

Rejoicing From the Hills

"The little hills rejoice on every side."

-Psalm 65:12b-

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MISSIONS CONFERENCE

The dates for the conference will be September 23-27. Our church picnic will be held Saturday, September 23. The missionaries participating in the conference will be with us for the picnic and introduce themselves to us at that time. We will also have the morning sessions on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday again this year at 10:30 AM; so homeschoolers, you may plan your schedules accordingly for September 25-27. Watch for news about the conference as it develops. The teens have already started on the decorations. The theme this year will be "How Shall They Hear?"



On the 'news' link a calendar of events and announcements are kept current along with a listing of special events.

If you click on the 'Resources' link you will find this issue of *Rejoicing From the Hills* and previous issues with the addition of pictures of our various church activities. It is here too that you will find many of Pastor Moss's writings on a wide variety of Christian interest topics available for online reading and download. Messages preached at North Hills Bible Church are available on audio disc or for download as MP3 files. Many Sunday School lessons, Bible Classes, and special programs are available.

Contact information is also provided on the website.

There are three teen weeks:

June 12-17,
June 26 - July 1,
July 17-22.

Juniors who have completed grades 2 through 6 can choose from three weeks:

June 19-23,
July 10-15
July 24-28.

Young at Heart Day for ages 55 and over is June 9.

Family Camps are provided on
July 3-5
July 6-8.

There is a Men's Retreat
September 8-9, and
Ladies Retreat October 26-28.

For more information you can go to INFO@SHCM.ORG or WWW.SCHM.ORG, or call (717)808-7992, or write to Servant's Heart Camp P.O. Box 244 Ramey, PA 16671.



(Making props for the conference)

Summer Ministries



Street Meetings in the city of York are held each Monday evening throughout the summer at 8:00 PM. A team presents the Word in song and preaching, while others pass out tracts and try to witness to those passing by on the street.

Several in our church are also involved in the **CEF Ministry** by holding 5 Day Clubs in their yards, and some help at the York Fair in September.

Each of these ministries are bathed in prayer by our congregation, particularly as we meet together on Wednesday evenings for prayer.

Our Church Website

www.northhillsbiblechurch.org

On our church website you can find out all 'about' us: our history, our times of services, our doctrine and convictions, and a link to an explanation of our ministries.

Several people in our congregation are helping at **Servant's Heart Camp** this Summer - the Matt Krape family, Buck, Cindy and Tanisha Smith, and Austin Morrow. Camp is held on their own property in Ramey, PA.

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

New to the library is the first series of albums from the **Jonathan Park Audio Adventures**. All CDs in these series seek to educate and build the faith of Christian families as Jonathan Park and his family and friends venture out to locations all over the world and discover exciting scientific evidence for the biblical account of creation. While primarily intended for children ages 7-13, folks of all ages can certainly enjoy these exciting adventures!

THE ADVENTURE BEGINS SERIES

The Secret of the Hidden Cave
African Safari
Art Heist Adventure
Mystery at Dead Man's Curve

In the above albums, the Park and Brennan families meet during a catastrophic storm, travel to find artifacts that tell about our past, go on a fossil dig in Africa, visit an art exhibit, face threats against their creation museum project, and become involved in several dangerous mysteries.

The following new books from THE IMAGINATION STATION series are also being added to the library:

Secret of the Prince's Tomb
Battle for Cannibal Island
Escape to the Hiding Place
Challenge on the Hill of Fire
Hunt for the Devil's Dragon
Danger on a Silent Night

During the summer months, consider taking the time to read a book, listen to some CDs, or watch a DVD. The library has something for everyone in the family, whether you're interested in learning more about the Bible, developing Christian character, exploring the past, or simply looking to "get away" for a while.

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Our Purpose

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

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Stirred by Memories

by Pastor Moss

2 Peter 1:12-13,15

12 Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth.

13 Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance;

15 Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.

The motto of North Hills Bible Church is found in Psalm 127:1 – Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it.....

We give the LORD all the glory for anything of spiritual value that has been accomplished throughout the years in and by our local church. We strive always to acknowledge Jesus Christ as the Head of the church and to honor the LORD in all we do, including staying faithful to the preaching of the Word of God as it is (1 Thessalonians 2:13) and the proclamation of the gospel as it was once delivered unto the saints (Jude 3).

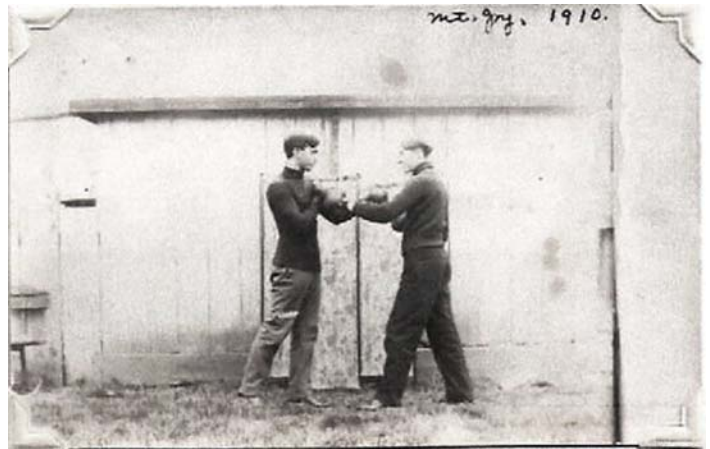
Since God uses men to do these things, we want to take this opportunity to remember a man whose life bore an excellent testimony of faithfulness to God and whom God used to set North Hills Bible Church on the path it has trod since 1939. This man is Oscar Martin Kraybill, the first pastor of The Bible Church.

