



# The Broadman Beacon

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## OUTRIGGER ISLAND VBS 2008

I know it is winter, but it is time to start thinking about VBS. I need everyone to start signing up for volunteer positions ASAP. If you want to help with VBS simply go to the Kiosk and look at the positions and areas available and sign up where you believe God can use you to make VBS 2008 the best ever.


Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at FSBC of North Canton is our VBS Preview Clinic. This is a great way to see how Lifeway is suggesting we do VBS. There will be clinics on worship, music, teaching, crafts, snacks, recreation, administration, decorating and more. This is where we get our ideas and start to discover how God wants us to do our VBS in 2008. We need to take as many people as possible, but especially all teachers and section leaders. Please make this a priority. Then on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. while everything is fresh we will meet for our first planning meeting for VBS 2008. During this mee-

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## Special Points of Interest

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## Pastor's Corner

### FAITHFULNESS 2008...

What will 2008 hold in store for Broadman Baptist Church? What will God call us to do this year? Where will He lead us? What will He reveal to us? What will He ask us to do? What will He require us to surrender?

I am not sure what the answers to these questions are, but I know what our response should be...faithfulness. I promised to keep the theme of faithfulness constantly before the congregation this year. Below you will see the signs of faithfulness that we as a congregation have committed too:

**2008 Theme: Faithfulness** - "We desire to be faithful as *God is faithful.*"

Signs of Faithfulness to which we commit:

- 200 + in Worship
- 120 + in Sunday School
- 100 + on Wednesday Night

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## MEN'S CONFERENCE

### Being a Tough Guy for Jesus!...

Do you know what it means to be a man of God? Do you want to be like Jesus? Or do these questions bring to mind images of weakness or less than manly? We want to TEAR DOWN these false ideas about what it means to be a man of God and to be more like Jesus. Jesus has called every man to be bold and courageous...we are to be a tough guy for Jesus!!! If you are interested in learning more about this please sign up to join us for the TOUGH GUY CONFERENCE at SENECA LAKE on April 25 & 26, 2008. Please mark your calendars now. The guest speaker and more specifics will come in the March and April Beacon Newsletters.

**PASTOR'S CORNER CON'T...***(Continued from page 1)***PASTOR'S CORNER..**

- 30 New Families
- 50 Salvations & Baptisms
- Faithful Giving
- Faithful Ministry Leaders
- Faithful Nursery Volunteers
- Faithful Involvement

Throughout the year I want to address each of these signs of faithfulness starting with **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**. Throughout the Scriptures God has called His people to assemble and worship Him. This is still true for us today. Sunday Worship is the life of the church and it should be something we all look forward to and desire to attend and core component to our spiritual life. I want to encourage everyone to make a commitment equal to mine...not to miss Sunday Worship unless you are sick or out of town on vacation or absolutely have to work. Did I just say that? Yes I did. I am actually asking you to make God and His church a top priority. I ask you to this unashamedly, because it is in you and your family's best interests. We should all treat Sunday as sacred, not because there is anything special about the day, but because that is the day the Family of God assembles at Broadman.

Our goal is to average 200+ in worship in 2008  
May we be found faithful!!!

**-Pastor Chris**

*(Continued from page 1)***VBS 2008...**

ing the VBS Director (Pastor Chris, who is looking for co-directors) will go over the vision for VBS 2008, feedback from 2007, and give specific guidance to each area. Then each section will have break out group time to start to come up with a plan and review materials, etc. Let the fun begin as we move toward Outrigger Island and learn how to live by God's Unshakable Truth.

**BROADMAN GIVING UPDATE...**

As the pastor of Broadman I want to personally thank everyone for their faithfulness to giving in 2007. In 2007 Broadman gave \$157,228 for the general fund and spent \$157,926 in annual expenditures. We ended the year with \$7,140 in our building fund and \$62,229 in our parking lot fund. This just goes to show that God provides and He did so last year in a great way. Great job Broadman!

