



Weekly Newsletter

September 12, 2010

Order of Worship

Welcome

Scott Barton

Song Leader

Jon Ewing

#519 (1,2,4)

#138 (1,3,4)

#392 (1,2,4)

Opening Prayer

Eddie Sanders

#288 (1,2,4)

Communion

Dale Gregory

#209

Contribution

Dale Gregory

#798

Lesson

Bill McFarland

#394

Announcement

Bob Snider

#134 (1,2,4)

Closing Prayer

Mike Thurlkill

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. (Matt. 5:14)

MORE THAN CONQUEROERS

One of the most memorable and thrilling statements anywhere is Paul's declaration that "in all things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us" (Rom. 8:37). What a wonderful cry of victory.

Notice in particular the phrase "more than conquerors." It would be grand enough to be a conqueror, but through Christ we are more than that. We are literally "overconquerors."

But can anyone be more than a conqueror? G. Campbell Morgan observed, "We are more than conquerors when we take hold of the very things that threaten us, and transmute them into ministers of grace. We are conquerors when we defeat opposition; but if we are able to take hold of the opposing force, and turn it into that which helps instead of harms, we are more than conquerors." (Great Chapters of the Bible, p. 246)

In other words, in Christ we are more than conquerors because those things which seek to destroy our faith actually serve to strengthen it. For example, tribulation, which might otherwise have convinced us to give up the thought that the Lord cares for us, actually produces perseverance which in turn strengthens character and brightens hope (Rom. 5:2-4). What the adversary intended to press us down only serves to press us closer to the heart of God.

A faithful Christian is more than a conqueror. A conqueror might simply do away with trouble and hardship. But a Christian does something better. He endures all that the enemy holds against him, and allows that heap of conquered trials to lift him to greater levels of spiritual maturity.

Let us not be overwhelmed by what we face in life. "We are more than conquerors through Him that loved us!"

- Bill McFarland

See You in Bible Class!

Today's Messages:

AM: How to Keep Your Balance When Temptation is Around

PM: From Questioning His Ways to Trusting His Care

Prayer List & News

Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

For The Record

September 5

Bible Study:	194
Morning:	331
Evening:	207
Wednesday (9/8):	210
Contribution:	\$ 10,182



Elder of the Month

Bob Snider

- Hoyt Kirby is in Cox South in serious condition
- Donna Harcrow suffered a stroke last Wednesday night after knee replacement surgery on Tuesday; she is in Cox South ICU
- Marilyn Lanpher is at the St. Luke's Hospital in Houston, TX and is in surgery at this writing. Cards can be sent to her at 6720 Bertner Ave., Houston, TX 77030.
- Ruth & Denzil Raines as they deal with family issues
- Elaine Noe leaves next week for training to return to Iraq
- Monty & Lucy Lewis & their family

Friends and Family:

Drew Thurlkill, Glenda & Mike's son, as he deals with health issues
Opal Fahr, Thresa Hansen's grandmother and Ann Fahr's mother-in-law, is in very critical condition
Jordan Elliff, Jim & Johnnie's 16-year-old granddaughter, as she deals with serious back problems and pain

Long-Term

Joy & Alice Allen
 Paul Bratcher
 Doris Burch
 Bonnie Cole
 Thelma Fain
 Lucille/Milton Ford
 Gerald Jean
 Clay Joseph
 Carol Mahon
 Jarita Nimmo
 Betty Shaw
 Doris Tobler
 Pat Woods
Military:
 Cody Newman
 Jacob Gardner
 Matthew Patterson



Congratulations to Steve and Leah Prewitt on the safe arrival of Laramy last Sunday afternoon. He weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. Everyone is doing fine!

Expectant Moms

Kirsten McFarland (Tuesday) (girl)
Sara Keener (Oct) (girl)
Sara Stipp (Jan) (boy)
Brittany Morrison (Feb) (boy)

AND A GIRL ...

Congratulations also to new grandma Linda Barnett who welcomed granddaughter Taylor Lynn Barnett Tuesday morning. Steve & Jen are the proud parents. Congratulations also to the great grandparents, Clarence & Ola Jean Feeny!

New Phone Number

**Sherry Sherman
 417-864-0287**

**THRIFT HAVEN
 NEEDS YOUR PLASTIC
 GROCERY BAGS.
 TAKE BY THRIFT
 HAVEN OR BRING TO
 THE BUILDING!**

Shut-ins:

Shirley Bartlett
 Doris Iorg
 Margaret Cobb
 Fern Davis
 Irene Johnson
 Carol Law
 John Luallin
 Carol Mahon
 Wilma Melton
 Annie Overstreet
 Ella Smith
 Wilma Spoor
 Doris Thomason
 Cathy White

NOTE TO ALL: In all cases, if you need to borrow things from the building for your personal (or church) use, it will be necessary for you to check it out through the office in order to avoid a situation where you are taking something that someone else has already planned to use. You are welcome to use these things from time to time, but we need to know when they are taken from the building. This includes tables & chairs (we prefer that the round white tables & chairs not be taken out of the building), flowers, decorations, etc., etc. Thank you for your cooperation!

Thank You

Thank you for your prayers and concern for my father during his recent illness and recovery. He is back at home now and is improving daily. It's great to be a part of such a loving Christian family!
 George Downing

AREA EVENTS

Gospel Meeting at Hillcrest Church of Christ with Phil Sanders/September 19-22
Ladies Day at Strafford/Oct. 9 With Emily Lemley
Ladies Day at Lincoln Church of Christ October 16 with Jane Maynard
Flyers on the Bulletin Board

Activities & Announcements

Ladies . . .



