



# Newsletter 2014

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Forrest & Barb Gurley.....	June 1
Norman & Jene Bone.....	June 1
Bob & Mary Elaine Denhart.....	June 2
Brandi Keller.....	June 3
Katie McConnell.....	June 4
Martha & Kenny Drake.....	June 6
Guy Phillips.....	June 7
John & Nancy Shambach.....	June 9
Gerald Hinman.....	June 10
Uriah & Chelsea Paddock.....	June 11
Corey Smaltz.....	June 12
Jacob Hossler.....	June 12
Sarah Keller.....	June 16
Gary Rush.....	June 16
Justice Guerrier.....	June 16
Kaden Lucas.....	June 18
Phil Hughes.....	June 21
Donna Catt.....	June 21
Tony & Tara Lucas.....	June 21
Mykaylah Alkire.....	June 23
Tony Lucas.....	June 24
Jim & Anita Hutts.....	June 24
Kaine Walters.....	June 25
Jim Hudson.....	June 26
Marin Walters.....	June 26
Mike & Gigi France.....	June 26
Dan & Amanda Hardy.....	June 26
Chelsea Walters.....	June 28
Hunter Fletcher.....	June 29
Gary & Jody Rush.....	June 30

***Christ In Youth*** this year is at Lake of the Ozarks, MO from July 20<sup>th</sup> thru July 25<sup>th</sup>. Total cost for students is \$150.00 plus money for 3 fast food meals and whatever spending money they plan to bring. A \$50.00 deposit is due no later than May 7<sup>th</sup>, with the balance due by June 15<sup>th</sup>. See Nick for details

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**North American Christian Convention** is coming to Indy, July 8-11. Tim Harlow testifies that NACC helped him during tough years of trying to revive a dying church. He states, "The encouragement I received from veteran ministry guys (at NACC) kept me going forward."  
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**WCEA Men's Fellowship will meet... June 16, 2014** at West Lebanon Church of Christ, in Lafayette. A meal will be served at 5:30 PM and the meeting starts at 7:PM.  
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### **WHO Ate The Cookies?**

A little boy had just polished off all the cookies in the kitchen. His mother came in, and seeing the empty jar and the crumbs, said to the wee lad, "Son, who ate the cookies?"

The little fellow replied, "An animal did." "What kind of animal?" his mother asked. The young lad was thoughtful for a moment. Then he smiled, "One of Jesus' little lambs."

"Beloved in the sight of my mother"

Proverbs 4:3

For mor material on home and family, go to [www.housetohouse.com](http://www.housetohouse.com)

\*Thanks to Minnie Clawson for submitting this.



Please continue to pray for the family and friends of **Teresa Ramey** who passed on May 21, 2014.

**On June 10, 2014 the Ladies Bible Study** group will meet, at 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. The meeting is being hosted by Donna Moudy.

## **Serving Schedule— June 2014**

### **Greeters**

**June 1**, Dean & Marvel Dunham

**June 8**, Bob & Ann Ellis

**June 15**, Scott & Holly Fletcher

**June 22**, Brian & Donna Catt

**June 29**, Jim & Billie Hudson

### **Special Music**

Susan Smaltz

### **Communion Preparation**

Corey & Susan Smaltz

### **Nursery Workers during church:**

**June 1**, Nancy Shambach

**June 8**, Sandy Whitaker

**June 15**, Tara Woolwine

**June 22**, Susie Woolwine

**June 29**, Chelsea Paddock

(NOTE: If you are unable to work the day you are scheduled, please "swap" with someone.)

### **Serving Deacons**

**June 1, and June 8** Mark Woolwine, Kevin Martin, Owen Moudy, John Shambach

**June 15, and June 22**, Corey Smaltz, Jim Hudson, Guy Phillips, Bob Denhart

**June 29**, (Youth will be serving on each 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month)

### **Assisting Deacons**

**June 1**, Mark Switzer, Mark Powell, Brendan Woolwine

**June 8**, Matt Keller, Sonny Keller, Jim Hutts

**June 15**, Mike France, Jeff Keller, Mark Lloyd

**June 22**, Mike Powell, Steve Dice, Jim Flick

**June 29**, Scott Fletcher, Larry Hines, Bill Hale

### **Extended Session**

**June 1**, Holly Fletcher

**June 8**, Rhonda Hardy, April Switzer

**June 15**, Brenda Hardy

**June 22**, Kelli Walters

**June 29**, Sarah Keller, Laura Guerrier

## **Please Pray For:**

### **In Nursing Homes**

Mary McConnell, Lois Hansen, Lillian Howard, Mary Green, Shirley Mason,

### **Military**

Brandon White, Haley Hines Brickles, Ben Wegner, Craig Scrogam, Dalton Hardy, Hal Kolmerten (Sarah Keller's cousin in Afghanistan)

### **College Students**

Katye Mailander, Chelsea Walters, Ryan Whitaker, Miranda Phillips, Rachel Kiger, Kaine Walters, Andy Pathe, Andrew Walters, Austin Haas, Duncan Lape, Nathan Catt, Jacob Catt, Danielle Perry