In April of 1959, the Bible Church did a special "This Is Your Life" program to honor brother Kraybill. In the introduction they said this: "We want to honor tonight a young man in our audience who has been a blessing to all that have had the privilege of knowing him. He has spent his time and talents unselfishly so that others may know the truth."

Oscar Martin Kraybill was born on April 9, 1887 at Mt. Joy, Pennsylvania. His parents were Benjamin and Leah Ann (Martin) Kraybill. He had three sisters and one brother.

It was noted in the 1959 program by a relative that Oscar had been a boxer. In fact, a photo from 1910 shows him wearing boxing gloves and sparring with his cousin, Christian Leib.

Christian told of the time that Oscar decided to become a minister. "He had a large number of paper covered magazines on hand, such as Wild West Buffalo Bill stories and detective stories and some



others of the same type. They were really not bad reading, nothing at all like the trashy books sold in many book shops today, but he thought they were not the kind of books that should be found in the library of a minister of the gospel, so he made a fire and burned them all. Shortly after, he became an ordained minister."

Pastor Kraybill's library was indeed very important to him. I have received reports that his library filled an entire room in his house with rows of book shelves containing some 10,000 volumes. He did have some books in that library that were of a persuasion not in agreement with the truth of the Bible, so brother Kraybill would write the word "Poison" on the outside of the book so there would be no mistaking his opinion of its contents.

When Oscar first received his call to the ministry, he continued working, apparently at a handkerchief factory, and preached at the Landisville Church of God in Lancaster County, PA every other Sunday night. On the alternate Sunday nights he served other churches in the area. While serving the Landisville church, he met the woman who would become his wife, Miss Mary Edwards.

From 1912 to 1915, Brother Kraybill served as the pastor of the Church of God in Columbia, PA. During that time, he helped construct a tabernacle on the site that would eventually become the Columbia High School. The tabernacle meetings lasted from Sunday October 4 to Sunday November 8, 1914, a total of five weeks.

About this time, Mary Edwards went to live in Philadelphia, where she roomed with a Mrs. Beck. Mrs. Beck served the Lord by using her home to entertain missionaries and to help young men prepare for missionary work. Mary lived with her for about a year and during that time she occupied herself in social work in the slums of the big city. Also during this time, Oscar visited frequently and their relationship blossomed.



In September of 1915, the Eldership of the Churches of God appointed Oscar to serve their church in Middletown, Pennsylvania. Once he was settled in

Middletown, he and Mary decided this was the right time for them to marry. They tried to keep the wedding date a secret even while they were moving Mary's furniture into the parsonage. The wedding took place at 11:00 A.M. on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 1915 at Fondersmith Farm. Only immediate family members and their closest friends were in attendance. After an elaborate wedding dinner, the newlyweds left the farm traveling first by train and then by trolley to Middletown, and slipped quietly into the parsonage unseen. A friend of theirs, Mr. Martin, who watched over the parsonage for them in their absence, was surprised to find that Mary's things had already been moved in. The secret was kept well. Their church was able to give them a reception on a Friday after the wedding with 400 persons attending: a testament to how many folks liked and appreciated the ministries of Oscar and Mary Kraybill. One report said they received everything they needed for their kitchen except a frying pan.

In 1921, the Kraybills moved to Chambersburg,



Pennsylvania where Oscar served as Pastor of the Chambersburg Church of God. They served here for almost five years. In 1925, they moved to Altoona, PA where Oscar pastored the First Church of God. Then finally, in 1930, the Kraybills found their resting place in York as Oscar became the pastor of the West Poplar Street Church of God.

Pastor Kraybill was a man of the Word of God. It was not Denomination loyalty first and then the Word of God. It was the Word of God first and foremost. And if the Denomination did not line up with the Word of God, it was an easy choice for Oscar Kraybill.



When the Churches of God of North America ordained Oscar Kraybill, they were aware that he believed in eternal security. However, as with many such denominations, doctrine was not a major priority to the Churches of God until it became an issue by some disturbance. A disturbance in the York Church of God did occur in the late

1930's which was not directly related to the doctrine of eternal security, but which brought attention to it. A daughter of one of the families in the church expressed a desire to go into show business and the parents let it be known that they were in favor of this choice. Pastor Kraybill protested very strongly. In fact, he requested that this family be put out of the church. The congregation was generally in favor of Pastor Kraybill's preaching on eternal security, and most supported him in his preaching on sanctification in the Christian life and the need for personal separation from the world. (Remember how he destroyed all his paperback novels when he answered the call to the ministry. This conviction stayed with him throughout his life and ministry.) But there were some in the congregation who did not approve of this strict preaching on sanctification. This particular family had some influence beyond the local church in the denomination and registered a complaint with the leadership. While the complaint was about Pastor Kraybill's stand on separation, the denomination leadership used this occasion to dismiss him on the issue of eternal security.

