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May 2007

Pastor's Study

Throughout history we can see that there have been some serious blunders when it comes to predicting the future. The US patent office reported in the early 20th century that everything that could be invented had been invented and that the patent office should be closed. We know that since then man has walked on the moon, flies all around the world, and surfs the internet on a regular basis. Obviously, the individual running the patent office did not have a clear vision of the future. Later on in US history, it was predicted that the television was a poor investment because people would never spend any significant time watching television. I think we can certainly prove that this theory was wrong. Later in US history it was predicted that no one would ever want to own or be able to afford to own a computer, boy were they wrong! Yet and still we have corporations like Microsoft and Apple that had a vision for the future and have become great successes. Imagine if Bill Gates had believed that the computer would never be in every home. What if apple had quit when the computer was deemed unworthy of investment? What if Wilbur and Orville Wright had agreed with their father when he told them that flying was too dangerous and that the world would never accept it? I believe that what has set some of the greatest inventors and businessmen apart from their counterparts is their ability to see potential. They see potential where others only see the status quo. They see a new market and a fresh idea when everyone else is concentrating on meeting the demands of today. I wonder which category we will fall into as a church. Will we be a church that sees potential and has a vision for growth from the Lord? Or will we be a church that is satisfied with simply meeting the status quo? I believe that God wants us to have a God sized vision for our work here at WHBC. Henry Blackaby says that we should attempt great things for God and expect great things from God. However, we will never be able to accomplish that if we can't see the potential that God sees in our future. I challenge you as a member of WHBC to be praying that God would help us to see His vision for our future and to follow it no matter what the cost. "Where there is no vision the people perish" Psalm 29:18 KJV

Until He Comes,

Jonathan Dundalow I Tim 4:12

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Upcoming Events

World Changers' Traveling Car Wash

The World Changers' will be traveling on May 12th to wash your car at your house. Please sign up on the posters available throughout the church and help support this mission project. We will come to your house and wash your cars for a donation. Thank you in advance.

Super Seniors Meet at WHBC May 15th

The Super Seniors will meet at WHBC on May 15th, 12:00 PM for a covered dish luncheon and meeting. Our speaker will be Major Jimmy Mullinax who will present a slide show presentation of his tour of duty in Baghdad, Iraq.

We are inviting all women and men of the church who would like to attend. Come and bring picture(s) of mementoes of loved ones of the military days to share. This month we celebrate Memorial Day honoring our veterans. So, come join us and bring a covered dish. Call Helen Heller at 732-4348 if you can attend.

Vacation Bible School – June 25-29, 2007 9 AM – 12 Noon

Get ready for Game Day Central: Where Heroes Are Made. It will be a week of nonstop action as you learn what it means to join God's team, play your position, get in the game, take action and recruit new teammates. The stats will show that when you stay focused and keep your eyes on Jesus, you will become a true hero. Sign up for VBS today and receive a prize for early registration.

Baby Bottle Blessing 2007

May 13th, Mother's Day, please take a colorful baby bottle from the front sanctuary vestibule or back vestibule and fill it up with your spare change, cash or checks. Bring it back on Father's Day, June 17th. All donations go to the Pregnancy Support Center of the Tri-Cities. Thank you for your participation.

Good Piano Needed

A good piano is needed to be used for the weekly services of Western Heights Baptist Church at Beverly Living Center (formerly Walnut Hill Nursing Home). Please call Lillian Dick at 732-0632. Thank you.

Expressions of Gratitude

Dear Church Family, Thank you so much for your concern for me and the girls during the loss of my brother, Al Hasty. The prayers, cards, calls, and gifts have meant so much to me. God truly takes care of us through His people. Love in Christ, Jennifer Hasty

Dear Church Family, Mary and I thank you so very much for the prayers, cards, visits, food and Christian love and concern while Mary was in the hospital and since she has been home. We both love our church family and may God continue to bless our church and church family.

