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Reflections

Call of the Wild: The Wilderness Experience!

Those of us who were at Florida Bible Camp in High Springs, Florida July 8th – 14th had a unique Wilderness Experience! This year's camp theme was...**Call of the Wild: The Wilderness Experience**. Throughout the week we followed the Israelites from Egypt all the way to the Promised Land! On our journey with the Israelites we took the time to stop and make applications to our life today! Monday's theme, *Welcome to the Jungle*, opened our eyes to the world we live in and helped us to realize that it is not our true home! Tuesday's theme, *Walk this Way*, delved into our Christian life and answered questions that relate to how we are to walk as Christians! Wednesday's theme, *Survival of the Fittest*, encouraged us to realize that with God we are strong! Thursday's theme, *Answering the Call*, challenged us to consider the covenant that God wants to make with His people. Friday's theme, *The Wilderness Experience*, actually gave us an opportunity to go out into the "wilderness" where we spent time in study and prayer to God. If you add all of the singing, ping pong, basketball, power ball, tubing trip, canoeing, devotionals, swimming, cabin devo's, and hanging out with friends...just to name a few ...you get a jam packed week of camp that was not only fun...but also encouraged all of us to grow closer to God!

Several of our young people shined while at camp! Troy Talbert received the Big Brother award, Emily Waller received the Rookie Camper of the year award, and Angie Pintor won Survival of the Fittest! If I were giving out awards...several more of our kids would have received recognition as well! All of our young people demonstrated a good attitude while at camp and I count myself blessed to have spent the week with them! All of the members here at Sebring Parkway Church of Christ should be very proud of the way that our youth represented the congregation while at camp.

In no way did I touch on all of the great things that happened at camp! I would encourage anyone who is interested in learning more...to find one of our young people and ask them what they liked best about their "wilderness experience" at camp this year!

Jason Waller

We would like all of our Guests to join our members in filling out an attendance card so that we might have a record of your visit.

There are two things that we would like to explain to you about our worship service. Our singing is *acappella* or *without accompaniment*. Although instruments of music were used by the Jews in the Old Testament, they are conspicuously absent in the church of the New Testament. We are told to, "Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord." (Ephesians 5:19)

We partake of the *Lord's supper* or *Communion* every Sunday as the early church did (Acts 20:7). The partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine is a weekly memorial that reminds us of what our Savior did for us. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

HEAR (Luke 11: 28)

But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

BELIEVE (Mark 16: 16)

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned."

REPENT (Acts 2: 38)

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit"

CONFESS (Matthew 10: 32)

"Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven."

BE BAPTIZED (Acts 22: 16)

"And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord."

WELCOME VISITORS:

We are so glad you decided to be here today! It is always such a blessing to be able to meet you and be encouraged by your presence. Thank you for coming our way.

FOR THE CHILDREN:

Children's Worship Bulletins are available at the back for ages 3-6 and ages 7-12.

Attended Nursery for infants through age two. Parents may leave their children in the nursery before the worship service begins.

A Training Room for parents to use anytime during the worship service is also provided across the hall from the attended nursery.

For Your Convenience:

Hearing aid devices are available and may be received from the attendant in the sound room at the rear of the auditorium.



Prayer List

- ❖ **Robert Underwood** is having problems with his back and might need surgery.
- ❖ **Dwain Chambers** is waiting for approval for more surgery.
- ❖ **Marvin McElwain** is at Royal Care Nursing Home in Avon Park, Room 119 and welcomes visits and phone calls. His cell # is 664-9129. Please call after 9pm and anytime on weekends.
- ❖ **Delbert Mason** needs our prayers with his continued recovery. He is still quite weak.
- ❖ **Lori Barnett** has a frozen right shoulder but it is showing signs of improvement. .
- ❖ **Carmie Green** went to KY to see a specialist and had surgery on Friday.
- ❖ **June Hackbart** has been suffering from a rash condition for over two weeks.
- ❖ **Fred and Tottie Hupp** have requested the prayers of the congregation.
- ❖ **Helen Piety, Don and Elizabeth Ware** our shut-ins.

EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- ❖ **Mealdine Principi**, a former member, is out of ICU and in a regular room now.
- ❖ **Glenda Friend**, sister of Carol Johnson is at home.
- ❖ **Cindy LaForte**, sister of Mary Welsh, **Rita Bridges**, sister of Linda Bridges, has developed more tumors, **Bob Loush**, friend of Bob Maire, **Becky Gates**, **Jim Lawrence**, a friend of John Roberts, **Jayne Davis**, friend of BJ & Carolyn Thomas, and a sister-in-law of Susan Gurganus, are all undergoing treatment for cancer.
- ❖ **Mary Bellow**, mother of Anne Gunter, is in Kenilworth for a while with a broken arm.

MISSION EFFORTS

- ❖ **Anil Tejpaal and family** in Guyana.
- ❖ **Vovo Shoot and family and Dema Galook and family** in Chernovtsy.
- ❖ **F. H & Becky Gates** in Brazil.

PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

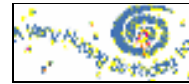
Our pantry is getting bare in places. Instead of putting a list in the bulletin, there is list on bulletin board in the hallway. Please check off the items that you will bring. Remember, we can only give out what we have. Since we are in the hurricane season, we need a good supply on hand. Your cooperation in this will be greatly appreciated by those using our services.

Prayer Meeting

Group 3 will hold their monthly prayer meeting for men and women next Sunday, the 29th, at 5:00 pm.

Our Record: July 15, 2007

Bible Study	81
Sunday AM Worship	115
Sunday PM Worship	82
Contribution	\$2062
Wednesday Bible Study	67
Building Fund	\$0
Ukraine Building Fund	\$40
F.H. Gates	\$0
Special Mission – Guyana	\$0
World Bible Translation (Ladies Class)	\$0
Clothing Room/Pantry 07/19	35



Austin Ritenour	07/22
BJ Thomas	07/22
Don Gunter	08/02
Margaret Cole	08/04



Fred and Tottie Hupp	07/29
Mike and Lydia Tubbs	07/29

Visitors for July 15, 2007

Billy and Lynsey Varnadove	Leigh Ann Eddy
Ray Fisch	Cheryl Coffey
Mr. and Mrs. Daughs	Lisa O'Neal
Tim and Sally Gotkiewicz	Jim and Jo Miller

Life...

Life for most of us is seldom simple. It is full of struggles and strife, leading some to give up on life. Such struggles can serve a worthwhile purpose. Like stones rolled along by the swift current, struggle can polish and refine the life lived in Christ. We learn to endure by having endured.

I am told that tiny bees at birth are sealed in a wax capsule with honey. After the food is gone, the bee must struggle to eat his way out of that capsule. That struggle rubs off the membrane which allows its wings to develop. Without that struggle, the bee would not be able to fly.

For the Christian life, it is much the same! Difficulties, pain, sorrow, seem to meet us on every side. But when we are most discouraged, remember that without struggle, we could never fly!

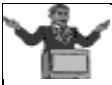
Floyd C Johnson

Trust

A pilot was experiencing difficulty in landing his plane because of fog; and the airport decided to bring him in by radar. As he began to receive directions from the ground he suddenly remembered a tall pole in the flight path, and appealed in panic to the control tower about it.

The reply came bluntly, "You obey instructions, we'll take care of obstructions."

How many a Christian hesitates to obey God's Word because of problems and difficulties! If we only obey, He is capable of dealing with the problems and difficulties.



Preaching Schedule

AM Jason Waller
PM Jason Waller

Ladies Class Schedule



The Ladies Class will not meet for their weekly Bible class until September.

Clothing Room

On Thursday, 9-11am, the clothing room is open for the community. **On the last Thursday of each month the time will be changed to 4-6pm.** If you have any furniture or household items to donate for use in this ministry, please let Betty Abrams or Harry Johnson know.



Searching For Truth

A new supply of copies of World Video Bible School DVD *Searching for Truth* has come in and copies are available on the tables in the back. The elders encourage everyone to use these DVD's and share them with friends, family, and those in the community.



Communion Sign-up

The sign up sheet for 2007 for communion preparation is on the bulletin board in the foyer. Your help is needed. There are some months that still need people to be willing to do this.

From the Elders

If anyone has anything that they want discussed when the elders meet, present it to the elder in charge. From July – September that will be Dave Marcum.

Your Help Is Needed

The clothing room is in need of plastic bags. Please bring any that you have and leave with Betty or the office staff.

Contact Information

Delbert Mason is staying with his daughter instead of at his home. If you want to talk with him or send him a card see below:

Delbert Mason
737 Jeffrey Ave NW
Massillon, OH 44646
330-833-5690

Game Day

The next Water Game Day will be on Saturday, July 28th from 3-6 PM. Any questions see James Ware.

Two Kinds of Wisdom

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy, and the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. James 3:17-18

James 3:13-18	The Wisdom of God (James 3:17-18)	The Wisdom of Man (James 3:13-16)
Source:	From Above	Earthly
Quality:	Pure	Sensual
Spirit:	Peaceable	Bitter envying
Receptivity:	Gentle	Devilish
Activity:	Full of good works	Every evil work
Result:	Peace	Confusion

One Step at a Time

One of the favorite stories in the old *McGuffey's Reader* was the parable of the little clock which pondered its future as it was hung on the wall for the first time. The clock realized that it had to tick twice very second. This meant 120 time every minute, or 7,200 times every hour. Multiply that by 24 and that meant 162,800 ticks every day! That in turn meant 63,072,000 ticks every year. The little clock considered the problem. If it ticked only ten years that meant 630,720,000 ticks. By now the clock had almost collapsed from nervous exhaustion.

In a moment of insight, however, the little clock realized it had to tick only one tick at a time! So it began, and ticked on strongly for many, many years.

This simple parabolic story illustrates a great principle about temperance. Self-control of our tongue, habits, or attitudes in not something that demands complete control for years! Instead, we are to practice self-control each day, living a day at a time. Through this process, complete self-control can always be within our grasp. Remember, being "anxious for tomorrow" was one of the first warnings that Jesus ever gave.

