

# Rejoicing From the Hills

*"The little hills rejoice on every side."*

*-Psalm 65:12b-*

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## SUMMER MINISTRIES



Matt and Rachelle Krape will be ministering at Servant's Heart Camp this summer. Matt will be taking a leave of absence from his job so that he may dedicate his summer to serving the Lord in this camp ministry. Please pray for the Krapes as they minister to young people and families in the various camps. Contributions to support them financially in this endeavor will be accepted through North Hills Bible Church. Please use an offering envelope for the offering plate, or mail your contribution to the church and designate it for the Krapes.



Buck and Cindy Smith, will also be serving the Lord at Servant's Heart Camp this summer. Tanisha will be on a

missions trip to South Africa. Pray for them as they continue in their walk with the Lord, as well as in their ministry to young people or helping on operational staff.

## CAMP INFO

Our young people attend Servant's Heart Camp in the summer. They are exposed to the teaching of God's Word and are given the opportunity to have a lot of fun in an environment which the parents can trust. Please pray for our youth as they attend camp this summer. Pray that the Lord will use this experience to draw them closer to Him, and to help them have more receptive hearts to His will for their lives.

Other camps are also offered throughout the summer for families and senior citizens.

The camp is in Ramey, Pennsylvania. To find out more, or to register, please go to [www.shcm.org](http://www.shcm.org) or [info@shcm.org](mailto:info@shcm.org). You may also contact them by phone at 717-808-7992.

**Young at Heart day is offered to senior citizens on June 10.**

**Teen Camps**  
June 13-18,  
or July 27-July 2, or July 18-23

**Junior Camps**  
June 20-24,  
or July 11-15, or July 25-29

**Family Camps**  
July 4-6, or July 7-9



## Children's Day May 15



The observance of Children's Day will be on Sunday, May 15. On this day during the 9:30 Sunday School hour, there will be a special children's program. All classes will be combined for this occasion.

The rehearsal for this program will be held on Saturday, May 14 at 9:30 AM.

In the 6:30 evening service of this special day there will be the Master Clubs closing program and achievement recognition. Also Teen Bible Quizzing certificates will be given for Scripture memorization, and the teens will be giving testimonies.

Please plan to attend and bring relatives and friends for this special day.

**A GOSPEL MESSAGE FOR YOU**

Have you asked Jesus Christ to save you? If not, will you accept Him as your Saviour now? The following will explain what you need to do.

1. **ADMIT THAT YOU ARE A SINNER.** The Bible says, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23
2. **KNOW THAT GOD HAS ALREADY PROVIDED FOR YOUR SALVATION.** "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16
3. **KNOW THAT YOU CANNOT SAVE YOURSELF.** "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us." Titus 3:5a
4. **REPENT OF YOUR SIN.** "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of." II Corinthians 7:10. "Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:3
5. **ASK JESUS CHRIST TO SAVE YOU.** "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be **SAVED.**" Romans 10:13. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be **SAVED.**" Acts 16:31
6. **CONFESS JESUS BEFORE MEN.** "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead thou shalt be **SAVED.** For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:9-10

If you have any questions or would like further spiritual help, please contact us at the North Hills Bible Church. Our phone number is 757-1316.

# Library News

by Brenda Hamme, Librarian

Several years ago, the first few books in the MOODY FAMILY SERIES, written by Sarah Maxwell, were added to the library. This fictional series about a homeschool family is based on the author's own real life experiences growing up and is filled with exciting everyday adventures. Each book covers about a three-month period in the life of the Moody family and provides positive examples for children to follow. These remaining books in the series will be added to the library over the next few months:

### ***Winter Days with the Moodys***

- experience excitement at the gas station, an encounter with Mr. Gibson, Christmas preparations, their first banquet event, remodeling work, serving in Jesus' name.

### ***Christmas Comes to Sunflower***

- multiple obstacles must be overcome as the Moody children seek to bless Joey and make his dream come true in time for Christmas.

### ***Spring Days with the Moodys***

- packed full with celebrating birthdays, a special ministry opportunity, a highly anticipated trip to the drive-through wildlife safari, an encounter with the animal catcher, a neighbor's wedding.

### ***Exciting Times with the Moodys***

- an invitation from their aunt to come to Colorado, the start of a new business and their summer schedule, newlyweds return to the neighborhood, more about Joey and his dog, Snowflake.

### ***Colorado with the Moodys***

- a visit with their aunt brings an exciting mountain adventure as they prepare her cabin to sell, meet her neighbor lady and a deer named Fred, feed chipmunks at Russell Gulch, encounter a forest ranger, visit Millie Vaile's waterfall, hike to Emerald Lake.

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#### Our Purpose

Soul winning at home and abroad  
Bible teaching conducive  
to Christian Living

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**RUDIMENTARY PRINCIPLE OF THE**  
**WORLD #6**  
**THE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS MUST**  
**BE SILENCED**

**Introduction**

What is it about Jesus and His Name that people are so afraid of?

