



WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

July 24, 2011

Order of Worship

Welcome

John Dutton

Song Leader

Larry Baggett

#841

#581

Opening Prayer

Luis Tovar

#402

The Lord's Supper

Matt Keener

Contribution

Matt Keener

#616

Lesson

Dennis Smith

#389

Announcements

Gene Lund

Closing Prayer

Jerry Young

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

COOPERATION

Teamwork and cooperation are essential in almost every area of life. A ball team cannot win unless the players act as a team. An assembly line cannot function unless each worker does his part. A family cannot be successful without the combined effort of all involved.

But there is no place where teamwork and cooperation are more necessary than in the building up of the local church. The church just has to be more than a group of individualists! The Lord has designed His church as a body in which each Christian is a member (1 Cor. 12:12). That means that the church cannot live unless the members work together!

When we think about it, there is great wisdom in God's emphasis upon cooperation and teamwork in the church.

Cooperation promotes a sense of belonging among the Lord's people. One of the things we must have if we are to be happy is the sense that we belong somewhere. Such a feeling is not easily developed in this self-centered world. Our Lord offers us a place, though, where we are needed and cared for. His church is to be a place where each member is the object of concern (1 Cor. 12:25-26), and where every individual supplies something essential to the growth of the body (Eph. 4:16).

Cooperation makes good use of our talent and ability. Very few people are blessed with the ability to do everything there is to be done. Even if one were so talented, the ability of others would be left unused. But in the Lord's church "all the members have not the same office" (Rom. 12:4). Each Christian can contribute to the overall strength of the body by doing what he is especially able to do.

Cooperation gets more done. If one looks around with the thought of doing everything himself, he will be discouraged. More needs to be done than one person can ever possibly do. But when we work together, our efforts will multiply. Perhaps this is why Jesus sent his disciples out "two by two" (Mk. 6:7). "Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor" (Eccl. 4:9).

*Our Lord knew what he was doing when He designed His church so that we would have to cooperate with each other. Teamwork is best for each individual as well as for the Lord's work overall. We cannot work **FOR** the Lord without working **WITH** each other.*

- Bill McFarland

This Morning's Message:

Reaching the Ultimate Level of Happiness and Contentment

Activities & News

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 July 17

Bible Study:	260
Morning:	375
Evening:	202
Wednesday (7/20):	215
Contribution:	\$ 9,549



Elder of the Month
Gene Lund



5th Sunday Potluck Next Sunday

Plan to attend and enjoy good food and fellowship. Team 4 is responsible for working that day. **Kitchen:** Debbie Kern, Lee Ann Donoho, Glenda Thurkill, Karen Duncan, Linda Currier, Nancy Snider, Nadean Green, Sharon Joseph, Emily Simons, Leah Prewitt **Setup:** George Downing, Eddie Currier, Mike Thurkill, Verl Duncan, Oran Green, James Simons, Steve Prewitt **Cleanup:** Les & Pat Malanowski, Eddie & Donna Sanders

Evangelizing the Community

If you are interested in helping to evangelize our community and introduce our neighbors to the gospel, please attend the informational meeting at the front of the auditorium **today** immediately after AM services. If you cannot attend but are interested in helping, see Don Essex.



Cards for Kay Adams

We have prepared a card basket for Kay and would like to collect as many cards as possible to help make her days brighter. It might be nice for the Bible classes to make cards and notes or the kids draw pictures, etc. Try to pick cards of cheer and encouragement and not just "Get Well" cards. Thanks for your help!

Ladies Fall Retreat

Ladies, please mark your calendars for November 11 & 12, the 2011 Fall Ladies Retreat at the Keeter Center. Sign-up sheets will be coming out in September!



SUPER SATURDAY VBS
coming August 6
"UNDER CONSTRUCTION"

Ron Brown, Missionary for China, will be here Wednesday evening to present a report on the work in China. Classes 7th grade up will meet in the Auditorium.