The leadership had changed from the time that brother Kraybill was ordained, and the new leadership was glad for the opportunity to remove Oscar from his connection to the denomination. They actually took his ordination credentials away from him. (A group of Pastors in eastern Pennsylvania provided new credentials for him and Oscar was able to continue in the ministry without a pause.)

When the majority of the congregation found out that Pastor Kraybill was dismissed from being the pastor of West Poplar Street Church of God, they decided to leave with him. Ninety members of the church family withdrew from the Church of God and joined Pastor Kraybill to form The Bible Church. The first service was held outdoors at the North York Playground Pavilion on East Seventh Avenue in North York. They were eventually able to purchase a church building on the corner of Eighth Avenue and North George Street. The group that was using the building was behind on their payments, and The Bible Church was able to purchase the facility from a bank for a small sum.



Over the next twenty two years, Pastor Kraybill faithfully served his LORD at The Bible Church and in Bible schools in York, and Harrisburg, and Lancaster. For twenty years he taught at the Lancaster School of the Bible. He was also associated with the Eastern Ministerial Union and the York County Evangelistic Association.

Pastor Kraybill never had a drivers license, yet he was never limited in his ability to serve the Lord in various places. He never gave up and faithfully ministered until the time of his departure at 10:35 P.M. on Saturday April 15, 1961. Those who knew him described him as an affable man. He was certainly



a spiritual man of strong conviction. In his latter years, he sat to preach due to his failing health. But his preaching never weakened and the truth he preached in the end was the same he preached in the beginning. By his faithfulness, Pastor Kraybill established a foundation for the Bible Church that is still evident today. Less than ten years after his passing, the Bible Church moved its location from North George Street to North Hills Road and became North Hills Bible Church. In all of these years since 1939, The Bible Church has had only six total pastors, a testimony to the strength of the foundation Pastor Kraybill was used of the Lord to lay. He stood for truth, preached the word, and lived his convictions faithfully. If Pastor Kraybill were to return to his earthly church family today, he would be right at home, because we continue to stand today where he led us in the beginning. This is the testimony of a man of God. We are grateful for Oscar Kraybill, the man God used to lead a group of saints to establish The Bible Church.

The man who was a boxer for fun as a young man became the man who earnestly contended for the faith of the Word of God. Oscar Kraybill believed the Word with all his heart and preached it with all his soul. This is an example from which we may all benefit.

Notes on 1 Thessalonians

by Pastor Kraybill



(Emphasis and capitalization are original to Pastor Kraybill's notes.)

CHAPTER FOUR: TWO GREAT LINES OF TRUTH

I . P R A C T I C A L SANCTIFICATION, v. 1-12

Paul has just mentioned the great truth of holiness in 3:13. He now goes on to explain its practical outworking.

1. The Importance of a Holy Life.

- a. They had already been taught how to walk and please God and are here exhorted to abound more and more, v. 1
- b. The Authority of Paul's message, v.2.
What commands we gave you by the Lord Jesus.
This may mean that what follows are The VERY COMMANDS of the Lord Jesus or That the apostle's words have equal authority with those of Christ.

- c. The Revelation of God's will and what it signifies, v. 3-8

v. 3. The Gentiles expressed THEIR CONSECRATION to their idols by fornication. Believers are to express theirs by SEPARATION from this. cf [compare] Eph. 5:3 where it is not to be even mentioned among us.

v. 4. How to possess his own vessel. Either his body or that of his wife. This undoubtedly refers to the SEX LIFE of the believer. It is greatly needed teaching in our day when divorce and impurity are so prevalent. One of the Bonars said: "He ill uses his wife who treats her as a harlot."

v.5. Not in the lust of concupiscence – or in THE PASSION OF LUST.

v.6. Note that God is the avenger of those guilty of sexual crimes. Good to remember.

v.7. God's call is to holiness, not uncleanness. Eph. 3:3-6

v.8. The despiser of purity despises God. The word DESPISE is really REJECTER. In our day men, to defend their evil practices, REJECT GOD. Illus. in Russia though not confined to that land.

- d. The Believer's Practical life, v.9-12
"Holiness is not an ecstatic experience but a definite, practical walk before God & man."

v. 9. The believer is divinely taught to love his brethren. We ought not to need a written word as to this but we have it, 1 John 3:10-11,14-16,23; 4:7-8

v.10. There is to be NO LIMIT to this. Increase more and more. Like forgiveness. v.11-12. Do (mind) your own business, 1 Pet. 4:15; 2 Thess. 3:11. Work with your own hands. Walk honestly etc. that ye may - - lack nothing.