So what does 2008 have in store for us financially? Let me start of by saying that as of January 20, 2008 we are nearly \$3000 behind budget. We have increased our budget and we all agreed to support this budget in December. I just want to remind and encourage everyone to remain faithful to giving. If you miss a Sunday be faithful to make up your tithe and offerings. Statistics sadly show that a majority of people who attend church will not make up their giving if they miss a Sunday. I also want us to focus on the park-

**GIVING...**

ing lot fund. The Lord willing we will have our parking lot upgraded in the back and a new parking lot up front by late spring or early summer. After we get the parking lot situation taken care of we will then focus on the building fund and hopefully by 2009 we will actually start to move on building plans.

Again, thanks for your faithfulness to giving God's way. You guys are awesome!!!

**-Pastor Chris**

**SOME THINGS WE OUGHT TO KNOW ABOUT GIVING...**

There are many reasons why we should give. One reason we should give is because **GOD HAS GIVEN US SO MUCH**. We are to demonstrate our thankfulness and gratitude to God because He has blessed us so much by giving. Many people look at giving as a burden or that the church is preying on people for money. Sadly, this may be the case in some situations. However, if done right, giving is a way of life that pleases God and blesses Him, others and ourselves. The reality is we are so blessed, every one of us. God meets our every need and He asks so little of us when it comes to giving. Giving simply is a sign of gratefulness. The Scripture says that "Much will be required of everyone who has been given much" (Luke 12:48). May we be mindful of our requirement to give because we have been given so much.

Give, and it will be given to you; a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, and running over—will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you."

**Luke 6:38 (HCSB)**

**HUMOR CORNER...****HOW SMART IS YOUR RIGHT FOOT?**

You have to try this please, it takes 2 seconds. I could not believe this!!! It is from an orthopedic surgeon...

This will boggle your mind and you will keep trying it over and over again to see if you can outsmart your foot, but, you can't. It's pre-programmed in your brain!

1. Without anyone watching you (they will think you are GOOFY.....) and while sitting at your desk in front of your computer, lift your right foot off the floor and make clockwise circles.

2. Now, while doing this, draw the number "6" in the air with your right hand. Your foot will change direction.

I told you so!!! And there's nothing you can do about it! You and I both know how stupid it is, but before the day is done you are going to try it again, if you've not already done so.

**INTERPRETING DREAMS...**

After she woke up, a woman told her husband, "I just dreamed that you gave me a pearl necklace for Valentine's day. What do you think it means?" "You'll know tonight." he said. That evening, the man came home with a small package and gave it to his wife. Delighted, she opened it - to find a book entitled "The meaning of dreams"

**NEW TO THE FAMILY OF GOD...**

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Josh Bright – Josh resides in Cuyahoga Falls and is a freshman at Falls High. He likes science and sports, and has one sister – Tabitha.

Susan Casebolt – Born in KY, Susan is a resident of Cuyahoga Falls. She loves bicycling on the Tow Path and hike and bike trail; one of her hobbies is crafts. She works at a convenience store in the area. Susan’s mother is Norma Newsome, who recently moved back ‘home’ from her farm in southern Ohio.

**FAMOUS COMPOSERS...**

Steven Spielberg was discussing his new project - an action docudrama about famous composers starring top movie stars. Sylvester Stallone, Steven Segall, Bruce Willis, and Arnold Schwarzenegger were all present. Spielberg strongly desired the box office 'oomph' of these superstars, so he was prepared to allow them to select whatever composers they wished to portray, as

long as they were famous. "Well," started Stallone, "I've always admired Mozart. I would love to play him."

"Chopin has always been my favorite, and my image would improve if people saw me playing the piano," replied Willis. "I'll play him."

"I've always been partial to Strauss and his waltzes," said Segall. "I'd like to play him."

Spielberg was very pleased with these choices. "Sounds splendid." Then, turning to Schwarzenegger, he asked, "Who do you want to be, Arnold?" Arnold in a slow deliberate voice replied, "I'll be Bach."