If we don't approve of homosexuality,  
we are homophobic.

If we don't approve of Islam,  
we are Islamophobic.

If people don't approve of Jesus,  
they have a right to demand that His  
followers be silenced.

**Example #1**

For the past 31 years, a Christian ministry has been providing food to the hungry in Lake City, Florida without any problems. But all that changed when a state government worker showed up to negotiate a new contract. ...

A state agriculture department official told them **they would not be allowed to receive USDA food unless they removed portraits of Christ, the Ten Commandments, a banner that read 'Jesus is Lord,' and they must stop giving Bibles to the needy.**

**Example #2**

Angela Hildebrand was valedictorian of Medina Valley High School in Texas in 2011. For her graduation speech, she wanted to speak of her faith, use the word "amen," and the name Jesus, and conclude her address with a short prayer. She was barred from doing so by a chief U.S. district judge after an agnostic senior and his parents filed a lawsuit against the Medina Valley Independent School District.

The judge's order also prohibited the district from including the terms "invocation" and "benediction" in the graduation program and prohibited speakers from uttering certain phrases that would offend non-believers in the audience.

**Example #3**

That same year, a Vermont valedictorian was forbidden by school administrators from delivering his graduation speech in which he discussed how Jesus had changed his life.

Among the many sentences found offensive was this passage from Gearwar's speech:

**"I have peace and can finally enjoy every moment God has given me, good or bad. I wouldn't be standing before you without the blessings God has given me through my tough situations. He is the reason I am the man I am today."**

**Example #4****'Willing to Go to Jail':**

Politician Delivers Passionate Speech About God Before Defying Judge's Order and Uttering a Christian Prayer

Mar. 28, 2014 8:51 AM by Billy Hallowell

Just two days after a U.S. district judge issued a preliminary injunction barring sectarian prayer at government meetings in **Carroll County, Md., commissioner Robin Bartlett Frazier** ignored the order and opened Thursday's budget meeting with an invocation referencing Jesus Christ.

The text mentioned Jesus more than once, which is a violation of the judge's order that commissioners not use "the name of a specific deity associated with any specific faith or belief," Reuters reported.

Examples go on and on.

And unless you think this is about **all** religious activity in the public arena, there is this.

**Example #1**

The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), Michigan chapter, has reached a "negotiated" settlement with the school board in Dearborn, a suburb of Detroit, which will give Muslim kids so-called "prayer accommodations" in Dearborn Public Schools.

CAIR lawyers "recently met with Dearborn Public Schools Superintendent Brian Whiston to discuss concerns from some parents regarding prayer accommodations in Dearborn Public Schools."

Consequently, "Dearborn Public Schools has implemented a policy which fully accommodates student-led prayer in all the schools (for Moslem students only), as well as un-excused absences for students who leave early on Fridays for Jumu'ah prayers."

### Example #2

In Hartford, Connecticut, leaders are began kicking off their council meetings with a Koranic prayer -- in a show of solidarity with Muslims.

### Example #3

Wilson County Schools , Tennessee

Alleging that a Mt. Juliet elementary school Christmas play, a group of praying parents, a national prayer day and teacher-led prayer in class are among a range of religious activities that violate the separation of church and state, the American Civil Liberties Union of Tennessee filed a suit in federal court yesterday.

The suit was filed on behalf of two Old Hickory parents, who said the activities were "highly offensive" and subjected their young son - a kindergartner at the school last year - to "religious proselytizing."

"Religious freedom for everyone is jeopardized when public schools promote and endorse religious activities," ACLU-TN executive director Hedy Weinberg said in a news release. **"In addition, the sponsorship of religious activities in Wilson County public schools broadcasts a divisive message to the religiously pluralistic community of Wilson County.**

Then, in Nashville, Tennessee - In Davidson County which is right next door to Wilson County:

During the recent Muslim holy month of Ramadan, teachers in Metro Nashville schools were actually ordered to release Muslim students from class at certain times -- to go to unused classrooms or offices -- so that they could attend to their Muslim prayers.

A school spokesman says that, because the prayers are supposed to be uttered at designated times, that makes Muslim prayers different from Christian prayers.

As a result, the school system tries to accommodate their religious traditions.

**But one teacher told me, if she released her students from class for Christian prayers, she fears that she'd find herself in court.**

There is a concerted effort being made to silence Christians from publicly mentioning the name of Jesus, because there is a rudiment of the world which says, the followers of Jesus Christ must be silenced.

What does the Bible say about this?