### **Continue to pray for:**

Paul Doss, Bill Boo, Ian Claypool, Gordon Suiters, Helen Shouse, Harry Groce, Ron Simmerman, Kelly Yoho

### **Surgeries & Hospitalizations**

**Susie Keller** (Jody Rush's sister), Marie Denhart (St. Vincent, ICU), Jane Hayden

### **Other Concerns:**

**Beth Ridens Bryns**, Richard Mann, Martha Drake, Larry Hines, Reba Osborn (chronic kidney disease), Leroy Mornout (Leukemia) Jamie & Aiden Bishop (niece & nephew to Mary Phillips)

**Missions:** Lincoln Christian University, Purdue Christian Campus

**Bible Trivia:** What *major* prophecy appeared in the book of Micah, chapter 5?

Is the answer...**A.** battle of Armageddon, **B.** Jesus' birth in Bethlehem, **C.** The seven-year tribulation period, or **D.** The second destruction of the temple?

**For the answer Read: Micah 5:2**



What if, what if our daily Bible reading plan gets interrupted? We don't talk about this during fellowship time on Sunday mornings over coffee... but it happens. We have interruptions in our daily lives and on some rare occasions we just don't get to do our daily devotions, Bible reading, etc. **THERE**, we said it. It is finally out in the open. So, now what?

The answer is all too simple. That is why we use book marks or that handy-dandy chart that was in the bulletin a few weeks ago. We know where we left off. It is as simple as opening our Bibles again and just starting where we left off. OK, but how do we do that?

Ask yourself if the disciples of Jesus, as they were being changed into His Apostles, don't help us more than a little. Their world had been turned upside down. Their Lord and Master had been brutally slain and buried. Sure, they had interacted with Him once there in the upper room, but their routine was off. It wasn't the same anymore. In order to clear their heads, they went back to the sea and went fishing. This is all recorded in John chapter 21. We know this true story very well.

- Jesus gave them a miraculous catch of fish.
- Peter was gently reinstated into the group.
- After He went back to heaven, these men went out and turned their world upside down (Or you might say that they turned it right side up!).

Well, after looking at that, we don't feel so bad for missing a day or two of our Bible reading and study plan.

All it took for the disciples was to remember three things:

1. Who Jesus is and how big God is.
2. How puny and small we are without Him.
3. Just how amazing the mercy and grace of God is.

Well, won't that same recipe or formula work for you and me? So, go back to that special place where you like to sit and read from the Bible. Open to where you left your bookmark, and learn more from the Word. Now that wasn't hard at all, was it?

**Let's Share Our Memories...** If you have a fond memory of our Church from years ago, please share the smiles by submitting your written memory to the Church Office. What a great way to bond as a Church family. Since some of us have been here longer than others, we all have a different story to tell, so let's share the memories.

### Meet the New Member:

(Note: This will be a new feature to our Newsletter, which will help us meet and recognize our new members. Because our Church Directory is not frequently re-printed, be sure to update the back page of your Church Directory by adding our new members.)

**Jacob Hossler** was baptized into Christ on March 30, 2014. Jacob is Stacy Powell's brother. Welcome to Jacob!



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**Jakob Zarn** was Baptized into Christ on March 5, 2014. Jakob is the son of Diana Zarn, and Grandson of Earl and Janet Peyton. Welcome to the Church family, Jakob!

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**If you signed-up to receive the newsletter by e-mail,** we hope you are enjoying the convenience. If you would like to sign-up, you may do so at any time, by submitting your name and e-mail address on the cards provided in the foyer of the Church, or by calling the Church office. Also, If you missed seeing a recent past issue of the newsletter, we can send those to you upon request.



## Daily Bible Study:

- A. How is your daily plan of Bible reading coming along? Have you been bumped off track lately? Will this blip in the newsletter help you to get back on track?
- B. Besides the daily plan, have you picked out one book of the Bible to zero in on and really STUDY, and not just read? For instance:

It has been a challenge, a BIG challenge as we have dug into the book of Proverbs on Wednesday evenings. While I can't speak for the entire class, I can say personally that old Solomon has kept his finger planted firmly on my chest and has made me examine myself a lot!

OR, may you like the Psalms. That is a very popular choice for many of us.



**OR how about Galatians?** God had His Apostle Paul write this book for a very important reason. The new Christians who lived in the big territory of Galatia had been so happy to be saved by the blood of Jesus, but then... but then.... Their old religions came back a knocking on their doors.

- You have to do this deed to keep God happy.
- You must do this other thing or else God will get mad at you.

And on and on it went. So God had Paul sit down and write them some very, very good news.



Have you read it this great little book lately? If not, get your Bible out. Use that *other time*, the *special time* when you really look at what God says in His Bible. Dig into and enjoy Galatians. After all, that is why God put it in His book and kept it around for us.

