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**BE A PATRIOT...**

**Declare our need for Dependence...**

America is at a true crossroads. Will we declare our independence from God or will we declare our dependence on God? On July 4, 1776 we declared our independence from the tyranny of the King of England. The signers of the Declaration justified their actions against the sovereignty of the King of England by declaring their inalienable rights that are granted to all people by their Creator and His sovereignty trumps the sovereignty of any tyrannical King.

Soon it will be July 4, 2009, do we still believe this? Do we as a Nation believe that our independence comes from the freedom of having dependence upon God like the signers of the Declaration of Independence? Do we believe we have inalienable rights that are granted to us by the Creator of all things?

There is so much evidence supporting a Godly heritage in our nation that can be derived from the Declaration alone, but there is also other evidence like our money that reads, "In God we Trust", our national saying of, "God Bless America", our national monuments which contain

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**Well Done My Good and Faithful Servants**

(Read Matthew 25:14-30 for Scriptural background.)

The results of the Talent Challenge were amazing....!

can almost hear God saying, **'Well done, good and faithful slave! You were faithful over a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Share your master's joy!'**

Back in March I preached a sermon on the Talents God has given us. That day everyone received a \$1 coin. The challenge was simple...what will you do with your talent?



As a result over \$1,876.18 was received from the talent offering. The breakdown is as follows: Undesignated was \$524.18, Special Designated \$612, College Minister \$191, Benevolence \$57.50, Parking Lot \$18, book sale \$117, purchase of fellowship hall tables \$343 and dirt for the

cross on the hill \$14. In addition to the money collected we also had someone build a new Lord's Supper table....the end result...PRICELESS!!!!



May we praise God together for the great things He has done! May we now share in the Master's joy in this great accomplishment...I cannot help but think that God is smiling down upon us this very moment

**-Pastor Chris**



**VBS IS HERE!**

**PASTOR'S CORNER CON'T...**

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**PASTOR'S CORNER..**

Scriptures and God honoring quotes, and so much more.

If you don't believe me then I encourage you to pick up a copy of "Rediscovering God in America" by Newt Gingrich. I just reread it...what a blessing! It is not a political book, rather a monument tour of Washington D.C. demonstrating our Godly heritage. It is a reflection upon "the role of faith in our nation's history" and I pray it is a portrayal of our future as well, if we will return to the God of our Nation.

This 4<sup>th</sup> of July, be a patriot, declare your dependence upon God for self and Nation!!!

-Pastor Chris



**YOUTH NEWS...**

**BROADMAN YOUTH  
BACK TO SCHOOL BLAST**



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2009  
5:00 p.m.**

**George & Julie Johnston's Home  
56 Cochran Rd., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223  
(330) 922-3228**

**All youth, grades 6-12, and their parents/families are invited to the Johnston's home for a Back to School Blast. Youth Council members, teachers and mentors are welcome to attend!**

**Hamburgers & hot dogs will be provided  
Please bring a two liter of soda and a side dish to share**

**RSVP to Julie Johnston  
no later than Sunday, August 16, 2009  
or sign up in the youth room or at the kiosk!!!**

**YOUTH NEWS-JULY 2009**

NOTE TO PARENTS-Youth entering the 6<sup>th</sup> grade in August are permitted to participate in youth fundraisers and activities effective this June. They will move up to the youth Sunday School and WB classes in September.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

☺ JULY 7-11, 2009

TRIP TO KINGS ISLAND (with Christian music concerts) and the CREATION MUSEUM

☺ SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2009

CAR WASH FUNDRAISER



☺ SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2009

BACK TO SCHOOL BLAST AT THE JOHNSTON'S HOUSE

☺ SEPTEMBER 12, 2009

TRIP TO AMISH COUNTRY AND ROLLING RIDGE ANIMAL PARK

*Sign up rosters and permission slips for all youth activities are available in the youth room.*



**MINISTRY GUIDE & MORE...**

**MINISTRY GUIDE...**

The Broadman Ministry Guide is the result of a great deal of work by the Nominating/Personnel Team and Pastor Chris. This guide is designed to present all of Broadman's many ministry areas in a form that is easy to understand. It is a tool that can be used by everyone when seeking a ministry position within the church. It will answer questions and help guide one into finding their ministry. There is a ministry for everyone at Broadman and everyone should have a ministry. The Broadman Ministry Guide will be presented for approval as a "working document" at the July 2009 business meeting. Please take time to read through it and discover all that Broadman has to offer in ministry. Should you have questions please contact any member of the Nominating/Personnel Team: Bill Stockdale (chair) Shannon Mangrum or Heather Groetz.