## **I. JESUS INTENDS FOR HIS FOLLOWERS TO BE VOCAL.**

A. God's people are His witnesses.

Isaiah 43:10

**Ye are my witnesses,**

*saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.*

Isaiah 43:12

*I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore*

**ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God.**

Acts 1:8

*But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and*

**ye shall be witnesses unto me**

*both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

To be a witness, you have to be vocal. A witness is one who gives testimony. For example, in a court of law if you are called to the witness stand and in response to questions put to you, you remain silent and fail to answer the questions, you will be held in contempt of court. By virtue of being a witness it is implied that you will speak.

B. Therefore, they ought to speak.

Ephesians 6:20

*20 For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.*

Colossians 4:3-4

*3 Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds:*

*4 That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.*

The word “ought” implies a moral obligation. It involves a constraint which arises from divine appointment. It describes that which **must** be done. As Christ’s witnesses, we **must** speak. It is our divine appointment to speak. Every Christian must be ready to speak.

1 Peter 3:15

*But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:*

C. People cannot hear about God if we don’t speak.

1. The world cannot hear without a preacher.

Romans 10:14

*How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and **how shall they hear without a preacher?***

2. This is what God has ordained.

Titus 1:1-3

*1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God’s elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;*

*2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;*

*3 But **hath in due times manifested his word through preaching**, which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour;*

There is something about preaching that is special. This is God’s method of manifesting His Word in this age. As the human agent is filled with the Spirit, he is used of God to proclaim the truth which the Spirit of God then presses into the hearts of all those who will listen and hear.

D. We have to accept the fact that there will be opposition.

1 Thessalonians 2:2

*2 But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at Philippi, **we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention.***

Acts 17:1-10

*1 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:*

*2 And **Paul**, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,*

*3 Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and **that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.***

*4 And some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.*

*5 **But the Jews which believed not**, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.*

*6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;*

*7 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, one Jesus.*

*8 And they **troubled the people** and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.*

*9 And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go.*

*10 **And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.***

The Carroll County, Md., commissioner Robin Bartlett Frazier, said she was prepared to go to jail in defiance of the court order not to pray in Jesus name. You might think this is an extreme case and going to jail would be an extreme result. Consider this real life example. This event involving missionary Josh

Williamson took place on Wednesday, September 18, 2013 in Perth, Scotland. This is not an endorsement of this missionary. I am satisfied though that he is a true believer and that he really was arrested for preaching the gospel. Here is his testimony.

While I was preaching a staff member from EE came out and .....yelled some abuse and then walked away. A group of teenage girls also gathered and began to mock the Gospel.

After preaching for a few more minutes a crowd began to gather. It was then that a window opened up behind me and a man hung out and began to scream at me.....He told me not too politely to .....go away. During this time the police drove past and ignored me.

I kept preaching.

It was around this time I noticed the police van coming back around. It drove into the area where the crowd gathered, and the officer turned off the engine. I was expecting him to say something, but he didn't say a word. So, I kept preaching.

After a few minutes the police officer finally spoke. He told me to stop, as I was breaking the law. I asked him what law I was breaking, and he replied that I was in breach of the peace. ....The officer said I wasn't allowed to preach. I tried explaining that I wasn't breaking the law, and that I would continue to preach. At this the officer said, "If you do that, I'll arrest you." My answer was, "I guess you had better arrest me then, as I'm not breaking the law." With this the police officer placed me under arrest for breach of the peace.

It was around this time I spoke to another officer who told me that I was being arrested. Again, I asked what law I had broken. It was at this point she told me that the content of my message was illegal. I found this amazing, since I was only preaching the Gospel.

After a few more minutes I was placed in the back of a police van. [I was] driven through the city center of Perth to the police station.

Towards the end of my interview the officer said to me, "You seem reasonable. Why don't you just stop preaching?" I replied by saying,

"Let me ask you a question, is it better to obey man or God?"

With that the interview was over, and I was given a caution. The police also told me that if I preach again then we will go through the process all over again.

## II. THE WORLD DOES NOT WANT TO HEAR

A. Even if they know what we say is true, the world does not want it to be spread.

The Jews could not deny that a notable miracle had been performed by the Apostles of Christ, but still they tried to silence them.

Acts 4:15

*15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,*

*16 Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that*

*indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and*

**we cannot deny it.**

*17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.*

*18 And they called them, and*

**commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.**

B. The world insists that the followers of Jesus be silenced.

Thus, the Pharisees insisted that Jesus' followers hold their peace on the road from Bethany to Jerusalem.

Luke 19:37-44

*37 And when he was come nigh, even now at the*

*descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen;*

*38 Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the*

*name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.*

*39 And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, **rebuke thy disciples.***



40 *And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should **hold their peace**, the stones would immediately cry out.*

### III. NO MATTER WHAT, JESUS CHRIST WILL BE PRAISED.

Consider Jesus' response to the Pharisees.

Luke 19:40

40 *And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, **the stones would immediately cry out.***

A. This is not an excuse for not praising Him publicly.

Do you really want to stand before the Savior and say to Him – just let the stones praise you.