Elders, Deacons, Ministers .
If you have not signed up for the Appreciation Dinner on Friday night, please do so today!



Young Men!

The Ozarks Ministry Training is this Saturday July 30th here at the building for area wide young men. Invite your friends! For more info talk to Daniel Meinsen or Kyle Buckner. There are signup sheets on the Information Desk!



- ⇒ July 24-27: Shelia Hansen's Girls' Session at Happy Hollow
- ⇒ SNAC August 7
- ⇒ Aug. 5-7—Christ Quest at Mountain Home; t-shirt deadline is **TODAY**; housing deadline is **WEDNESDAY**
- ⇒ Titus 2 Girls meet August 9th from 10-12; Carol Tovar will be charge of the lesson and activity

Next Sunday is the 5th Sunday.

As you know, our 5th Sunday contributions are used to pay on our building or pay for needed maintenance. Part of the contributions next Sunday will be used to pay for resealing and striping our parking lot.

That work will be done on August 11,12 & 13. We will not be able to drive on the lot for those 3 days.



Community Blood Center "blood drive" here at the building Wednesday, August 17. Watch for more information.

Prayer List & Notes

- ☞ Herman Harris is at Cox Walnut Lawn, Room 312, 1000 East Walnut Lawn Street, 65807
- ☞ Norman High will have outpatient surgery Monday at Cox South
- ☞ Rose Lynch is doing well after her procedure last Monday
- ☞ *Continue to remember: Kay Adams who is at Select Speciality Hospital, Room B102; Arilla Buck who is at Magnolia Square and Shirley Bartlett who will be moving to a health care facility soon*

Friends and Family:

- ◇ Tiffany Meeks' sister (Don & Sue Lewis' daughter), Larrie White, will have surgery Tuesday at Cox South to remove cists from her liver; she will be in ICU afterwards; Larrie & her husband attend the Conway church
 - ◇ Dorann Thoreen, Terry Loveland's cousin in Phoenix, is not expected to live; Terry has gone to be with her.
 - ◇ Norman & Lucile High's great grandson, Dylan's eye surgery is scheduled for Friday
 - ◇ Pat Milligan's brother, John Cummings; Lanae Gillespie's mother Geneve Treat, and Jay Sardeson's mother, all are dealing with cancer
- Sympathy: We extend our sympathy to Dennis Smith in the loss of his cousin, Edna Bonewell, recently in Arkansas.

- Long-Term**
 Shirley Bartlett
 Paul Bratcher
 Doris Burch
 Bonnie Cole
 Lucille/Milton Ford
 Herman Harris
 Marilyn Lanpher
 Jarita Nimmo
 Betty Shaw
 Doris Tobler
 Pat Woods
- Military:**
 Cody Newman
 Elaine Noe
 Matthew Patterson
- Expectant Mom**
Megan Crum Hollingsworth
 (Aug)



Birthdays

- 24 Connie Fortner
 - 25 Tim Bowling
Marie Noe
 - 29 Virginia Buck
 - 30 Ruth Reaves
Jason Luna
 - 31 Irene Johnson
Nadean Green
Terry Loveland
- August**
- 2 Kevin Wuench
Ryan Meeks
Tori York
 - 3 Gene Lund
Lori McCall
 - 5 Braden Keener
 - 6 Dale Gregory
Maranda Nimmo



The church has received a nice thank you card from the Foristell, MO church thanking our congregation for the donation of the old green van. The old green van was recently stolen and ended up in the St. Louis area. Rather than paying for towing and repairs, we donated the van to the Foristell church as they had a need for one. Card is posted on the bulletin board.

Also posted on the bulletin board is a letter from the church in Joplin thanking you for your support and a thank you card from Jerry & Carolyn Young.

