



WALKERS OF FAITH

Good News Club 2010-2011

It's time to organize for our eighth year of Good News Club at Crestview Elementary School. Volunteers are needed to distribute the snacks and clean up our tables for us, attend the meetings to walk kids to the bathroom during the story time and help with other crowd control, to be an extra pair of hands when needed. If you can't volunteer every week, could you volunteer to be a sub when one of the other volunteers can't be there? Our meetings are held from 2:40-4:00 on Thursdays in Oct. and Nov. and then Jan.-April.

Each week the students look forward to a snack donated by our church family. Would you be willing to provide a snack for 60 kids? (Little Debbie cakes, small cracker packs, little fruit snack packs, etc.) We also need drinks for those 60 kids. We prefer Capri Sun packs but if you would rather donate 3 gallon containers that will be fine. We need to know ahead of time to make sure we have plenty of cups.

Until we can determine where to locate a sign-up sheet, please see Connie Oswalt or call her at 419-524-2029, or email her at ozz512@aol.com or at school at oswalt.connie@crestviewschools.net . You may also call or email Renee Davis at the church office. Thanks for volunteering for this ministry.

Connie Oswalt

A New Book

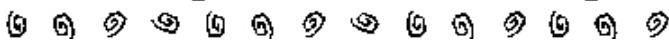
And so begins a new book in the Faith series. Wow, what a beginning! There was a Clown (Polish), there were big bouncy things, there was singing and dancing. There was good food, fun and smiles. Smiles everywhere! There was ice cream. There were nurses watching over all of us. There was sunshine and friends and family. The only thing that seemed to be missing, were clouds in the sky. But above all... there was One who was there. You could feel Him. His presence was so strong you could see His reflection in the eyes of children, family and friends. His voice was booming in hearts and whispering over conversations. And there

was plenty of laughter. He was in the spirit of things both serious and fun. He was in the twinkle of the eye of the beholder of splashy things. HE WAS EVERYWHERE! And you could feel Him.

I don't know where tomorrow will take us but with a yesterday like that... it will probably be spectacular. Brothers and Sisters, does your heart sore like eagles? Can we bear witness to the Spirit's power? We have our work cut out for us. We must continue our work even more fervently to get the lost to salvation. For if our God is for us... whom then, shall stand against us? So lets Get'er done! Let's Go! Let's Go Faith!

May the Good Lord Bless you All!
Dan Davis

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



Wow! What a weekend! The Outlet Family Festival was a great success. It appears that some where between 500 and 600 participants were involved. People came and stayed for long periods of time, with lots of smiles, laughter and fun. Then, on Sunday, our first worship services in the new facility were well attended. Several families and youth attended for the first time. God is so faithful!

Most of our congregations was awestruck (not at anything we have done, but) at what God has done among us. We planned, spent money, worked hard and could try to take credit for what has happened - but God brought the people period. And what did they find - good food, a lot of fun, and wonderful welcoming people. Thanks for working so hard and being so hospitable to our guests.

The movie "Field of Dreams" coined a saying "Build it and they will come." Many people, many churches bought in to the saying and lived to regret it. More accurately it should be, "Build it and they will come once." People come to new church buildings to see what they are like, how boring the preacher is, and what people are like and whether or not they are really welcome.

Our building is nice, but it is what it is at this point. Our preacher is, of course very handsome and an eloquent orator, but he is a little boring and that really isn't going to change. However, YOU can make a big difference. The way you treat visitors will determine whether or not they return, and may even determine whether or not they ever come to faith and grace in Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 13:1-2 says, "Keep on loving each other as brothers. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it." Loving each other as brothers and sisters comes naturally most of the time, even though there are those moments when it is a little difficult. So we come to church and we love our friends, we hang out with our group, and we get so caught up in having a good time that we neglect to see the person sitting alone, or couple at the table by themselves, or the person that seems to be struggling. Often, even if we see them we do not respond because we don't want to look silly, or be rejected or uncomfortable.

If we don't risk reaching out they will not come back because the nice building and the boring preacher are not enough to keep them coming. They need to know that you care about them. But Pastor Mike... "I'm not comfortable talking to people I don't know." If comfort were the determining factor for service - nothing would ever be done.

Bill Hybels wrote a book called, "Just walk across the room." In it, he says that reaching people for Christ is as simple as showing an interest in them. So I'm saying - when you see someone sitting or standing quietly by themselves don't just assume they are a stranger. *Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it.* Treat them like God sent them - because he has...

Blessings, Pastor Mike



re: Worship

Pastor Rick Warren wrote an excellent book called "Purpose Driven Life." If you haven't read it yet, you can find the first seven chapters for free at purpose-drivenlife.com. Or better yet, rush to the Christian bookstore to grab yourself a copy of the whole thing.

The first sentence of this book stands out to me. "It's not about you."