**GOTCHAI!**

**SPECIAL THANKS...**

The Beacon Newsletter would like to extend a special thank you to **Elayne Stockdale**. Elayne is responsible for proof reading the Beacon. She checks grammar, spelling, punctuation, etc. Without her this publication would not be the quality you have come to expect. **Thanks, Elayne!!**

**RECIPE OF THE MONTH...**

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**SALSA CHICKEN**



**INGREDIENTS:**

- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves
- 4 teaspoons taco seasoning mix
- 1 cup salsa
- 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
- 2 tablespoons sour cream (optional)

**DIRECTIONS:**

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C)

Place chicken breasts in a lightly greased 9x13 inch baking dish. Sprinkle taco seasoning on both sides of chicken breasts, and pour salsa over all.

Bake at 375 degrees F (190 degrees C) for 25 to 35 minutes, or until chicken is tender and juicy and its juices run clear.

Sprinkle chicken evenly with cheese, and continue baking for an additional 3 to 5 minutes, or until cheese is melted and bubbly. Top with sour cream if desired, and serve.

<http://allrecipes.com/Recipe/Salsa-Chicken/Detail.aspx>



**February 18th 2008**

**Short Notes...**

**QUOTE OF THE MONTH**

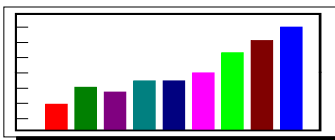
"I desire so to conduct the affairs of this administration that if at the end, when I come to lay down the reins of power, I have lost every friend on Earth, I shall at least have one friend left, and that friend shall be down inside me."

**-Abraham Lincoln**

**Track Our Attendance**

*Let's keep growing!*

DEC 16.....	142
DEC 23.....	155
DEC 30.....	116
JAN 6.....	148
JAN 13.....	160
Jan 20.....	157



**e-Beacon...**

Would you like to get an advance copy of the Beacon Newsletter in full color? We call this the "e-Beacon" The electronic version of the monthly Beacon Newsletter will arrive in your inbox a few days before the paper copy is published. Send an email to the editor, Bill Stockdale, at [wstockdale@neo.rr.com](mailto:wstockdale@neo.rr.com) and say "I want the e-Beacon". If you are on our mailing list you will continue to receive the paper version. Copies are always available the first Sunday of each month at the kiosk in the sanctuary.



**SALT & LIGHT...****SALT AND LIGHT...****THE WAR AGAINST THE UNBORN ...**

Let me ask you a couple of questions: can you give me an approximate number on the death toll in Iraq? Can you give me the death toll of the unborn since the Supreme Court passed Roe vs. Wade? I would say we are more likely to know the answer about the death toll in Iraq because until the military surge, that seemed to be all that the media reported. Sadly, we never see the media report how many unborn were killed in a month, year or in the 30 plus year war against the unborn in our nation. So let me bring everyone up to date on the death toll of the war on the unborn in our nation. If you were to take the death tolls for the Vietnam War, Korean War, WWI, WWII, Civil War, and Revolutionary Wars how many would that be? Most of us don't know...in fact I had to look it up myself. Something else most of us don't know is that all of these wars combined have a lower death toll than the war of the unborn in America alone. It is unfortunate that anyone has to die for the cause of freedom, but sometimes it is necessary to preserve freedom. But it is horrific to think that we have killed more in the womb than through the entire major wars of our nation's history and have called it choice, and most of us don't even realize it!

Why do we allow this? Why are over half of Americans supportive of abortion because they call it a choice? Why are people dead set

against the war in Iraq, but we don't hear a peep out of them calling to end the war of the unborn? Instead of crying out to stop the war in Iraq perhaps we should start with the war against the unborn that exists on our own soil...just some food for thought! Go be the salt and light of the world.

