



Weekly Newsletter

June 27, 2010

Order of Worship

Welcome

Clay Joseph

Song Leader

Kerry Cole

#627

#184

Opening Prayer

Jason Luna

#141

#916

Communion

Barney Crawford

Contribution

Barney Crawford

#319

#68

Lesson

Bill McFarland

#499 (1,3,4)

Announcement

Clay Joseph

#282 (1,4)

Closing Prayer

Gene Lund

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. (Matt. 5:14)

Disregarding The Directions

One of the most moving accounts in all the Gospel record is the story of the Lord's cleansing of the leper as told in Mark 1:40-45. Mark vividly tells us how the leper came confessing his convictions that Jesus could make him clean. The Lord, moved with compassion, reached out to touch him and make him clean. He then strictly charged the man to say nothing to anyone and to do the things the law of Moses required.

The story, however, does not end there. Despite the Lord's instructions, this fellow went out "and began to publish it much, and to spread abroad the matter" (Mk. 1:45).

I can understand why he might have done it. He must have been so excited over what had happened that he felt he just had to tell people. Maybe what the Lord said just hadn't made any impression on him.

But the fact of the matter is that the Lord's direction just can't be disregarded without unfavorable consequences. In this case the result was that Jesus' ministry was hampered. What the leper did caused such a stir that the Lord could no more enter openly into a city to teach.

Today, if we are not careful, we begin to assume that certain of the Lord's directions don't make much difference. We go off and do what **WE** think is fitting. The thought seems to be that unless **WE** see some good reason for obeying the Lord we need not do so.

What we need to remember is this: there are always reasons for what the Lord asks of his people. His ways are good and wise. When his will is ignored, there are always consequences, either for ourselves or others.

— Bill McFarland

Today's Messages:

AM: What Christ Shares With His Church

PM: How to Make a Habit of Righteousness

Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

For The Record

June 20

Bible Study:	253
Morning:	383
Evening:	232
Wednesday (6/23):	227
Contribution:	\$11,042



Elder of the Month
Clay Joseph

Activities & Events

Upcoming Activities ...

- ⇒ Malawi Group meets today at 4 pm
- ⇒ Singing/Devo at James River Nursing Home Saturday at 2 p.m.
- ⇒ Golden Agers meet next Sunday at 4



- ◆ Alice Buckner's Happy Hollow session starts tomorrow and goes thru Friday
- ◆ Check the Giving Tree for supplies needed for camp sessions



If you are interested in attending the July 9th (Friday Night) Springfield Cardinals' game, please sign up at the information desk. Tickets are \$6.

VBS Info ...

- ⇒ Those organizing the meal for the last day of VBS would like to get several 10 x 10 canopies to put up on the east side of the building for shade/shelter. If you have one, please see Lora Luna or sign up on the sheet at the information desk.
- ⇒ If you would like to be a teacher or helper during VBS and I haven't talked to you yet, please let me know as we still are in need of people. (Linda Currier)

Vacation Bible School is August 2-5 - "The Mystery of Christ"

The garden produce this year will be just inside the door in the fellowship room. Also, if you bring vegetables from home to share, please put them in the fellowship room with the other produce. Be sure to check the table each week.



July Anniversaries

2	David/Debbi Ratterree	34
3	Sam/Theresa Hansen	6
6	Dave/Pat Harp	47
7	Jason/Beth Trogdon	7
8	Tommy/Betty Grabber	43
10	Clarence/Ola Jean Feeney	59
11	John/Michelle Hulet	18
18	Billie/Kristy Sivils	1
20	Brian/Samantha York	19
24	Truman/Helen Coltrane	51

Best Wishes To All



Baby Shower Join us today at 3 pm in Room 126 as we honor Ashley Bergman with a baby shower. Dwayne & Ashley are having a *girl* and are registered at Target & Walmart.



- ◆ **SNAC** next Sunday night after PM Service; sign up at Information Desk for food items to bring
- ◆ **Youth Night** at Brookline July 11

If you have been missing your Bible, check the table next to the coat room!!



TITUS 2 LADIES

For Titus 2 this fall I would like the young ladies to knit or crochet booties/slippers for the shut-ins. We would have instruction in September and October and deliver them in January. Anyone who knows how to make these and are willing to teach please see me. I will need more than one teacher!

Sandy Penner

Prayer List & Announcements

In our prayers ...

- **Kay Adams** is in Cox South with an infection—may have had surgery yesterday
- **Seldon Essex** as he continues to have problems
- **Thelma Fain** is at Cox South, room 427
- **Billie Jeffery** is feeling some better
- **Paul Bratcher** is still not feeling well
- **Carol Mahon** had some problems Wednesday night but has returned to the Strafford Care Center
- **Remember the Tovar Family**

Friends and Family:

Bill White's sister, **Polly Solomon**, is seriously ill
Opal Fahr, Thresa Hansen's grandma
Dorann Thoreen, Terry Loveland's cousin
Ruth & Denzil Raines' grandson, **Chris Christin Layton**, Lora Luna's brother's girlfriend, has invasive breast cancer
Norma Bradley's neighbor, **Helen Eagleburger**, is recovering from cancer surgery
Brandi Kraus' brother, **Kevin Carruth**, is having some health problems



Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Doris Tobler and her family in the loss of her son, **Terrell**, last week.

