



To Know Him & Make Him Known

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Dear Friends,

Like all proud new grandparents, Jennifer and I are overjoyed with our grand-daughter, Bella Grace. We note every little change in her appearance and every ounce she gains in the short periods of time when we're not around her. Her physical development is a topic of our conversation with others. The other Saturday, for instance, she "found her voice." We were thrilled to hear her squeal. At just four months old, each week brings another visible change as she grows. We know the years will pass quickly, and all this joy of her being a little baby will become a memory. She has to grow up.

It's like our expected spiritual growth as Christians. When we place our trust in Christ, we are born into the family of God. And just as a child grows physically into adulthood, we need to develop and mature spiritually. If this doesn't happen, something is wrong.

Unlike physical development, which occurs without effort on our part, spiritual development requires the discipline of continually yielding to the Holy Spirit. This growth comes with continual Bible study and daily talks with God. In His plan, we cannot remain babies in Christ. We, too, have to grow up.

Love,
Merle

MUSIC NOTES

"God wanted to make known to those among the Gentiles the glorious wealth of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." Colossians 1:27 HCSB

I want to introduce you to a hymn that is in our new hymnals. Some of you may already be familiar with it, but many may not. "In Christ Alone" was written in 2002 by Stuart Townend of West Yorkshire, England. Townend said he received an e-mail from a U.S. soldier who was serving in Iraq who prayed through each verse of the hymn everyday to help sustain him in difficult times of being in the midst of a war zone. Most of us will not see a war zone, but we can all benefit from this message. We will be teaching this hymn to the congregation in the next few months, so you will have an opportunity to sing it, but I want you to really concentrate on the text. Although, the music is important, my goal is for us as a congregation to really absorb and study the words we are singing. It is all about the words – otherwise, what is the difference between what we sing in church and what is heard in the secular realm?

*In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm...*

*What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled and striving cease
My Comforter, my All-in-All
Here in the love of Christ I stand...*

*No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny...*

Retrieved June 30, 2009, from <http://www.crosswalk.com/1275127/>

Song Story: "In Christ Alone" by Debra Akins
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SUMMER VBS

Join us for VBS on Sunday afternoons 4:00-6:30 PM as we
continue our SON ROCK Kids Camp VBS.

Sunday Evening, July 5 (Session 3)
Sunday Evening, July 12 (Session 4)
Sunday Evening, July 19 (Session 5)



DEEPER STILL WOMEN'S EVENT IN GREENSBORO

Join us for a rare and unique opportunity to hear three internationally-renowned Bible teachers — **Kay Arthur**, **Priscilla Shirer**, and **Beth Moore** — at one weekend event. LifeWay presents **Deeper Still: The Event** in Greensboro, July 31st to August 1st, 2009. See Susan Ray for details.

Anniversaries:

Larry & Ann Estes	July 5
Jake & Alex Alexander	July 14
Perry & Terry Ray	July 25
Peter & Beth Anne Arnold	Aug 11
Jim & Betty Farrell	Aug 17
Dale & Terri Austin	Aug 19
Jim & Becky Shue	Aug 21
Tony & Stephanie Hayden	Aug 22
Donald & Kathy Keith	Sept 4
Jerry & Joyce Grainger	Sept 6
Ben & Kelly Singleton	Sept 17
Jim & Kathy Pollard	Sept 21

Birthdays:

Rebecca Ray	July 1
Claire Tidwell	July 1
Cindy Daniel	July 5
Claudia Gattis	July 7
Kristine Bramson	July 8
Allison Conrad	July 8
Peter Bramson	July 10
Ben Singleton	July 10
Renee Martin	July 13
Kristin Martin	July 15
Zachery Conrad	July 21
Jennifer Martin	July 21
Jennie Pollard	July 24
Jim Shue	July 25
Tony Hayden	July 31
Cindy Ray	Aug 4
Charity Hope Austin	Aug 11
Tim Keith	Aug 11
Michelle Woolard	Aug 15
Caroline Singleton	Aug 20
Madalyn Layton	Aug 22
Shelly King	Aug 26
D J Foland	Sept 4
Mckenzie Wallace	Sept 4
Emily Rees	Sept 7
Benjamin Bramson	Sept 8
Jimmy Goldston	Sept 8
Jessica Rees	Sept 10
Dawn Mitchell	Sept 12
Nancy Tidwell	Sept 13
Ola Ray	Sept 13
Denton Conrad	Sept 15
Preston Sheriff	Sept 16
Susan Ray	Sept 24
Jim Pollard	Sept 29
Kathy Pollard	Sept 29

Websites to Check Out:

For movie reviews from a Christian perspective, go to: www.pluggedinonline.com.