II. COMFORT FOR THE SORROWING, 4:13-18

Note that oft times the things God most desires His people to know are the things they are most ignorant concerning. This is certainly true of the rapture. For others see Rom. 11:25, Israel's partial blindness and future restoration. 1 Cor. 12:1. Spiritual gifts. Here it is CONCERNING THEM THAT ARE ASLEEP.

1. What we are here taught concerning death for the believer, v. 14-16
 - a. That it is BEING PUT TO SLEEP by Jesus, v.14.
 - b. That living believers have no advantage over those who have died at the 2nd advent, v.15.

- c. That the first event in the order of events accompanying the 2nd advent is the resurrection of the bodies of believers, v. 16.

2. What we are here taught as to the 2nd advent.

- a. that when Christ returns He will bring with Him the bodies of those who died trusting Him, v. 14.

This is OLD truth, cf Jude 14.

What follows is a new revelation explaining HOW THEY GET TO BE WITH HIM THAT THEY MAY THUS ACCOMPANY HIM IN HIS DESCENT TO THE EARTH.

- b. This revelation is BY THE WORD OF THE LORD, v. 15.

In other words, it is in fullest harmony with the teaching of the Lord Jesus while here. We lay John 14:1-3 along side of 1 Thess. 4:13-18 and see how remarkably true this is.

In John

In 1st Thessalonians

Let not your heart be troubled.
Ye believe in God: believe also in me.

That ye sorrow not etc.
Comfort one another
Believe Jesus died & rose again: even so etc.
The Lord Himself shall descend etc.
To meet the Lord in the air
Ever with the Lord.

I will come again
And receive you etc.
That where I am

We see how our Lord thro' Paul confirms what He Himself had said while on earth.

- c. The Order of events, v. 16-17

The descent of the Lord
The first resurrection, cf John 11:23-26;
Rev. 20:4-6


Living believers caught up.
Note.

Together with them –
heavenly recognition
To meet the Lord in the air.
So – forever with the Lord.

3. The Purpose of all this.

Wherefore COMFORT one another with these words.

Dr. Wm. Pettingill said Paul “didn’t say, scare one another to death with these words.” If you are saved the truth of the advent is a comforting, not an alarming truth.

JESUS MAY RETURN AT ANY MOMENT
AND ALL THESE THING TAKE PLACE.
ARE YOU READY? 


NOTES FROM THE ELDERS

The Elders have continued to meet monthly. We have continued our pattern of reading a chapter in the Bible, sharing our thoughts about it, considering the prayer needs of our church family and each taking a turn to pray. All of this is done in each meeting to set a spiritual tone before we do other business. We say “other business” because studying the Scriptures and praying for our church family is a major responsibilities of the elders of a church.

From the Trustees it was reported that new officers were selected as Matt Krape officially turned things over to the other men. We are grateful for brother Krape’s service for several years as chairman of the Trustee Board, but since he and his family are moving to Ramey, Pennsylvania to work more directly with Servants Heart Camp, these changes were necessary. Earl Knuth is now the Chairman, Rick Fetrow is the Vice Chairman, and Chris Knuth is the Secretary.

We were saddened to hear that Miriam Rocker had passed away, but glad that she is now with the Lord. There was some discussion regarding the reassignment of her support money, but it was unanimously agreed to delay this decision so that we may be sure we make the right choice.

A new set of quizzing lights are needed. The ones we currently have are no longer in working order. The Elders approved the purchase of a new set. They should be available by September.

The 2017 picnic will once again be at John Rudy Park. The date for this year is September 23. This will once again be the start of our Missions Conference. 

Missionary News



From
Around
The World
and
Here at Home

Donald & Karen Kilmer

To the Zulus in South Africa

While teaching at the Bible Institute, I had the privilege of preaching the gospel at a Technical College to 900 students and also go soul winning two evenings. The first evening it was raining hard, but folks let us in. We visited two homes. At the first home they admitted they weren't saved, but didn't want to get saved. This is amazing to us who are saved. Why would someone hold to sin that they know leads them in the wrong direction, when Jesus is willing to cleanse them from sin? However, many of us remember this same struggle before we received Jesus as our Savior.

At the second home they said they were saved, but had no testimony of salvation, so the Zulu pastor I was with spent the time trying to help them see that they are lost. They pulled the old, 'I go to church and am good enough routine'. However, if you are good enough, then why did Jesus have to suffer and die?

People often think they are good enough to get to heaven, because they don't think their sin is too awful. They need to understand that God is completely holy and heaven is completely perfect (Isaiah 6:1-5; Revelation 21:27). We all stand condemned before God (Romans 3:23). Our good works might hide our sins from other people, but not from God. All the good we do can't remove our sin (Ephesians 2:8-9). The splendid part is that Jesus died for our sin and rose again to forgive us and save us from God's punishment (Romans 5:8-9). All we have to do is put our full faith in Him (Romans 10:9-10).

This mother and her 3 children had no desire to turn to Jesus for cleansing!

