



**Song Leader Kerry Cole** 

> #367 #711

**Opening Prayer Brendan Carroll** 

> #599 (1,2,4) #345 (1,3,4)

The Lord's Supper Jerry Young

Contribution
Jerry Young

#532

Lesson Bill McFarland

#299 (1,4,5)

Announcements
Clay Joseph

#598 1,4

Closing Prayer
Tom Davis

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



Weekly Newsletter

June 29, 2014

# About Our Work

If you haven't yet done so, be sure to pick up your copy of our daily Bible reading schedule for the new quarter (the third one already!). At the start of the year, we titled this reading program "Fourteen, For the Lord, As Family" to indicate that there is a particular kind of fellowship that comes from attending to the Lord's word together. "We" do not flourish without the strength that comes through shared meditation upon the Lord's word.

We've had two groups away from us through this past week serving in behalf of the kingdom, as well as several individuals and families who have been on vacation. Thanks to you who have made things like the Wyoming VBS trip and the Bible camp work possible through your own extra work, generosity, and understanding. Keeping our usual local efforts going and healthy requires extra doses of respect, thoughtfulness, dependability, and attention to how individuals are doing in the midst of the coming and going.

Two basic acts of service that I have seen the value of these last few days are visiting and caring for our families who have been passing through illness. A constant necessity is that as many of us as possible be involved in expressing care and goodwill to our brothers and sisters and friends who are passing through unusual, difficult, or lonely circumstances. Some of you are always doing this, and we are so grateful. Others of us may need to be reminded that to "visit"—in one way or another—is the most practical and necessary work of faith.

For more than a week, I have noticed out my office window some of our brothers at work. Don Gaunt has been here about every day weeding flower beds, trimming shrubs, hauling the clippings, etc. He has put in hours and hours making things look nice. Thanks, Don! I've seen Greg Donoho at work also, and Fred Lorenz mowing and trimming. Also, Don and Linda Tracy and Fred and Norma have done the custodial work while Tim has been away. Thanks to all of you!

We're involved in two great themes in my classes right now. On Sunday mornings we're pursuing the theme of "Christ and His Church." It's a study that is shedding light not only on the nature of the church, but also upon the majesty of the work of Christ and the amazing grace of God's eternal purpose. Wednesday evenings we're examining "Basic Beliefs," the key lines of thought in the Bible that are the convictions of the people of God. If you're not already participating in a class, join us; if you are, pray for us.

–Bill





# 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 22

Bible Study: 251 331 Morning: 181 Evening: Wednesday (6/25): 198 \$ 8.990 Contribution:



**Elder of the Month** Clay Joseph

# Prayer List & Notes



◆ Continue to remember <u>Eula Compton</u>, <u>Thelma Fain</u>, <u>Greg Larimore</u>, <u>Dale</u> Harp, Ruth Raines, Jerry Gillespie, Bill White

> Long Term/ **Shut-ins**

Kay Adams

**Shirley Bartlett** 

**Doris Burch** 

Eula Compton

**Fern Davis** 

Thelma Fain

Ella Mae Findlay

**Chloe Gaddis** 

Mary Head

**Doris Iorg** 

**Doris Tobler Judy Todd** 

Pat Woods

- ♦ Jackie Freeze is now home following surgery this past week as well as battling an infection
- ◆ Lori McCall is in Room 4263 at Mercy Hospital recovering from heart surgery; she is doing much better but still has a long way to go
- ♦ David Nimmo is recovering from back surgery
- ♦ Pat Woods continues to have serious health issues.
- ♦ Evelyn Haguewood has an abscess on her hip and is not feeling well.
- ♦ **Debbie Crawford** has been in and out of the hospital this past week. Friends & Family
- ♦ Carolyn Broswell who has a brain tumor.
- ♦ Ron Bower's sister, Marjorie Ann Herzig, and her continuing health issues. Cards of encouragement can be sent to her at 403 Bernard, Bellville, Illinois, 62223.
- ♦ Gail White's daughter, <u>Teresa Curtis</u>, will have surgery July 2 to remove a pituitary adenoma benign tumor affecting the thyroid hormone levels. She lives in Edmond, OK.
- ♦ Jon Ewing's brother, Mike Ewing, and his mom, Joan Ewing
- ♦ Matthew Patterson, Mary Jo Rookstool's grandson, who is in Afghanistan
- ◆ Continue to remember Carolyn Young's sister, Nita; Jean Evans, Lyle Mishler's sister; and Ruth Reaves' brother, Jim Hocker, whose cancer has returned