Jimmy & I would like to thank you for your outpouring of care and concern during his recent health scare. Thank you for the phone calls, visits, cards and most of all for your prayers. The gentleman who was in the room with Jimmy at the hospital said, "You sure do have a lot of family visiting you." **You** are our family and we couldn't make it in this world without you. Thank you! Jim & Johnnie



Please extend a warm welcome to Gwendolyn Polson (Jose's mother) who expressed her desire to work and worship with us at Water Mill. Her address is 2803 East Bennett Street, Springfield, 65804.

Food Pantry Needs

We are in urgent need of the following items for the Food Pantry.

Boxed & Canned Meals

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| <u>Jelly</u> | <u>Peanut Butter</u> |
| <u>Cereal</u> | <u>Canned Fruit</u> |
| <u>Tuna</u> | <u>Jello/Pudding</u> |
| <u>Canned Vegies</u> | <u>Mac & Cheese</u> |
- Place items in the cans just inside the fellowship room. Thank you for your continued support of this work.*

Congratulations to Jackie & Virginia Buck on the arrival of grand-daughter Glory Blair Sundlie born last Tuesday to Colleen & Ryan.



"...though your sins be as scarlet"

By Dennis R. Smith

According to the scriptures all of us "have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23). They also declare "if we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us" (1st John 1:8). Aren't we thankful that God has given us an avenue of escape through the blood of his Son (1st John 1:7)? Long before Jesus came in the flesh the Old Testament prophet, Isaiah, reminded us that Messiah would provide a way in which all our sins could be forgiven. "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isa. 1:18). Isaiah also reminds us that this is accomplished by a process of washing. Listen to his powerful words: "Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil" (Isa. 1:16). Many years later God sent his Son to work out a plan in accordance with his will. First, it required a faith (Rom. 10:17) strong enough to confess that Christ was God's Son (Matt. 10:32) followed by the necessity of repentance (Luke 13:3, 5). These things were to be followed by imitating the death, burial and resurrection of Christ which, according to the Apostle Paul, could be attained in scriptural baptism (Rom. 6:3-6). When responded to (from the heart) this brought forth a new creature in Christ (2nd Cor. 5:17). "Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift" (2nd Cor. 9:15).

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship...5:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

WORKS WE SUPPORT

Mark & Era Thiesen, Malawi, Africa
 Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands

Voice of Truth International

Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions

World Christian Broadcasting

Churches of Christ Disaster Relief

Lincoln Church of Christ

Fair Haven Children's Home

"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: Linda Currier/Leona Snider
Greeters: Bob & Leona Snider
Van Driver: Russell Lilly/839-4048
KYB Phone: Randy & Orvella Blackburn
Serve Russell Lilly/Tom Meeks
Communion: Paul Lines/Les Malanowski
 Brent Looney/Jason Luna
 Fred Lorenz/Jack Lynch
 Terry Loveland/John Mahon

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Andrew Morton
Opening Prayer: Aaron Tovar
Lesson: K. Buckner/D. Meinsen
Closing Prayer: Jeff Treat
Communion: Tim/Kyle Buckner
Nursery: Glenda/Jeremy Thurlkill

NEXT WEEK, July 31

	MORNING	EVENING
Song Leader:	Jon Ewing	Andrew Morton
Opening Prayer:	Randy Blackburn	Daniel Tovar
Communion:	David Kern	Tim/Kyle Buckner
Closing Prayer:	Isaac Tovar	Ted Crabtree
AM Nursery:	Jill Morrison/Linda Barnett	
PM Nursery:	Jammie Davis/Meredith Reaves	
Greeters:	John & Lisa Stayton	
Van Driver:	Shannon Haddock/732-4203	

MONTH OF JULY

Ushers: Scott Nichols/
Shannon Haddock
AV Room: Scott Barton/
Daniel Meinsen
Secure Building: Paul Lines/
Tim Buckner

Wednesday, July 27

Devotional: Daniel Meinsen
Song Leader: John Mahon
Opening Prayer: George Downing
Closing Prayer: John Dutton
Van Driver: Don Tracy