-Pastor Chris

**PREAMBLE FOR YOUR STATE...**

This is amazing and wonderful. If only everyone would acknowledge it!

Do you know the Preamble for your state? . . . All 50 states acknowledge or reference God in their constitution preambles. Here are some samples of state preambles...

**Interesting-Important commentary at the end.**

**Ohio 1852**, Preamble. We the people of the state of Ohio , grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, to secure its blessings and to promote our common

**Alabama 1901**, Preamble. We the people of the State of Alabama , invoking the favor and guidance of Almighty God, do ordain and establish the following Constitution.

**Alaska 1956**, Preamble. We, the people of Alaska , grateful to God and to those who founded our nation and pioneered this great land.

**Arizona 1911**, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Arizona , grateful to Almighty God for our liberties, do ordain this Constitution...

**STATE PREAMBLES...**

**Nevada 1864**, Preamble. We the people of the State of Nevada , grateful to Almighty God for our freedom establish this Constitution

**New Hampshire 1792**, Part I. Art. I. Sec. V Every individual has a natural and unalienable right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience.

**North Carolina 1868**, Preamble. We the people of the State of North Carolina, grateful to Almighty God, the Sovereign Ruler of Nations, for our civil, political, and religious liberties, and acknowledging our dependence upon Him for the continuance of those

**North Dakota 1889**, Preamble. We , the people of North Dakota , grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of civil and religious liberty, do ordain...

**Oregon 1857**, Bill of Rights, Article I. Section 2. All men shall be secure in the Natural right, to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their consciences..

**Pennsylvania 1776**, Preamble We, the people of Pennsylvania, grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of civil and religious liberty, and humbly invoking His guidance

**Rhode Island 1842**, Preamble. We the People of the State of Rhode Island grateful to Almighty God for the civil and religious liberty which He hath so long permitted us to enjoy, and looking to Him for a blessing

**South Carolina, 1778**, Preamble. We, the people of he State of South Carolina grateful to God for our liber-

ties, do ordain and establish this Constitution.

**Texas 1845**, Preamble. We the People of the Republic of Texas , acknowledging, with gratitude, the grace and beneficence of God.

**Utah 1896**, Preamble. Grateful to Almighty God for life and liberty, we establish this Constitution.

**Vermont 1777**, Preamble. Whereas all government ought to enable the individuals who compose it to enjoy their natural rights, and other blessings which the Author of Existence has bestowed on man

**Virginia 1776**, Bill of Rights, XVI Religion, or the Duty which we owe our Creator can be directed only by Reason and that it is the mutual duty of all to practice Christian Forbearance, Love and Charity towards each other

**Wisconsin 1848**, Preamble. We, the people of Wisconsin , grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, domestic tranquility

After reviewing acknowledgments of God from all 50 state constitutions, one is faced with the prospect that maybe, the ACLU and the out-of-control federal courts are wrong! We hope you found this to be "Food for thought"

*"Those people who will not be governed by God will be ruled by tyrants."*

- William Penn

—GOD BLESS AMERICA—

**MISSIONS...**

**MISSION FOCUS: CHINA AND AMERICA...**

There are estimated to be nearly 70 million Chinese Christians. Perhaps Chinese Christians will some day be able to proclaim their faith freely. Consider these mission thoughts: On any given Sunday there are more people worshipping in the communist nation of China than in all of Europe, the next great awaking, perhaps even a global awakening could start with China, some are saying that China could become the global center of Christianity in the near future. WOW!!! This is exciting to Christians...but also sobering to American Christians...why? Because at one time Europe was the Christian center of the world, then it became America. But now America is fading into a worldly Christianity. Even though a vast majority of Americans (80%) consider themselves Christians, only about 19% of them claim to live an "active" Christian life according to "Your Church" magazine Jan/Feb 2008 edition. I have read many statistics on church attendance, and found that a vast majority of Americans are not in church on a given Sunday. The sobering thought is that if the American Church is not careful, we will become like Europe...dead to Christ with only 5% of all Europeans attending church on any given Sunday. Let this mission focus remind us that we need to pray for China to find new life in Christ, but also pray for America's churches to be resurrected back to life for Jesus Christ or we will suffer a sure and certain self-induced death just like Europe!