*Your happy preacher, Bill*



As we are walking, neither crawling nor running, thru the book of Luke on most Sunday mornings... Have you been keeping track of the lessons and life-truths found in this amazing book?

Just think about it: God had a doctor interview very key people in the life of Jesus, and then, with the coaching of the Holy Spirit, that doctor wrote this book. It is quite amazing to think about.

So, what are you doing with this book? What are you doing with the lessons that God is teaching from it? Won't there be a test?

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## Did You Hear???



Speaking of a test: Did you hear about the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class that was given a tour of the Coca Cola bottling plant?

At the end of the visit, they were given a pop quiz.

Read the Scripture below 2 or 3 times, say a prayer and ask God what He wants you to do



with it: Luke 14:27-33

And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. <sup>28</sup> For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has *enough* to finish it— <sup>29</sup> lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, <sup>30</sup> saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish?' <sup>31</sup> Or what king, going to make war against another king, does not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> Or else, while the other is still a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks conditions of peace. <sup>33</sup> So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.



—Have you met anybody lately who will admit to a “Prayer Problem?” Yet..... So, as your preacher I did a little research and guess what I discovered.... The average amount of time that the average preacher in the U.S. spends in prayer per day is (are you ready for this?) just three minutes! In my opinion that’s like eating one plain donut a day and wondering why you’re not full of the old zip!

OK, so how do I bump up my prayer life? Well, here’s an idea... King David prayed a lot and we have a bunch of his prayers in the book of Psalms. A good exercise might be to simply pray some of his prayers. As we do we can jot down some themes and keep using them.

Or, check out some prayers that are just laying around in books and such. Here is a simple one from a base-ball player: At a meeting of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Bobby Richardson, former New York Yankee second baseman, offered a prayer that is a classic in brevity and poignancy: *“Dear God, Your will, nothing more, nothing less, nothing else. Amen.”*

Sort of sounds a bit like, *“Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done...”* doesn’t it?



Or go back in history a bit. Thomas Aquinas wrote this short prayer: *“Bestow upon me, O Lord my God, understanding to know thee, diligence to seek thee, wisdom to find thee, and a faithfulness that may finally embrace thee.”*



Nobody really knows who wrote this short one, but it is also pretty good: *Lord, I renounce my desire for human praise, for the approval of my peers, the need for public recognition. I deliberately put these aside today, content to hear you whisper, “Well done, my faithful servant.” Amen*

AND try reading the prayer that Jesus said for you and me. It is recorded in **John 17:20-26**

## Share The Memories...

In looking for the first contributor for our new Share The Memories column, **Norman Bone** came to mind, as he has been a valued part of our Church for decades.

By phone, Norman related some interesting gems. The original Church building was wooden, and had no running water. There were two out-houses behind the building, which were used in tolerable weather, but seldom saw any activity during the cold Covington winters.

The Brick building was built in 1901. Many of the bricks were fired in the middle of Fifth Street, in front of the building site. At the dedication, L.L. Carpenter (whose life is chronicled in Tall Sycamore Of The Wabash) spoke, and continued preaching until he had enough pledges to pay for the building, which carried a price tag of \$6,000.00.

The Baptistery had double wooden doors to close it off when not in use, and had a water pipe and drain. Norman was baptized here by the circuit preacher who came every third Sunday from Veedersburg.

The only other water access came into the kitchen, in the dirt floored basement, where it drained into a barrel that was buried in the floor. On cold Sunday mornings, Norman and his father would arrive at the Church at 5:00AM to start fires in five stoves to keep everyone warm. Coal was the main fuel, but corncocks were also used, which were delivered to the church by Mr. Clawson, an ancestor to our own **Minnie Clawson**.

We have such a rich history at our Church, in our building, and especially in our dear brothers and sisters in Christ that have helped us through the years. Let’s keep passing down the memories.

Thanks to Norman for sharing a slice of our history.

### **4th-6th Grade Spring Retreat 2014**

April 25-26

Only \$30 until April 18 - after that, \$40

featuring: bazooka tag, pizza, worship, zip line, movie, games

See Nick to register

### **Camp Work Day**

Saturday May 3

8am - ???

Lunch provided

Bring work gloves

Come for as much or as little of the day as you can!

### **Hanging Rock Spring Golf Scramble**

Tuesday May 6

At River

Crest Golf Course

Tee off 8am

You can find a copy of the registration form and more info on the camp bulletin board in the hallway.

### **Celebrate Good Times Family Day**

Sunday June 1 at 2pm

Game Booth volunteers needed

to volunteer, contact:

Bryon Morgan - Williamsport Christian Church

765-762-3382 or [bmo.wcc@gmail.com](mailto:bmo.wcc@gmail.com)

### **Spring/Summer Family Camp**

June 6-8

Registration form and more info on the camp bulletin board in the hallway.

### **Hanging Rock Church Camp Egg Fund**

Help us purchase eggs for summer camp!

\$40.00 per case.

Great project for small groups, ladies groups, Sunday school classes, or youth groups.

Make checks payable to Hanging Rock and designate "egg fund" on the memo line.

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