B. Boldness to speak comes from God.

His grace provides the boldness we need to openly confess Jesus Christ before men.

Acts 4:23-29

23 *And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.*

24 *And when they heard that, they lifted up their*

*voice to God with one accord, and said, **Lord, thou art God**, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is:*

25 *Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?*

26 *The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers*

*were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.*

27 *For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,*

28 *For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel*

*determined before to be done.*

29 *And now, Lord,*

***behold their threatenings, and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word***

Do you want to stand before the Savior and tell Him that His grace was not sufficient?

C. This is a reason to praise Him.

1. If Jesus Christ is going to be praised no matter what, because He deserves it.....

Psalms 18:3

*I will call upon the LORD, **who is worthy to be praised***

Revelation 5:12

*Saying with a loud voice, **Worthy is the Lamb** that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.*

2. Then He deserves our praise all the time.

Psalms 29:2

*Give unto the LORD **the glory due unto his name**; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.*

### Conclusion

2 Corinthians 4:1-6

1 *Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, **we faint not**;*

2 *But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but **by manifestation of the truth** commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.*

3 *But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:*

4 *In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.*

5 *For **we preach** not ourselves, but **Christ Jesus the Lord**; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.*

6 *For God, who **commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts**, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.*

There was a day when the light of the gospel shined in our hearts because someone spoke to us either personally or in a sermon. It can happen that you would just read the Bible and get saved, but for most of us, God used a witness, a person, to speak the Word of God to us and shine that light into our hearts. Would you deny another person the same opportunity you had to hear the gospel? Don't let the opposition silence the voice of your witness. 📖

# Missionary News



*From  
Around  
The World  
and  
Here at Home*

## Military Evangelism

Camp Lejeune, Jacksonville, NC

Before I introduce myself, I would like to take a moment to thank Dr. Walt Croom for his generous and kind letters of recommendation. Walt and I have been good friends for over 17 years and I count him as one of my dearest mentors in the ministry.

I am the new General Director of Military Evangelism. I will, as Walt was also, be the Field Director of the Jacksonville Center in addition to my duties as General Director. I have been preaching for over 18 years, and a pastor for the last 14. I planted a church in 2001 and merged it with one of our supporting churches in 2004, creating First Baptist Church of Harford County, which I pastored for the last 12 years.

I come to Military Evangelism after serving on the Board of Directors since 2007. For the last four years I have served as Secretary of the Board. This has allowed me to observe the inner workings of this ministry and I am sure God allowed all of this to prepare me for this new position.

I will need a few months on the field here in Jacksonville to get to know the day-to-day operations thoroughly, and to put in place the programs and activities the Lord places on our hearts to reach the Marines at Jacksonville.

We have had a great first month on the field. We met with the Head Chaplain at Camp Lejeune, held Bible studies, invited many to our center and enjoyed the fellowship of our new friends.

I look forward to continuing our partnership to provide our Military men and women with a Gospel witness, a place to call home, and a support system to bring them into fellowship with the local church.

## Marc & Judie Blackwell

Capetown, South Africa

### *The story of a Unique International Gospel Outreach*

A few years back a young man accepted Christ. Then he moved to another country. We maintained contact and on-going discipleship. He grew in the Lord and then recently sent an "sos" email asking how to witness to his father who was now on his death bed. His dad in yet another country, accepted Christ as his Savior!

### *Our "Herald of Hope" ministry extends to Ireland*

We have been blessed to have one young lady get saved while ministering with the Cape's Church Ministries Institute graduate, Shaun Abrahams, who is planting a church in County Kerry, Ireland.

"Herald of Hope" Sunday morning seminars have been used of the Lord to help our people refocus on the Bible's 'End Times Messages'. I have focused on 'The Millennium' and the 'Book of Revelation' as the primary themes in recent months.

### *Ministry Resource Forum*

Our purpose is for strengthening and serving the advance of true Truth. Pray for the Cape Churches to be both Biblical and 'agile' as they face the modern challenges of this century's Biblical illiteracy and spiritual lethargy.

### *Bible Institute*

We held Sunday night Bible Institute classes for 20 new students of the Old Testament Class and there are about ten students in various stages of course completion. Our Bible Institute graduated four students from the undergraduate Pastoral Training program. This was a real blessing and years of work.

### *Thursday Morning Sessions*

On Thursday mornings I teach a mixed group of eight or nine men - unsaved farmers and a few confused Christian types.



# Donald & Karen Kilmer

South Africa

We have been holding Sunday services at Burlington. On this particular Sunday we arrived a little before 10:00 to set things up and invite a few people. When we arrived at Burlington, a lady had 3 big wash basins on the porch where we usually meet and she was busy doing wash. This kept us from sitting there in the shade. There were two sets of 3 chairs at the side of the street. We unstacked them and set them on the street next to the porch. However, we were in front of an informal tavern that is there, which is just a room that a family lives in and sells alcohol out of. The lady of the house, Mandisa (Maan-dee'-sah), who sells the beer, came to church the week before.

