



Weekly Newsletter

August 15, 2010

### Order of Worship

#### *Welcome*

Eddie Sanders

#### *Song Leader*

Larry Baggett

**#523 (1,2,4)**

**#501 (1,2,3)**

**#122 (1,3,4)**

#### *Opening Prayer*

Shannon Haddock

**#328 (1,3,2)**

#### *Communion*

Clarence Feeney

#### *Contribution*

Clarence Feeney

**#192 (1,2,4,6)**

#### *Lesson*

Bill McFarland

**#937 (1,repeat)**

#### *Announcement*

Eddie Sanders

#### *Closing Prayer*

John Hulett

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

### About Our Work

This has been a busy summer! So many of us have been going and coming from all directions, both in the lives of our families and in our activities as a congregation. I am behind in giving several thank-yous and updates, so here goes.

Thank you all for your concern for Kay's family in the loss of her nephew Casey. Your encouragement, thoughtful expressions of kindness, and cards have been much appreciated. All of us made to the trip to Wyoming and back safely, and the church in Riverton was so good to us, for which we are very grateful. Sherry and Ed, of course, are hurting and still need a place in our prayers, as do Ryan and his family.

Thank you for your understanding as I invested time in the July 18-24 session at Green Valley. Besides the week itself, much time from the couple of months before it was spent in writing Bible lessons on the theme "The Battle Belongs to the Lord," producing our camp book, and making arrangements for the staff and activities. All together, 184 of us were there and we had a very good (but very warm) week. Three young people, all age 15, were baptized into the Lord while we were there and others have been after they got home. Thanks to Kay, to Johnnie for all her extra work, and to Coyeatte, Brenda, Melinda and Scott, Jeremy and Brian for all their diligent and unselfish service.

Thank you to our Malawi group – Jon, Daniel, Michelle, Jill, and Becky – and their families for their sacrifice and service in the trip to that country this summer. Some of you may not realize that their families not only were apart from them for those two weeks but also bore almost all the cost. I know these five brothers and sisters of ours did good work while they were there because I have seen the notes from Ann and Mark, but their service has also had a strong impact on the rest of us here. I appreciated the reports last Sunday evening, both the spoken and written ones.

Thank you to all of you who were involved in our VBS, either as students, teachers, helpers, servers, inviters (if there is such a thing), greeters, encouragers, or supporters of this good work in any other way. Thanks especially to those of you who were there to go right on with things when Kay and I had to be away unexpectedly. We have heard that you did a great job and we are grateful for your extra work.

Thank you to the fellows who have done a good job preaching and teaching while I have been occupied with some of these other tasks. You have been a blessing to the church as well as to me. I enjoyed speaking in the summer series at Mountain Home Wednesday evening. It was good to see Michael and Amy and their family, as well as several old friends.

Schools and routines will be starting now. We need to have a great new year in our Bible school here. Let us use the occasion to renew our "work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope."

–Bill McFarland

### **Today's Messages:**

**AM: The God of the Gospel**

**PM: How to Live in a World Where Evil is Present**

# Prayer List & Announcements

## 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 August 8

Bible Study:	199
Morning:	316
Evening:	274
Wednesday (8/11):	215
Contribution:	\$8,702



Elder of the Month  
Eddie Sanders

- Bill Chilton is recovering from surgery.
- Continue to remember Paul Bratcher, Marilyn Lanpher, Nancy Snider and Thelma Fain

### Friends and Family:

- George Downing's dad, George Sr., is doing better, but still is recovering very slowly.
- Kellie Snider had her gallbladder taken out. She is 3 months pregnant. She is the granddaughter of both Gerri Dickens and Bob & Leona Snider
- Johnnie Elliff's sister, Annie Haysaw, as she begins her chemo for breast cancer
- Mary Charlotte Line's daughter, Jacquelyn Powell is in the hospital in Oklahoma City

## Thank You

Once again I have been on the receiving end of the great love and compassion of this wonderful congregation. Thank you all so much for your many acts of kindness and concern to include the prayers that helped me overcome the fear of this surgery, for showing up at the hospital to sit with my family, for all the beautiful cards, the phone calls and the delicious food. Thank you to Elizabeth for filling in for me and doing a beautiful job. (I may not get my job back – except that she has to go back to school). What a wonderful Christian family! You are the best and I love you all. Thank you also for all the cards that were sent to my sister when she learned that she had breast cancer. They meant more to her than you will ever know.

Johnnie Elliff

Thank you to everyone that gave supplies for the Girls Camp! The crafts were a huge success and it is all thanks to you and your effort to help gather supplies. It is a huge blessing to have such a supportive congregation. Thank you so much again!

Angela Morton

### Long-Term

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

### Shut-ins:

Shirley Bartlett  
Doris Batzel Iorg  
Fern Davis  
Irene Johnson  
Carol Law  
John Luallin  
Wilma Melton  
Annie Overstreet  
Ella Smith  
Wilma Spoor  
Doris Thomason  
Cathy White

### Expectant Moms

Leah Prewitt  
Kirsten McFarland  
Sara Keener  
Sara Stipp

We will be sending the money for the **Casey Murray Memorial Fund** to the church in Riverton, WY this week. If you would like to contribute, please give your money to the office **today**.

**World Bible School** recently received an honor gift in memory of Nellie Mallot. The gift was sent by Ms. Florence June Leslie from Chesterfield, VA. What a great blessing it is to be a part of WBS!