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

**Chris Anzevino** - A native of Youngstown, Chris graduated from Warren G. Hard-

**NEW TO THE FAMILY...**

ing High School. Of the three sons and two daughters in his family, he is the youngest. He is in his 2<sup>nd</sup> year at Kent State, majoring in Special Education, and is a center on the Golden Flashes football team -- as a freshman he started all 12 games. Chris found God in November 2008 and was baptized in April 2009.

**Parker Braccio** - A 1<sup>st</sup> grader at Overdale Grade School in Tallmadge, Parker is the son of Jim and Andrea Braccio -- and grandson of Pat Groetz. He has an orange belt in karate, and he is faithful to his church. Parker has a dog, Angel, and a bunny, Shadow.

**Cassy Esterak** - Cassie has an older sister and younger brother, lives in the Falls and her parents are Mike and Cathy. She will be a freshman at Falls High in the new school year where she will be in the choir -- she loves math and snowboarding.

**Maurine Griggs** - A native of Kentucky, Maurine lives in the Falls and has two children, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Also a native of Kentucky, her husband, R.C., retired from B.F. Goodrich after 37

years, passing away last November -- he and Maurine would have celebrated their 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary in July. In retirement, R.C. made furniture for family and helped others in many ways. As a legacy to R.C. and using his woodworking tools, son Rick, and grandson Corbin recently made a beautiful communion table for Broadman. Maurine has been a Christian for many years, and she decided she needs a home church.

**Chris and Denise Lee** - Natives of Cleveland west side, they were part of Berea Baptist Church for a number of years. They now live in Silver Lake, with their three children -- Taylor (who will attend Kent State this fall), Melissa and Jonathan. Chris owns a Roto-Rooter plumbing business, and loves to hunt, shoot, ride motorcycle, golf and coach kids softball. Denise has a full time job taking care of their family.

**Melissa Lee** - Melissa will be a sophomore this fall at Falls High. She golfs and plays softball.

**Jonathan Lee** - Jonathan will be a 6<sup>th</sup> grader in Rob-

**CHRISTMAS CLOSET...**

erts Middle School. He is a dirt biker and is mechanically inclined -- he loves to build things, especially with K'nex which is a color coded building set.

**CHRISTMAS CLOSET...**

Broadman now has a Christmas Closet. The Christmas Closet is for gifts for the children of our church whose family is going through hard times. With families losing jobs and the economy the way that it is the Christmas Closet will be there to supply gifts for families in need within our own church.

The Christmas Closet was created by the Christmas Angels. Christmas Angels is a secret committee of people reaching out to help those in need within our church. This is a secret committee but what they are doing is not secret because they need your help to accomplish the work of the Lord.

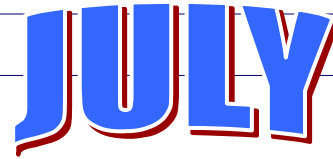
They are asking for your help to fill this closet. All you have to do is bring in a NEW toy or two throughout the year to help out families who will need the help at Christmas. When buying toys please keep in mind that if you buy a toy or game that requires batteries also include the batteries to go with it. If you would like to help and can't shop or just don't like to shop a monetary donation would be greatly appreciated. Please leave your donations at the Kiosk.



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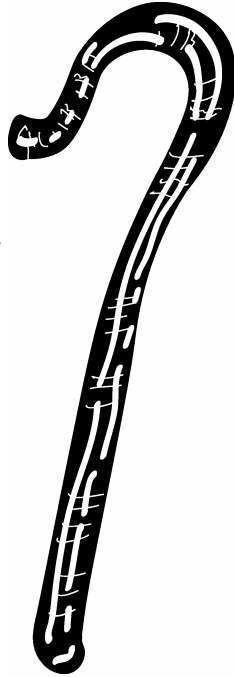
**BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & MORE...**



**• Christian Symbols +**

**Crook**

The shepherd's crook is a symbol for Jesus, the Good Shepherd. "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep" (John 10:11). The crook also symbolizes the shepherds who visited the baby Jesus in Bethlehem. It's also used in connection with King David, who had been a shepherd when he was young.



**BIRTHDAYS**

- 7/1 MARY REAGAN
- 7/1 BILL RIGHTER
- 7/2 MASON DUNHAM
- 7/8 LISA MCIE
- 7/9 ASHLEY HENDROCK
- 7/9 CHRIS HENDROCK
- 7/11 ADAM LEWIS
- 7/13 MARY ANN FULLERTON
- 7/15 SETH CHAPMAN
- 7/15 DALLAS WAGNER
- 7/16 FRANCES CHAPMAN
- 7/16 MIKE CHAPMAN
- 7/16 GEORGE JOHNSTON
- 7/16 CARLA PATTERSON
- 7/16 JOSIE (JOSEPHINE) REYNOLDS
- 7/18 LASZLO LAKOS
- 7/19 KRIS JoDON
- 7/20 GORDON McCOMBS
- 7/20 KIM SALAZAR
- 7/21 MARTY GEIB
- 7/21 DAWN McCOY
- 7/22 KEVIN BRIGHT
- 7/22 NATALIE HORNE
- 7/22 ANNALISE MOORE
- 7/24 BRAD MOUSER
- 7/25 SANDY MOUSER
- 7/25 JOE REAGAN
- 7/31 JENNIFER JAROSZ

