., Attendance
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