**STATE EVANGELISM CONFERENCE...  
Breaking Down the Walls!**

Everyone is invited to attend "BREAKING DOWN THE WALLS" State Evangelism Conference at Cedarville University on February 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Come learn how to break down the walls through evangelism that renovates a community. If interested in going please see Pastor Chris ASAP.



**State Convention of Baptists in Ohio**

**MISSIONS**

**FEBRUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH**

The Benevolence Food Closet in our church is in need of restocking. The Benevolence Closet helps people within our church and in the community who are in need of food. We are trying to put together items so that meals can be made. If you would like to help, please bring non-perishable food items and place them in the collection tubs in the Fellowship Hall. Some items to consider are:

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|-------------------|------------------------|
| Oats              | Macaroni & Cheese      |
| Cereal            | Instant Potatoes       |
| Pancake mix       | Rice                   |
| Syrup             | etc.                   |
| Peanut Butter     | Items also needed are: |
| Jelly             | Toilet Paper           |
| Canned Fruit      | Paper Towels           |
| Canned Vegetables | Tissues                |
| Canned Soup       | Baby Formula           |
| Tuna              | Baby Food              |
| Egg Noodles       | Diapers                |
| Spaghetti Sauce   | Baby Wipes             |
| Spaghetti Noodles | etc.                   |

**PARENTS NIGHT OUT...**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2008 &  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2008**

As a service to our church families, the youth will be baby-sitting children, ages newborn through age 12, from 6:00-10:00 p.m. on February 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Dinner will be provided for the kids. This will give couples a chance to enjoy an evening out while their kids are in a safe environment. A love offering will be accepted. Be sure to sign up at the kiosk.



**BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & MORE...**

# FEBRUARY

**Dates to Remember**

- African-American History Month
- Transfiguration of the Lord, Feb 3, 2008
- Boy Scout Sunday, February 3, 2008
- Ash Wednesday, February 6, 2008
- Valentine's Day, February 14, 2008
- Presidents' Day, February 18, 2008

**CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS...**

**CHALICE & CROSS**



The chalice is a symbol of Holy Communion. The pointed cross is known as the Passion Cross, Agony Cross or Cross of Suffering. Together these symbols represent the agony of Christ's passion and his obedient suffering.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES...**

Offering envelopes are a great way to organize and remember your tithe. You'll find them located in the foyer and at the kiosk. Pick up a box this Sunday

“Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.”

2 Cor 9:7 (KJV)



**BIRTHDAYS**

- 2/3 SYDNEY ROBINSON
- 2/5 DELLA HALL
- 2/8 RICHARD MANGRUM
- 2/12 PAMELA TESEO
- 2/13 KATE BAUGHMAN
- 2/13 CHELSEA THOMPSON
- 2/15 BROOKE BOSARGE
- 2/19 SUSAN HANNA
- 2/21 CHRISTINE JOHNSTON
- 2/22 GRACE RUGGIERO
- 2/22 SHARON DONEY
- 2/26 DAVE HUDSPATH

## Happy Birthday!

**ANNIVERSARIES**

No Anniversaries that we are aware of this month. If you have an anniversary in February please contact the church office so they can update the list.



**RESTRUCTURING FOR GROWTH...****RESTRUCTURING FOR GROWTH...  
Lines of Communication (PART 2)**

The church is a living organism that God calls the Body of Christ. It is God's intent for His body to be healthy, growing and thriving. In order to do that the church must constantly seek God's direction and be obedient to His leading. Last month we dealt with the issue of numeric growth; however, this month we will focus specifically on the area of communication lines. We need to ask ourselves if we are communicating effectively for growth?