Please extend a warm welcome to Josh & Sherry Carlyle. Josh & Sherry are new house parents in House 1 at Fair Haven.

They come to us from the Jefferson City area. Please make them feel at home at Water Mill. Their address is of course: 3132 North Fair Haven Loop, House No. 1, Strafford, MO 65757, 417-862-6675, ext. 131.



Daily Bible Reading Schedules for the 3rd Ouarter are available at the Information Desk. Be sure to pick up a copy and "Study the Bible with Us."

If you can provide food for David Nimmo this week, please sign up at the information desk TODAY.

New Address for Nancy Snider Woodland Manor, Room B-5 1347 E. Valley Water Mill Road Springfield, MO 65803

Be sure to encourage Nancy with cards and visits as she makes this transition.



Thanks to all who come to our wedding renewal. You made our day a special one. It meant a lot to us. Les and Shirlane Horton

Thanks to everyone that helped us celebrate our 50th anniversary last weekend. Thank you for the cards, the pantry items, the gifts, the donations to Fair Haven and all the encouraging words. We both love all of you at Water Mill. Jerry & Carolyn

PROMOTION DAY FOR OUR KIDS' BIBLE CLASSES HAS BEEN MOVED TO AUGUST 3RD.

# News & Activities

Continue to pray for a safe trip home for our group returning from Wyoming. They will leave immediately after worship service this morning and should arrive home late Monday.

Check the bulletin board for an article by Dale Harp's brother, Paul Harp that appeared in the Christian Chronicle.

There is also a copy of Mr. Logston's obituary posted.

### Birthdays

8 Kyle Mahon Shawna Stockdale 10 Alexis Davis Mike Thurlkill Mallory Phinney 11 Landon Nichols

July Anniversaries

2 David/Debbi Ratterree 38 yrs.

6 Dale/Pat Harp 51 yrs.

7 Beth/Jason Trogdon 11 yrs.

8 Tommy/Betty Grabber 47 yrs.

10 Clarence/Ola Jean Feeney 63 yrs.

11 John/Michelle Hulett 22 yrs.

24 Truman/Helen Coltrane 55 yrs.

Congratulations

# Upcoming Events

### TONIGHT AFTER SERVICES

Popcorn/Finger Food/Movie night in the fellowship room!!

- James River Nursing Home devo/singing Saturday at 2 p.m.
- Golden Agers meet next Sunday at 4 p.m.
- *Elders* meet July 8 at 1 p.m.
- July 13-19—Green Valley Bible Camp
- July 20th PM—Steven Ashcraft Report to congregation
- July 27-Aug. 2—*Happy Hollow Bible Camp*—Travis & Jason

### **FOOD FOR NEW MOM**

Gaitha is friends with a family that has two kids & expecting their third in July. We would like to provide food for this family after the baby arrives as we do for our members who have babies.

Gaitha will provide a signup sheet for food for after the baby arrives, and we hope some will be willing to help with that. She will take care of scheduling & even delivering the food if needed. BE SURE TO WATCH YOUR E-MAIL OR THE BULLETIN FOR MORE INFO.

# Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

#### Elders

 Barney Crawford
 417-866-0592

 Clay Joseph
 417-833-3002

 Eddie Sanders
 417-833-5712

 Bob Snider
 417-833-3498

 Jerry Young
 417-724-0324

### Minister

Bill McFarland 417-833-0110

# Golden Age Minister

Dennis Smith 417-866-6918

### Youth/Associate Minister

Adam Blaney 304-520-9800

#### Deacons

Scott Barton Russell Lilly
Tim Bowling Aaron Morrison
Tim Buckner Travis Morrison
Tom Davis James Simons
Jim Elliff John Stayton
Jon Ewing Mike Thurlkill
Matt Keener

### Staff

Johnnie Elliff Secretary
Tim Bowling Custodian

# HOW DO WE TAKE OUR AMBASSADORSHIP?

By Dennis R. Smith

The word "ambassador" has this meaning: "a diplomat sent by a state as its permanent representative in a foreign country." The Apostle Paul used this term as he wrote his second letter to the church in Corinth as follows; "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ" (2<sup>nd</sup> Cor. 5:20). I could just as easily have asked, "How do we take our discipleship?" However, the word ambassador seems to carry a stronger charge and it does identify a position which our Lord wants us to fully understand. Have you ever thought of yourself as a "diplomat?" What a title this is and what honor is attached to it. Here we are as mere humans representing our Lord in a foreign country where he desires his wonderful news to be given to all the world (Mark 16:15). There has never been (nor will be ) a more important document than that which is contained in the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Rom. 1:16). It is the information pertaining to the salvation of the souls of men and women! According to the Apostle Paul this message must be delivered by "earthen vessels" meaning each and every Christian (2<sup>nd</sup> Cor. 4:7). Allegorically speaking, this wonderful message is locked in our "attaché case" (the Bible) and is to be opened and declared wherever and whenever the opportunity presents itself. In the footsteps of the Apostle Paul our answer to this charge should be, "woe unto me (as God's Ambassador) if I preach not the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ." (1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 9:16).

#### **Schedule of Services**

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 AM

Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM

Sunday Evening Worship......5:00 PM

Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

### WORKS WE SUPPORT

**CHINESE AGAPE Foundation** 

Joev & Tammy Treat, Northern

**Mariana Islands** 

Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission

**Voice of Truth International** 

**Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions** 

**World Christian Broadcasting** 

**Churches of Christ Disaster Relief** 

Fair Haven Children's Home

"In Search of the Lord's Way" 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10

'KNOW YOUR BIBLE'

10:30 AM Sundays/Springfield 33/KSPR



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# Service Rosters

#### THIS MORNING

Brendan & Jenny Carroll Greeters: Van Driver: Kevin Wuench/833-6134 KYB: Carol Toyar/Ann Thiesen

Serve

Luke Lines/Les Malanowski **Communion:** 

Fred Lorenz/Jerry Milligan Jason Luna/Travis Morrison Gene Lund/Scott Nichols

Jack Lynch/Tom Norrell

#### THIS EVENING

Jon Davis **Song Leader: Opening Prayer:** Jon Ewing Bill McFarland Lesson: **Closing Prayer:** Don Essex

**Communion:** Carl Tindall/V. Duncan NEXT WEEK, July 6

AM

PM

Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Travis Morrison Song Leader:

**Opening Prayer:** Jeff Fisher David Kern

Van Barnes Jon/Briley Ewing **Communion:** Tim Stockstill Jerry Milligan **Closing Prayer:** 

**Nursery AM:** Donna Jordan/Michelle Hulett Lisa Stayton/Emily Simons **Nursery PM: Greeters:** Gerri Dickens/Ann Thiesen

Van Driver: AM: J. Simons/988-8873/PM: T. Jobes/894-0826

### MONTH OF JULY

ΑV Scott Barton/ Bruce Tindall Room:

Open **Tim Timmons** 

Building

Secure Tim Buckner

Building:

# Wednesday, July 2

**Song Leader: Adam Blaney** 

Prayer: Fred Lorenz **Todd Kraus/** Van Driver:

207-7877