The next evening I went visiting again with Pastor Percy, who is the Zulu pastor of the church where the Bible Institute meets. We went to see Mama J who had come to church for a couple of weeks and wanted to join. Pastor Percy wanted to see if she was really saved. I asked her if she could explain how someone could go to heaven after death, but she didn't know how to be saved. We explained it and she said she wanted to be saved right then!

Because of much confusion in Zulu culture about ancestor worship, I showed her from the Bible that Jesus is the only Mediator between us and God (1 Timothy 2:5); not our dead ancestors, not dead saints, not some priest or pastor, not our church, but only Jesus. She said she understood and then prayed to receive Christ as her Savior. That was encouraging! We have a new sister in Christ!!

Back here in Durban, it has been good to get to various schools to preach at their opening assemblies. The time allotted is short, but it allows us to encourage the students and teachers in knowing the gospel, as well as various truths from the Bible. This is greatly needed because most students get no instruction of any kind about the Bible. This also helps us as we go visiting in the community, because the children already know us from school. If people know nothing about us many think we are Jehovah's Witnesses.

Roger & Nola Perrott

On Furlough from Hong Kong

The PANDA Project (Pastors Acquiring Necessary Doctrine for Advancement)

What a privilege it is to serve in this ministry! The testimony of the students is an inspiration to us. Their need for more training is a motivation for us. This

year we are expanding the training to four times: January, May, September, and November.

As Chinese New Year approaches, the roads and rails of China become flooded with masses of humanity. People from every region of China travel to other regions to visit family in the largest mass-migration of people in the world. This year, Chinese New Year was earlier than usual, and the students for the January class had to brave the beginnings of this transient period. Three students from a distant province could only get one way train tickets to come to the class, hoping for God to provide a way back afterwards.

Our teachers for this session flew in from the United States and Taiwan to teach classes on the book of Hebrews and Psalms. After the week of instruction one teacher wrote the following...

"As I was teaching the 11th chapter of Hebrews this past week, looking at the testimony of the men and women who lived by faith and who suffered for their faith, it struck me that some of the men I was teaching could easily have been included in this great chapter of faith. I learned a little of some of the things they have gone through for their faith. I felt unworthy to be teaching them, and also that they had much that they could teach me."

Please pray for us as God continues to give us an open door for ministry, training pastors and preachers to faithfully and effectively make disciples in a land overflowing with souls for whom Christ died.

Bobby & Imee Livioco

Philippines

Three weddings gave us the platform to present Biblical truths and principles regarding the home before mixed crowds of believers and unbelievers from different backgrounds and professions.

The Lord has graciously granted us another great Bible conference. With our theme: The Pulling Down of Strong Holds taken from 2 Corinthians 10:4, the six local speakers (who are pastors of independent

Baptist Churches) Scripturally addressed prominent world views (materialism, pragmatism, egotism, legalism, easy-believe-ism, mysticism) that stifle the spiritual well-being of many Christians and underscored the importance of holding our ground on the truth of historic, Biblical Fundamentalism. Our keynote speaker, Dr. Ron White, preached four edifying, Bible messages that address matters of the heart. Praise the Lord for personal decisions to consecrate lives! To God be the glory, great things He hath done!

Our translation team met for a workshop to ascertain the accuracy of our translation from the Greek text and resolve wording issues in some key passages of the Tagalog Biblical Text. We are now just finishing the translation of the introduction to each New Testament Book and the NT glossary, check word consistency and address typographical errors. Please pray that we may submit the final text with all the helps by mid-2017 for layout and printing. We are excited to see the project moving towards its final stages and are eager to get this into the hands of those who speak our vernacular especially since most of our Tagalog translations are based on the Spanish, Latin and English texts.

The Lord has been clearly at work in our church planting efforts at Sta. Cruz Laguna. Aside from the over 30 children who come, we are encouraged to see adults responding to the gospel positively. The nature of their questions also reveal their grasp of Biblical truth and their desire to have a deeper understanding of the implications of the gospel in their lives. Most of these adults have expressed their willingness to join our first batch of baptismal candidates.

We had a blessed time at Family Camp, a little smaller but more manageable crowd with 3 first-timers with us. Our theme this year was "The Joy of Sowing" and 5 of the 7 messages were preached by Dr. Bill Bowen, IPM International Representative. The responses to the messages were encouraging, the fellowship was heart-warming and the skits presented by each group were truly a blessing!

Pray with us as we conduct a class module on Christian Apologetics to equip pastors and Christian workers in our local field to "be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh [us] a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear," 1 Peter 3:15.

Marc & Judie Blackwell

Capetown, South Africa

Please pray for Paardeberg Mt. Retreat Camp and Conference Center.

Pray for many to be saved during winter camps. *(Remember our summer is their winter)*

When is a Christian Camp more than just a "camp"?

1. When it is at the heart of Biblical local church evangelism!
2. When pastors can focus their couples on Biblical godliness.
3. When boys, girls, teens, & families overcome the racism of the past.
4. When it offers independent fellowship in place of denominationalism.
5. When it's ecological footprint supports a creationist message.
6. When it is a key tool of church planting and discipleship!
7. When it is a strategic means to the unity of the Spirit!
8. When it is a unique force for Leadership Training!