For any organism to grow it must have clear lines of communication. The larger a church gets the harder the church will have to work at creating good communication lines. In smaller churches, everyone goes to the pastor for communication; however, as a church grows the pastor may still need to remain in the communication line but he can no longer be the only source of communication. The church must understand that as a church grows ministry leaders need to communicate with the church pastor, as well as to do cross ministry communication ensuring that all ministry leaders know what is going on and to reduce ministry conflict. If church ministries continue to operate solo, or if the pastor remains the only primary line of communication, conflict with volunteers and ministry focus will likely occur. This ultimately will limit the growth of the church

- I want us to ask some tough questions about communication lines. Are we looking for ways to communicate information to other ministries leaders and the pastor outside of regularly planned meetings so that ministry leaders are not restricted in making decisions only during meetings? This is important so that a ministry leader has the freedom to make decisions outside of the meetings if necessary.
- Are we moving away from the congregation making all the decisions and toward appointed leadership being em-

**BIBLE QUIZ...**

powered to make decisions? This is important to the future of the church. Church leadership needs to have the blessing of the congregation to make decisions in their areas of ministry. The congregation does not need to be involved in every decision a church makes. Such confining lines of communication limit a church from growth and stifle ministry creativity.

- Are people going to other people besides the pastor for communication? The pastor should always be aware of what is going on, but he does not have to be the primary source of information for everyone. If the church does not learn to look to leaders other than the pastor, for information, then the church will be limited to only the amount of people the pastor can individually handle.

Are there communication channels to get information out to the congregation? Are we providing information flow to the congregation? Do we put information out in advance via the website, newsletter, weekly program and so forth. This is not asking whether you read it, but is the information available if someone wants to know what is going on and get involved. Making information accessible in a variety of places is crucial for growth

I would love to hear what you think about the lines of communication in our church, especially how we can improve the lines of communication. Send me an email or the time to write down your thoughts and send them my way. Remember, the idea is not to be critical or place fault, but to move our church in the right direction for healthy growth. Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this and respond.

-Pastor Chris

## Bible Quiz

What did Jesus say about the proper way to pray? Choose the correct answer below:

- Go to a public place and witness by praying where others can hear you.
- Go to a private place such as your room, shut the door and spend quiet time with God.
- Diligently prepare ahead of time the words you wish to use in prayer, write them out and then read them to God.

The answer is in Matthew 6:5-6, NRSV.



**DEACON CONFERENCE...****DEACON, YOKEFELLOW CONFERENCE...**

Gentlemen of Broadman we are looking for a few godly men...that should be all of us by the way!!!! February 22nd & 23rd we are going to have a Deacon Yokefellow Conference. This conference is for all the active deacons to receive training but is also training for "ALL" men. The Yokefellow concept is that deacons can be developed and trained. Perhaps you don't think you are worthy, qualified or are capable of being a deacon...welcome to the boat - who is or does! No one is worthy, qualified or capable...all God asks is that we are willing.

Not everyone will be called to be a deacon...but "ALL" men are encouraged to attend this conference as part of a discovery process at Broadman to find future deacons. So if you are a Christian and member or going to become a member of Broadman you are invited to this conference to discover what being a deacon is all about. Don't make any assumption about yourself...just be a willing vessel in God's hands. You may just discover that God is calling you to be a deacon, but you will never know unless you pursue God.

The Conference will be held at the Hudson Holiday Inn on Route 8. Friday, February 22, 6-10 p.m. (we will eat dinner) and Saturday, February 23, 9 - 3 p.m. (we will eat lunch). May the faithful step forward!!! Only real men need apply - that is all of you by the way!!!!

**YOUTH NEWS...****T.A.S.S.E.L. SUNDAYS**

*Teens After Service Serving Elegant Lunch*

The next T.A.S.S.E.L. lunch will be held on **Sunday, April 13, 2008.**

Love Donations Accepted!

Profits from these lunches will be used to defray the cost of youth activities.