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 7/2 DAVE & JUDY TRIPP
- 7/11 KARL & MARILYN WORTMAN
- 7/23 ANDY & SUSAN HANNA
- 7/24 JOHN & SANDY LALLEY
- 7/27 MIKE & LESLIE CHAPMAN
- 7/30 CHRIS & LYNN HENDROCK
- 7/31 BILL & CAROLE RIGHTER

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Independence Day, July 4, 2009



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

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**BROADMAN HELP PAGES...**

Do you need help with yard work? Are you looking for a painter, or someone to help with projects around the house? Is your car in need of service? How about someone to walk your dog, house sit, baby sit, or clean your house? Need dental care or eye care? The Broadman Help Pages is at your service!! We have listings for all of the services listed above and then some. Just get on the Broadman web page and click help pages. It will take you directly to the listing of individuals recommended by our church members. Also, we can still use some more listings so just contact Pastor Chris, Millie Castillo, or Meila. Millie can be reached at milliecastillo1873@msn.com.

**New Vendors have been added!!**

Check it out at:

[http://www.broadmanchurch.org/spiritual\\_helps/bbc\\_help\\_pages.html](http://www.broadmanchurch.org/spiritual_helps/bbc_help_pages.html)

**CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE**

**JULY-AUG 2009**

- WED., JULY 1, 8:00 P.M. – CHOIR ROOM
- SUN., JULY 5, 9:15 AM. – SANCTUARY FOR SOUND CHECK
- JUL., 10:45 A.M. – CHOIR ROOM WARM UP
- JUL., 11:00 A.M. – SING IN SERVICE
- WED., JULY 29, 8:00 P.M.- CHOIR ROOM
- WED., AUG., 5, 8:00 P.M. – CHOIR ROOM
- SUN., AUG., 9 - 9:15 AM. – SANCTUARY FOR SOUND CHECK
- AUG., 9, 10:45 A.M. – CHOIR ROOM WARM UP
- AUG., 9, 11:00 A.M. – SING IN SERVICE
- WED., AUGUST 26, 8:00 P.M.-CHOIR ROOM

**UPCOMING SERMON – CALL 2 FALL...**



**CALL2FALL.COM**

**I'm in.**

**Are You In?**

**Join believers across our nation seeking God's healing for our land.**

A call to fall on our knees in prayer for our nation...SUNDAY, July 5, 2009 at 11 a.m. Worship Service.

Our church is registered to be an official CALL 2 FALL Church...You can sign up individually to be a part of this movement at [call2fall.com](http://call2fall.com) or check it out on our website under news and reviews.

*"If my people will humble themselves...pray...seek my face...turn from the wicked ways...then I will hear...forgive...and heal their land." 1 Chr 7:14*

**Bible Quiz**

A follower of Jesus traveled the world, spreading the Good News of Christ. While in Athens, Greece, he saw an altar with an inscription that read "To an unknown god." Who was the follower?

- A. Mark
- B. Peter
- C. Paul
- D. Luke

Answer: (See Acts 17:23-26, NRSV.)

(Answer on page 7)



**JOIN US FOR SUPPER**

**Every Wednesday**

Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:15 pm

- July 1: Chicken Pot Pie
- July 8: Salisbury Steak & Mashed Potatoes
- July 15: Chicken Tenderloin & Baked Potato
- July 22: VBS Week
- July 29: Hot Dogs & French Fries



## ALL THINGS VBS 2009...

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2009...Boomerang Express



"IT ALL COMES BACK TO JESUS" is what we will learn this summer as we take the Boomerang Express to the Land Down Under, July 19-24, 2009.

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER ONLINE –  
[www.broadmanchurch.org](http://www.broadmanchurch.org)

Your VBS Director, Mary Reagan has been working hard to make VBS 2009 a great success. We still can use more help so if you can help out, please let either Pastor Chris or Mary Reagan know ASAP. The more the merrier.

**Important dates:**

**JULY 4TH, 2009—STOW 4TH OF JULY PARADE...** Mark your calendars and plan on celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> of July with the family of God, as we worship God during the parade, we have fellowship, pass out outreach materials, and candy, and celebrate our independence as a nation. We have to be at the assembly area **NLT than 8:30 a.m.** in the Stow-Kent Plaza. You can park next to Macy's and then find our location in the parade line up. See Jen Jarosz for more details.

