



Family Matters

February 7, 2010

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Schedule of Services
Bible Study 9:00 A.M.
Worship Assembly 10:00 A.M.
Evening Assembly 5:00 P.M.
Life Groups meet in various locations
Wednesday Bible classes 7:00 P.M.
Bible Classes for all ages

Contact Elder for February
Bailey Howell

Assignments

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Assignments for Sunday, February 7

Greeters: Jerry Rogers and Marty Roberts

Elder to Serve: Bascom Allen

Worship assembly:

Head of Table	Roger King
Serving	Kenton Coble
Serving	Johnie Jenkins
Serving	Terry Kiser
Serving	Hollan Caldwell
First Prayer	Scott Baine
Closing Prayer	Bobby Thompson
Song Leader	Daniel Russell
Media Room	JW Bruce

Nursery: 10:00 A.M. Kim Coble and Sherry Neal
 5:00 P.M. Attended with love

Shepherds' Prayer: Bascom Allen and Terry Kiser

January 31, 2010

Bible Class	248
Worship Assembly	306
Sunday afternoon (average)	176
Sunday evening (average)	207
Monday evening	254
Previous Wednesday, Jan. 27	212

Birthdays

<i>Kenton Coble</i>	<i>Feb. 2</i>
<i>Kim Orr</i>	<i>Feb. 3</i>
<i>Brian Roberts</i>	<i>Feb. 3</i>
<i>Craig Hankins</i>	<i>Feb. 4</i>
<i>Josh Bates</i>	<i>Feb. 6</i>
<i>Hannah Hendrix</i>	<i>Feb. 6</i>
<i>Trey Tyler</i>	<i>Feb. 7</i>
<i>Mary Fields</i>	<i>Feb. 10</i>
<i>Susan Savage</i>	<i>Feb. 10</i>
<i>Ruth Giesemann</i>	<i>Feb. 11</i>
<i>Aaron Orr</i>	<i>Feb. 14</i>

Anniversaries
Kale and Samantha Moody
5 years on February 5

SHEPHERD'S PEN

“Nobody remembers who finished second.”

What’s in the news right now? What has the media, and a great portion of the population, turned its attention to? What seems to be of epic importance? You guessed it – the Super Bowl.

It will be a clash of epic proportions when the Indianapolis Colts (AFC Champion) square off against the New Orleans Saints (NFC Champion) for Super Bowl XLIV glory on Sunday, February 7, 2010 in Miami, Florida. The Saints are set to win their first Super Bowl title in their 43-year existence. The Colts are vying to win their second title in four years.

I’ve heard it said before some championship events, “Nobody remembers who finishes second.” That’s true. But what about the winners? How many people even remember the winners? Here’s a quiz:

- Name the last 5 Heisman trophy winners.
- Name the last 5 Super Bowl Champions.
- Name the last 5 winners of the Miss America contest.
- Name the last 5 Academy Award winners of best picture.
- Name the last 5 NCAA Basketball Champions.
- Name the last 5 non-Yankee World Series winners.

Some people would do better on this test than others. But it is valid to point out that we don’t even remember the headliners. The applause ends, the achievements are forgotten and we go about life. Now take this challenge:

- List 5 significant teachers who have guided you.
- Name 3 friends who have helped you through a difficult time.
- Think of 4 people who have made you feel appreciated and special.
- Identify 5 people you enjoy spending time with.

You get the point. The people who make a difference in our lives are not the ones with the fancy resumes. They are the ones who care about us, who are actually a significant part of our world. Aren’t you glad God put them in our lives? I am. Proverbs 17:17; 18:24.

Bascom Allen

The Starkville Church of Christ
is a Christ-centered, Bible-based family
striving to be like Jesus and committed to
sharing Him with others.

Got to Let it Out

“Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God” (Colossians 3:16). As one author points out, “having the Word of Christ richly dwell in us produces not only information, but also emotion.” It generates psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, and singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

The truths of Scripture should permeate every aspect of our life and govern every thought, word, and deed. The Word dwells in us when we: hear it (Matt. 13:9), handle it (2 Tim. 2:15), hide it (Ps. 119:11), hold it fast (Phil. 2:16), and we cannot hold it in. The word of Christ must come out from our hearts in song. From the beginning, God’s people have expressed their hearts in song:

- When God delivered Israel out of Egypt, all the people came together and sang a song to the Lord (Ex. 15:1-18).
- After Deborah and Barak delivered Israel from the Canaanites, they “sang on that day” (Judg. 5:1).
- The last thing Jesus and His disciples did after the Last Supper was to sing a hymn before they went out to the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus was arrested (Matt. 26:30).
- While they were imprisoned in Philippi, “about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns of praise to God, and the prisoners were listening to them” (Acts 16:25).
- Of the early church, Philo tells us that often they would spend the whole night in hymns and songs.
- Pliny, the Roman governor of Bithynia, in one of the earliest descriptions of a church service we possess says to Trajan, the Roman emperor, “They meet at dawn to sing a hymn to Christ as God.”