“Paardeberg is a strategic core ministry of the Cape's Church Planting mission. As independent and Bible-believing Christians the shared vision of this ministry provides the Christian atmosphere for communicating our fundamental doctrines, values and goals. Yes, we have camping, all sorts, but it is the relationship building features of the Paardeberg Mt Retreat that is drawing us into informal Biblical fellowship. The solid evangelism and Biblical distinctiveness of this ministry has challenged our ministries to be more prayerful, more committed and dynamic.”

Camp 'season' sees hundreds of children and teens flowing through the camp. Please pray for the South African director of the camp, Macom McRobert.

July is the concentrated camp ministry led by the 20's age group and a few married couples. Pray for all of the camp staff to show spiritual maturity, Christ-like attitudes and reactions, and godly compassion to all the campers that attend. Pray for the campers hearts to be open to the Word of God as it is presented, and be willing to let the Holy Spirit change their lives.

Military Evangelism

Jacksonville, North Carolina

Here in Jacksonville we are still reaching out to Camp Johnson, a training camp located on the grounds of the historic Montford Point, where the first African American Marines were trained. As far as I can tell, we are one of the few if only ministry in Jacksonville actively reaching out to the Chapel and the Marines in Training at Camp Johnson. I am speaking at Chapel on Sunday Mornings when the Chaplain needs cover, and every week I am presenting the ministry at Reconnect meetings on Wednesday afternoons for Marines Awaiting Training. Originally meeting only on Tuesdays, we split the meetings into two days because we were running over 260 each week. Now both meetings are running over 100, graduations lowered the number available. But a new group of Marines fresh from Basic Training is growing in both Tuesday and Wednesday meetings and we are exceeding our previous numbers. I have been taking my sketchbook on Wednesdays and holding art classes for a few Marines. The relationships I am able to build there will come back 30, 60, 100 fold!

I had the privilege of being the Clergy at the Field Medical Training and Religious Program Graduation for Navy Corpsmen at Camp Johnson. I opened the graduation in prayer and had the honor of greeting all the Corpsmen who came on-stage to receive awards. The graduation was held in the historic Doc Bradley Hall, named after the only Naval Corpsman in the famous Iwo Jima Flag Raising.

Walt is back to full strength, though the leg he broke does ache at times. He is regularly picking up Marines on Camp Lejeune on Friday nights for me. We have three Marines there without vehicles and they depend on the transportation Walt provides to get here. Some of these are Marines we met on Camp Johnson, others are their friends. Please continue to pray for pickups on Camp Johnson though. I am busy preparing a prospectus for the Command Staff at Ground Supply to make regular Friday night pickups of Marines in Training a permanent program. Pray it is approved quickly.

Thank you again for staying with us. We are giving young Marines an opportunity to hear the Gospel, be discipled, and stay on the right track, away from the ungodly influences that plague so many in our Armed Forces. We couldn't do it without you.



Preschoolers

taught by Mrs. Joyce Moss

This summer the Preschool class is learning about Elijah and Elisha, those great prophets of God. What a great example they are of their faith in God. Remember how God had the ravens bring food to Elijah? Do you realize how big a raven really is? The children found out, and it is amazing that these big birds didn't eat the food themselves. God definitely had control of the ravens. There are so many great stories in this series of the widow's oil and flour not running dry, the struggle against Baal worshipers, and how Elijah went to heaven. Elisha stories included raising a boy to life, and Naaman's leprosy being healed.

Along with this series we are learning the Finger Prayer List. Each finger reminds us of someone we can pray for. Children at this age need help in learning to pray and this is a great tool. There is a verse to go along with each one that the children are learning also.

When teaching this to your child, start out with your hands folded as the first picture below. Then as you mention each finger lift it up so that when you finish with the pinky your hands will be in the position of the second picture.



The thumb - those closest to me means; those I love most, those closest to my heart, my family and friends. To demonstrate this when you lift your thumbs they can touch your chest. James 5:16a

The pointer - those who point others to God: like missionaries, pastors, Sunday School or Bible club teachers. James 5:16b

The big finger - big important people: like the president and those who make the laws for our country. I Timothy 2:2

The ring finger- is the weakest finger on the hand. We do a finger exercise in class to demonstrate this. The ring finger will be for the sick and elderly. Matthew 21:22

Pinky - then of course we should pray for ourselves last - little insignificant me. And for us adults I'll add here, " Lord, make me small." Psalm 51:10

Juniors

taught by Gerald & Darcy. Cook

We've had a busy time as we continue our study of the earthly ministry of Christ. For Palm Sunday, our students sang "Hosanna" to the other kids' Sunday School classes as they waved their palm branches. We reminded them that we want to praise the Lord, not let stones do what we should be doing!

Then we had a lot of fun joining the Smith's class for Resurrection Sunday, where they showed a lot of creativity doing sand art projects.

Then they worked hard preparing for the Sunday School program, where for the first time they used puppets. The younger kids (and the adults, too) enjoyed watching the puppets tell the parable of the seed and the sower, using plants the Juniors had planted months earlier. It's been a busy couple of months!