Bob Barnhill

Sympathy

Bill Row, a former member has passed away. You may contact Ruth at:
5012 Dundee Dr
Richmond, KY 40475

SHEPHERDS

Harry Johnson655-3386
(Evangelism/Membership
Directory/Membership
Fellowship Clothing Room)

Dave Marcum385-8899
(Treasurer/ Administration)

Olin Shinholser382-1060
(Worship Services/ Education)

Paul Talbert385-3756
(Building & Grounds/
Benevolence/ Membership
Services)

DEACONS

Bill Benton.....453-6002
(Treasurer/Visitation)

Chris Fowler386-4661
(Youth Director/ Services
Director/ Substitute Teacher
Assignments/Sound Room)

Roger Gurganus453-3939
(Building & Grounds
Maintenance (Outside)/
Transportation/ Communion)

Tracey Stalter471-9736
(Building Maintenance (Inside)/
Membership Directory/ Pews)

BJ Thomas.....385-7270
(Building Maintenance (Outside)/
Benevolence, Clothing Room)

Don Ware382-0194
(Special Mission Efforts/
Timothy Class)

MINISTER

Jason Waller.....385-0488

How to Get Along Without It

A nurse was showing a patient to his room. "Now," she said, "we want you to be happy and enjoy yourself while here, so if there's anything you want that we haven't got, let me know and I'll show you how to get along without it."

There are some things the church would be better off "getting along without." They would include petty criticism, idleness, procrastination and pessimism. God would be delighted to show us how to "get along without" these undesirables. Read His word daily!

Kerry Knight

SCHEDULED TO SERVE

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR MORNING WORSHIP

THIS SUNDAY

Prepare Communion:

June Hackbart

Greeters:

Ron Horton Tracey Stalter
Bill Sweeton Nancy Stalter

Pick Up Cards:

Victor Oregon & Nicholas Stalter

Pick Up Communion Cups:

Nathan Ramer & Joshua Fowler

Sound Room:

Bill Benton

Secure Building This Week:

Bill Benton

Announcements:

Roger Gurganus

Song Leader:

Chris Fowler

Opening Prayer:

Carl Martin

Lord's Supper:

Preside:

Dave Marcum

Serve:

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| 1. Clem Smith | 4. Bob Parnett |
| 2. Telles Oregon | 5. Troy Talbert |
| 3. James Ware | 6. John Ware |

Closing Prayer:

BJ Thomas

Sunday Evening

Song Leader: **Opening Prayer:**

Robert Capps John Roberts

Lord's Supper: **Closing Prayer:**

Dave Marcum Tracey Stalter

Wednesday Evening

Song Leader: **Invitation:**

Troy Talbert Jason Waller

Closing Prayer:

Gordon Smith

NEXT SUNDAY

Prepare Communion:

June Hackbart

Greeters:

Ron Horton Don Gunter
Bill Sweeton Ann Gunter

Pick Up Cards:

Autstin & Forest Ritenour

Pick Up Communion Cups:

Hayden Parker & Forest Ritenour

Sound Room:

Chris Fowler

Secure Building Next Week:

Chris Fowler

Announcements:

Harry Johnson

Song Leader:

Mike Tubbs

Opening Prayer:

Clem Smith

Lord's Supper:

Preside:

BJ Thomas

Serve:

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| 1. Edison Green | 4. Dale Spung |
| 2. Leon Tubbs | 5. Don Ware |
| 3. John Ware | 6. Herb Ellis |

Closing Prayer:

John Roberts

Sunday Evening

Song Leader: **Opening Prayer:**

Chris Fowler Bill Benton

Lord's Supper: **Closing Prayer:**

Dave Marcum Roger Gurganus

Wednesday Evening

Song Leader: **Invitation:**

James Ware Jason Waller

Closing Prayer:

Carl Martin

Announcements: Roger Gurganus

Song: 39 Awesome Power

Opening Prayer: Carl Martin

Song: 15 Step by Step

Song: 287 There Is a Redeemer

Communion

Offering

Song: 147 I Stand Amazed

Song: 290 Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lesson: Jason Waller

Invitation Song: 903 There Is Power in the Blood

Song: 76 How Great Thou Art

Closing Prayer: BJ Thomas

Reminder

If for some reason you find that you cannot serve as scheduled in the monthly assignment schedule, please call Chris Fowler as soon as possible so that a substitute can be selected.

Those serving are asked to be here at least 10 minutes before the service starts.

Those who participate Sunday morning are asked to wear appropriate dress attire, preferably, though not required, a dress shirt and tie. At other services casual sport shirt and slacks are acceptable; no T-shirts or shorts should be worn while serving the congregation.

Thank you for your cooperation.

FREE BIBLE STUDY BY MAIL

If you would like to receive a series of Bible Study Lessons, send this request to:

Sebring Parkway Church of Christ
3800 Sebring Parkway
Sebring, FL 33870

Name _____

Address _____

Age Range:

0 - 10 yrs 11 - 17 yrs

18 - 50 yrs 51 - ?? yrs

MEET WITH US

Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 AM

Sunday AM Worship.....10:00 AM

Sunday PM Service.....6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Study....7:00 PM

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Some people grin and bear it. Others smile and change it.