



Weekly Newsletter

July 4, 2010

### Order of Worship

#### *Welcome*

Eddie Currier

#### *Song Leader*

Kerry Cole

#66

#59

#### *Opening Prayer*

Jeremy Thurlkill

#1221 (1,2,4)

#265

#### *Communion*

Eddie Currier

#### *Contribution*

Eddie Currier

#756 (1,2,3)

#802

#### *Lesson*

Bill McFarland

#781

#### *Announcement*

Gene Lund

#841 (1,3)

#### *Closing Prayer*

Randy Blackburn

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

### *A CHRISTIAN AND HIS COUNTRY*

This is the Lord's Day in all of creation and it is also Independence Day in the United States of America. As Christians who also have the privilege of living in this country, the fact that these two occasions coincide on this day is a good reason for us to consider how the one must impact the other.

What should a Christian's place in a country like this be? According to the scriptures, we have three basic obligations.

***Be loyal to the Lord.*** No matter where he lives, a Christian is a Christian because he belongs to Christ and not because of his nationality. Patriotism and Christianity may both be noble, but they are not the same because one involves loyalty to a country while the other involves loyalty to the Lord. Every Christian bears in mind at all times that his citizenship is in heaven, even while he has his residence here (Phil. 3:20), and that he is thus bound to obey God rather than men (Acts 5:29). People can be Christians anywhere, whether in a Roman prison or in a Malawian village or in an American community.

***Be a good citizen of the community.*** A man who lives with the conviction that God rules in the kingdom of men will be the best citizen in the kingdom of men. The beloved apostle wrote, "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God" (Rom. 13:1). In every way consistent with God's commands, Christians are to obey the laws of the land, pay their taxes, and honor their country. One who brings a Christian conscience into the community will be living in a manner which elevates that community.

***Be praying for the responsible authorities.*** Christians are not only to help their country with their honorable conduct, but also with their intercessory prayers. The scriptures teach that we are to pray "for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Tim. 2:2). Notice that this is not a selfish prayer for ease, but a petition for a setting in which people can "be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth" (1 Tim. 2:4). We who have the blessing of being in Christ and also living in this country ought to be deeply grateful for the freedom to serve our Lord in peace and quietness. This wonderful privilege, however, brings with it great responsibility.

This is a day to take joy in a land where the ideal is the right to the life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness with which each of us has been endowed by our Creator. More than that, it is a day in which to face the fact that these pursuits will not be fulfilled apart from our Lord.

— Bill McFarland

### *Today's Messages:*

**AM: "A Nation Such as This"**

**PM: The Kingdom Like Yeast Rolls**

# Welcome Visitors

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

## For The Record June 27

Bible Study:	250
Morning:	376
Evening:	239
Wednesday (6/30):	231
Contribution:	\$10,176



Elder of the Month  
Gene Lund

# Activities & Events

## Upcoming Activities ...

- ⇒ Malawi Group meets today at 4 pm
- ⇒ Golden Agers meet today at 4
- ⇒ Ladies Prayer Group meets next Sunday at 4



If you are interested in attending the **July 9th (Friday Night)**

**Springfield Cardinals' game**, please sign up at the information desk. Tickets are \$6. If you have tickets from last Sunday night's rainout game, see Andrew today if you want to trade them in for tickets for Friday's game!

## Food for New Moms

If you would like to provide a meal for the **Nichols** and/or **Bergman** families after their babies arrive, please sign up on the sheets provided at the Information Desk. If you have questions, see Stacy Haddock.

## Expectant Moms

- Jenna Nichols (July) (boy)
- Ashley Bergman (July) (girl)
- Leah Prewitt (Sept) (boy)
- Kirsten McFarland (Sept) (girl)
- Sara Keener (Oct) (girl)
- Sara Stipp

**Malawi Group leaves July 15. Keep them in your prayers!**

**Jon Ewing, Jill Morrison, Michelle Hulett, Becky Marsolf, Daniel Meinsen**



- ◆ **SNAC tonight** after PM Service; sign up at Information Desk for food items to bring
- ◆ Titus 2 girls and Timothy Boys meet Tuesday at 12:30
- ◆ **Youth Night** at Brookline July 11

## VBS Info ...

If you would like to be a teacher or helper during VBS and I haven't talked to you yet, please let me know as we still are in need of people. (Linda Currier)



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



If you would like a start of day lilies, feel free to take what you want from around the yellow house next to Andrew & Angela's house.



Be sure to check the table inside the fellowship room each week for the garden produce.

## Thank You

Thank you all for the support and kindness offered at the loss of my son. Thank you for the wonderful meal and hospitality. It is so comforting to have a Christian family for me to lean on. I love you all.

Doris Tobler, Tina, Anne & Morgan

I would like to say thank you for the graduation reception and gifts. I really appreciate it.

Quinton Brown

We had a fantastic week at Happy Hollow Bible Camp last week. I want to thank **TIM STOCKSTILL** in a big way for all his labor and effort he put into making the week one of our best. He is the brainchild behind many of the activities that made the week so special. Thanks brother. Also, I want to thank Jo Baggett, Dustin Stokes, Lisa Stokes, Elaina Stockstill, George Downing, Alex Penner, Sheila Hansen, Russell Lilly, and Charles & Susan Crum for everything they did to make this week count for God. Also, Thank you to those of you who gave scholarships for some of our campers. We have 2 new brothers and 3 new sisters in Christ, and prayers were asked by a few others. Praise God, and may He receive all the Glory!