Many things are changing all around us in the church. Our location. Our staff. Our attendance. As these changes occur, we will begin

to feel a sense of apprehension or even fear. What if my expectations are not met? What if my hopes fail? What if my rights are taken away from me? What if this or that?

Just remind yourself of that simple phrase: It's not about us.

Many have sacrificed time, money, energy, and skill in order to make the dream of this new facility a reality. And we are truly thankful for the price paid for this purpose. Yet a mature perspective recognizes still, it's not about us.

"Because you are good, I will worship you. You've done amazing

things. To honor your name, I will worship you 'Til everyone may see I'm making music / worship / fill-in-the-blank for my King."

Let's agree together to focus less on the things that give us concern, and focus more on things that are truly important to God.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or praiseworthy — think about such things.

~ Pastor Steve

S.T.A.T.I.C. News What a great month August was for S.T.A.T.I.C. Student Ministries. This past month we discovered our spiritual gifts, personal gifts and traits that God has given us. We have been pursuing our understanding of how to use these gifts. The main theme of August could have been "Leadership".

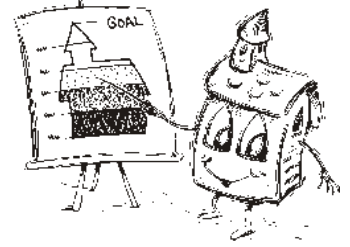
Our youth have been diving into the Word finding examples of leaders that God has used and how differently they all look. For example Paul has been called the most successful Christian ever, this can be chalked up to the fact that God gave Paul some amazing gifts and abilities. Paul was a very educated man and had extreme zeal for whatever he put his mind to. Paul knew several languages and spoke them eloquently and where ever he went people followed him. In the beginning of Paul's life he pursued the early church imprisoning and sometimes killing them but on the road to Damascus everything changed for Paul. God didn't change Paul's gifts or take away his zeal He transformed Paul's priorities. Another example we have looked at was Gideon, who in my opinion, was the complete opposite of Paul. Gideon was mild, meek and timid but when God called Gideon he called him a mighty warrior. Gideon hadn't been in any battles and he wasn't the smartest guy but God used him. Gideon was humble which allowed God to use him in a mighty way. Once again God didn't change Gideon's gifts he helped Gideon see the gifts and talents that He had given him.

The great thing about leadership is every single one of us is a leader. Many of us are like Gideon in the fact that we don't think we are, we feel inadequate and feel like the "real leaders" are like Paul, the ones who stand on the stage and are singing or speaking. The truth of the matter is whatever excuse we give ourselves, God has called us to something and He has given us the tools and talents to complete our task. This past month we have challenged the students to think beyond inadequacy and to ask themselves in their own lives what has God given them and where has He placed them to be a leader. The challenge is to get out of our comfort zone and lead as God has called us to do.

As we continue in S.T.A.T.I.C. Student Ministries I want to once again thank all who pray for our students daily and I want to extend a challenge to you who are parents, grandparents, and friends of our youth. That challenge is to not only pray for our youth but pray with our youth. Be a leader in their lives the way God has called you to be.

Praise the Father
Jared Foes

SCRIP Report



Your August SCRIP Report

August Proceeds: \$102.15

Year to date: \$17,077.19

Thanks to everyone for using SCRIP!!! Marilee Yarger



Faith United Methodist Church

General Fund

July 2010 Report

Income

Year	1st Half Year	July	YTD
2005	77,668.00	15,559.00	93,227.00
2006	88,389.28	18,259.83	106,649.11
2007	87,903.59	15,253.93	103,157.52
2008	86,734.66	14,069.44	100,804.10
2009	85,432.17	11,224.74	96,656.91
2010	91,405.28	12,286.21	103,691.49
Average	86,255.50	14,442.19	

Expenses

Year	1st Half Year	July	YTD
2005	77,419.00	13,190.00	90,609.00
2006	79,043.57	13,775.12	92,818.69
2007	80,503.10	12,849.84	93,352.94
2008	93,372.42	13,632.62	107,005.04
2009	84,562.96	14,494.34	99,057.30
2010	94,076.40	16,085.50	110,161.90
Average	84,829.58	14,004.57	

Note:

General Fund Year to Date Income	103,691.49
General Fund Year to Date Expenses	110,161.90
	-6,470.41

Construction Loan

Total Amount Borrowed as of August 10, 2010 = \$692,937.30

REDUCE COST

To help reduce maintenance costs at the new building we are in need of volunteers to clean after Sunday services. This would include vacuuming the offices, straightening up the classrooms & restrooms, and sweeping the sanctinasion. If you are interested in being on a rotating list of volunteers please fill out the bulletin insert or contact Rachel Yarger, 419-522-9096 or Rachel_Yarger@yahoo.com Thank You!