**WE STILL NEED CANDY...45,000** individually wrapped pieces of hard candy.

**VBS WORKDAYS...** Workdays continue every Saturday in July...we need you! Each Saturday, we gather from 9 – noon to work on VBS decorations. It is an all out effort of the church. Simply come, hang out, and have fun. Come be a part of making this years VBS a big success.

Please pray for the "**Boomerang Express**" after all "it all comes back to Jesus." Good day mates!!!

## SETTLEMENT OF AUSTRALIA...

## VBS SNACK ITEMS NEEDED...

The VBS Snack Team is in need of some donations. If you can buy an item or two or even donate money it would be greatly appreciated. If you can help in any way please see **Brad** or **Sandy Mouser**.

- 5 Bags 14oz M-M
- 5 Boxes Teddy Grahams
- 3 Boxes Mini Vanilla Wafers
- 7 Bags Mini Oreos
- 25 Tubes Crescent Rolls
- 15 Bags Lil' Smokies Sausage
- 10 Bags Pretzel Rods
- 5 Bags Melting Chocolate
- 10 6oz. Boxes Cherry Gelatin
- 10 46oz. Cans Pineapple Juice
- 10 Packages Cherry Kool-Aid
- 40 Packages Orange Kool-Aid
- 8 Large Bottles Blue Hawaiian Punch
- 5 Large Bottles Red Fruit Hawaiian Punch
- 15 2-liters Gingerale
- 11 2-liters 7-Up
- 8 5lb. Bags Sugar

Food Donations are due no later than July 12.

**KANGAROOS, KOALAS AND CONVICTS:****Settlement of Australia**

By now, everyone at Broadman knows that this year our VBS participants will enjoy a fantastic journey to the Land Down Under on the Boomerang Express. Our theme, "*It All Comes Back to Jesus*," takes us to Australia, nicknamed the "Land Down Under" because it is "below" the equator. For most of us, Australia is a land of kicking kangaroos and cuddly koalas—which are actually marsupials, not bears. These animals are not as adorable as we usually imagine. Maybe you don't know that a kangaroo kick can kill a human, and the claws that help koalas climb eucalyptus trees can inflict vicious wounds. And did you know that Australia's earliest European settlers were convicts and their guards?

In 1770, Captain James Cook, an English sea captain, "discovered" Australia and claimed it for England, but no settlers ventured to the new territory as they had to England's colonies in North America. Australia actually owes its development to the American Revolution. Since the early 1700s, England had sent thousands of convicts to America, contracting them to private individuals, mostly as laborers and servants—really a form of slavery instead of time in prison. The convict-leasing system saved England vast sums of money that would have been required for prisons in the Mother Country. When America won its independence, England had to find another place to dump its criminals.

Nowadays our image of criminals is likely of violent felons: murderers, rapists, drug dealers, perverts, armed



## KANGAROOS, KOALAS AND CONVICTS, Cont...

robbers. But English criminals in the 1700s were far less vicious. Hanging was the sentence for cutting down a lord's ornamental shrub, burning a standing sheaf of grain, or poaching a rabbit, while attempted murder was only a misdemeanor! In 1784, just a year after the American Revolution ended, Parliament passed the Transportation Act that authorized the transportation of convicts "beyond the seas" but didn't specify where. A year later government officials decided that Australia was available and would be an ideal place to send convicts. Settlements there would provide supplies for the English navy and prevent the Dutch or French (England's main economic and military competition) from getting possession of the land-down-under.

The first prisoners "transported" to Australia left Portsmouth, England, on May 13, 1787. Eleven ships, commanded by Captain Arthur Phillip, carried 736 convicts (548 male; 188 female) and 294 crew and guards. Four to six prisoners were crammed into spaces the size of a modern-day queen-size bed with less than four and a half feet of headroom, and their ankles were bolted to the cabin floor. The compartments received no natural light, and no lanterns were used because of the danger of fire. Besides being "dark as a grave", the cabins were unventilated and toilet facilities were almost nonexistent. . Few, if any, of the convicts had been in a boat, so even in calm seas they quickly became sea-

sick. Their quarters were soon contaminated with vomit and human waste and odors that could not be scoured clean. There was worse to come. When the convoy reached tropical waters, vermin emerged from the timbers: rats, bedbugs, lice, cockroaches, and fleas were a constant presence. For eight months the criminals lived in these wretched conditions without even a change of clothes or means to launder their clothing.

What sort of people were condemned to "seven years transportation" in lieu of flogging or hanging? The youngest was a 9-year-old boy, while the oldest was 82-year-old Dorothy Handland, a convicted perjurer. Of the first 736 prisoners, 431 had been convicted of minor theft. Thomas Hawell would have been hanged for stealing two hens. James Grace, age 11, had stolen a yard of ribbon and a pair of silk stockings; 15-year-old John Wishammer had snatched a packet of snuff from a druggist's counter. Elizabeth Powley, age 22, had been sentenced to hang for filching about five dollars worth of bacon, flour, and butter.