We also extend our sympathy to the family of **Nellie Mallot**, who passed away early Friday morning. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this writing.

Welcome

Please extend a warm welcome to **REECE MABRY** who has expressed his desire to work and worship with us. His address is:

1735 W. Bennett Street
Apt. K108
Springfield, MO 65807
270-994-2292 (c)
Welcome to Water Mill!

We rejoice with **Laurel Barton** and her family on her decision to be baptized into Christ last Wednesday night by her proud dad, **Scott**. May we all be an encouragement to **Laurel** as she begins her walk as a Christian.

Thank You

Thank you for all the special cards and words of encouragement we received. They meant a lot to us as we strive to serve you to the best of our ability.

In Christian Love,
Barney & Debbie Crawford
Thank you for all the cards and money on my recent graduation. It was very much appreciated.
Taylor Friend



Plans are in the beginning stages for a Water Mill Church of Christ Library. If you have experience and/or desire and time to work with Christian books, please email me at edandlin1@yahoo.com or talk to me anytime. Thanks, Linda Currier



Last Sunday morning **Eddie Sanders** accepted the

honor and responsibility of becoming one of our Elders. Please offer your support to **Eddie** as he joins **Bob, Clay, Gene, Jerry & Barney** in service to the Lord in the oversight of this congregation.

Daniel Meinsen left Friday for the Harding Honors Symposium and will return on **July 9—just in time to leave on the 15th for Malawi**. His mailing address is: Daniel Meinsen, c/o Jeffrey Hopper, Box 10838 Harding, Searcy, AR 72149-0838.



IS EVERYONE HAVING A GOOD TIME?

By Dennis R. Smith

Before I get too far into this article, let me say that it is NOT directed to faithful, God fearing, dedicated Christians. They are always having a “good time” knowing that God is in control whatever the situation may be. I’m wanting us all to take a look at the world as it stands just now. Not only are we seeing our young men and women being shipped off to remote places of the world to try and “defend” our beloved nation, but more seriously is to see them shipped back as casualties. Coupling this with the drug scene worldwide, organized crime ruling and ruining the lives of many, broken homes, the jobless, etc., then we would have to agree that not everyone is having a good time. Most of us read about these things, but do we realize the thousands who are not having a good time presently. As tragic and heartbreaking as it is to see the abundance of little children going to bed hungry every night - but more so - is to see God, who is having a ROUGH TIME as he looks at the millions who have forgotten that they were created in His image. Adding to His sadness are those who fail to honor Him in worship and whose lifestyles disgrace His word. The pain of what He sees and feels could be summarized in these words: “...they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame” (Hebrews 6:6).

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship...5:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

OUR MISSION POINTS

Mark & Era Thiesen, Malawi, Africa

Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands

Voice of Truth International

"The Living Word"
 7:30 A.M. Sundays
 KOLR TV 10

"In Search Of
 The Lord's Way"
 7:00 A.M. Sundays
 KOLR TV 10

"Know Your Bible"
 10:30 A.M. Sundays
 Springfield 33
 KSPR-TV



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9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday - Friday

Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

AM Nursery: Linda Currier/Leona Snider
Greeters: Eddie & Donna Sanders
Van Driver: Russell Lilly/839-4048
KYB Phone: Norma Bradley/John Dutton
Serve Gaylen Jones/Oran Green
Communion: Briley Ewing/Sam Hansen
 Jackie Freeze/Russell Lilly
 Mark Friend/John Hulett
 David Kern/Dwayne Jackson

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Larry Baggett
Opening Prayer: Scott Nichols
Speaker: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: John Penner
Communion: Scott/Adam Barton
Nursery: Glenda Thurlkill

NEXT WEEK, July 4

MORNING

Song Leader: Kerry Cole
Opening Prayer: Jeremy Thurlkill
Communion: Eddie Currier
Closing Prayer: Randy Blackburn

EVENING

Jeremy Thurlkill
 Van Barnes
 Daniel/Aaron Tovar
 Tyler Thornton

AM Nursery: Donna Jordan/Michelle Hulett
PM Nursery: Lisa Stayton/Emily Simons
Greeters: Carolyn Smith/Johnnie Elliff
Van Driver: Shannon Haddock/732-4203

THE MONTH OF JUNE

Ushers: Scott Nichols
 Jason Luna
AV Room: Jeremy Thurlkill
 Kyle Buckner
Secure Building: Paul Lines

Wednesday, June 30

Devotional: Bill McFarland
Song Leader: Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer: Mike Thurlkill
Closing Prayer: Tim Timmons
Van Driver: Jason Luna