At 10:00 Karen and I started to sing. We found that rather than wait for someone to come it is best to start singing and then some will come. When we were part way through the first song, Mandisa, who sells the alcohol, came out and joined us. On our second song two other ladies, who came for the first time, also joined us.

After several songs and Scripture reading I started to preach. Now picture this: Karen and the ladies are sitting on chairs on the street, in the sun and I am standing in front of the tavern, in the sun, preaching, while next to us a lady is doing her wash on the porch in the shade. The one blessing about this is that she also got to hear the message. We had 4 ladies and 1 man that day, but if you include the wash lady we had 5 ladies.

Just before I started preaching, a pick-up truck came down the one lane street. We had to stop and move the chairs out of the way so he could get through. Then we continued, until a car came along and a guy wanted to buy beer. Mandisa got up, went into her room got him the beer and then rejoined us. About two-thirds of the way through my message a teenage girl came down the street and blurted out that she had a question. I found out after the service that her name is Gu (goo). I asked her to join us, which she did. She again blurted out that she had a question. I told her I would get to that in a short time, as soon as our service is over. After about 20 seconds she blurted out that she doesn't know what to do with her life as she is bound by alcohol.

So what was I to do? Chase her off or answer her and let the others hear some biblical advice on how to conquer habits? A rabbit trail that wasn't too far off the topic was in order. About this time a man in his late 20's came and sat down next to me on a small bench. Gu said this was her brother and when he gets drunk he beats her. About this time someone came to buy beer, so Mandisa got up, went into her room, got him the beer and then rejoined us.

I told Gu that first of all, she needed to be saved, for without salvation, Jesus can't rule our lives and help us conquer sin. I explained forgiveness and repentance (Luke 13:3). She claimed she had been saved, but was backslidden. I then showed her James 4:8 about drawing near to God. I told her she needs to look to God every day and ask for His help. When she falls she must confess her sin and ask His help to do right.

I explained how I once fell in a big mud puddle at Embo and was covered in mud from head to foot. (That made everyone smile.) However, I didn't stay laying in the mud. I got up, went home and washed. So when we fall into sin we must confess to God and then walk in His way. We mustn't continue to lay in the mud of sin. I concluded my sermon and asked if anyone wanted to be saved. Gu raised her hand and I told her I would talk to her in a minute. I then closed in prayer.

After the closing prayer I turned to Gu's brother and asked if it is true he beats his sister. He admitted he does. I told him there is a better way to live. He nodded in agreement and walked off down the street. By now the lady was done with her washing, so Gu, Karen and I sat in the shade on the porch. I asked her if she was ever saved. She said she was. I questioned her about what she had done and if she really believed with all of her heart at the time she prayed to receive Jesus as her Savior. She claimed she had. Coming from a background influenced by Charismatics, which almost all Zulus do, she thought that if she was backslidden she had to get saved again. She didn't understand how to confess sin as a child of God (1 John 1:9). I showed her Hebrews 13:5 and explained that God was willing and able to help her if she would draw near to Him.

She said she thought she has strength to start to live the right way, in spite of the fact that she once tried to kill herself. I said, "Stop, stop, stop! You will never have enough strength to live the right way. You need God's help!" I again showed her James 4:8 and how important it is to draw near to God day by day, for our

inner strength to do right comes from Him. I explained that she needs to confess her sin to God. She said she was willing to pray. She said, "Oh, God, I don't even know what to say. My life is so messed up." She went on to ask God to help her. I then prayed with her. (I also encouraged her with practical things like having the right kind of friends. It is quite a challenge for addicts who live in an area like this with alcohol and drugs all around them.) So there you have it - as usual, another unusual day at Burlington.

## Teacher's Assistance Program (TAP Ministry)

### Excerpt Notes From the Field

"I thank God for sharing your books with us and then you for helping us in this kind of ministry. I thanked God for having you as a partner."

The Philippines

*Note: We sent a KJV study Bible and a variety of reference materials for students in Bible Seminaries to meet their various needs for study material and for after graduation needs as they step out into full time Christian service.*

"I thank God for the ministry of yours that reaches to all tribes especially to the tribal pastors, and I pray that God will use you and bless this wonderful ministry that He has entrusted to you."

The Philippines

*Note: We sent teaching material, devotionals, reference books, Bibles and New Testaments.*

"Some years ago I received many books and Bibles for the ministry. They are a blessing in my ministry. I am serving in a Bible College and involved in church planting ministry among my group - Kuki. For the past 18 years I served as a teacher, and four years as an Academic Dean, and four years as a pastor."

India

*Note: We sent theology books, Bible commentary, Greek linguistic books and other personal study books and pamphlets.*

## Peter & Rosa Pingol

Spain

### Mini-camp

Well...if we cannot go to the mountain...then we bring the mountain to us!