When the fleet arrived in Port Jackson—now Sydney—on January 20, 1788, the prisoners' situation did not improve. Forty convicts had died on the voyage, and those who went ashore were hardly able to walk much less perform the tasks of building a new colony: felling trees, clearing land, building houses, planting crops. Most would have been unfit for such work even if healthy; few had any experience in these jobs and government officials had not included draft animals or

plows for the arduous work. Moreover, it was the height of *summer* in the tropics, with intense heat and humidity the English had never experienced. In 1790 the second fleet had even worse results. Of 1006 prisoners, 267 died at sea and another 150 expired soon after landing. Convicts, guards, and Royal Navy personnel shared a common problem: food shortages. Prisoners' rations were cut drastically, which only made it harder for them to work. Showing no compassion or understanding, guards mercilessly punished "shirkers" or convicts who tried to escape. Flogging was brutal, as many as 250 lashes, and many were subjected to the "water pit", an underground chamber where water seeped in so that the convicts could not lie down for fear of drowning.

Between 1790 and 1815 England and France were at war, and Royal Navy ships were needed for military action. Since criminals were sentenced to serve in the army, few prisoners were sent to Australia during those years. The death rate remained high, however, because the government "outsourced" the responsibility to private contractors who were paid a flat rate per prisoner, whether the convict arrived alive or died en route. Having no incentive to assure that prisoners arrived alive and able to work, contractors crammed in more prisoners and provided even less food and water, virtually guaranteeing a high death rate at sea.

Transportation conditions improved after 1815

because the government set new standards for provisioning convict ships, but that did not make the prisoners' lives more bearable in Australia. The colony became self-supporting as the government "leased" the prisoners to private individuals rather than maintaining public prisons. Besides the brutality of shipmasters (one killed six men by flogging) and jailers, "transported" men and women were cut off from their families in England. Wives were not allowed to accompany their husbands, even if they paid their own fare. Not having any comfort of family, convicts also received little spiritual comfort. The few ministers who went to Australia preferred a city parish to serving the needs of the convicts. Even after their servitude ended, the convicts had little opportunity for "normal" life because there were so many more men than women. During their imprisonment and afterwards, homosexuality was common, though illegal, and it contributed to the concept of the "mate," the male-bonding for which Australian men are famous.

By the time "Transportation" ended in 1868, more than 160,000 criminals had been shipped to Australia at minimal government expense thanks to the convict-leasing system. Although ex-convicts were entitled to free land in Australia, few were successful as farmers. Some tried to make their fortunes in the Gold Rush in 1852; most moved into cities or became laborers; a few became legendary criminals like Ned Kelly. One of the

## SETTLEMENT OF AUSTRALIA CON'T...

## EYE ON CULTURE...

## GREATNESS, AMEN...

most successful was William Redfern who became the finest surgeon in Sydney and was personal physician to the Governor's family. Modern Australia owes much of its survivalist philosophy to its convict settlers.

Though the convicts who settled Australia seem far removed from our time and experience, we actually have a common bond through a spiritual analogy. Like the English convicts, we are under a sentence of death, because even very minor offenses violate God's standards. We need to go to a new land for redemption. Only Christ can set us free from the law of sin and death. He gives us new life; He becomes our Way, our Truth, our Life. Unlike the English officials who didn't plan for the early settlements, Christ is preparing a place for those who follow Him. (Romans 8:2; John 14:6; John 14: 1-3)

(The best account of the convict settlement of Australia is *The Fatal Shore* by Robert Hughes, 1987.)

-Lenette Taylor

## GREATNESS...

It's great that we humans  
Have knowledge and skill  
To fly to the moon  
And through space;  
But greater than that  
Is the God you can trust  
To keep outer space  
In its place!

-Peggy Ferrell,  
Prayers and Poems



## KEEPING AN EYE ON OUR CULTURE...

'Don't Ask, Don't Tell':

When I served in the military President Bill Clinton changed the military policy about homosexuality from not allowed to "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." This policy allowed homosexuals to serve in the armed forces. The policy created a situation in which the chain of command was not allowed to ask about sexual orientation and homosexuals serving were not allowed to tell of their sexual orientation. Prior to this policy homosexuals were not officially allowed to serve; but under this policy homosexuals were allowed to serve so long as the "Don't ask, Don't Tell" policy was followed and for the most part it did protect unit cohesion and morale.

This policy was unchanged by the Bush administration; however, President Obama is now attempting to change this policy and have homosexuals, lesbians and bisexuals serve openly in the armed forces. Fortunately, the Supreme Court has turned down a request to review the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. In other words they are staying out of it. Unfortunately, this is not the end of it. The homosexual policy will not remain a military decision, but will now be a political decision that legislatures will now decide. There is already legislation in the works to make the Armed Forces have an open policy.