For good advice on a variety of topics that affect family life, go to: www.family.org (Focus on the Family)

www.familylife.com (Family Life Today)

To look up scripture passages when a Bible may not be handy, visit www.bible.com.

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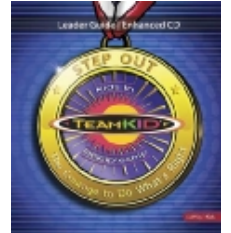
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

"And He said: 'I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'" Matthew 18:3 (NIV)

TeamKID

Each Wednesday evening (except for the Family Fellowship evenings) we have TeamKID (Kids In Discipleship) for children ages 4 to 11.

We have begun our new TeamKID study titled "STEP OUT". In the STEP OUT study series, kids are encouraged to step out and do what is right in all parts of their lives. We are studying the great stories and people in the Bible in chronological order to learn about issues ranging from the courage to make the right choices, to the courage to admit when they are wrong, to the courage to follow God's leadership.



Summer VBS



WHERE KIDS BUILD THEIR LIVES ON THE ROCK: JESUS!

Vacation Bible School has begun. Our theme this year is "SonRock Kids Camp: Where Kids Build Their Lives on the Rock: Jesus." We are trying something a little different this year from what we have done. VBS is being held on Sunday afternoons from 4 to 6:30 PM over a period of several weeks. Please be sure to invite your friends and neighbors. **In lieu of an offering, we are collecting sunscreen, flip flops, bug spray, and other summer items for the Raleigh Rescue Mission.** If you have any questions about VBS, please see Jennifer Martin.

The VBS schedule is as follows:

- Sunday Morning, June 28: 10:00 – 12:00 (Session 1)
- Sunday Evening, June 28: 4:00 – 6:30 (Session 2)
- Sunday Evening, July 5: 4:00 – 6:30 (Session 3)
- Sunday Evening, July 12: 4:00 – 6:30 (Session 4)
- Sunday Evening, July 19: 4:00 – 6:30 (Session 5)

Backyard Bible Club

Our annual Backyard Bible Clubs will be held on the following Sundays: July 26th and Aug. 2nd. Backyard Bible Club is an extension of Vacation Bible School, and all children ages 4 to 11 are invited to join us. We are currently looking for homes to host the clubs on July 26th and Aug. 2nd, so if you are interested in hosting us on one of these dates, please call or e-mail Dale Austin (dale@wakeminster.org).

The final meeting is a Family Backyard Bible Club and will be on Aug. 9th. The entire family is invited to join us at Blue Jay Point for a Bible story, games, and a cookout. In the event of rain, we will have the final meeting in the fellowship hall at the church, and we will plan indoor games and have a potluck supper. Last year, the Family Night was a hit, so we hope to make this an annual part of Backyard Bible Club.

The locations of the Backyard Bible Clubs will be listed on the web site by the middle of July. Visit www.Wakeminster.org for time and directions to our Backyard Bible Clubs.

TREASURER'S REPORT

"A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD." (God speaking to Moses) Leviticus 27:29

There are now two significant issues of deficit affecting Wakeminster financially for the first nine months of the 2008/2009 Church year:

- 1) \$8,770.43 shortfall of building fund offering receipts
- 2) \$4,838.05 shortfall of directed offering receipts for parsonage repairs
- 3) \$229.16 surplus of undesignated offering receipts (expected to become a deficit again due to historically reduced giving during the summer months)

Total of 3 amounts = \$13,379.32 deficit

2009 MEN'S WORKPLACE SUMMIT

God's Presence in a Man's Worklife
Presented by The Other 6 Days Ministry
Caraway Conference Center, Asheboro, NC
September 18-20, 2009

