

September 5, 2010

pastor's pen

Summer is almost over..... and school is back in session.

Wow, what a number of emotions come at that statement. Summer just started the other day. It was just Memorial Day and then all of a sudden it is time for Labor Day. School just ended and graduation was just last week, wasn't it? Well, now it's time and the new school year has begun.

REFRESH

It is also time for us to begin our **New Fall Line Up**. I want to give you just a glimpse of what is planned. Our theme this year for September 2010 thru May 2011 will be "Refresh." Our theme passage will be **Proverbs 11:25....."A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed."**

Sunday AM Celebration this fall will seek to refresh our mission as we take a closer look at God's desire for His church to minister beyond her walls as we become much more externally focused. We are proud to **be a church** in Washington but God's Word challenges us to **be the church**. So, let's evaluate and hopefully refresh our own external focus on Washington and surrounding communities represented by WCC nation. This study will begin today and run through October. Pray for an open heart and eyes to see.

Wednesday Connection Adult Study this fall will focus on refreshing our prayer life. We will study specific

kinds of prayers in scripture as we face certain situations. The study will be called "**Pivotal Prayer**" and I want us to spend about 30 minutes in study and the final 15 minutes in prayer. We will still have the meal at 5:30 pm and there will be **Youth Connection** going on during the adult study. Remember Wednesday Connection will begin on September 15th.

Summer is great! But the fall is a time to reconsider and reevaluate the fields that are ready for the harvest. So would you please pray that the hearts of WCC would also be ripe for refreshing..... I'm convinced that God wants to do His part.....

Blessings, Jeff

connection

Connection begins on Wed, Sept. 15th. We are still looking for members for our cooking teams. You can work on an existing team or start your own with 4-5 friends. Call Norma Sinn (361-0096), or Barb Shipley (251-3061).

Details: Connection will be held each Wed. @ 5:30 pm. Be sure to sign up ahead of time for the meal in the F.H. (the Sunday before). (\$3 for single, \$5 for couples, \$7 for families). The meal will be followed by an Adult study and youth activities for grades K-5.



Volunteers Needed: WCV is in need of volunteer to help take residents to the beauty parlor at the Village. Residents need the volunteer to stay with them

while in the parlor. If interested in volunteering in this ministry contact Jim Gorby at WCV (444-3161).

Needs: Kleenex (small, long boxes), Sugar Free candy (only Russell Stover chocolates), Russell Stover various candies, other brands same idea, Milky Way bite size, 3 Musketeers, Hershey assorted bite size candy bars, Reece's Peanut Butter Cups (with sugar and sugar free), Dove & Caress bath soap, Word Search books, If you would like to donate any of these items at any time, please leave them in the church office and mark them "WCV Shopping Cart".

heart-house

Quilt & Textile Show: On Sept. 17th & 18th there will be a quilt & textile show at the General Projects Building @ the Farm Bureau Parks in Eureka. Friday: 4-8 pm; Saturday: 9 am-4 pm. Tickets are on sale at Heart House, Eureka Public Library, University Illinois Extension Office, Heartland Bank in Metamora, & Goodfield State Bank in Goodfield and Eureka for \$5 or they may be purchased at the door for \$7. All proceeds go to Heartline and Heart House programs.

ABF ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

The following adult classes are currently available every Sunday, 9:45-10:45:

The Truth Project – Truthseekers - hosted by Mike Bochart.

Abide – Kingdom Rhythms in a consumer culture. Host – Ed Taylor

Look At the Man – through the Bible with Bert Nordhielm

Christian Sisters – through the Bible with Anamarie Morris



September's orders need to be turned into Rose Bankes by September 12th and picked up in the Library on Sunday, Septmeber 19th. See Rose or Bernie Bankes with questions.

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Nursery School Starting Up: Nursery School has started this week & we want to make you aware that traffic has picked up during the weekdays. Please be aware of little ones crossing the parking lot and in the building. Also, we ask that you not block the passage under the canopy or along the office side of the building as parents pull up to drop off and pick up their children. Thank you.

Volunteer Help Needed: The Tazewell County Retired Teachers Dinner will be held @ WCC on Mon, Sept. 13th in our F.H. and **they are still in need of a few volunteers to help serve and clean up.** Volunteers would be needed from 11 am to around 2 pm that day. Last May they held their dinner here and donated over \$300 in proceeds toward our Fellowship Hall Acoustic Fund. Their intent this year is to do the same with their proceeds. Please consider helping out. Contact Judy Vaughn (444-2801) or Jan Geisz (745-8440) if you can help.