Larry Baggett

# Prayer List & Announcements

## In our prayers ...

- Wayne Harmon is in Cox South; he had a bleeding ulcer
- Bonnie Cole has been in and out of the hospital this past week in IL
- Kay Adams is now at home and doing well following surgery
- Jarita Nimmo is now at Freemont Manor; hopes to go home this week
- Seldon Essex as he continues to have problems
- Thelma Fain has been moved to Strafford Care Center
- Continue to remember Billie Jeffery and Paul Bratcher

### Friends and Family:

Dorann Thoreen, Terry Loveland's cousin, continues to show improvement; has now returned home from rehab

Christin Layton, Lora Luna's brother's girlfriend, has breast cancer  
Brandi Kraus' brother, Kevin Carruth, is doing better  
Ryan Friend's fiancé's father, Samuel Gugel, is having health problems

Sheryl Low's son, Clark, has a tumor on his thyroid.

Thresa Hansen's cousin's daughter who was injured in a fall

### Long-Term

Joy & Alice Allen  
Paul Bratcher  
Doris Burch  
Margaret Cobb  
Bonnie Cole  
Thelma Fain  
Lucille/Milton Ford  
Randy Holden  
Gerald Jean  
Clay Joseph  
Carol Mahon  
Jarita Nimmo  
Betty Shaw/(M. Bower's mother)  
Doris Tobler  
Freeman Weger  
Pat Woods  
**Military:**  
Cody Newman

## Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

### Elders

Barney Crawford	417-866-0592
Clay Joseph	417-833-3002
Gene Lund	417-343-5783
Eddie Sanders	417-833-5712
Bob Snider	417-833-3498
Jerry Young	417-724-0324

### Minister

Bill McFarland	417-833-0110
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### Golden Age Minister

Dennis Smith	417-866-6918
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### Youth Minister

Andrew Morton	417-712-4809
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### Deacons

Scott Barton	Matt Keener
Tim Bowling	Russell Lilly
Tim Buckner	Paul Lines
Tom Davis	Jim Meinsen
George Downing	Travis Morrison
Jim Elliff	James Simons
Jon Ewing	Tim Stockstill
Shannon Haddock	

### Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian



### Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the following families who lost loved ones this past week:

Family and friends of Nellie Mallot

Bill White and his family in the loss of his sister, Polly Solomon

Tim Bowling in the loss of his step-grandmother

Sara Keener and her family in the loss of her aunt, Frances Deffenbaugh

### Baptism

We rejoice with Joey Lentz and his family at Fair Haven on his decision to be baptized into Christ last week at Happy Hollow. May we all be an encouragement to Joey as he begins his walk as a Christian.

The Golden Messenger for July is available in the foyer. Be sure to pick up a copy!



## Who Is The King of Glory?

By Dennis R. Smith

"Who is the King of Glory?" When this question was asked twice in the 24<sup>th</sup> Psalm, the earth was not as old as it is now. But in spite of the advances which have been made down through time, there are thousands who are still asking this same question: "Who is the King of Glory?" Even worse are the multitudes who have never heard of The King of Glory and would care even less about finding the answer to this most important and necessary question. I have often wondered if mankind had given as much attention to finding the answer to this question as in many other matters, wouldn't our world now be a better place in which to live? In the last fifty or so years the importance of education has been heavily stressed. Yet, when it comes to religious subjects, it seems that numbers have closed their minds, their hearts, and even the greatest Book ever written is seldom considered as part of their educational needs. On the brighter side there is that remnant who have found the answer that the King of Glory is Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and have obeyed his commands completely. In so doing their lives have been abundantly blessed - they are much happier - and they face the future with optimism and a hope which lies beyond the grave. May we all sincerely confess that "The Lord of hosts, he is the King of Glory" (Psa. 24:10).

### Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 AM  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM  
 Sunday Evening Worship... .....5:00 PM  
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

### OUR MISSION POINTS

Mark & Era Thiesen, Malawi, Africa  
 Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands  
 Voice of Truth International

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

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

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



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



## Service Rosters

### THIS MORNING

**AM Nursery:** Donna Jordan/Michelle Hulett  
**Greeters:** Carolyn Smith/Johnnie Elliff  
**Van Driver:** Shannon Haddock/732-4203  
**KYB Phone:** Jackie & Leah Freeze  
**Serve** Matt Keener/Terry Loveland  
**Communion:** David Kern/Jason Luna  
 Todd Kraus/John Mahon  
 Brent Looney/Les Malanowski  
 Fred Lorenz/Andy McFarland

### THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** Jeremy Thurlkill  
**Opening Prayer:** Van Barnes  
**Speaker:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Tyler Thornton  
**Communion:** Daniel/Aaron Tovar  
**Nursery:** Lisa Stayton/Emily Simons

### NEXT WEEK, July 11

	MORNING	EVENING
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Jon Ewing	Jeremy Thurlkill
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Jerry Young	Tim Bowling
<b>Communion:</b>	Tom Davis	Daniel/Aaron Tovar
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Aaron Tovar	Jackie Buck
<b>AM Nursery:</b>	Orvella Blackburn/Meredith Reaves	
<b>PM Nursery:</b>	Alice Buckner/Jenny Carroll	
<b>Greeters:</b>	Bob & Leona Snider	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	Lance Griter/833-2818	

### THE MONTH OF JULY

**Ushers:** Shannon Haddock  
 Matt Kelley  
**AV Room:** Scott Barton/  
**Secure Building:** Tim Buckner

### Wednesday, July 7

**Devotional:** Don Essex  
**Song Leader:** Isaac Tovar  
**Opening Prayer:** Shannon Haddock  
**Closing Prayer:** Verl Duncan  
**Van Driver:** Don Tracy