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#### All Charges Have Been Dropped Inside this issue:

In Hebrews 10:10, it says, "And in accordance with this will [of God], we have been made holy, (consecrated and sanctified) through the offering made once for all of the body of Jesus Christ, (the Anointed One)." Thus David says in Psalms 32:1-2 blessed, happy, fortunate, to be envied is he who has

forgiveness of his transgressions continually exercised upon him, whose sin is covered. Paul in Romans 4:6-8 shares the same message. Read it - it will set you free; also read Zephaniah 3:17. He makes no mention of our past sins or even recalls them! He will exult over you with singing. Exult is a primitive root word that means to spin around (under the influence of any violent emotion), that is, usually "rejoice." Remember to think on these scriptures this month and watch your life change from faith to faith, strength to strength, and glory to glory. Remember we love you. -Pastor Bob and Susan Tilton

#### The Month to Celebrate Families Include Those Who Have Gone Before Us

November is the just the beginning of the 'season to be jolly' as we enjoy our families and eat lots of food for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's. It starts off on the first day with "All Saints Day," a feast commemorated by the Catholic faith honoring all of the saints both known and unknown. As Christians, it is important to remember those who have gone before us. We shouldn't, however, allow them to become idols in our lives honoring them before God Himself. Hebrews 12:1-2 reads: "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience



the race that is set before us, Looking unto lesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." Many of us, during this season of the year, remember family members that have passed away. Some are 'saints' who have impacted our family in such a way that is unforgettable. They helped change the spiritual course of entire generations and have left us with beliefs and traditions that will endure throughout eternity. May we continue to include stories of these great 'saints' in conversation as we gather with our families during this wonderful season of the year. Let us not forget the sacrifices, the dedication, and most of all the love that was shown by so many who have gone before us, to include Jesus Christ Himself. -Mickie D.

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#### Youth Talk



We are training your children in more ways than one! Not only do we learn the Word of God in class, and practice skits and puppetry as God leads, but we are learning how to play instruments too! Encourage your children to worship the Lord by exposing them to good Christian music every chance you get. WAY FM 100.9, His Radio 100.5, His Radio Praise 90.9, and WKCL 91.5, are great stations to listen to. Parents, if you need some good Christian CD's, please let us know and we will be happy to get you what you need. We enjoy making noise in our class and having fun! Thank you for the opportunity you have given us to have a part in helping train up your child.

-Mickie D.



## "Living in a Thankless World" - by Roy M. Bowling Sr.



"Be thankful for the cracks that God fills in your life, Be thankful in this thankless world.

THANK GOD EVERYDAY! FOR EVERYTHING! GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!!!!!!!"

- Roy M. Bowling, Sr.

Most people of the world take their good fortune for granted, Until SUDDENLY, just like that, it is all taken away, What just happened? What do we do?

I've never done so, but is NOW the time to pray?

They suddenly start to realize the word "thankful",

Thankful for everything that they "had",

Wondering where they had gone wrong,

How can things have gotten this bad?

Open your eyes and look around this "thankless world,"

Things like this happen to someone everyday,

It could be me, or it could be you,

Or maybe to a soul who happens to pass our way.

Be thankful for every moment, for everything that you have, Get on your knees and THANK THE LORD, Don't take what you have for granted anymore, Everything that you have, you have because of HIS WORD!

Thank God for your friends, and family, and loved ones,
Thank God for the good times and the bad,
Thank God for everything in your life,
What you have RIGHT NOW, and what you HAD.

Thank God when things are easy,
Thank God when things are rough,
Thank God that you are one of HIS CHILDREN,
Because you won't be alone when times are tough.

Thank God EVERYDAY, for EVERYTHING,
That is what this world we live in lacks,
Don't wait until later, THANK GOD RIGHT NOW,
In your mind, the pieces may not seem to fit together,
But you will realize that our GOD always fills in the cracks.



### Recipe of the Month

#### Swiss Chicken Casserole

- 4 Large boneless chicken breasts (or 5 small)
- 6 Swiss cheese slices
- I Can cream of chicken soup
- I Box stuffing mix (herb or chicken)
- I Cup milk
- 1/2 Cup melted butter

Layer chicken and Swiss cheese. Mix cream of chicken with milk and pour over chicken. Top with stuffing mix, then drizzle butter. Bake for approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour at 350 degrees. Great, quick dinner for those busy days!!

-Dawn Hernandez Starr

## Word of Encouragement

God, your spiritual daddy, knows everything about you; your hidden sins, and your hidden sorrows.

He knows when you need healing from the hurts caused by others and yourself...

The most important thing to remember is forgiveness starts within, then the healing can begin.

Pray this prayer out loud and mean it from your heart, "Lord, I forgive everyone that has ever hurt me. I forgive my mom, my dad, my children, my spouse, myself, and even You, Lord. Amen."

-Anonymous

#### This Month We Honor Pastors Bob and Susan Tilton

Reverend Robert W. Tilton and Susan Tilton will be celebrating their 58th wedding anniversary on November 28th. Pastor 'Bob' was ordained as a Deacon in 1959 and was ordained as a minister on June 3, 1979. He has faithfully and sacrificially served God's people for over 54 years. Mrs. Susan's love has overwhelmed

### WE LOVE YOU!!!



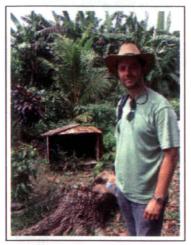
most of us whether we've had a chance to rock in the rocking chair with her or not...;). There aren't words that can express what an example they've been for us all. We love you Pastors and appreciate all that you do!!! May God bless you (and us) with many more years! xoxoxoxoxoxoxo





## On The Mission Field

#### Peru



Blessings from Peru! We are all doing well and are in good health, thank the Lord.

Just about two weeks ago we took part in a multi-church outreach here in our part of town that resulted in 4,085 bibles passed out and 2,123 people who made decisions for the Lord!

