



# WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

September 13, 2009

## Order of Worship

### *Welcome*

Randy Blackburn

### *Song Leader*

Jon Ewing

#220  
#343 (v. 1,2,4)

### *Opening Prayer*

John Mahon

#876 (3 times)  
#916

### *Communion*

Jerry Young

#499

### *Contribution*

Jerry Young

#363 (v. 1,2,4)

### *Lesson*

Bill McFarland

#197 (v. 1,2,4)

### *Announcements*

Gene Lund

#392 (v. 1,3,4)

### *Closing Prayer*

Andy McFarland

## *The Window Through Which We Look*

A young couple moved into a new neighborhood. The next morning while they are eating breakfast, the young woman saw her neighbor hanging the wash outside.

"That laundry is not very clean," she said. "She doesn't know how to wash correctly. Perhaps she needs better laundry soap."

Her husband looked out, but remained silent

Every time her neighbor would hang her wash to dry, the young woman would make the same comments.

About one month later, the woman was surprised to see a nice clean wash on the line and said to her husband, "Look, she has learned how to wash correctly. I wonder who taught her this?"

The husband said, "I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows."

And so it is with life. What we see when watching others depends on the purity of the window through which we look.

(From Glad Tidings/Good Things  
Jacksonville Church of Christ)



*"Yet shew I unto you a more excellent way."  
(1 Corinthians 12:3)*

## Today's Sermons

*Morning: "Being The Fragrance of Christ"*

*Evening: Wisdom's Plain Talk on Sexuality*

# Prayer List & Announcements

## 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 6

Bible Study:	252
Morning:	362
Evening:	221
Wednesday:	223
Contribution:	\$ 7,789



Elder of the Month  
Gene Lund

## In need of our prayers ...

Thelma Fain is in Cox South.

Cassie Penner is back in ICU at Cox South

Sarah Cowden as she continues her recovery

Seldon Essex has continuing back problems and other health issues.

Milton Ford, Lucille's husband, is in Cox South.

Pat Woods had tests run Friday.

### Friends & Family:

Ruth Lund's brother, David Alspaugh who lives in St. Louis, suffered a stroke.

Kerry Cole's niece, Cara Behr, who is 9, has an eye disease that will cause her to go blind. They live in Clinton, Iowa.

Larry Baggett's brother-in-law, Paul Scaggs, is recovering from a serious fall.

### Long-Term Prayer List:

Alice Allen  
Paul Bratcher  
Bonnie Cole  
Thelma Fain  
Gerald Jean  
Clay Joseph  
Sondra Lorenz  
Carol Mahon  
Jarita Nimmo  
David/Debbi Ratterree  
Sherry Sherman  
Judy Todd  
Pat Woods  
Phil Baker,  
former member



We express our sympathy to the following families:

Mark Friend and his family in the loss of his mother, Mearle Friend.

Greg Donoho in the loss of his father, Don (Jenna Nichols' grandpa), who passed away Wednesday.

The family and friends of Carl Langston, a long-time member here before moving to Searcy several years ago.

## Today's events:

- Elders meet at 2 p.m.
- Crum Shower at 2 p.m.
- FPU class at 2:30
- Pew Packers meet at 4:45
- SNAC after service tonight



Everyone is invited to join us for a **Potluck Lunch** next Sunday, September 20! At that time we will be honoring **Glenn and Margie Logston** before they move to Wellsville, Ohio. Team 2 will be responsible for working that day. If you cannot work, please contact Eddie or Donna. We hope you will be present to enjoy good food and fellowship.

**Kitchen:** Rosalie Cruse, Debbie Crawford, Jammie Davis, Debbie & Rebekah Meinsen.  
**Dining Room:** Tom Davis, Charlie Cruse, Luke Lines, Jim & Daniel Meinsen



## The Married Couples Retreat at Happy Hollow

Friday night, **September 25**, and  
Saturday, **September 26**

Be sure to sign up on the sheet at the **Welcome desk!** If you have any questions, please contact Lora Luna.

### New E-mail Addresses:

**Ann Thiesen:** [ann@broadbandmw.com](mailto:ann@broadbandmw.com)  
**Jim/Ruth Reaves:** [ruthreaves@att.net](mailto:ruthreaves@att.net)



## Sewing/Quilting

We plan to start back with sewing and quilting on Tuesday Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00. Come help us with our projects or bring your own project and work on it and visit with us. We need to finish the jean's quilt. I also have some blocks that need to be sewn together. Jeanetta



Everyone is invited to a bridal shower honoring Megan Crum, bride elect of John Hollingsworth this afternoon at 2 p.m. in the fellowship room. They are registered at Target, Macy's and Penney's.

Be sure to pick up your copy of the Creation Chronicle!