Herbert and Mary Williams

Dear Church Family, For 3 years I prayed that neither the wind nor snow would destroy my rusty old metal roof. Then last winter one of the "World Changers" adults and Elder Homes, an organization that does things for elderly people who can't really afford it, furnished the material. Now, I have a "new roof" and no more concerns about the weather coming in. No one can ever know what a blessing it is. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart. I know that He will bless you in your work this summer.

Your Sister because of Calvary,
Ila Smiley

Nursery Reminder

The Sunday morning, Sunday night, and Wednesday night nurseries are provided for children from birth through age 3. Children's church is available for children age 4 through 2nd grade. If your child is old enough to attend children's church, then he/she is too old to attend any of the scheduled nurseries.

Bible School T-Shirts

If you would like to order a T-Shirt for Bible School, contact Carolyn Hogue or call 862-2190. T-Shirts must be ordered and paid for by May 1st. The cost is \$10.00.

Adopt a Window

Windows in the Education Wing and Fellowship Hall need replacing. There are 54 windows that can be purchased for a donation of \$200 each. The men of the church will install the windows. These will be white vinyl replacement windows to improve security and energy efficiency. See a member of the Building and Grounds Committee for more details. Let's see how many windows we can purchase during the next 30 days.

VBS News & Information

- May 2 VBS Game Day (Game), ages 4 years to grade 6, 7-8 PM.
- May 20 VBS Prayer guides and pencils available. Please pray for children, workers, weather, decisions and safety.
- May 27 VBS Pre-registration slips in Sunday School Classes and bulletin insert.
- June 10 VBS Banner goes up.
- June 17 VBS T-Shirt Day and make decorations, 4 PM.
- June 20 VBS Prayer Walk. All welcomed "Where two or more are gathered in His Name".
- June 24 VBS Preparation Day, 2 PM until done, "dinner provided".
- June 25-29 VBS WEEK!!!!!!
- July 1 VBS Workers Appreciation Luncheon
- July 3 VBS Follow-Up Visitation
- July 13 VBS Follow-Up Movie Night, 8 PM "Facing the Giants"

Sunday School Notes

"Friend Day" has just passed us. Prayerfully, if all of the I's are dotted and the T's are crossed, you will get a full report next month. It's never too late to invite your friends to Bible study. Just because it's not an official "Friend Day"—don't let that stop you! New friends are always welcome! We all know people who are not active in any church. Maybe-just-maybe, they are waiting for YOU to ask them to come to Bible study this Sunday.

The new church year is only 4 months away. We have several needs for the new church year but in order to do anything we need people who are willing to teach. Do you feel led to teach? If you feel the Holy Spirit leading you in that direction, continue to pray about it and tell Sam Berry or me. You may think you cannot teach, but you will be surprised what God can help you do.

Mark your calendar for a church leadership conference at Mount Pleasant on August 17th and 18th. These workshops are outstanding and I hope everyone will consider attending. The workshops are diverse and there is something for everyone.

Our average attendance for March was 207.

In His Service,

Robert Tucker, Sunday School Director

May 2007 Children's Church

May 6	Billy & Christy Ramsey
May 13	Linda Lewis & Carol Beasley
May 20	Jim & Sandra Lafoon
May 27	Ray & Lisa Witt