# Scripture of the Month

# Psalms 107:1

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy and lovingkindness endures forever!



Also, The Lord allowed us to visit two hospitals in the city of Iquitos and pray for several sick people. We also preached to an Indian tribe that we stopped by just to visit. They have a show they perform for tourists, but when I explained that we were pastors (not tourists), they asked me to share the word with them. So we wound up preaching Christ in the midst of about 25 halfdressed natives, praying with them to receive the Lord, and exhorting them to continue in the faith and to be ready for the return of Jesus! (Due to their nudity we felt it best to exercise caution by not taking pictures;)

God bless you! Thank you for your prayers. Know that you are loved and our prayers are with you.

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-Adam, Liliana, & Andrew Fowler

#### **Brazil**



"For as he thinks in his heart, so is he." (Proverbs 23:7) "Be transformed by the renewing of your mind." (Romans 12:2) Happiness and sadness, health and sickness, success and failure, prosperity and poverty – are all RESULTS of our thought lives. The truth of God's word produces, life; the lies of the enemy produce death. That's why the Bible commands us to bring "every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ." (2 Corinthians 10:5)

Website= <u>www.ArdentHearts.com</u> -Mark W. Shubert

#### Israel



Susan Barone has landed in Israel! She is working with Soaring Adventures Global offering basic healthcare needs. She will be traveling to various countries with Israel as her base. Please continue to keep her in prayer;).

#### Bible Trivia—Who Said That?

A)"If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible to you."

B) "There is no fear in love, but love casteth out all fear."

C)"You almost persuaded me to become a Christian."

D)"Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good."

E) "However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband."

(See page 15 for answers)







Praise the Lord Shield of Faith Family,
We send blessings and greetings from Abilene
TX. What a privilege it is to be children of the most high God. Our Lord and Savior has truly done, and is doing, marvelous things in our lives from our family to our finances and we continue to praise and honor Him daily.

As most of you know we have 4 boys and, WOW, it truly takes prayer, perseverance and much love to endure the testing times and stages in parenting. Yes, we have wonderful boys and we are very proud of them, however they are not perfect and they do make mistakes. I'm encouraged that God is so awesome that He takes their imperfections and uses them to teach us as parents, and our kid's, life lessons of love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness,

## **Greetings from Abilene, Texas!**

goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

I can't begin to tell you how much our time at "The Shield" has prepared us for where we are to-day. The unconditional love and faithfulness of Pastor Bob, Mrs. Susan and the many wonderful members and friends of SOF imparted so much into us. At our lowest point in various situations we were able to rise up and grab hold of the Scripture Book and know who we are in Christ and what we are called to do. It is truly the Word that will stand in testing times.

To all of you we will be forever grateful. We encourage you all to continue to fight the good fight of faith and to know that no matter what the situation, NOTHING to too hard for God; He is our shield and buckler, our helper, our rear guard. To Him be the glory. We love you all so very much and pray for you all often.

Blessings, Stephanie (Loving Wife of Super Sammy & Mother of 4 Brilliant Boys)

#### All About Me...

Each month we will have an article on someone in the church. This month the youth have chosen to write about our very own...

## Leah Knoepfel

This month we had the pleasure of interviewing Rick and Missy Knoepfel's daughter, Leah. She is a stunning thirty three years old and manages Ultra Tan in West Ashley. Leah was saved about the age of seven and has been attending The Shield of Faith Church since she was thirteen... twenty years! She's is a fantastic photographer who also loves to draw and paint. She's pretty artistic in the kitchen too as she enjoys cooking and creating new recipes of her own. If she could go anywhere and do anything she would love to go to a deserted island so she would have a chance to completely cleanse her body from all pesticides and chemicals in foods. She



would also love to go on a photography adventure... I wonder where she'd go? Believe it or not, this beautiful woman would also love to go camping! Alright ladies... who wants to go camping??? Sounds like a great woman's retreat! What? What's the matter? Afraid of the wildlife? Not this girl! We asked Leah what one of her biggest pet peeves is and she said that it's when people park in the fire lane or handicap spots when it's not necessary - grrrr... Not many people know it BUT... She and a friend are considering coordinating weddings. 'Hold up, wait a minute'... Do we hear church bells a ringin'??? We love you Leah!

## Just For You...

My friend, I'm writing you this letter and even though we have never met, I know you quite well. You see five years ago I was very much like you. I was raised to know about God but He never really played much of a part in my life. I grew up with questions and never found someone that had the answers. Church was more of a tradition, a place I went on Christmas. I was a good person. I prayed when I needed help. Baptized as a baby. I was good to go right? That sounds funny to me now but at the time I thought I was a good Christian. The older I was the more I realized that I was not good to go. Don't get me wrong, I have a good life. Sure some ups and downs but everyone goes through stuff.

I never thought that church was really needed. I knew the stories, I believed... boy was I messed up.

Like you, at some point I woke up and realized that there might just be more to this life than I had thought. All the questions about God and my faith that I had left unanswered were still there. But was church still the same? Could I really find the answers?

Well as you may have found out, the answers are out there and I found the ones I had been looking for. Then of course that led to more questions and one day I knew enough to be sure that not only did I need God in my life but I needed to give Jesus Christ my life, to live for Him, to serve Him.

I prayed to God asking Him to change something in my life. I waited for an answer and He called me to serve by teaching the kids in our church. This was not anything I had planned, I'm not a teacher. After much thought and prayer it was clear to me that not only did God want me to teach, but to start a new ministry for the fifth and sixth grades. Oddly enough this fell right into place with the plans for the church. I volunteered for two years every Sunday. Modifying or writing my own curriculum and teaching a small group of tweens. When God called on me to oversee and mentor another volunteer to start up a junior high ministry I thought why me I'm still not sure I know what I'm doing. I was starting to feel like the karate kid, not seeing how this work God called me to do fit into what I wanted. Another year goes by and again I hear Him calling me, this time to the high school kids. My first thought was, "Are you kidding me?" Not only do I not have any time in my already busy schedule but again why me. As I sat there doubting myself, my wife says, "What are you thinking about? It's where you belong." I know wax the car, paint the fence...