For more information, go to: <http://mensworkplacesummit.com/>

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Bible Trivia:
Numbers are an important item in Scripture. There are a few numbers that appear many times in scripture and the number 40 is one of them. These are just a few of the examples of 40 in the Bible:

- * Jesus fasted 40 days in the desert (Matt. 4:2).
- * Jesus was on the earth for 40 days after His resurrection (Acts 1:3).
- * Moses was 40 years old when he visited his Israelites brothers in Egypt (Acts 7:23).
- * Another 40 years passes and then Moses encounters the burning bush (Acts 7:30).
- * Another 40 years passes when Moses dies (Deut. 34:7).
- * Goliath (the giant) challenged the Israelites twice a day for 40 days.
- * It rained for 40 days and 40 nights with Noah on the ark.

For more interesting Bible facts that can change your life, join one of our Sunday Morning Bible Study classes. These classes meet each Sunday morning at 9:45 – 10:45.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

"Pure and undefiled religion before our God and Father is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained by the world." James 1:27 (HCSB)

OPERATION WORSHIP

We have been collecting Bibles to be delivered to our troops as a part of LifeWay's "Operation Worship" campaign. If you are interested in purchasing a Bible and writing a note inside, please see Terri Austin, Kathy Pollard, or Beth Schmitt. The deadline for turning in the Bibles to the church is July 5th.

BUILDING TOGETHER MINISTRIES

The short-term missions committee is working with Building Together Ministries in Raleigh for our mission project for the next several months. The mission statement of Building Together Ministries is: "Building Together is a collaboration of Christians working together to encourage and empower the communities in Raleigh through education, social action and reconciliation. We're seeking to promote the well-being of individuals, families and neighborhoods." We are currently looking for people who would be interested in reading to preschoolers. Once we have more information, we think you can sign up to volunteer on a weekly, monthly or as-needed basis. If you are interested in participating in this project, please call Kathy Pollard or e-mail Terri Austin at terri@wakeminster.org.

CROP WALK

CROP Hunger Walks help children and families worldwide -- and right here in the U.S. -- to have food for today, while building for a better tomorrow. Each year some two million CROP Walkers, volunteers, and sponsors put their hearts and soles in motion, raising over \$16 million per year to help end hunger and poverty around the world -- and in their own communities. And you are part of it! If you are interested in walking or sponsoring a walker in the 2009 walk, which will be held on September 29th in Wake Forest, please call or e-mail Terri Austin (terri@wakeminster.org).

PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY MATTHEW PART II

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman who needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15 NKJV

Spiritual Gifts ~ The Precept Study for Fall 2009 - DEADLINE FOR SIGNUP IS JULY 8!

- Q. What are Spiritual Gifts? Q. Who receives them?
- Q. When are they received? Q. How are they distributed?
- Q. Where are they exercised? Q. Why are they given?
- Q. How do I discover my Spiritual Gift(s)...and what my ministry is?

By the grace that God supplies I, Fran Idziak, will be leading Spiritual Gifts Precept Upon Precept at Wakeminster this fall. I sincerely hope you all will join us for this vitally important inductive study! Spiritual Gifts PUP, a 13-week course of study, will be launched on August 31/Sept. 1 when we gather for book distribution and an introduction to Spiritual Gifts by teacher Kay Arthur. We'll meet again after Labor Day week (allowing everyone 2 whole weeks to complete L-1) to discuss L-1 and hear Kay Arthur's teaching on Sept. 14/15.

Sign up for that study starts NOW! The class is free, but the cost for each book is \$22 (a special discount price). Please pay for your book at the time you sign up, and bring exact change if you pay cash. Checks need to be payable to Wakeminster Baptist Church.

Sign up sheets will be available in classes through the end of Matthew P2. After that, Becky Shue will handle sign up. We have 110 books offered at \$22 each. Once those books are gone, remaining people will need to order his or her own book from www.precept.org (regular \$27+shipping). So sign up early!! See Becky Shue's contact information below.