What a joy it was to have our mini-camp. We had a good group of children "camping" inside our church building! They learned about the fidelity of the Lord even in difficulties through the life of Daniel. I decorated the building as if it was a Pyrenees mountain view and the teens led the whole activity. Rosa taught the Bible lessons. Anna lead the memorization verses and the music. Bibi and Daniel cooked for the whole group, and Daniel and Jeremy taught about climbing. Judith, one of our teens, was the official "director" of the activity and many other of the teens helped serve as counselors. What a joy it is to see them, the next generation, serving the Lord in children's ministry. It has been very special for me to see them going forward with the vision and the burden of reaching the children with the Gospel and teaching them about Christ. When the camp was over, they began to talk and plan the next one!

### Gospel Outreach

We continue reaching our neighboring towns with Gospel tracts. Please pray especially for the town of Papiol. This is the town we are targeting now.

For several years I had a burden for the city of Tarragona. I have taken a step of faith and moved forward trusting in the leading of the Lord. I will be going to have Bible studies using the University of Tarragona Campus as a meeting place. Please pray for the salvation of several contacts we have there.

Continue in prayer for Castellbisbal, our home town, and the people to whom we have given Bibles and talked to about the things of the Lord. It is sad to see how the world thinks about things without Christ.

### Youth Ministry

The group of young people is growing in many senses. First of all in their spirit and relationship with the Lord. Our Saturday meetings have become three full hours of Bible studies, and they love it! Some of the young people are planning to get married next year. Please pray that among them the Lord will raise the next generation of missionaries.

## Class of 2016



*"When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, He said, "It is finished!" and He bowed His head, and gave up the ghost."*

This verse has meant a lot to me through the years and has confirmed that Jesus' work upon the cross really was enough to appease the Father.

John 19:30 has especially rung true to me over the past few months as Pastor has been teaching about Catholicism in the Adult Sunday School Class. It is such a blessing to know that I don't have to pay money or recite prayers for hours in hopes of possibly being saved.

One of the biggest blessings in my life so far has been the home schooling that I've had. My parents have gone over and above the call of duty in my education and have tailored my school work to my interests. It is such a blessing to have schooling that doesn't force the foolishness of the world down your throat.

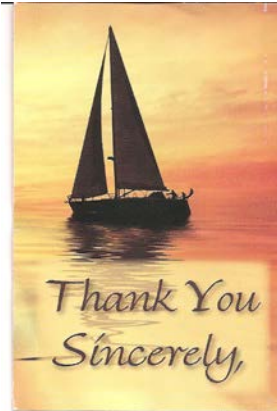
"For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more." Luke 12:48

For the past few years, the Lord has given me the opportunity to serve him at CEF and never has it ever felt like a burden. It is an absolute joy to see little children from many different backgrounds being brought into HIS fold. My advice to the children of this church is to get involved with helping CEF as soon as possible. Not only will you be a blessing, but you will be blessed.

The Lord has shown me that His will for my life is to attend Pensacola Christian College this fall and to major in Political Science. HE made it extremely clear what college I was to go to and what major to choose, and for that I am grateful. It's always wonderful when your plans for your life and GOD's plans for your life line up!

Henry Balcom

## Spotlight on Tracts



This is a nice tract to keep on hand when you have received good service at a restaurant or service station, to give to a cashier or any other situation where a thank you is appropriate.

It explains that the greatest service ever rendered to mankind is frequently overlooked - that Jesus Christ paid our sin debt for us. It gives a very clear presentation of the Gospel. These are available in our narthex. Please make use of this small handy witnessing tool and put a handful in your purse or pocket to give out generously.



Many times we hear, or say, "Have a good day!" We want everyone to not only have a good day, but to also have a good forever.

This eye-catching tract explains how sin can ruin both a good day and a good forever. But today can make a difference in both today and forever, if the salvation God provided is accepted.

Part of the tract reads: "God has provided a way for you and me to have a good forever. This way of salvation is open to all who will confess their sins to God in true repentance, believe that Jesus died for them, and receive Him as their Lord and Savior."

"The Source of Good Days: As a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ you will not only be sure of a good forever, you will also be able to have a good day every day. Jesus will never leave you, and the more you fellowship with Him through prayer and reading the Bible daily, the more you will experience His presence in your life. Even when everything around you seems dark and discouraging, God's presence in your life brings 'fulness of joy'."





## Preschoolers

*taught by Mrs. Moss*

We have been learning the Wordless Book. Each color of the Wordless Book has a sentence that explains its meaning and a Bible verse to go with it. For example, the white page reminds us that when I ask Jesus to be my Savior, He washes away all my sin. Psalm 51:7 "Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow". The two year olds learned the verse for each color, and the three and four year olds learned both the meaning and the verse.