When I gave my life to Jesus Christ and promised to go wherever He called me to go I had no idea this is what that meant. Alright so to bring you up to date, another year has gone by and now I hold a staff position in our church over-

seeing the fifth through twelfth grades. I stopped questioning the why and how when God calls on me and serve Him with a joyful heart. I never would have seen myself as someone that teaches others about God, after all I'm just a simple man. Why would God need me to do His work? Who am I that anyone should listen to me?

I have watched our church that used to meet in a movie theatre grow into a place where God changes people lives. I've seen our children's ministry go from one class grades I-6 to a eight class fully staffed with volunteers with a nursery, preschool/kindergarten, grades I-2, grades 3-4, grades 5-6, grades 7-8, a Sunday night junior high book study and a Wednesday night youth group. I tell you this not to say look at me or what my church has done, but to say look at how great God is.

You see just five years ago my wife and I were new to the area. We were expecting our first child and decided that our family should find a church. My wife prayed that we would find a church home, a place that we fit and that had a good children's ministry. She also prayed that she could get her stubborn husband to go with her. I prayed that my daughter would grow up knowing God not just knowing about Him. That we would find a place with people that would be able to give her the answers to tough questions she would one day have. God answered those prayers, we have a church home that we fit well into. That has a great children's ministry and I no longer worry about who will teach my daughter how to walk with God. God has made that person her daddy.

So my friend, if you find yourself reading this letter and thinking it was written just for you that's because it was. God will answer your prayers, in His time and His way. Stop worrying about the way you want things to be and trust that God has a plan for you. God will use

us to do His work. So follow where He leads you. Even when what God is calling you to do seems so far from who you are, know that it will bring you closer to the person that He knows you will be.

Your friend in Christ, Michael Rhodes Medina, Ohio





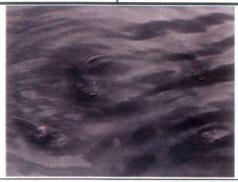
## What's up with our Youth?

So every Wednesday you hear Pastor Bob say "Well now our youth may go to the back!", but as we go back there, you may ask "What are they even doing back there?" Well in this column I will tell you!

Lately we have been working on a new skit that God showed to me and has given me the opportunity to direct. But I certainly cannot take all the credit, because not only Michele Dotter, but also the entire youth contributed to this skit. The skit will be performed at our Family Night on Saturday, November 12, 2011 at 5pm and once again during our service on Sunday, November 13, 2011.

We also are working on the remainder of our Family Night, with other skits, puppetry (with the help of our church's lovely Mrs. Doris Cook), and some songs song by some of our youth. Plus, some special guests! See you there!

-Joseph Smith



Melinda McElveen, with SIHI Photography, was on the dock and her husband, Gary McElveen, walked up and asked her "Am I crazy? I swear that something in the water is watching us." Every time Gary looked more closely it would vanish. So he hid and waited and soon enough, he caught this photo... (Akaka Bush Camp, Rembo Ngowe River, Africa) (SIHI 843-513-8233)

This reminds me of how we are "Fisher's of Men," they are watching us even when we don't know it...

## **Heaven Healing**

Several months after my husband went home to be with the Lord I was still feeling the loss of my husband when my daughter bought me a Bible book bag. There is an inscription on the bag:

"Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can not heal."

I read the inscription and it so touched my heart that I broke down and cried.

I have since then come to read those words and they have brought me a lot of peace and comfort.

Recently I was reading an article about an Irish Christian singer, song writer and poet by the name of Thomas Moore (1779-1852). His talent brought joy, blessings and comfort to so many lives as they either listened to his music or heard him perform in concert. Tears would fill their eyes as they listened to him either sing or read his poetry.

The article went on to tell a little about the life of Thomas Moore. His personal life was plagued with so many tragedies and heart aches, including the death of his five children. He truly understood the need for comfort and the power of prayer in times of need.

The article also quoted the whole inscription that is on my Bible book bag.

"Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish: Earth hath no sorrow that Heaven can not heal."

Now I know why I was so touched by these words. They where told or song by a man who knew how to pray and how to give himself to prayer, knowing the God of all comfort was the only one he could turn to and receive healing and consolation for his hurting heart.

It is the only place any of us can go and receive that which we need during times of sadness, distress, or great need.

-Rosemary Baker



#### Chillie's Corner

#### "Sorry, I Didn't Recognize You..."

As Bill was approaching mid-life, physically he was a mess. Not only was he going bald, but years of office work had given him a large pot belly. The last straw came when he asked a woman co-worker out on a date, and she all but laughed at him. That does it, he decided. I'm going to start a whole new regimen. He began attending aerobics classes. He started working out with weights. He changed his diet. And he got an expensive hair transplant. In six months, he was a different man. Again, he asked his female co-worker out, and this time she accepted. There he was, all dressed up for the date, looking better than he ever had. He stood poised to ring the woman's doorbell, when a bolt of lightning struck him and knocked him off his feet. As he lay there dying, he turned his eyes toward the heavens and said, "Why, God, why now? After all I've been through, how could you do this to me?" From up above, there came a voice, "Sorry, I didn't recognize you."

#### "Psalms 23" - How It Reflects On Me

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake."

I have not always felt this way in my life. Within the past four and a half years my eyes have been opened. They are still being opened.

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear not evil: for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life. And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

I have been down the valley of the shadow of death, my younger years being of questionable character. There were times that I'd wake up and not realize where I was or how I got there. Before I accepted the Lord into my life and before I realized what was happening, our Lord was with me.