- Starts Aug 31/Sep 1
 - NO CLASS Labor Day week
 - RECESS FOR THANKSGIVING
 - Finishes Dec 7/8
 - DEADLINE for Signup July 8
 - Purchase Book at Sign Up during Matthew P2 class or contact Becky Shue outside of class (\$22 for first 110 students, \$27 after that)
- Becky Shue, 11108 Farmwood Dr., Raleigh, NC 27613, telephone: 847-9817, e-mail: jshue@telix.com

MARRIAGE & FAMILY

"...a man leaves his father and mother and bonds with his wife, and they become one flesh." Genesis 2:24 HCSB

RIDGECREST CONFERENCE CENTER

There are a number of marriage retreats that are available for couples to attend during 2009. If you and your spouse like outdoor activities, then the MARRIAGE IMPACT retreats may be the thing for you. In the Summer of 2009, there are three weekends at Ridgecrest Conference Center (near Asheville, NC) available for couples to attend together for worship, family workshop,s and various outdoor activities.

The FESTIVAL OF MARRIAGE retreats are offered in the fall at Ridgecrest Conference Center. The FESTIVAL OF MARRIAGE retreats offer more in-class seminars than the MARRIAGE IMPACT, but there is still plenty of free time to spend with your spouse.

If you are interested in attending any of these marriage retreats, contact Dale Austin for additional information.

WEEKEND TO REMEMBER MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

FamilyLife's Weekend to Remember® marriage conference is a chance to get away from the distractions of daily life. Cell phones are shut off. To-do lists are temporarily forgotten. It's a time to slow down and reconnect.

Their hotel-based conference is a warm, engaging gathering that's all about making progress, not placing blame. The time-tested content is presented in a mixture of lecture and individual project sessions. Speakers will show you exactly how to pursue a marriage that really works through stories of their own breakthroughs and blunders.

Sheraton Imperial Hotel & Convention Center
4700 Emperor Blvd
Durham, NC 27703-8424

Event Dates: 10/16/2009 - 10/18/2009
Registration: \$129.00/ per person
To Register On-Line: www.familylife.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

JULY:

Saturday 4 th	- Independence Day
Sunday 5 th	- Deadline for Operation Worship (Bibles for Soldiers)
Sunday 5 th [4 – 6:30 PM]	- Vacation Bible School
Wednesday 8 th	- Deadline to sign up for Precept (Spiritual Gifts)
Sunday 12 th [4 – 6:30 PM]	- Vacation Bible School
Wednesday 15 th [6:30 PM]	- Fellowship Supper & Business Meeting
Sunday 19 th [4 to 6:30 PM]	- Vacation Bible School
Sunday 26 th [4 to 5:30 PM]	- Backyard Bible Club

AUGUST:

Sunday 2 nd [4 to 5:30 PM]	- Backyard Bible Club
Sunday 9 th [4 to 5:30 PM]	- Backyard Bible Club Family Fellowship at Blue Jay Point
Wednesday 12 th [6:30 PM]	- Fellowship Supper
Monday 31 st [7 PM]	- Evening Precept Begins (Spiritual Gifts)

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 1 st	- Morning Precept Begins (Spiritual Gifts)
Monday 7 th	- Labor Day
Sunday 13 th	- Grandparents' Day
Wednesday 16 th [6:30 PM]	- Fellowship Supper & Business Meeting
Sunday 27 th	- Wake Forest CROP Walk

Weekly Services:

<i>Sunday:</i>	<i>Wednesday:</i>	
9:45 AM Morning Bible Study	6:00-6:30 PM	Snack Supper*
11:00 AM Worship Service	6:30 PM	Youth Bible Study
5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	6:30 – 7:15 PM	TeamKID for Children
	6:30 – 7:15 PM	Adult Prayer & Worship
	7:15 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal

* Monthly Wednesday Family Fellowship Meals/Business Conferences will begin at 6:30. Please see Sandra Schmitt if you are interested in providing one of the snack suppers on Wednesday nights.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS to Steven Schmitt for graduating from Millbrook High School.

SYMPATHY - We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Bobby Moore and his family in the loss of his wife, Mittie, and to Tim, Leanne, Lauren, and Kendall Keith as they mourn the loss of Tim's father.