With Summer **Titus 2 Ladies** classes wrapping up we would like to show you a little of what we did over the last three months. Many skills have been taught that will contribute to making wonderful Christian women. The girls have learned to sew, decorate tables, make homemade bread, create encouragement books, and make zucchini bread from zucchinis grown in our victory garden! We have also heard many great lessons from very encouraging women that love to teach God's word. Thank You so much to everyone that was involved in all aspects of the classes this summer. It is a huge encouragement to see such great attendance to these classes.

Fall/Winter classes will be the second Saturday of each month. Watch the bulletin for further information! If you are interested in teaching an activity or a lesson in the fall or winter please contact Sandy Penner or Angela Morton. God Bless!

# Activities & Events

## Upcoming Events

- ☞ Elders and Deacons meet today at 3 pm
- ☞ Elders meet August 17 at 2 pm



Our Potluck Luncheon will be August 22. We will be recognizing all those who worked hard this summer, including the Malawi group and our camp workers. This would also be a great time to invite all college students to services and the meal.

Team #1 will be in charge of the kitchen and fellowship room.

### Kitchen:

Jill Morrison  
Carolyn Young  
Orvella Blackburn  
Barbara Barnes  
Gerri Dickens

### Dining Room:

Jackie/Leah Freeze  
Betty Holden  
Clinton Holden  
Jerry Young  
Randy Blackburn

**Single Ladies Group** will have a salad lunch in the fellowship room **Saturday, August 28** from 12-3 pm. Please bring your favorite salad. See Julie Alexander with any questions.



Be sure to sign up for the blood drive that will be here at the building

**Wednesday, August 18.**

Sign up times are from 3:00-7:00 pm. This blood drive is for the Community Blood Center. Sign up sheet is located at the information desk.



There will be a baby shower for **Kirsten McFarland** on August 22. She is expecting a girl. She is registered at Target and Babies R Us.

New Class:

**RESTORING MY SOUL**  
Having the Heart to Go On

Teacher: Ruth Essex  
Starts September 1st



**Bible school promotion is Sunday, September 5th. Wednesday, September 1 will still be the old classes**

## Did you know?!

As some of you will remember, when Clay and Sharon were in Nashville after Clay's liver transplant, two of their grandsons were drafted on the same day into Major League Baseball. Corbin was drafted by the New York Yankees and Caleb was drafted by Baltimore. They are now both in AA and on Tuesday in Trenton, NJ they will be playing on the same field, on different teams. Corbin, playing 2<sup>nd</sup> base, is with the Trenton Thunder while Caleb, a catcher, is playing for the Bowie (Maryland) Baysox. Clay's recovery is due in large part to his pride in Caleb and Corbin and in being able to follow their careers in the major leagues by watching their games on the internet. Guess what? On Tuesday Clay will be in Trenton, NJ to see this game. Keep him in your prayers this week as he travels to Trenton to enjoy and rejoice in the accomplishments of Corbin and Caleb.



## First Principles Leading to True Happiness

By Dennis R. Smith

The studious biblical scholar knows full well that the New Testament informs us that the first principles which lead to salvation lie in the obedience of him who is the author of our salvation (Heb. 5:9). A few verses later (5:12 and 6:1) they are called "the first principles." Jesus, in laying down instructions concerning these first principles, informs us to "seek first the kingdom of God" (Matt. 6:33). These principles are easy to understand. They are not complicated: Faith, confession of Christ, repentance and baptism for remission of our sins (Heb. 11:6; Matt. 10:32; Luke 13:3,5; Gal. 3:26-27; Acts 2:38). While these are the real first principles, there are others of equal simplicity which will lead us to true happiness in this life and also eternal life in heaven. Consider these: (a) **The Golden Rule** (Luke 6:31). (b) **The Blessedness of Giving** (Acts 20:35). (c) **The Royal Law** (James 2:8 - Matt. 22:39). Last, but not least, (d) **The Controlled Tongue** (James 3:5-10). While the things mentioned here may seem old fashioned to some, yet those who have a lifetime history of obedience to these principles can witness to their importance and their lives stand as a memorial to their authenticity. Have vision my friends and remember "he that keepeth the law, happy is he" (Prov. 29:18). Always take FIRST THINGS - **FIRST!**

### 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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## Service Rosters

### THIS MORNING

**AM Nursery:** Robin Meeks/Jan Bowling  
**Greeters:** Jerry & Carolyn Young  
**Van Driver:** Steve Prewitt/872-6849  
**KYB Phone:** Jerry & Carolyn Young  
**Serve** Tom Meeks/Jim Meinsen  
**Communion:** Daniel Meinsen/Steven Prewitt  
Travis Morrison/Scott Nichols  
John Penner/Justin Reaves

### THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** John Mahon  
**Opening Prayer:** Clay Joseph  
**Speaker:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Jason Luna  
**Communion:** Ron/Dustin Stokes  
**Nursery:** L. Donoho/Karen Duncan

### NEXT WEEK, August 22

	MORNING	EVENING
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Larry Baggett	John Mahon
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Matt Kelley	Gene Lund
<b>Communion:</b>	Jackie Freeze	Ron/Dustin Stokes
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Andrew Morton	John Mahon
<b>AM Nursery:</b>	Linda Currier/Leona Snider	
<b>PM Nursery:</b>	Glenda/Jeremy Thurlkill	
<b>Greeters:</b>	Van & Barbara Barnes	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	Shannon Haddock	

### THE MONTH OF AUGUST

**Ushers:** Adam Barton/  
Kyle Buckner  
**AV Room:** Terry Loveland/  
Matt Keener  
**Secure Building:** Paul Lines/  
Tim Buckner

### Wednesday, August 18

**Devotional:** Matt Keener  
**Song Leader:** Tom Easterly  
**Opening Prayer:** John Penner  
**Closing Prayer:** Justin Reaves  
**Van Driver:** Todd Kraus