-Scot Jones

## Three Simple Rules in Life

- If you do not GO after what you want, you'll never have it.
- 2. If you do not ASK, the answer will always be NO.
- 3. If you do not step forward, you will always be in the same place.

"Uniformity does not equal unity." -Rev. Fred Denham



2 Timothy 2:19

"Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are His. And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

## A Very Sad "Goodbye"

We regret to announce that our dear friends and a special part of our Shield of Faith Family will be leaving us...

The Jones' will be moving to Nevada on Monday, November 28, 2011.

We are going to miss you all... please don't forget that Michele has visitation rights for at least two weeks out of the summer! (I'm going to miss my girls...)

-Michele Dotter





#### "Practical Holiness" - Part I

#### From Nina's notes to self:

#### Romans 12:2 (Message)

"[Place Your Life Before God] So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you."

#### Romans 12:2 (Amplified Bible (AMP)

"2Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you]."

I feel such a spiritually challenged person after reading this. So, God just wants me to take my every day ordinary and make it **extra**ordinary by giving it to Him? In other words, I could skip the third helping at the buffet? And when the office goes out for a "girl's night out," I don't throw back a shot? Or instead of watching "lol cats" online, I could be reading my Bible? Is this holiness, so practical, so seemingly simple? Holiness intrigues me since we have preconceived notions about holiness as an outward appearance like chanting while sitting on a mountain or wearing long skirts with no make-up instead of an inward expression of the Holy Spirit.

I admit, it is a daily choice to set self aside and follow God: between our ears the battle is either lost or won, God versus self, what I want versus what God wants. It is also sometimes difficult to listen to the Holy Spirit when I want things to go my way. So how do we win the battle for our thoughts and only concentrate on those noble things of good report? We speak the Word over ourselves and our families and quit asking for things we already have, such as healing because it has already been accomplished (Isaiah 53:5).

We also have to realize we are already equipped to live this life of practical holiness according to 2 Peter 1:3. We are so surrounded by the world 360 degrees everywhere we look, there is news, sex, and violence but nothing God-related at all. He is the good news but he gets drowned out by CNN and Fox. It is easy to get depressed and get the "recession" mentality if we focus on the wrong things. The enemy is the ruler of this age and that is more and more evident in the world system. The key here is to know what the Bible says about our identity, position and destination. Remember, we are just passing through, so stay eternity-minded!

#### Notes to Self:

I am dead to sin according to Galatians 2:20. Receive God's promises, not the devil's lies.

Read the Word daily. Change mind according to God's Word instead of t.v.

Acknowledge His presence, think on Him all through the day, not only on Sunday.

Prayer to God: Dear Heavenly Father, help us today to live simply, basically holy lives by believing Your Word about us and receiving Your promises instead of being worried about or afraid of world events. Take our every day lives and use them for Your glory as we are molded in Your image more and more every day. Amen.

-Nina Berkeley Carrollton, Georgia



#### God is Faithful

With so much going on, I don't want to take more time here, other than to encourage you with a word from God:

Isaiah 43:1-2

- "I But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, and He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; you are Mine.
- 2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you." (NKI)

With so much uncertainty in the economy, many of you might be wondering what you are going to do or how you or your family might be affected. Know this, that God is with you no matter what takes place around you. Don't be afraid of what you see or what you hear. God loves you and He is faithful!

You are in our hearts and our prayers. Please write us with prayer requests and praise reports! Email: awfowler@hotmail.com

Your missionaries and friends in Peru.

-Adam, Liliana & Andrew

#### 2 Timothy 3:16-17

(KJV) <sup>16</sup>All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:



### Welcome

I would like to welcome Shameika Davies to our church, who just moved here from NY for a change. We are glad you are here!

-Sheila Adams

## Parenting Can Be Challenging

As a mother of three, parenting sure has its challenges to say the least. Each of my children have a personality all their own and they are all different than mine. This can make even some of the simplest things rather difficult. When it comes to teaching, disciplining, and even encouraging them, there are different ways that work the best for each one. This has been a learning process for all of us.

Because of the personality differences in me and my kids, I can become very easily frustrated at times. One lesson God seems to be continually teaching me with them is on controlling my anger... this is not an easy lesson! James 1:19-20 has become a common prayer of mine. Let me share it with you how I pray it, Lord help me to be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to be angry because I know that my anger does not

produce the righteousness of God.

When I am tempted to become quickly angered with my children, I usually say something I regret. It is then I have to go to them and ask for forgiveness. We should set the example for them that yes, we all make mistakes...even their parents. I tell my kids often that I am learning and I will mess up, but I am trying to do my best.

May we all remember "Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof." (Proverbs 18:21) Are you speaking life or death over your children? God gives us the ability to speak life through the power of the Holy Spirit and His Word.

> -Amy Gatliff London, Kentucky

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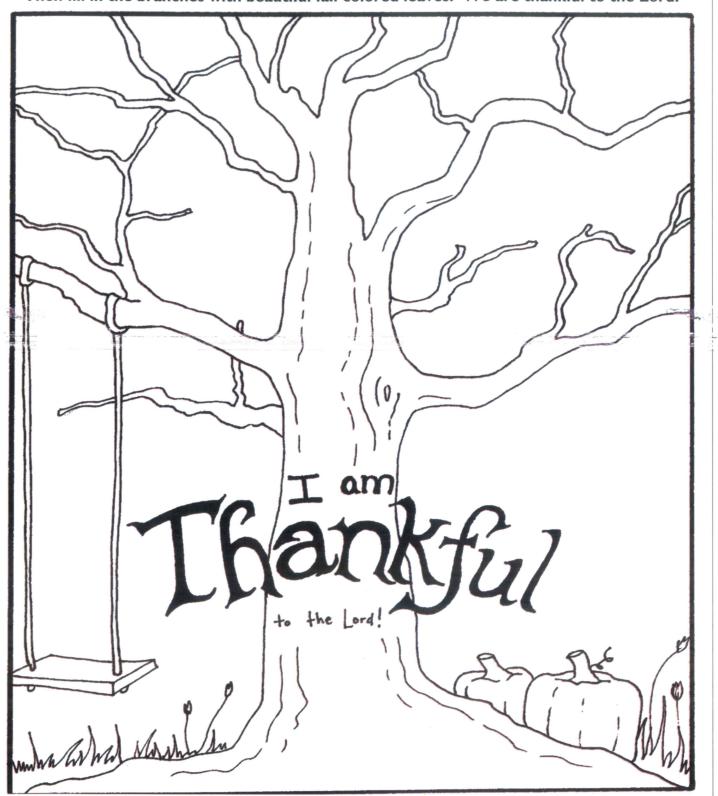
#### A Note From Sheila Adams