May 2007 Nursery Schedule

Date	Time	Age	Workers
Wed. May 2	7pm	Combined	Gloria Staples & April Norris
Sun. May 6	11am	Birth to 1	Charles & Faye Veazey, Aby Staples
	11am	1-2 Years	Michael & April Price, Hannah Lane
	11am	3yrs. old	Jack & Betty Mayes, Lauren Mitchell
	7pm	Combined	Dawn & Wallace Twombly
Wed. May 9	7pm	Combined	Christine & Walter Francis
Sun. May 13	11am	Birth to 1	Craig & April Norris
	11am	1-2 years	Jennifer Lail, Stephanie Lamm & Lea Mitchell
	11am	3 yrs. old	Barbara & Richard McCoy
	7pm	Combined	Robert & Judi Tucker
Wed. May 16	7pm	Combined	Aredda Mitchell & Doris Harrison
Sun. May 20	11am	Birth to 1	Shawn and Rachel Wynn
	11am	1-2 years	Robert & Kathy Whirley, Priscilla Gibbs
	11am	3 yrs. old	Keith & Debbie Schmidt, Josh Via
	7pm	Combined	Jimmy and Angie Mullinax
Wed. May 23	7pm	Combined	Jamie Morini & April Norris
Sun. May 27	11am	Birth to 1	Mark and Julie Tilley
	11am	1-2 years	Timmy & Jamie Morini & Shirley Slaughter
	11am	3 yrs. old	Richard & Kim Lane
	7pm	Combined	Patricia Johnson & Francine Schmidt
Wed. May 30	7 pm	Combined	Carolyn Hogue & Vicki Campbell

May Birthday List

1 Carolyn Hoylman Jeana Finch Brooks	17 Amy Ruddick George Silvey
2 Heather Schmidt	Jean Carter
3 Dennis Hoylman Christine Francis	Lola Holley
5 Alan Kissner	19 LeAnn Adkins Vivian Conley
6 Nikki Daniels Rainey Cothron	Billy Gibbs
7 Becky Pierce	20 Steve Armentrout
8 William Mustard Tim Morini Patricia Kennedy	22 Jordan Brown
9 Paul Branch, IV Gerald Brown Ashley McCormick	23 Nelson Crance
10 Kenneth Whirley, Jr. Jeri Ligon Taryn Goodwin	24 Richard Chappell Bree Berberich Brack Dunn
12 Christopher Bishop John Glass	25 Aredda Mitchell Gail Miller Bryan Russell
13 Courtney Sodat Becky Sowers Sarah Slade	26 Thomas Russell Mary Overton
14 Rudy Phelps	27 Ronald Shelton Shirley Harrison Karen Slade
15 Mildred Spain Francine Schmidt Allen Staples Margaret Howard Peggy Clements	29 Marian Gunn Angela Daniels Jimmy Mullinax
16 Jasmine Francis	30 Robert Tucker Jason Whirley Jonathan Dundalow
	31 Steve Schmidt Paul Branch, III Jennifer Beville

June Birthday List

1 Charles Veazey Shaun Orton	20 Susan Mellott Helen Chappell Jean Roberts Wynonah Thomas Henderson Wallace Twombly
2 Calvin Adkins Shannan Kent	22 Amy Wright Crystal Lamm David Dundalow
4 Judy Phillips Elmina Adams	23 Florence Moon Bobby Olgers Jeremy Scott
5 Robbie LaPrade Kaysea Ramsey	24 Steven Owens Patricia Beville
6 Larry Glasscock	25 Mary Abernathy Tara Phillips Blair Andrea Armentrout Amanda Veazey
7 Joyce Holley	26 Donald Schmidt
8 Mildred Pride	27 Jason Munford
9 Dwen Marek Michael Wright	28 Shea Danels
10 Shirley Slaughter	30 Charles Lively Virginia Bragan Dell Staples
11 Linda Cothron	
13 Roger Sullivan	
14 Darrin Munford	
17 Carissa Nichols	
18 Thomas Gunn Donna Boyd Rebecca Francis	
19 Tabatha Berry Bessie Munford	

These are names of individuals who are either church members of WHBC or are enrolled in our Sunday School. Please advise the church office (733-8172) of any additions or corrections. Thank you!



**COME CELEBRATE THE UPCOMING BIRTH OF
Baby Boy Conyers
Church Baby Shower for Allison Johnson Conyers
All Ladies Invited to Attend
May 12th at 1:00 PM – Church Fellowship Hall
Allison is registered at Target**