We are also pleased to report that Hannah Wertz, Grace Balcom, Rebecca Wertz, and Shawn Smith achieved the goal of earning half of their camp fee to Servant's Heart Camp. They work on this from September through May, earning points for attendance, bringing their Bible, Christian service, devotions, and Scripture memorization. Good job!

Master Clubs

Director - Nathaniel Wertz

Master Clubs had their closing program for the school year with the giving out of awards. Please see page 17 for pictures of this.



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QUIZZING

by Quiz Coach, Mrs. Joyce Moss

The months of July and August the teens start their Wednesday evening time with a Bible Study and prayer. The Bible studies this summer are on the books of Micah and Malachi. Different men from the congregation conduct the study time.

After prayer time the activity for the rest of the evening centers around getting props and displays ready for the Missions Conference that will be held in September. The theme for the conference this year is "How Shall They Hear?" A banner was made to go across the front of the sanctuary, and the windowsills will display items to go along with this theme.

In the Fellowship Hall the teens are making a display that shows some aspect of one of the countries that will be represented at the conference. This year there are missionaries from African countries. Many of the people in these poorer countries can't afford cars, and so they often use bicycles to get from one place to another and load their bikes like we would fill our car trunk. It is quite interesting to see what all can be carried on a bicycle! It has also been interesting to try to replicate some of those objects, and a bit messy at times :) Doing these types of projects gives the teens a little taste of what other cultures are like, and what the missionaries see and deal with on a daily basis.

September will take us back into studying quizzing material for the school year.

Out-Reach Ministries

Nursing Home Ministries - by Pastor Glenn Hilt

The North Hills Bible Church is involved with two Nursing Home Ministries. The Pleasant Acres Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and the Manor Care Kingston Court Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

We are in very short supply of a piano player, song leader, speaker, special music, and personal testimonies, and especially helpers to bring the people to the services. Many of the people need help turning the pages of the song book and turning the pages of the Bible.

We have had Buck, Tanisha, and Shawn Smith, Tim and Becky Harwood, and Ken Hoffman as helpers. They are not always available due to other commitments. We are thankful for all they have done.

We had an average of 20 residents attend the services at Manor Care Kingston Court. We had an average of 27 residents attend the services at Pleasant Acres.

The people who come out for the services in these Nursing Homes are always looking for friendship and interaction with friendly people. They also demonstrate a joyful heart in singing the hymns and hearing preaching from the Word of God.

Rescue Mission Ministry - by Don Snyder

NHBC holds a gospel meeting at the York Rescue Mission the third Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m.. We have a time of singing, prayer, scripture reading, special music and then a message from God's Word with a clear presentation of the plan of salvation. After the service we provide a snack in the dining room for those that were in the service. The food is provided by the people of the church. The name of the Mission has changed to Lifepath Christian Ministries. The people express their thanks for our coming and also for the food. We should also pray for these people as they go through many struggles in their lives.

A very special thanks to all of you that take part in this service to the Mission in one way or another.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Up-coming Events for

Our Missionaries

July



3	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
9	Pleasant Acres Service	1:45 PM
10	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
17	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
	Rescue Mission Service	8:00 PM
23	Prison Ministry	2:30 PM
24	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
31	Street Meeting	7:00 PM

July

Blackwell, Marc & Judie - Capetown, South Africa
Camp ministry
Child Evangelism Fellowship - York, PA
Summer 5-Day Clubs & Day Camp
Friends of Israel
Prophecy Conference
Pinyol, Peter & Rosa - Spain
Bible Institute Intensive Week

August



7	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
14	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
16	TAP Ministry	8:00 AM
20	Manor Care Service	1:45 PM
21	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
	Rescue Mission Service	8:00 PM
28	Street Meeting	7:00 PM
29	Prison Ministry	7:00 PM
31	Prison Ministry	8:00 PM

August

Child Evangelism Fellowship - York, PA
Day Camp & 5-Day Clubs
Kilmer, Don & Karen - South Africa, Zulus
Discipleship Sessions and Bible Studies
Livioco, Bobby & Imee - Philippines
Bible studies in Mandaluyong City, Pasig City,
Primerose Properties, Globe Telecom
Moss, Sam & Nicole - Uganda, East Africa
Bible Translation Project

September

Friends of Israel
Teaching on "Messiah in the Day of Atonement".
Preaching on "Fall Festivals of Israel".
Child Evangelism Fellowship - York, PA
York Fair Ministry
Perrott, Roger & Nola - Hong Kong
Men from churches in the North coming for an intensive week of Bible study - Panda Project

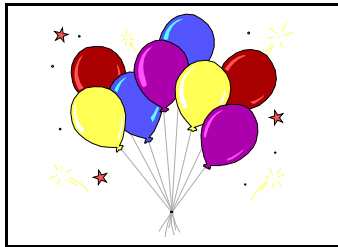
September

10	Pleasant Acres Service	1:45 PM
18	Rescue Mission Service	8:00 PM
20	TAP Ministry	8:00 AM
23	Church Picnic	12 noon
24	Prison Ministry	2:30 PM
24-27	Missions Conference	