I would like to encourage others to "Trust in the Lord with all their heart and lean not unto their own understanding. In all their ways acknowledge him & he will direct their paths" Proverbs 3:5& 6.

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# Kids Corner (We are ALL His kids!)

It's time to be thankful! On each large branch write one thing that you are thankful for. Then fill in the branches with beautiful fall colored leaves. We are thankful to the Lord!



#### **Kids Corner**

## King Solomon — I Kings 3:1-15 (MKJV)

- 1Ki 3:1 And Solomon made an alliance by marriage with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and took Pharaoh's daughter and brought her into the city of David until he finished building his own house, and the house of Jehovah, and the wall around Jerusalem.
- 1Ki 3:2 Only the people sacrificed in high places because there was no house built to the name of Jehovah until those days.
- 1Ki 3:3 And Solomon loved Jehovah, walking in the statutes of David his father.
  Only he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places.
- 1Ki 3:4 And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there. For that was the great high place. Solomon offered a thousand burnt offerings on that altar.

- 1Ki 3:5 In Gibeon Jehovah appeared to Solomon in a dream by night. And God said, Ask what I shall give you!
- 1Ki 3:6 And Solomon said, You have shown to Your servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before You in truth and in righteousness and in uprightness of heart with You. And You have kept this great kindness for him, that You have given him a son to sit on his throne, as *it is* today.
- 1Ki 3:7 And now, O Jehovah my God, You have made Your servant king instead of David my father. And I *am* a little child; I do not know to go out or come in!
- 1Ki 3:8 And Your servant *is* in the midst of Your people whom You have chosen, a

- numerous people who cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.
- 1Ki 3:9 And give to Your servant an understanding heart, to judge Your people, to discern between good and bad. For who is able to judge this, Your great people?
- 1Ki 3:10 And the word was good in the eyes of Jehovah, that Solomon had asked this thing.
- 1Ki 3:11 And God said to him, Because you have asked this thing, and have not asked for yourself long life, and have not asked riches for yourself, nor have asked the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to judge justly,
- 1Ki 3:12 behold, I have done according to your words. Lo, I have given you a wise and an understanding heart, so that there was none like you before you, and after you none shall arise like you.
- 1Ki 3:13 And I also have given you that which you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that there shall not be any among the kings like you all your days.
- 1Ki 3:14 And if you will walk in My ways, to keep My statutes and My commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days.
- 1Ki 3:15 And Solomon awoke, and, behold, it was a dream. And he came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of Jehovah and offered up burnt offerings, and offered peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants.

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#### **Kids Corner**

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- Solomon's daily provisions included 150-280 bushels of fine flour and 300-500 bushels of coarse flour. (It is estimated that this amount of flour could have produced 28,000 pounds of bread, enough to feed 5,000-14,000 people!)
- Solomon's kingdom was peaceful and prosperous.
- Men of all nations came to listen to Solomon's wisdom.
- Solomon was the author of 3,000 proverbs.
- He wrote over 1,000 songs.
- 30,000 Israelites, 70,000 carriers, and 80,000 stonecutters worked on the temple. (not to mention the foremen)
- He began building the temple in the fourth year of his reign. It took seven years to build. His palace and public buildings took 13 years to build.
- The 666 talents of gold (roughly twenty-five tons!) that Solomon received each year from taxes, tributes, and trade made him richer than all the other kings of the earth.



## Bible Trivia - Who Said That?

## (From Page 4)

- A) Matthew 17:20 (Jesus)
- B) I John 4:18 (The Apostle John)
- C) Acts 26:28 (Agrippa)
- D) Romans 12:9 (The Apostle Paul)
- E) Ephesians 5:33 (The Apostle Paul)

## **Being Selfless**

I just want to encourage all my readers to become SELFLESS. Know that God truly does give us desires and dreams in our heart, and we may think that once we find that passion we have it all solved and planned out, but in reality we don't! So be willing to ask God what is that you want me to do with these dreams? What is my purpose and cause behind it? and its in those times that He will truly reveal to you HIS dream for your life, and that is the life we should all pursue. For I am a man not living for myself, but living for the cause and purpose that is within me. YOUR passion has the power to change the world.

- Jonathan Adams

#### We Must Walk On The Water

Most people are familiar with the story of Jesus walking on the water in Matthew 14. We always think of this as a lesson in faith and keeping our eyes on Jesus. However, if we dive a little deeper (pun intended) we can see another lesson that we seem to have missed. Looking at the culture, beliefs, and the words used in the scripture we can see another lesson that Jesus was trying to teach his disciples.

Have you ever wondered why Jesus walked on the water? He easily could have gotten in another boat, swam, or even translated himself to the other side. He chose to walk on the water to the other side of the sea. Looking more closely at the words used here we see he did not just walk but the Greek word used here means to tread down or trample under foot. The same word used in Luke 10:19. "Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you." Jesus was definitely trying to get a point across to his disciples.