11th Annual Golden Age Jamboree and Open House at Fair Haven Children's Home  
 Saturday, October 10  
 Beginning at 9:45 a.m.  
 Ted Spencer from Sparta will be the featured speaker  
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Golden Agers, be sure to sign up at the Welcome Center if you plan to attend and indicate what you will bring

## Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

### Elders

Barney Crawford	417-866-0592
Clay Joseph	417-833-3002
Fred Lorenz	417-833-1664
Gene Lund	417-869-6423
Bob Snider	417-833-3498
Jerry Young	417-724-0324

### Minister

Bill McFarland	417-833-0110
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### Golden Age Minister

Dennis Smith	417-866-6918
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### Youth Minister

Andrew Morton	417-712-4809
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### Deacons

Scott Barton	Matt Keener
Tim Bowling	Russell Lilly
Tim Buckner	Paul Lines
Tom Davis	Jim Meinsen
George Downing	Travis Morrison
Jim Elliff	Eddie Sanders
Jon Ewing	James Simons
Shannon Haddock	Tim Stockstill

### Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian

## Youth News

SNAC is tonight after services. Boys bring soda; girls bring chips/snacks.

### "Show Me Christ Youth Rally"

at Southside church of Christ in Ozark. Dates are Oct. 2-4. Cost is \$10/person which

includes a T-shirt and lunch Saturday afternoon. Registration deadline for shirts is **TOMORROW!!!** Please contact Andrew Morton **TODAY** if you plan to attend.

♦ **YOUTH NIGHT** at Fordland next Sunday evening at 5 p.m.

## Meditations

- God Loves Me
- God is Faithful, even when I'm not.
- Refusal to surrender blurs my ability to discover and do God's will
- I move in the direction of my most dominant thoughts.
- My attitudes have to be right before my actions can be right.

## THOUGHTS FROM DENNIS ...



### LEARNING TO LOVE THE BROTHERHOOD

Brother E. M. Zerr, whose comments on 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 2:17 were copyrighted in 1954, gives us a good introduction to the subject of loving the brotherhood. *"This is the whole band of brethren in Christ, and we should love them all as being in the one body and not be partial or show favoritism."* When I first became a New Testament Christian (1953), this attitude among brethren seemed to prevail very strongly. For some reason our love and concern for what happens outside of our local congregations seems to have dwindled considerably. Yet, the admonition of Peter still stands as a direct command to all members of the body of Christ. Could it be that we are just not working at loving the brotherhood as much as did our predecessors? Could it be that we are failing to put things in motion that would be inviting to our sister congregations? We hope someday to meet the faithful of the brotherhood in the abode of the soul and enjoy a fellowship that is *"unspeakable and full of glory"* (1<sup>st</sup> Peter 1:8). But, if we make no effort to enjoy some of that on earth, how can it be in heaven? **The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Golden Age Jamboree and Open House at Fair Haven on October 10 would be a good place to start.** Usually there are brethren from 15-20 congregations who also see its importance. Get your name on the sign-up list to go now. **DON'T DELAY!**

### Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....9:00 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

Jeremiah Akamah, Cameroon, Africa

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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## Service Rosters

### THIS MORNING

**AM Nursery:** P. Malanowski/O. Blackburn  
**Greeters:** Scott & Melinda Barton  
**Van Driver:** James Simons/732-5641  
**KYB Phone:** Jim & Debbie Meinsen  
**Serve** J. Hulett/A. McFarland  
**Communion:** D. Essex/J. Meinsen  
 T. Loveland/J. Luna  
 D. Meinsen/J. Milligan  
 L. Malanowski/T. Morrison

### THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** Andrew Morton  
**Opening Prayer:** Jim Meinsen  
**Speaker:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Travis Morrison  
**Communion:** D. Tovar/I. Tovar  
**Nursery:** Alice Buckner/Jenny Carroll

### NEXT WEEK, September 20

	MORNING	EVENING
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Jon Ewing	Andrew Morton
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Tom Meeks	Daniel Meinsen
<b>Communion:</b>	Van Barnes	D. Tovar/I. Tovar
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Tom Newell	Scott Nichols
<b>AM Nursery:</b>	Robin Meeks/Jan Bowling	
<b>PM Nursery:</b>	Lee Ann Donoho/Karen Duncan	
<b>Greeters:</b>	Bob & Leona Snider	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	Travis Morrison/742-1970	

### THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

**Ushers:** S. Haddock/  
 H. Cunningham  
**AV Room:** Larry Baggett/  
 Adam Stipp  
**Secure Building:** Tim Buckner

### Wednesday, September 16

**Devotional:** Bill McFarland  
**Song Leader:** John Mahon  
**Opening Prayer:** Ron Stokes  
**Closing Prayer:** Mike Thurlkill