The military's position remains consistent. They are opposed to a policy of homosexuals serving in a manner that allows them to openly express their sexual orientation. The military claims this would be a hindrance to morale and combat readiness. That is why more than 1,100 retired Flag & General Officers have sent a letter to President Obama and Congress stating their position of opposition toward any legislation that would allow homosexuals to serve openly in the Armed Forces.

The intent of this article is to keep you informed and encourage you to keep an eye on our culture. May every Christian come to realize that the Homosexual agenda is a direct attack upon the very character of God, the Holy Scriptures, and the family. This movement is an all out assault upon the morality of this nation and it is not going away anytime soon. Those supporting this movement will continue to pursue their agenda through any means necessary to force their ideology upon our society in an attempt to normalize homosexuality. Let's pray the military wins this battle for the nation and that the homosexual movement can be stopped for the good of our society.

-Pastor Chris

## ALL I CAN SAY IS AMEN....

A man was being tailgated by a stressed out woman on a busy boulevard. Suddenly, the light turned yellow, just in front of him. He did the right thing, stopping at the crosswalk, even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection.

The tailgating woman was furious and honked her horn, screaming in frustration, as she missed her chance to get through the intersection, dropping her cell phone and makeup.

As she was still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious police officer. The officer ordered her to exit her car with her hands up.

He took her to the police station where she

was searched, fingerprinted, photographed, and placed in a holding cell. After a couple of hours, a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted back to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects.

He said, 'I'm very sorry for this mistake. You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, flipping off the guy in front of you, and cussing a blue streak at him.' I noticed the 'What Would Jesus Do' bumper sticker, the 'Choose Life' license plate holder, the 'Follow Me to Sunday-School' bumper sticker, and the chrome-plated Christian fish emblem on the trunk; naturally... I assumed you had stolen the car.'



**BROADMAN WEBSITE...****A FRIENDLIER CHURCH...****FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY....****BROADMAN WEBSITE...**

Thank you for using the Broadman Website. Sometimes parts of the drop-down menus do not load to your computer when you access the site. We hope to have this problem corrected soon.

The Broadman Baptist Website,

[www.broadmanchurch.org](http://www.broadmanchurch.org), has indeed been upgraded. All pages were changed and new sections and pages were added. Note the addition of more color and more graphics and pictures.

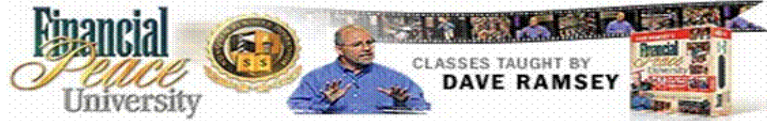
The focus of the website remains as quoted here from the **STRATEGY** page: *"Broadman Baptist Church exists to glorify God by being a prevailing church that relies upon the power of God who has saved and called us according to His purpose and grace. We further exist to make a difference in individuals and families in our local and world-wide communities"*. We desire to use the website to help us acknowledge and accept the Lordship of Jesus through worship, discipleship, fellowship and ministry at Broadman.

Explore the site. Focus upon the **NEWS & VIEWS** page. Note the page highlights people, programs, events and doctrinal information. Items on the **CAL-NDAR** are listed and expanded here. An index is at the top of the page. Identify the topic you want to know about and just *click* it. A *go-to-top* link allows quick return to the index. Links for events held other than at Broadman will be included on the page. Click on those outside-event links for complete information. Completed programs and events will remain on the page for a month. Doctrinal information will remain on the page indefinitely.

Look at the **LOCATION** page. The information there is to physically guide ones to Broadman. A visiting couple recently reported they'd used this page in order to arrive securely in the church parking lot. Tell others of our *road map*.

Use your site! Stay connected to Christ at Broadman!

-- Larry E. Taylor, Webmaster,  
larryetaylor@hotmail.com



The next Financial Peace University course will be offered as follows...

**Class Schedule**

Preview Thursday, July 30, 2009, 7:00 PM

Preview Sunday, Aug 2, 2009, 12:45 PM

Super Saving Thursday, Aug 6, 2009 7:00 PM

Relating With Money Thursday, Aug 13, 2009 7:00 PM

Cash Flow Planning Thursday, Aug 20, 2009 7:00 PM

Dumping Debt Thursday, Aug 27, 2009 7:00 PM

Credit Sharks In Suits Thursday, Sep 3, 2009 7:00 PM

Buyer Beware Thursday, Sep 10, 2009 7:00 PM

Clause and Effect Thursday, Sep 17, 2009 7:00 PM

That's Not Good Enough Thursday, Sep 24, 2009 7:00 PM

Of Mice and Mutual Funds Thursday, Oct 1, 2009 7:00 PM

From Fruition To Tuition Thursday, Oct 8, 2009 7:00 PM

Working In Your Strengths Thursday, Oct 15, 2009 7:00 PM

Real Estate and Mortgages Thursday, Oct 22, 2009 7:00 PM

The Great Misunderstanding Thursday, Oct 29, 2009 7:00 PM

Anyone wishing to attend the class can register on-line through the Dave Ramsey website, [www.daveramsey.com](http://www.daveramsey.com). Go to "find a class" and enter their zip code (44223 for Broadman) then look for Broadman Baptist Church. If you have question see or call Joyce Lape 330-920-3756