When the disciples first saw Jesus walking on the water they did not recognize him and thought that he was a ghost. It's possible that they thought that he was Yam, a mythical Canaanite sea god. Yam is also known as the "chaos monster" or "god of chaos". Yam is also the Hebrew word for sea that is first used in Genesis 1:28 when God gave man dominion over the fish of the sea. While it is likely the ancient Hebrews and disciples did not believe in such myths, it is similar to us today not believing in ghosts. That

is until we see something that we don't understand and are then flooded with fear from childhood ghost stories. In scripture we see leviathan as a sea monster or a demonic entity at war with God and His people. It seems that Jesus was trying to teach us to tread on the chaos and demonic influences that are at work in our environment. Isaiah 27:1. "In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea."

Understanding the different translation of this scripture we can then read Matthew 14:25 as "And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking [treading] on the [yam] sea". lesus was not just giving us a lesson in faith, but also in authority over yam, chaos, leviathan, evil, Satan....whatever name one wants to give to our enemy. We can have faith that God will take care of us, but we also need to understand that He gave us dominion and authority over evil and the problems that evil causes. We need to do our part in overcoming them. We need to tread on the problems. We need to tread on the chaos. We need to tread on our circumstances. We need to tread on the serpents and scorpions. We need to tread over all the power of the enemy. It is our rightful place to be walking (treading) ON the water.

Just like Jesus, we must walk on the water and start treading all over the chaos in our lives.

-Eydie Wittal



## The "Ites" in the Land

#### Deuteronomy 7:1-6

IWhen the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the HITTITES, and the GIRGASHITES, and the AMORITES, and the CA-NAANITES, and the PERIZZITES, and the HIVITES, and the IEBUSITES, seven nations greater and mightier than thou:

2And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:

3Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.

4For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.

5But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.

6For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.

God was very specific with Israel about what they were to do to the 7 "ITES." They were to UT-TERLY DESTROY THEM. (Deuteronomy 7... 7 "ITES".... Seven is the number for completion.)

#### THE "ITES" DON'T BELONG IN THE PROMISED LAND.

There were a few "ites" that the Israelites did not "utterly destroy" - the CANAANITES and the GIR-GASHITES were the only ones I have found at this time in my studies.

WE are God's spiritual Israel. WE are God's promised land. WE are the KINGDOM OF GOD. We need to "utterly destroy" these "ites" in our own lives.

So, what do the root word definitions of these 7 nations of "ITES" in the land reveal???

I. HITTITES

- Fear, Terror

2. GIRGASHITES - Strange, Sickness

3. AMORITES

- Pride

CANAANITES - Jealously, Anger

(I've also read that this "ITE"

stands for Traditions too.)

5. PERIZZITES

- Separation,

Lack of Commitment

6. HIVITES

- Unbelief, Compromise

7. **JEBUSITES** 

- Heaviness, Oppression

God gave the Israelites instructions on annihilating the "ITES." It was a battle that God had already won for them, but they still had to possess the land.

We have been given the authority to cast these things out of our own 'land' - lives. So why do we allow them to stay alive?

We have been given the same instructions to fight as the Israelites in the Old Testament.

Our battle is not against flesh and blood— Ephesians 6:10-18. Jesus has already died on the cross saving us and annihilating our sins, guilt, and shame. We are already heirs of the Kingdom, HOWEVER, we still have to go in and POSSESS the land UTTERLY DESTROYING every one of these "ITES" in our lives.

#### THANK YOU JESUS FOR GIVING US **POWER OVER THESE AREAS IN OUR** LIVES!

May God bless you as you conquer every area in you life making it obedient to the will of God. Amen.

-Mickie D.

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## Congratulations!



The Shield of Faith Church would like to congratulate Chris and Debra Paul on their marriage! The Paul's were married on September 24th, 2011 at Abundant Life Church, Charleston, SC. Debra (Adams) Paul is the daughter of Ron (deceased) and Sandra Adams, long time members of The Shield of Faith Church.

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Gary and Melinda McElveen have a special place in my heart as I have grown to know them, yet we've never met face to face!

SIHI has been very instrumental in 'compassion photography' to bring about amazing results in the lives of so many people.

They have given The Shield of Faith Church permission to use their photos as backdrops for our praise and worship.

From Charleston to Africa, we appreciate these photos that bring the compassionate heart of God right to our front door.

THANK YOU MY PRECIOUS FRIENDS;)



## What Has God Promised us?



Hebrews 13:5b For He Himself has said. "I will never leave you nor forsake vou."

Jeremiah 33:3 'Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.'

Psalms 37:4 Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart.

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope."

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

Philippians 4:19 And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ lesus.



# KINGS is with us" - Emerald Chapman

"The KING OF

R. Kelso Carter became an ordained Methodist minister (1887) at the age of 38. A year earlier, he was a professor at the Pennsylvania Military Academy. There he wrote a hymn, "Standing On the Promises," after reading one of Apostle Paul's letters in Second Corinthians. It was Chapter I, Verse 20 that caught his attention:

"For all the promise of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us."

## Walk in the Promises in Spite of the Mountain!

We are 'Daughters of the Most High God,' 'Princesses of the Kingdom of God,' 'Faithful Worshipers' of the Ancient of Days!

Take courage and walk this path with the Lord. He created us and made a way for us even before we were

born. That is right! That's the God we serve!

The answer, the provision, and all preparations were made even before we saw the mountain before us. Our job... to walk in it. Walk in the promises of the Lord. Worship Him alone... and be encouraged and full of thanksgiving... He is with us continually strengthening, guiding and propelling us into our divine destiny.

The KING OF KINGS is. with us! Sisters we have nothing to fear!

-Emerald Chapman

## "Standing on the Promises" - by R. Kelso Carter

Standing on the promises of Christ my King, Through eternal ages let His praises ring, Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, Standing on the promises of God.