Faith UMC Country Food Pantry

Month	Families Helped	Non Perishables	Perishables Food Cards	Food Donations	Monetary Donations	Grocery Receipt	Treasurer's Balance
September							
Week 1	3	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	\$757.78
Week 2	1	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	\$757.78
Week 3	1	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	\$757.78
Week 4	3	Yes	Yes	No	No	\$294.77	\$463.01
Week 5							

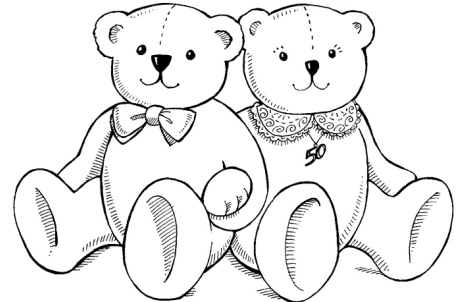
Birthdays & Anniversaries



- 2 Amie Henry
- 3 Rick Lyon
- 5 Joni Esbenshade
- 9 Madyson Mack
- 10 Pam Stimpert
- 12 Tammy Schoonyan
- 13 Anne Pond
- 13 Tim Pond
- 14 Terri Bisel
- 15 Alec Ashbaugh
- 17 Claudette Brown
- 26 Aaron Crowl
- 30 Nathan Betts

Dayspring Residents

- 2 Laura Kraska
- 12 Penelope McCalla
- 13 Tom Hartman
- 15 John Frontz
- 17 Jane Jordan
- 19 Emma "Kate" Hunter
- 23 Paul Hammer
- 24 Vickie Danielson
- 25 Frank Morris
- 27 Larry Reynolds
- 28 Jim Milligan
- 29 Robin Young



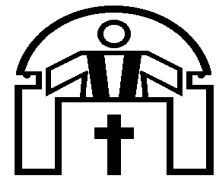
Happy Anniversary

- 1 Alan & Tiffany Esbenshade (3)
- 4 Bernie & Diana Rhea (28)
- 8 Dave & Sharon Cardwell (50)
- 12 Roger & Carole Humbert (56)
- 13 Tim & Anne Pond (7)
- 23 Aaron & Leia Ringler (10)
- 27 Andy & Megan Kyser (7)



Preaching Schedule

September Lection



September 5

854 Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
 Luke 14:25-33
 *Jeremiah 18:1-12

September 12

746 Psalm 14
 1 Timothy 1:12-17
 *Luke 15:1-10

September 19

834 Psalm 113
 Jeremiah 8:18 - 9:1 & 1 Timothy 2:1-7
 *Luke 16:1-13

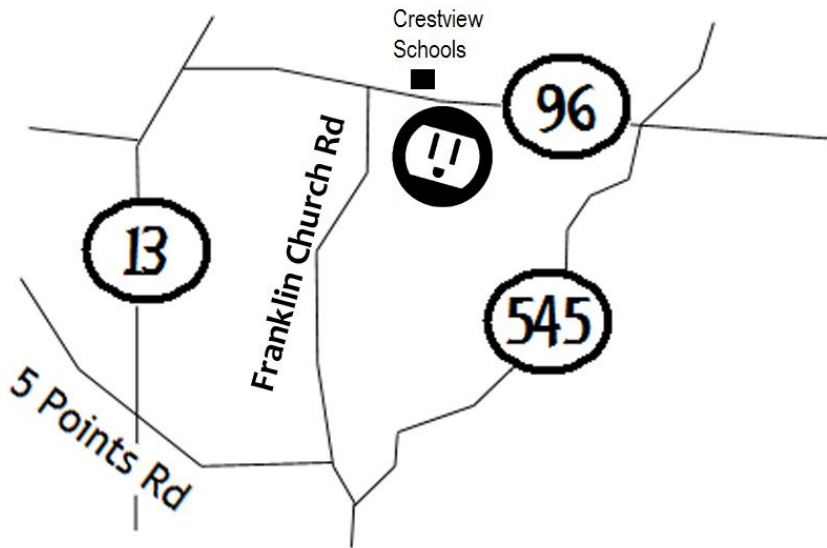
September 26

810 Psalm 91:1-4, 11-16
 1 Timothy 6:6-19
 *Luke 16:19-31

***Denotes Sermon Text**

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 STATIC Synthesis 6:30-8:30 p	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Finance 7:00 p	10 UMW mtg. 1:00	11 STATIC Car-Wash @YMCA 10a - 2p
12 Fellowship Meal 12:30 p Campaign Orientation Rally 1:30 p	13 Building Team 7:00 p	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Trustees 7:00 p	21 Campaign Cabinet Training 6:30 p	22	23 Campaign Cabinet Training 6:30 p	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Good Neighbors Lunch 12:00 p		



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP:

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

9:45 a.m. For All Ages

Mission Statement

**The Mission of our church is to make disciples for Jesus,
in our church, community, and throughout the world.**

Vision Statement

**Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit we will:
boldly love each other into spiritual maturity;
serve our neighbors sacrificially;
and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ!**



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