**Sign up at the Kiosk & Support Our Youth!!**

**BROADMAN YOUTH NEWS-FEBRUARY 2008****2008 BBC THEME: Return To Faithfulness**

ALL parents and youth are encouraged to be "faithful" in your support of the Youth Group activities. More parents are asked to become involved this year. Our youth group is only as good as the parents and youth make it! Be a "faithful" parent and participate in our youth activities with your teen!

**YOUTH FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES**

Youth who participate in fundraising activities can earn enough money to cover and/or significantly defray the cost of all of our youth activities.

**T.A.S.S.E.L. (Teens After Service Serving Elegant Lunch)**

Parent/Youth volunteers needed for set up, to serve lunch, kitchen help, and clean up. T.A.S.S.E.L. participation teaches service, responsibility, and fellowship with church members. The next T.A.S.S.E.L. lunch will be held on Sunday, April 13, 2008.

**SUPERBOWL SUBS**

On Sunday, February 3, 2008, parent/youth volunteers are

needed to make "Superbowl" Sub sandwiches. 6 inch subs will be sold after the worship service. Volunteers are needed for sandwich preparation at 9:30 a.m. and after the service to sell the subs.

**PARENTS NIGHT OUT**

On Saturday, February 9, 2008 and Friday, February 15, 2008 from 6-10 p.m. youth volunteers are needed to babysit so that parents will be able to enjoy an evening out while their children are in a safe environment.

**EASTER CANDY**

The Youth will be making and selling Easter Candy in March. More details to follow.

**QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR CONCERNS? Just Ask.....**

Co-Leaders: Terry Sneed & Mike Thompson

Youth Council: Nelson Balsinger, Jackie Forcina, Lynn Hendrock, Brad & Sandy Mouser, Amy Shorb, Lori Thompson, Ashley Hendrock, Christopher Mouser, Amanda Shorb, and David Mell.

**-In Christ, Jackie Forcina, Youth Council**

## CHOIR NEWS...

## GFS....

## SUPPER IS SERVED...

## ACME CASHBACK...

## SPECIAL THANKS...

I would like to thank everyone who generously donated to the Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets.

This past year we were able to do ten Thanksgiving baskets and eleven Christmas baskets. This is the most we have done since I have been involved in the Benevolence Ministry. Many families were blessed because of your love and caring. Also a big thank you to Pastor Chris and the deacons for taking time to deliver these baskets. Special thanks to Sandy Mouser, Marilyn Wortman, and Gerry Richardson for sorting and organizing the food donations. Thank you again!

**Brad Mouser**  
Benevolence Deacon

## CHOIR NEWS –COME GLORIFY THE LORD!

## SPECIAL NEWS

**Winter Choir Retreat – Saturday, February 9, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Please plan to join us as we sing through new music to prepare for upcoming specials and prepare for Easter services.



## Our new rehearsal schedule is as follows:

All rehearsals are from 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 6

Wednesday, Feb. 27

Wednesday, March 5

Wednesday, March 12 (extra practice for Easter preparation)

Wednesday, March 19 (extra practice for Easter preparation)

Wednesday, March 26

Wednesday, April 2

Wednesday, April 30

## GORDON FOOD SERVICES:...

## "A Great Way To Give Back To The Lord!"

Are you a part of the GFS "Fun Funds" program for our church? Did you know you can buy some great food and products at a great price and give back to the Lord?

Well you can! Find out more at the church information kiosk in the sanctuary.



## JOIN US FOR SUPPER

## Every Wednesday

Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:15 pm

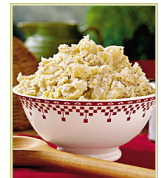
February 6: Spaghetti and Salad

February 13: Grilled Cheese Sandwich and Tomato Soup

February 20: Hotdogs and Baked Beans

February 27: Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwiches and Potato Salad

**After a delicious meal stay for the WB!**



The Acme Cash Back program for 2007-2008 has begun. We will be collecting Acme receipts in the box located just outside the sanctuary. The program will run through February 18, 2008. The church will receive 5% back on purchases of all Acme brand products. Last year the proceeds were used to fund the church picnic. Your support will allow us to continue fun fellowship events such as this. Thank you for your support.