Please sign up for the upcoming **Ladies Retreat** to be held on Sept. 17-18th, at Camp Griesheim. It will be a time to refresh, renew and reacquaint ourselves with our fellow sisters in Christ. Mark your calendar, for the "REAL Divine Ya-Ya Sisterhood" event

you won't want to miss!! See Cara Getz or Kim Taylor with questions.



The Church Office will be closed this Monday, Sept. 6th in observance of Labor Day.

Nursery School Board meeting to be held next Sunday, Sept. 12th in the Library @ 9:45 am.

Choir News: Choir will meet next Sunday, September 12 @ 4:30 pm. It's not too late to join us! See Ben Browning or Ed Taylor with questions.



Reminder: The Prime Timers are planning a **Hymn Sing for Sunday, Oct. 3 @ 6:30 pm** in the auditorium. Please mark your calendar.

Also, the **September Prime Timers breakfast will be held this Saturday, Sept. 11th at 9 am.** Anyone 50 years + is welcome to attend. See Stan Geisz or Carl Clang with questions.



Offering, 8/29:..... \$9,221.03
 YTD offering: \$277,411.86
 Gen. Fund exp YTD: \$289,485.08
 Sunday School offering:..... \$51.90
 Attendance, 1st service: 123
 Attendance, 2nd service: 124
 Total attendance, 8/29: 247
 Sunday School attendance: 124

Workers Today (9-5)	
SS Nursery	C & E Hynek
Wor. Nursery	C Powers / Bochart
Kings Kids	Groffs / L Libotte
Wee Worship	Farraher's / E Neal, B Howley
CARE Ministry	M Bochart, R Nelson / Getz's
Greeters	Groff's // Libotte's
Deaconess for Sept.: C Worthington, B Paterson	

Workers Next Week (9-12)	
SS Nursery	P Heller, T Mason

Wor. Nursery	Huelsmanns/E Hynek, P Robertson
Kings Kids	Volz's / M Fisher, K Thurman
Wee Worship	SFrazier, K Bishoff/ NSinn, ASanders
CARE Ministry	R Mason, B Nordhielm / M Beebe
Greeters	C Lewellen / Geisz's
Deaconess for Sept.: C Worthington, B Paterson	
Communion Prayer: Carl Clang	
Offering Med: Bill Groff, Jamie McClintock	



HOSPITAL: Mike Smithee – surg; Ja Olympio – angioplasty - Anamarie Morris's infant great nephew; Cassie Divert – needs lung transplant – Jamie Thurman's friend;

AT HOME: All of Our Missionaries; Our Leaders and our Men & Women in the Armed Forces; Debbie Walkers mom; Carl Johnson; Bob & Liz Chaney; Mignonette Wise; Hauter family – husband's leg amputation 6/25 – infected / Brenda Smith & family – husbands job - Cara Fitzgerald's friends/co-workers; Robyn Eaton – Clang's friend; Susie Daffron – dementia & Rowan Bartell-her caregiver - Carolyn Blacks mom & sister; silent request – marriage/finances; Bill Fore – radiation; Melissa Smith – health concerns – Howley's friend; Archdale/Patterson family and business decisions; Robin Tessier – job situation – Kim Taylor's sister; Carolyn Sneed – needs liver transplant - Marilyn Brown's sister; Gary Fitzgerald; Gail Kelly – Alzheimer's – Gary Whitehead's sister; Dean Kukuck – ruptured Achilles – Dawn Peterson's dad; Mike & R.J. Hoyt – jobs; Nichols – house fire – family is safe – friends of Lewellens; Jill Fosterold – fell – broke hand & thumb – surgery – 8/31 – has hip surg. in 2 weeks - Chicago – friend of Robin Nelson; Michelle Lashbrook – Christine Jarrett's sister; Jane Young – fell – in therapy;

PRAISE: Ben Powers is throat cancer free!

SYMPATHY: Our sympathies go out to the family and friends of Toni Chee who passed away last week after a sever car accident. She was a close friend of Jean Filson.

SHUT-INS: Margie Bess - Snyder Village; Gwen Kubley; Sara Siever - WCSupported Living - Rm#1230; Lucile Post; Gloria Berlett; Juanita McCollum; Louise Thurman - Bob Thurman's mom - WCSupported Living; Myra Snyder – Tony Snyder's sister-in-law;

(To add to or update this Prayer Concern list please contact the office. Thank you.)