**FIVE STEPS TO A FRIENDLIER CHURCH...**

1. Speak to the other person first. Don't wait for him or her to take the initiative.
2. If there is someone you don't know, introduce yourself to him or her.
3. Be pleasant in your words and expressions. A great church cannot be built with frowns.
4. Invite newcomers to a worship service or to a church event and introduce them to other members.
5. Encourage people to participate in those church activities that interest them.

## SALT &amp; LIGHT...

**Are our Religious Freedoms at Risk?...**

As Christians we are taught to love all people. This is the great commandment that our Lord taught us. However, we are also called to take a bold stand for righteousness. Sadly our culture has come to a place in which our love of others and zeal for righteousness have come to a point of contention. Our religious freedoms are at great risk right now and we have to stand up and practice tough love; loving the sinner, but rejecting the sin. We cannot allow unrighteousness to prevail because we confuse love as being a pacifist. We cannot fear the potential accusations of being unloving or intolerant by taking a stand for what is clearly right. As Christians we must realize that we are called to be "salt" and "light" as a part of our responsibility to love our culture like Christ taught us to love. We have to stand up for our religious freedoms or risk losing them to the homosexual movement that evades our culture today!

In my opinion the homosexual movement is the greatest threat to our religious freedom in my lifetime; perhaps even in our nation's history. This movement is an all out assault upon our faith and religious freedoms in general. Please consider the following reasons as to why I take such a strong position. First, the act of homosexuality and the at-

## CHURCH PICNIC....

tempt to redefine marriage in our culture today clearly violates the Holy Scriptures; second, this movement threatens our rights to express our religious convictions and views without potential legal ramifications; third, it cheapens morality by attempting to normalize what the Bible calls sin; fourth, it establishes special treatment to homosexuals instead of equality; last, it violates our constitutional rights given by the First Amendment in an attempt to deny us our freedom of religious views and silence our right to freedom of speech.

The conclusion is that the homosexual movement is a real threat toward our religious freedoms and faith. We must stand up for our religious freedom by unashamedly professing Christ before man, standing up for a biblical view of marriage, standing firm against the homosexual agenda as sinful, and defending the constitution against this domestic enemy that is threatening the First Amendment rights of every American. We must be the salt and light in our culture to bring God's truth to this matter!

-Pastor Chris

**TEMPTATION...**

"When we are troubled with temptation and evil thoughts, then we see clearly the great need we have of God, since without him we can do nothing good. No one is so good that he is immune to temptation; we will never be entirely free of it."

-Thomas à Kempis

**A TIME FOR RETREAT...**

Just as we need physical breaks from daily activities, our spirits need renewal as well. We often think of physical survival, but we should also consider that we need to practice spiritual survival. In a world that both boldly and subtly attacks our spiritual health, Christians need to be inwardly strengthened. July, which is often a vacation month, might be a perfect time for you to spend some time away from the pressures of daily life.

Ask your pastor to recommend any denominational or local retreats.

**CHURCH PICNIC...**

Please join us for the annual Church Picnic on Saturday, July 11 at the Big Cuyahoga Shelter in Water Works Park at 12 noon. Hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments, and drinks will be provided.

Bring a side dish or dessert to share. There will be a sign-up sheet at the kiosk if you plan to attend. Hope to see you there! See Brad Mouser if you have any questions



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## HUMOR CORNER...

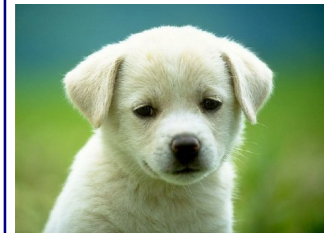
**HUMOR CORNER...**

► Bride: How can I keep my wedding ring clean?

Mother: Soak gently in dishwasher three times a day!

► After a junior high school class toured the White House, the teacher asked each student to write impressions of the visit. One boy wrote: I was especially glad to have this opportunity to visit my future home.

► A little boy and his daddy were looking at a litter of puppies, planning to buy one, and the daddy asked the boy which one he wanted. The lad pointed to a pup whose tail was wagging furiously and said, "The one with the happy ending."