(Chorus) Standing, standing, Standing on the promises of God my Savior; Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail. When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, By the living Word of God I shall prevail, Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I now can see Perfect, present cleansing in the blood for me; Standing in the liberty where Christ makes free, Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord. Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord, Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall, Listening every moment to the Spirit's call Resting in my Savior as my all in all. Standing on the promises of God.



#### In Due Season—Galatians 6:9

"And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart."

Learn to tell GOD thank you for His patience with YOU. Let Him know that you want everything now, because we know that He is building our lives with eternity in mind. Let Him know that you don't understand everything it is that HE is doing but that you trust Him always in all ways.

"Due season" is GOD's season, not ours. Gods timing seems to be His own little secret. The Bible promises us that He will never be late, but I have discovered that He is usually not early. It seems that He takes every available opportunity to develop the fruit of patience in us. Patience is a fruit of the Spirit that grows under trial. **Developed potential without character does not glorify GOD**. If we were to become a huge success and yet be harsh with people that would not be pleasing to GOD. Therefore, if we get ahead of ourselves in one area, He gently but firmly blocks our progress in that area until the other ones catch up.

God lays a solid foundation before He attempts to build a building. We are GOD's building under construction daily. He is the master builder and He knows just what it is He is doing. We don't know always but we can always be satisfied to know the One who always knows what is best for us. So don't grow weary allow your potential to be developed as you succeed in what GOD has called you to be and do. Make up your mind and get into agreement with GOD that You are going to be excellent and not mediocre. We must take inventory of our life and prune off anything in it that entangles us or steals our time. We must be determined, work hard, and refuse to quit or give up, drawing strength from God and not depending on ourselves. If we will do these things persistently, we will eventually have victory and faint not!!!

### O Give Thanks To The Lord!!!!

#### I Chronicles 23:5

"And, said David, 4,000 shall be gatekeepers and 4,000 are to praise the Lord with the instruments which I made for praise."

## Psalms 100

<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.

<sup>2</sup>Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

<sup>3</sup>Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup>Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

<sup>5</sup>For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

#### Psalms 107:1

O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

<sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;



## I Chronicles 23:30

<sup>30</sup>Every morning and evening, the Levites (We are His kings and priests I Peter 2:9) are to give thanks to the LORD and sing praises to him.

#### **Psalms 145:7**

<sup>7</sup>They will celebrate and sing about your matchless mercy and your power to save.

## Psalms 95:1-6

O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

<sup>2</sup>Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

<sup>3</sup>For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

<sup>4</sup>In his hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is his also.

<sup>5</sup>The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.

<sup>6</sup>O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

# **Upcoming Events**

## Family Night

The Shield of Faith Youth are VERY happy to announce "Family Night" on **Saturday, November 12th, 2011 from 5-7pm.** This is a time for our families to laugh, worship, fellowship, and have some fun!

Thanks to our wonderful Doris Cook, we have our special guests, the "New Ashley Male Choir" the men that blew us out of the water with their voices... We had to peel ourselves off the ceiling;). Our youth will also be sharing their new skit, "Why?" along with some oldies but goodies, "Arise My Love," "Until the Whole World Hears," "Red Letters," and "God's got an Army."

We will also be enjoying worship as our youth, Briauna and Jasmine, minister to the Lord with two praise dances.

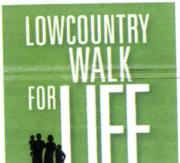
And last, but certainly not least, we will get a visit from some very

'hairy' puppets! Gotta love the character these kids put into their puppets!

This is a great opportunity to invite someone to visit our church to enjoy some good fellowship time.

The youth have worked hard to bring "Family Night" to you and we hope that you will enjoy your time with us;).

-The Shield of Faith Youth



## Lowcountry Walk for Life

We had a blast walking two miles for the Lowcountry Women's Pregnancy Center on October 29th.

As a body we raised almost \$600 for this special ministry! LWPC offers full on-site private

physician prenatal care along with free pregnancy tests, crisis pregnancy counseling, free maternity and infant clothing, and emergency diapers/formula!!!!! They offer FREE parenting classes for women AND men. They also offer

Post Abortion Counseling for those who struggle so deeply after an abortion.

It was so much fun, we hope to do this again next year!

-Michele Dotter -Cathrine Evans

# Brandon Heath at Seacoast Church Mt. Pleasant

November 4th at 7:00pm 750 Long Point Road Mount Pleasant, SC 29464

Award Winning Artist of the Year "Brandon Heath" returns to the Low-country this time with "Brit Nicole" and special guests "Mikeschair." November 4th at 7:00pm at Seacoast Church in Mt. Pleasant, SC! A night you will NOT forget... its the LEAVING EDEN TOUR!

General admission on the floor is \$15. General admission balcony seats are \$10. Leaving Eden Soundcheck Session \$10. Leaving Eden Soundcheck Session includes 2-3 songs performed by Brandon done in a stripped back "story teller" fashion at 5:30pm.

You can place your order for tickets at www.itickets.com or by calling 800-965-9324 to place your order with a phone rep. (Service fees may apply.)







## **Upcoming Events**

## Laugh! Remember & Be Encouraged!

When was the last time you smiled or really laughed? Join us as Todd Wilson reminds us and helps us laugh again. Bring the whole family together for a night of laughter, remembering, and encouragement.

Todd is a dad, writer, conference speaker, and former pastor. Todd's humor and gut-honest realness have made him a favorite speaker and guest on Focus on the Family.

Todd, and his wife Debbie. homeschool their eight children in northern Indiana and travel around America in the "Familyman Mobile."