Ladies Fall Retreat: Please remember to sign up for a room on the sign-up sheet on the information desk if you are planning to attend the retreat and stay overnight. Also, remember payment is due by September 19th. You can give your payment to Ruth Essex, Emily Simons or Stacy Haddock. (Information packets are on the information desk.)



The **Women's Book Club** will meet tomorrow night at 6:30 p.m. at Panera Bread on N. Kansas Expwy. The book we are to be reading is *A Voice in the Wind* by Francine Rivers.



CANCER CAPS: Sewers and cutters are needed to continue this great work. If you are willing to help make cancer caps, please come **Tuesday, Sept. 21 at 10 AM.** Sewing instructions for making the caps will be demonstrated. Sewing machines/fabric will be provided. See Wanda Wilkinson if you have questions.

Quilting: The first quilting meeting this fall will be **Tuesday, Oct. 5, starting at 10 AM.** We will be making a raggy log cabin quilt. This is an easy quilt appropriate for beginners. Sewing machines, fabric and supplies are provided. Please come if you are interested in learning to quilt using a sewing machine. Contact Jeanetta Hardy if you have questions.



12th Annual Golden Age Jamboree

October 9, 2010 at Fair Haven

Dwight Samuel will be the speaker

Please sign up if you plan to attend and also indicate the food item you would like to bring.

Fair Haven's Annual Auction is Saturday, beginning at 10 am. A couple of quilts that the Water Mill Ladies have made will be a part of the auction.



Youth Night at Union Hill is September 19th. Bus will leave the building at 5 p.m. See Andrew if you plan to go.



GENERATION CHANGE

starts today at 3 pm
For Grades 7—12

- **Ladies Prayer Group** will meet today at 4 pm
- **Elders** will meet Tuesday at 2 pm



FAMILIES OF CHILDREN IN GRADES K-6:

All families in this group are invited to a cookout at Happy Hollow Bible Camp on Friday, September 17 at 6 p.m. We will have games and activities for all. Those who would like to stay the night can pitch a tent or stay in one of the cabins. We will have breakfast at 8 a.m. with games & activities to follow. We will plan to finish around 11 a.m.



SINGLE LADIES GROUP

will go to the Japanese Stroll Garden on September 25. Be here at the building by 10 a.m. Cost will be \$3/person. Will probably have lunch afterward. Call Karen at 536-7187 with questions.



A REAL LOOK AT LIFE

By Dennis R. Smith

In life there are no two people exactly alike. This shows the greatness of God in His creation. His patterns are never duplicated. Regardless of the difference in characters, there is ONE TRUTH that pertains to all - someday it will end. In the meantime there are great similarities. Life begins with infancy, is followed by carefree childhood, youth, middle age and then finally old age. This becomes a time when burdens weigh us down and when little problems rise to great heights. The Bible gives interesting observations on life but most tend to show the brevity thereof. "We are strangers before thee, and sojourners ... and there is none abiding" (1st Chro. 29:15). "We are but of yesterday, and know nothing, because our days upon earth are as a shadow" (Job 8:9). "Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow and continueth not" (Job 14:1-2). While these things are true, today is the best time to take a real look at our own life. In the book of James we find the most startling of all descriptions: "Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away" (James 4:14). **Taking time to look at one's own life may be the most important thing we have to do - today!**

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM

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

Sunday Evening Worship...5:00 PM

Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

OUR MISSION POINTS

Mark & Era Thiesen, Malawi, Africa

Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern
Mariana Islands

Voice of Truth International

"The Living Word"
7:30 A.M. Sundays
KOLR TV 10

"In Search Of
The Lord's Way"
7:00 A.M. Sundays
KOLR TV 10

"Know Your Bible"
10:30 A.M. Sundays
Springfield 33
KSPR-TV



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Office Hours:

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday - Friday

Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

AM Nursery: P. Malanowski/O. Blackburn
Greeters: Randy & Orvella Blackburn
Van Driver: Kristy Sivils/793-1086
KYB Phone: Van & Barbara Barnes
Serve John Stayton/Jeremy Thurlkill
Communion: George Downing/Mike Thurlkill
Bob Stockstill/Tyler Thornton
Kelley Epperly/Aaron Tovar
Dustin Stokes/Daniel Tovar

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer: Daniel Tovar
Speaker: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Isaac Tovar
Communion: Scott/Adam Barton
Nursery: Alice Buckner/Jenny Carroll

NEXT WEEK, September 19

	MORNING	EVENING
Song Leader:	Jon Ewing	Andrew Morton
Opening Prayer:	John Stayton	Grant Wheeler
Communion:	Todd Kraus	Scott/Adam Barton
Closing Prayer:	Bob Stockstill	Daniel Wilson
AM Nursery:	Robin Meeks/Jan Bowling	
PM Nursery:	Lee Ann Donoho/Karen Duncan	
Greeters:	Tim & Jan Bowling	
Van Driver:	James Simons/732-5641	

THE MONTH OF SEPT.

Ushers: Daniel Wilson
Grant Wheeler
AV Room: Larry Baggett
Adam Stipp
Secure Building: Paul Lines
Tim Buckner

Wednesday, September 15

Devotional: David Kern
Song Leader: Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer: Randy Blackburn
Closing Prayer: Tim Bowling
Van Driver: Todd Kraus