Remember
to Pray
for Your
Missionaries



Church Family News



Happy Birthday

July

- 5 - Phil Kissinger
- 7 - Seth Laning
- 10 - Reba Moose
- 10 - Connie Morrow
- 19 - **Rosa Campos**
- 20 - Sharon Blankenship
- 20 - Hope Brammer
- 22 - Emma Kay Laning
- 22 - Luke Laning
- 24 - **Anna Perrott**
- 25 - Shawn Smith

August

- 5 - Todd Chronister
- 5 - Mary Shelly
- 10 - **Jeremy Pinyol**
- 11 - Margery Wilt
- 12 - Earl Knuth
- 12 - Patsy Knuth
- 12 - **Rosa Pinyol**
- 12 - Ina Stelfox
- 19 - **Daniel Pinyol**
- 19 - Abigail Wertz
- 21 - Rick Fetrow, Sr.
- 21 - Heather Knuth
- 21 - Mary Snyder
- 23 - Henry Balcom (son)
- 23 - Tim Harwood
- 26 - Gerald Cook
- 27 - Elizabeth Wertz
- 31 - Ginnie Stough



September

- 1 - Gladys Gross
- 1 - Daniel Wertz
- 2 - Ed Cosgrove
- 6 - Richard Waltemyer
- 7 - Andrew Fetrow
- 10 - Robert Frey
- 10 - Ken Hoffman
- 10 - Don Snyder
- 17 - Lester Fink
- 18 - **Roberto Livio**
- 19 - Brian Hilt
- 22 - Ian Morrow
- 26 - Susan Peters
- 29 - **Glenn Hilt**
- 29 - Hannah Wertz



Happy Anniversary

July

- 9 - **Don & Karen Kilmer**
- 9 - Phil & Gloria Kissinger
- 20 - Roy & Laura Morrow
- 20 - Pastor & Joyce Moss
- 27 - Gerald & Darcy Cook
- 30 - Don & Mary Snyder

August

- 4 - Bud & Mary Collins
- 11 - **Roger & Nola Perrott**
- 14 - **Samuel & Nicole Moss**
- 22 - Norm & Sonja Breneman

September

- 27 - Jim & Shigeko Hall

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 Matt and Rachelle Krape on the birth of their second son, Joel David, born on April 25, 2017. He was 9 pounds 7 ounces, and 21 1/4 inches long. He joins his brother Josiah.



Remember Our Shut-ins

Lorraine Beath, Jeannie Geesey, Pam Grove, Shigeko Hall, Gloria Hevner, Olivia Kauffman, Reba Moose, Susan Peters, Reg Stelfox

Children's Program



The children started the program by singing *Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us* and ended with *The Light of the World is Jesus*.



The Preschool Class quoted all of Psalm 100 and sang some songs they had learned in class.



The Primaries Class recited Psalm 8:1-9 and shared what it means to “Walk with God”: by Yielding to Him, Reading the Bible, Praying, and Stop doing wrong things which God calls sin. They also sang several songs they had been learning.



The Juniors addressed the Parable of the Sower and the Seed. They quoted the passage from Luke 8:5-15 by using puppets and showing the results of some seeds they had planted. Some had fallen by the wayside which didn't grow, some on rocks which had withered, some were overtaken by weeds, and finally some on good ground which were healthy and produced the desired food.



Master Clubs



The younger group is called “God’s Little Shepherds”.
The Primary aged group (1st-3rd grade) are called “Spotters and Lookouts”.
The Junior aged group (4th - 6th graders) are called “Ambassadors for Christ”.

In each group they can receive badges for attendance, memorizing Scripture, and practical application of Christian character.



“God’s Little Shepherd’s” can receive badges for specific things they do in being helpful, sharing and showing kindness.

The “Spotters and Lookouts” are encouraged to study about the Lord, be a Preacher Pal by giving the pastor a note, reading Bible stories, finding ways to serve in the church and at home, and earning money to give to missionaries.



The “Ambassadors for Christ” can earn badges for helping the family, doing some service in the church, reading passages of Bible story Scriptures, learning about doctrine, and reading and handing out Gospel tracts.

Preschool Sunday School Class Activities



Left picture:
Daniel's amaryllis from last year's creation project grew again this year.

Right picture:
Getting seeds ready to grow. First in a zip lock bag with a damp paper towel. Later transferred to a pot with soil.



(Elisabeth & Luke)



(Justin, Daniel & Josiah)

Doing a craft - "Is this how we do it?"



Making a bed for the sick man whose 4 friends took him to Jesus.



Looking at the actual size of a raven - like the ones that God sent to feed Elijah.

Primary & Junior Sunday School Classes
working on a project together.



Shawn, David, Rebecca, and Hope
showing their completed project.

Esther, Grace, Hannah, and Taryne
with a finished craft also.

The two classes enjoy doing project together.



Servant's Heart Camp Ministries