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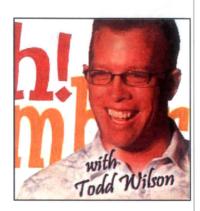
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A love offering will be taken Cost: Childcare is available at \$5/child (\$30

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## **Upcoming Events**



Charleston will once again be host to the Convoy of Hope outreach event. The 9th annual "Charleston Convoy of Hope" will take place on **Saturday**, **December 10th**, **2011** and is an event that demonstrates a great and generous act of care for thousands of people in need from our local area. Thousands of volunteers team to serve Charleston's most needy by providing a hot meal, groceries, clothes, medical and dental care and spiritual outreach.

We are expecting over 10,000 needy individuals to come to the festival-like event at the 4 separate locations in the tri-county region, one nearby in North Charleston.

We are looking for over 1,500 volunteers from local businesses, churches, organizations and individual looking to help make a difference. There are many ways for us at The Shield of Faith Church to get involved, from volunteering to contributing services (hairdressers, photographers, etc), materials, or financial support. Any assistance you can make will be a true blessing to the project at large. For more detailed information go to <a href="https://www.charlestonconvoy.org">www.charlestonconvoy.org</a> or contact me at:

Don Starr

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"The 9th annual Charleston Convoy of Hope will take place on December 10th, 2011"



## **Operation Christmas Child**

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November

You can make a huge difference in the life of a needy child. Operation Christmas Child will be collecting the week of November 14th through the 21st.

- Simply use an empty shoe box

   (standard size, please) or a
   small plastic container. Wrapping is not required.
- Determine if you will include

- gitts for a girl or boy and what the age will be (2-4, 5-9, 10-14). Fill with gifts. (see brochure with information on suggested items as well as items that are not acceptable.)
- You may also include an "All About Me" letter to the child.
   The child receiving your love gift may chose to write to you;)
   Include your donation of \$7
- Include your donation of \$7 within the envelope provided in the brochure to help cover shipping and other project costs, or donate on-line.
- Label the box or container with the "girl or boy" box labels included in the brochure.
- Bring package and donation to church on November 20th, 2011 and give to Michele Dotter and she will take it to a drop off location. OR you may take it to a drop off collection center near you during the week of November 14-21. For drop off locations, call 1-800-353-5949 or visit:

## Special Birthday at Wannamaker Park

The Shield of Faith Church is invited to attend dinner and Grace Harley's first birthday party at Wannamaker Park on **November 5th**, **2011**. There is a \$1 park fee per person and the party is from **3-5pm**.

Grace was a special gift from God that has changed her mama's life (Cathrine Evans). Cathrine wants to share her 'Grace' as God has shown her 'grace.' Let's have some fun! RSVP 843-609-0712





## **Sunday School Events**

#### **Children's Sunday School**

In November, we are going to be learning about King Solomon and humbling ourselves unto God. We will also be learning about wisdom, dealing with temptation, obedience, and learning to go against the crowd sometimes to do the right thing. We are also going to deal with the fear of rejection that kid's this age sometimes face.

Currently, the class is still learning their "Books of the Bible." They have finished the Old Testament successfully and have started learning the New Testament.

Please have your child bring their Bible as we learn together!

-Rachel Ferguson



We look forward to seeing you on Sunday at 9:45am!

#### **Ladies Sunday School**

The Bible commands us to let the Word of God be first in our own minds and hearts (memorize) then teach them to our children. It then tells us to talk about them in our homes, when we are walking, lying down and also when we get up (Deut. 6:6-9). Deut. 11:18-21, Joshua 1:7-8 and Col. 3:16 also tells us about memorizing the scriptures. The ladies have been encouraging each other to become a little more diligent with their scripture memorization.

They have even created a booklet of the scriptures that they have memorized; thanks to Michele Dotter for the booklet design and copies. A card will be added to their booklets as they learn new scriptures. Everyone has the ability to memorize scriptures whether they are young or old with the help of the Lord and a little dedicated time of daily reading. The ladies would like to encourage you to take some time to begin memorizing the scriptures if you are not doing so already.

It may seem like a daunting task to begin no matter what age you are; however, if you look at as a type and/or way to fellowship with God it will become easier and easier as you go along. The Word of God HAS GREAT POWER! The Word has the

power to heal, strengthen, lead, guide and direct us. It can also renew our spirits and provide us with joy and freedom. Pastor Bob is constantly encouraging us to take time to get the Word of God on the inside of us and seek to memorize scriptures so that we will be prepared for anything that comes our way in life. Memorizing scriptures will help us do the following: to grow into mature Christians; be able to stand firm when Satan tries to attack us; when we pray – praying the Word of God for those in need as well as ourselves; use the Word to encourage one another and much more.

Learning the Word of God can be a fun experience, so don't allow the lies of Satan to discourage you by making you think that you are too old to begin, that you are not educated enough or that your memory is not good. They are ALL LIES! You are what God says you are, period. You are going to believe, think and speak what God says. This is why it is SOOO important to have the Word of God committed to memory so that when the lies of the devil pop up (in your mind or your mouth) you can quickly shoot them down with the Word (Eph. 6:6-13). Let's start enjoying our appointed time with God through scripture memorization.

-Yolanda Wilson

#### Men's Sunday School

Join us for Men's Sunday School and let us dive into the word of God together!

We're moving steadily along. Full speed ahead!

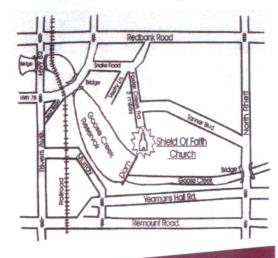




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Deepening our Relationship with Him...







Next deadline to submit articles is: Wednesday, November 16th.

# November 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
			Youth Meet in Sanctuary		Veteran's Day Skit & Puppeteer Rehearsal &Set up 6-8pm	Rehearsal 1pm 5-7pm Family Night
13 "Why?" Skit Rehearsal 10am		15	Article Submittal Deadline Caillie & Dianna's Going Away Party		18	19
20 Operation Christmas Child	21	22	23 No Services	24 Thanksgiving		26
27	28 Pastor's Anniversary		30	,		