Our lessons have been leading up to Jesus crucifixion and resurrection. They enjoyed the lesson on the triumphal entry as they got to wave palm branches and then lay them down on the 'path' for Jesus and the little colt to walk on.

## Primaries

*taught by Mr. & Mrs. Smith*

In the Primary Class we continue to study our lessons on the life of Moses. We see how God continually guides and cares for His people. We see the people repeatedly telling Moses, "We hear you Moses, we will obey and do all that God has said". It never seems to be very long before Moses is on his knees again, before God, pleading on behalf of the disobedient Israelites. What a gracious and merciful God we serve. The people never seemed to be satisfied.

Do we have satisfied hearts? Do we have right attitudes and actions? How does our sin disappoint God and others around us.

We are also memorizing Psalm 139 and comforted by knowing how much God loves us and knows all about us!

## Juniors

*taught by Mr. and Mrs. Cook*

We have been studying the lives of Elijah and Elisha. They were both very powerful prophets and leaders. We see God using Elijah in some very powerful ways...bringing down fire from heaven...declaring a time of drought...and his fiery ride was truly out of this world. Then we see Elisha and God using him to help in so many every day needs...like the oil pots and the healing of Naaman. It reminds us that God wants to use all of us...in different ways; but all for His glory.

Grace Balcom, Hannah Wertz, Rebecca Wertz, and Matthew Kanost all said their winter quarter verses. Good job! We are now working on verses from the book of James.



## Master Clubs

*Director - Nathaniel Wertz*

This winter some of the children in Master Clubs have been learning how they can serve the Lord by sharing their testimony with others. Under the guidance of their teachers, Rebecca Wertz and Shawn Smith have been able to write down their testimonies and present them to the entire group. Other activities to earn their badges encourage them to share their testimonies with neighbors and friends. Please pray that they will be able to have boldness to present the Gospel to others, and that their friends' hearts would be prepared to receive the truth.



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## Quizzing

by Quiz Coach, Mrs. Joyce Moss

We are coming to the end of another year of Bible quizzing. The month of March our church hosted the quizzing competition with other churches. We quizzed on Ephesians chapters 5 and 6. The competition was going on in three rooms throughout the afternoon. Refreshments were provided for the teens to keep up their energy, and to enjoy a little relax time between their quizzes as they had opportunity.

In April we will have our final competition on the whole book of Ephesians. It will be held on Saturday, April 16. The day starts off with the quizzing competition. After that the teens enjoy some games to release their pent up nervous energy. Supper is served and then the evening rally begins. In the rally the quiz teams that made it to the finals have one last opportunity to shine, and a champion for the year is declared. A speaker always presents the Word of God to the teens on their level as they are challenged to live a dedicated life for the Lord.

The teen Bible quizzing competition is beneficial to the teens in helping them stay in God's Word, and also to meet teens from other churches that love the Lord as they do.

## HOMESCHOOL NEWS

Led by Dawn Balcom

The primary group is continuing to learn about animals. They learned about amphibians, reptiles, birds and insects. They enjoy sharing about and learning about the animals during show and tell time and story time. For craft time they each made a snake, a bird feeder, a butterfly, a caterpillar, and a dragonfly. They always enjoy getting some energy out when they exercise and play games.

The middle group is continuing to learn about the human body. While learning about the circulatory system they watched "The Red River of Life" DVD, and made an edible heart. For the respiratory system they learned about and practiced community CPR, and made edible lungs. For the digestive system they learned about the different teeth and their functions, and did a hand-on activity showing digestion of food from entry to exit. The children took turns doing a different digestive activity for each part of the system. They are continuing their exercising time also.

The teens are becoming builders. They have learned about finding area and volume, and about angles and reflection. They are working in pairs to "build a house". First they drew floor plans. Following their floor plans they began measuring and cutting walls and floors from foam board. Next they measured and cut out windows and doors. Soon they will be ready to put it all together, For gym they played octaball and basketball.

In January the students went roller skating. They enjoy the physical exercise and time to socialize.

In February the students went to the State Museum in Harrisburg. There they saw a large statue of William Penn and many exhibits about Pennsylvania history, such as: Indians in PA, travel in PA, products first made in PA, and wildlife in PA to name a few. It was fascinating to see so many things that came first from Pennsylvania.