The truth is, some of us, myself included, can’t carry a tune in a bucket. Some of us couldn’t carry a tune in a bucket with a lid on it, myself included. Yet, if the Word of Christ dwells richly in you, you will be like Jeremiah who was so full of God’s Word that he could not hold it in (Jer. 20:9). Let his Word out. Sing with praise. Sing with passion. Sing his truths from your heart, and as a body we will be encouraged spiritually and God’s name will sound forth.

Serving Him,

Andy Miller

Prayer Requests. Terry Kiser’s mother, **Myrtle McNew**, has been hospitalized several times in recent weeks and Gloria has remained in St. Louis to help care for her. **Craig Hankins** was hospitalized overnight; he has swine flu but does not have meningitis.

Fireproof. The film “Fireproof” will be shown on Saturday, February 13, at 4:00 P.M. in the auditorium. Immediately following the movie, a “Parents Night Out” (free babysitting) will begin so that parents may enjoy a Date Night until 9:00 P.M.

Ladies’ Bible Class. Our Spring Semester of Ladies’ Bible Class will begin Tuesday, February 16, from 10:00 – 11:00 A.M. The class will continue studying from the book, “Shine Like Stars” and will meet on the following Tuesdays: February 16, February 23, March 2, March 9, (no class on March 16 due to Spring Break), March 23 and on March 30 when a luncheon will take place for class participants and their spouses. A babysitter will be provided for the children. Women of all ages are encouraged to attend this Bible study.

Bridal Shower. All ladies are invited to a bridal shower honoring **Bonner (Norwood) Whittington** in the home of Kristi Polley on Sunday afternoon, February 21, from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. Bonner and Wilburn are to be registered at Wal-Mart, Target and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Ladies Night Out Ladies of all ages are invited to a **Ladies Night Out**, Thursday **February 4**. Meet at Hollywood Premier Cinema at **6:50pm** to see **"Extraordinary Measures"** Rated PG. If you have any questions contact Natasha Thompson.

UCSC 2010 Reunion. We are planning the dates of August 6-8, 2010, for the reunion. We have started the process to reserve the Bost Extension Center on the MSU campus. As soon as we get confirmation, we will notify everyone and also any changes that will have to be made. Pass the word. We are looking forward to seeing you in 2010!

Marriage Matters Conference.

So far our conference has been a tremendous success. On Sunday we averaged 176 at our afternoon sessions and averaged 207 at the evening sessions. Monday evening we had 254 for our two sessions on, “Please Listen to Me.”

Thanks to all our child-care workers and food providers who have made it possible for so many families to attend. We have had a marvelous response from the community and many who could not have attended if it were not for our evening meals and child care. Let’s continue to lift up the marriage conference in our prayers and seek not only to strengthen our relationships but also to open doors spiritually to those who are seeking God for their lives.

**** YOUTH BULLETIN ****

This past Friday evening a house-full of teenage guys invaded our house. We had a teen guys sleepover and 12-15 guys came and spent the night playing video games, playing video games, playing cards, and playing video games ... did I mention they played video games? Everyone had a good time, but by 4am almost everyone dozed off. This Friday we have the same thing with the girls, but somehow I think there will be less video games. Wesley Thompson

Fri, Feb 5 Teen Girls SleepOver @ Natasha's 8pm-9am.
Bring Snacks!!!

Sun, Feb 7 Teen/KICS Big Brother Lunch @ McDonalds
from 11:30-1pm (guys only)

Wed, Feb 10 Teen Short Day @ Building 1-3:30pm

Sat, Feb 13 Teen/KICS Big Brother @ Bulldog Lanes 10am-
12:30pm (guys only)

Thurs, Feb 18 Teen F.A.S.T. @ Wesley's 6-8pm

Feb 19-21 J.A.M. Youth Rally in Hattiesburg, MS \$5 due
by Wed, Feb 10

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Thu, Feb 4 Ladies Night Out - Meet at cinema: 6:50pm

Sat, Feb 13 Fireproof at 4pm with Date Night free
babysitting afterwards, until 9pm

Tues, Feb 16 Ladies Bible class at 10am

Sun, Feb 21 Bridal Shower honoring Bonner Whittington
in the home of Kristi Polley from 2-4pm

Tues, Feb 23 Ladies Bible class at 10am

Tues, Mar 2 Ladies Bible class at 10am

Tues, Mar 2 Ladies Game Night at the church building

Sat, Mar 6 Wilburn and Bonner Whittington
Celebration Ceremony