► "Grandma" asked a youngster, "were you once a little girl like me?"

"Yes, dear".

"Then," continued the child, "I suppose you know how it feels to get an ice cream cone when you don't expect it".

► I was trying to teach arithmetic reasoning when I asked, "If you know the price of seven hats, how would you find the cost of one?" "Ask the clerk," replied one ten year old.

► Teacher asked Wally how he would divide 10 potatoes equally among 20 people. Wally promptly replied, "I'd mash them."

**MISSION OF THE MONTH & AND MORE...****BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY...**

Mark your Calendars now...September 13, 2009 is going to be a HUGE day for Broadman.

This is a special day that we will set a side to invited people back to church.

Consider the following facts:

Most Americans have been to church and yet only 20 percent are regular attendees.

- *The American Church in Crisis*

82% of the unchurched are at least somewhat likely to attend church if invited - *Dr Thom Rainer*

Only 2% of church-going people invite someone to church in a given year. - *Dr Thom Rainer*

**It is time to come back to church...let's reach out and pray so that on September 13, 2009 - 100% of us invite someone, that 82% of those we invite attend, and that we can change the 20% who attend regularly 100%. May God receive all the GLORY!!!**

**GORDON FOOD SERVICES...**

**"A Great Way to Bless Broadman!"**

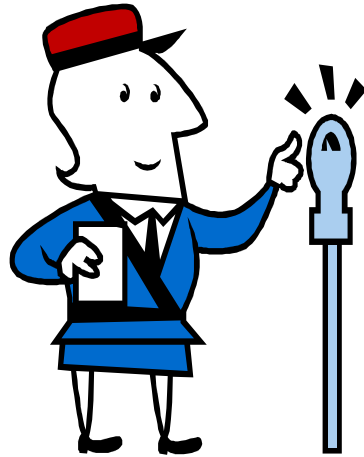
Are you a part of the GFS "Fun Funds" program for our church? Did you know you could buy some great food and products at a great price and give back to the Lord? Well you can! Find out more at the church information kiosk in the sanctuary. IT IS FREE!!!!

**MISSION CORNER...**

The mission for the month of July will be the mission the children are going to support during Vacation Bible School. At the time of the printing of the Broadman Beacon the mission had not yet been determined. It will be announced in the Sunday bulletin as soon as possible.

Have you noticed anything new in the main hallway leading to the sanctuary? Thanks to our Building & Grounds Coordinator, Dave Lape, we have a huge bulletin board that will soon highlight many things that will be going on with Broadman mission work. For any ideas or comments, please contact Pat or Jackie.

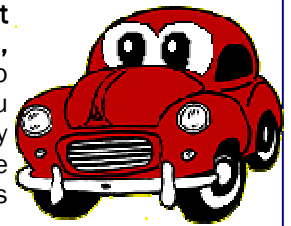
**Pat Groetz & Jackie Forcina**  
Missions Coordinators

**PARKING METER: Feeding the Meter!**

Let's continue to make it our goal to pay off our parking lot debt as soon as possible. Remember that the parking lot debt is not included in our annual budget so we are asking every member to please give toward this purpose with an offering above and beyond your tithe which goes toward the church budget.

**Our gifts may not be equal,**

**but we can have equal sacrifice.** So please seek God's face and ask what you are able to give beyond the tithe. May God do wonders through our obedience and use the new parking lot for His Glory!!!



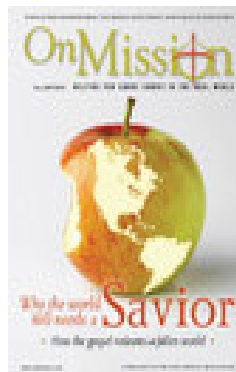
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## Scripture of the Month

### Worship Schedule

9:00am Prayer in Sanctuary

9:30am Coffee & Fellowship

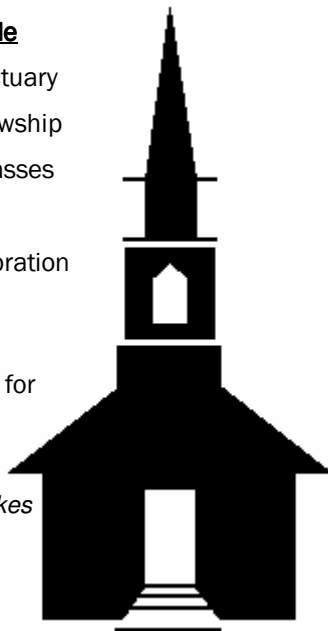
9:45am Life Impact classes  
for all ages

11:00am Morning Celebration  
Service

### Wednesdays

6:30pm WB Something for  
everyone

*A Church That Makes  
a Difference!*



### Gal 5:1a (HCSB)

Christ has liberated us into freedom...

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