Written by Connie Morrow

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## APRIL

14	Homeschool Classes	9-12 AM
16	Final Teen Bible Quiz & Youth Rally	
17	Rescue Mission Service	8:00 PM
19	Trustees' Meeting	6:30 PM
20	TAP Ministry	8:00 AM
28	Homeschool Field Trip	



## MAY

8	Pleasant Acres Service	1:45 PM
14	Children's Program Practice	9:30 AM
15	Children's Program	9:30 AM
15	Master Clubs Program	6:30 PM
16	Rescue Mission Service	8:00 PM
17	Trustees' Meeting	6:30 PM
18	TAP Ministry	8:00 AM
19	Homeschool Project Fair	9:00 AM
22	Prison Ministry	2:30 PM
31	Prison Ministry	7:00 PM



## JUNE

6	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
13	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
19	Manor Care Service	1:45 PM
20	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
20	Rescue Mission Service	8:00 PM
21	Trustees' Meeting	6:30 PM
27	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
30	Prison Ministry	8:00 PM

# Up-coming Events for Our Missionaries

## April

Child Evangelism Fellowship - York, PA  
 Good News Clubs in public schools finish this month  
 Friends of Israel  
 Passover Evangelistic banquets  
 Moss, Sam & Nicole - Uganda, East Africa  
 Translation Launch

## May

Blackwell, Marc & Judie - Capetown, South Africa  
 The Mutli-lingual Church Planting Team  
 Friends of Israel  
 'Shavuot' (Pentacost) Outreach Banquet  
 Military Evangelism - Camp LeJune, NC  
 Day Trips with a devotional for military personnel

## June

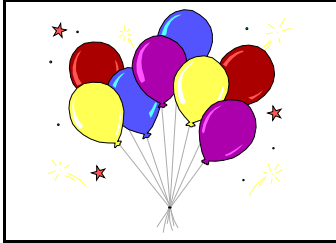
Child Evangelism Fellowship - York, PA  
 Summer Missionary Training  
 Military Evangelism - Camp LeJune, NC  
 Evangelistic Dinner and Bible Study  
 Moss, Sam & Nicole - Uganda, East Africa  
 Morris Church Plant  
 Pinyol, Peter & Rosa - Spain  
 Two day Mini-Camp  
 Vacation Bible School

**Remember  
to Pray  
for Your  
Missionaries**





# Church Family News



## Happy Birthday

### April

- 1 - Linda Goodling
- 3 - Carol DeMasters
- 5 - **Brenda Hamme**
- 5 - Ervin Kornbau
- 7 - **Elijah Moss**
- 8 - Bill Knudsen
- 15 - David Wertz
- 19 - Caleb Fetrow
- 21 - **Imelda Livio**
- 23 - Darcy Cook
- 25 - Rose Lindstrom
- 29 - Delores Shields

### May

- 2 - Austin Morrow
- 5 - **Silas Moss**
- 7 - Dalton Cook
- 9 - Sherry Beam
- 11 - Andrew Cook
- 13 - **Nola Perrott**
- 16 - Sarah Fetrow
- 18 - Olivia Kauffman
- 19 - **Roger Perrott**
- 23 - Mary Lambert
- 24 - Justin Morrow
- 31 - **Ruth Livio**



### June

- 1 - **Donald Kilmer**
- 3 - Charles Balcom
- 3 - Bryan Flohr
- 5 - Bud Collins
- 5 - **Danielle Livio**
- 7 - Matthew Kanost
- 7 - Taryne Knuth
- 9 - Greg Beard
- 17 - Allyson Knuth
- 19 - Gene Beam
- 20 - Shirley Beard
- 20 - **Joshua Perrott** ('06)
- 24 - Kermit 'Buck' Smith
- 26 - Mildred Geisler
- 28 - David Fetrow



## Happy Anniversary

### April

- 8 - Reg & Ina Stelfox
- 11 - Matt & Rachelle Krape
- 18 - **Peter & Janis Colon**
- 26 - Glenn & Cheryl Hilt

### May

- 3 - Gary & Carolyn Zimmerman
- 22 - Kevin & Julie Boyer
- 31 - Nathaniel & Marietta Wertz

### June

- 1 - Paul & Pamela Grove
- 4 - **Moises & Rosa Campos**
- 4 - Bryan & Beth Ann Flohr
- 4 - Earl & Patsy Knuth
- 16 - Rick & Lydia Fetrow
- 20 - Dalton & Katrina Cook
- 29 - Marley & Gladys Gross
- 29 - Vernon & Delores Shields

### Please Note!

The purpose of printing these lists is to give the church family an opportunity to congratulate one another on these special days. The **bold print** indicates a member of our missionary family.

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## Congratulations



Congratulations to Roy and Laura Morrow on the birth of Jennifer Catherine. She was born on March 16. She weighed 7 lbs 2.8 oz and was 19 inches. She joins brother, Justin.

## Remember Our Shut-ins

Lorraine Beath, Mary Cole, Jeannie Geesey, Marlene Gladfelter, Pam Grove, Gloria Hevner, Olivia Kauffman, Susan Peters, Linda Spahr, Reg Stelfox

# Homeschool Co-op - Beginners/Preschool Group



They made bird feeders...

Played bean bag toss....

And made snakes for reptile month.





# Homeschool Middlers Learn About the Body



They made hearts from food.



# Homeschoolers Co-op - Teen Group



Working with drawings and geometry in trying to build a house to scale.