**Brad Mouser & Jane Mason**

Fellowship Directors

Answer to the Bible Quiz on page 7 is B

## HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!...

**Bible Verses About Love...****Genesis 29:20**

So Jacob worked seven years to pay for Rachel. But his love for her was so strong that it seemed to him but a few days. (NLT)

**Proverbs 10:12**

Hatred stirs up dissension, but love covers over all wrongs. (NIV)

**Proverbs 13:24**

Those who love their children care enough to discipline them. (NLT)

**Proverbs 15:17**

A bowl of vegetables with someone you love is better than steak with someone you hate. (NLT)

**Song of Solomon 1:2**

Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth— for your love is more delightful than wine. (NIV)

**Song of Solomon 2:16**

My lover is mine, and I am his. (NLT)

**Ephesians 5:25**

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her. (NIV)

**Ephesians 5:33**

However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband. (NIV)

**Colossians 3:14**

And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. (NIV)

**1 Peter 4:8**

Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. (NIV)

**"I JUST WANT TO SAY I LOVE YOU..."**

English..... I Love You

Spanish..... Te Amo

French..... Je T'aime

German..... Ich Liebe Dich

Japanese..... Ai Shite Imasu

Italian..... Ti Amo

Chinese..... Wo Ai Ni

Swedish..... Jag Alskar Dig

Eskimo..... Nagligivaget

Greek..... S'Agapo

Hawaiian..... Aloha Wau la Oe

Irish..... Thaim In Grabh Leat

Hebrew..... Ani Ohev Otakh

Russian..... Ya Lyublyu Tyebya

Albanian..... Une Te Dua

Finnish..... Mina Rakkastan Sinua

Turkish..... Seni Seviyorum

Hungarian..... Se Ret Lay

Persian..... Du Stet Daram

Maltese..... Jien Inhobbok

Catalan..... Testimo Molt

**THOUGHTS FOR VALENTINES DAY...**

Valentine's Day, a time when thoughts turn to love. But what is love? Is it a box of chocolates, or a pretty valentine? Is it a red rose, or maybe a dozen? Is it a peck on the cheek, a fond embrace, or a big bear hug?

Well, sometimes love is known in those ways. But love, real love, is how we relate to God and to one another if life is what it ought to be - beautiful!

**THE ENGINE OF MARRIAGE...**

Being in love is a good thing, but it is not the best thing. Love is a deep unity, maintained by the will and deliberately strengthened by habit; reinforced by the grace which both partners ask and receive from God. On this love the engine of marriage is run; being in love was the explosion that started it.

-C.S. Lewis



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## Scripture of the Month

### Worship Schedule

9:00am Prayer in Sanctuary

9:30am Coffee & Fellowship

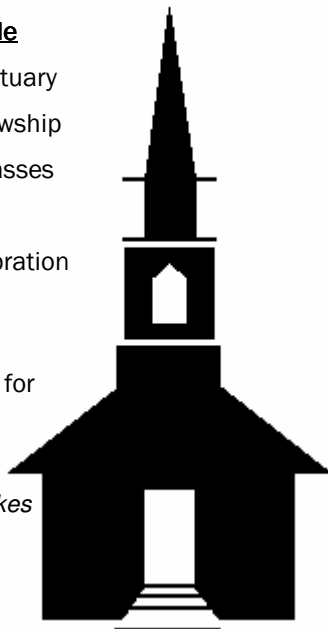
9:45am Life Impact classes  
for all ages

11:00am Morning Celebration  
Service

### Wednesdays

6:30pm WB Something for  
everyone

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### John 13:34-35 (HCSB)

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

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