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Kevin Hammelman

FROM THE PASTORS STUDY-

I happened to see on an office wall one time a saying that said “I was asked to join the human race but instead chose to stand on the sidelines and just watch.” While meant to be funny, it unfortunately speaks of the spiritual condition of the believer today. In the ninth chapter of 1 Corinthians, Paul gives the believer instructions on how to participate in the spiritual race. These instructions are easy to follow and understand. They are as follows:

1. We must deny self of anything that would hold us back.
2. We must keep our eyes on Jesus, not on the world.
3. We must find our strength in the Lord.
4. We must place our “all” on the altar of the Lord.
5. We must refuse anything that would hinder our spiritual progress.

In short, Paul is urging us to not be spiritual spectators but active participants as we strive to gain the imperishable prize of salvation found only in faith through Jesus Christ.

In His service,
Pastor Mike
James 5:16

Notes of Thanks

Thanks to Edna Rinsch and Reda Boberg for their help with the Chimes last month. News for the September Chimes is due on August 24.

Dear Bethel Church,
I'm glad that Bethel was supportive in helping send campers to Merom again this year. This year was my last year of camp. All these years of going has taught me a great deal about God, love, and friendship. Merom has truly been an amazing experience for me. I'd write out everything that's great about camp but then you'd have an hour-long paper. I just advise other kids to go and keep going to Merom Church Camp.

Thanks again,
Tanner Dike

Dear Bethel Church Family,

Thank you so much for the scholarship for college. I am excited to be going off to college and know that I have been given a wonderful opportunity. Also, thank you for all the years that you have supported me at church camp. There have been many fantastic memories. Eventhough I had plans to attend this year I was unable to go because of my job but my efforts were not wasted because the money that had been sent allowed a child to go that would not have had the chance otherwise.

Logan Barrett

Thanks to all the wonderful ladies who filled in for me while I was on vacation. It helped me enjoy my vacation more knowing that things were being well taken care of in my absence.

Wendy Wilson

Basement Bulletin Board Schedule for 2009:

September/October	Worship Committee
November/December	Senior High Youth Group

Bethel Prayer Chain

*“My help comes from the Lord, who
made the heaven and the earth.”-Psalm 121:2*

Please call Mary Deerhake at 328-6208 with any prayer requests that you wish to have put on the prayer chain.

Sunday School

It's August; and everyone (especially the kids) knows what that means – it's *Back To School* time. The time every year that we say, "It's time to get back into the 'swing' of things; back to the 'Ole Routine'." The problem with that is that sometimes we allow ourselves to fall right back into our "old habits". But don't get me wrong; our habits aren't always "bad" habits, there are a lot of "good" habits that we all have. A habit is simply a usual manner of behavior, a pattern – it can either be good or bad. The question is, "What's the prevailing pattern?" When we think about bad habits things like smoking, alcohol, and drugs come to mind. But we all know that the list doesn't stop there – we all have some bad habits that we need to break. The one thing bad habits have in common is that they destroy lives – either our own or someone else's. But good habits, on the other hand, can be of great value to everyone. The habit of prayer can become the most powerful aspect in our lives. Daniel was willing to risk his life rather than give up his habit of prayer. We can make witnessing about Christ a 'good' habit. And the list of good habits has no end; it's as long as one's own imagination. The Bible has so much to say about those good habits that will benefit us for a lifetime (and beyond), and also about those habits that are bound to destroy us.

As we start the "Ole Routine", let's be encouraged to change it into a "New Routine" – a routine that is vacant of bad habits and filled with good habits. And we don't have to go any further than our Bibles to find those 'good' habits for a new routine in our lives:

Trusting God Daily ... Hebrews 4:14

Praise God Regularly ... 1 Chronicles 16:23, Psalm 145:2, Psalm 96:2

Regularly Search for God and His Strength ... 1 Chronicles 16:11, Psalm 105:4

Communicate with God – Pray Regularly ... 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Romans 12:12

Read, Meditate on, Obey, and Teach God's Word ... Deuteronomy 6:6-7, Psalm 119:97

Participate in Corporate Worship ... Acts 2:46, Hebrews 10:25

So, as we begin our "New Routines" where better than Sunday school to get started with these 'good' habits!



ATTENTION:
High School/College Youth

The first meeting for the new school year will be AUGUST 9 at 6:00 in the church basement. Even though you graduated in May we are hoping that you will come to this meeting. We hope to have something special for everyone and will get everyone's new school year off to a great start. Please feel free to bring a friend.

The youth thanks the church for the money they received. The youth Bethel/Edwardsport spent a day at Holiday World on June the 23. We had 15 youth and 3 adults. Thanks to John Trotter for filling in at the last minute as a driver. With a group discount and a special donation of food items for area food pantries the youth were able to have a five dollar food voucher and lots of fun at the park. Even though it was very hot and there were several sun burns the youth represented their churches with pride.

We will be posting a calendar for prayer breakfasts on the bulletin board for anyone that is interested in providing breakfast on the third Sunday of every month.

Everyone enjoy the rest of the summer and may God bless.

Bethel Youth



Bethel Kid's Club
Lemonade Stand & Yard Sale

When: Saturday, August 1--8 a.m. to noon

Where: Brett Telligman's office

Come and enjoy some ice, cold lemonade while browsing through kid's "stuff" for sale (i.e. Clothes, shoes, bikes, toys, etc.) as well as all kinds of baked goods.

All donations will go to the Bethel Mission Project.

Kindergarten Sunday School Room

Due to water leakage and wet, moldy carpet, the carpet in the Kindergarten/Preschool room has been removed. Sunday School for the preschool students will be held in the Christian Partners classroom until repairs can be completed. The estimated time of repair is unknown at this time. Parents, please take your child to the Christian Partners classroom for Sunday School. We appreciate your patience and assistance during this time.



Preschool Assistant

Applications are available in the church office for anyone interested in the Preschool Teaching Assistant position that has opened up. If you have any questions, please call the church office.



Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, August 9th immediately following worship service. There will be two items of discussion and voting. **1.** The Council has recommended tithing 10% of the Mabe Funds received to missions. The Mission Committee has made a recommendation for the distribution. We will vote to accept or reject the recommendation. **2.** We have experienced water leakage and damage in the preschool/nursery area. Repair and prevention is recommended. The Council will be presenting a recommendation for resolving the problem, and a vote will be taken. Preschool will begin the school year in the Christian Partner's Sunday School Room until repairs can be made and the classroom ready for students.

Council Meeting Date Change

The August Council Meeting Date has been changed to Wednesday, August 5. The purpose of the change is to allow the Council to review Building and Grounds Committee recommendations prior to the Congregational Meeting on August 9th.

Clay Balls

A man was exploring caves by the Seashore. In one of the caves he found a canvas bag with a bunch of hardened clay balls. It was like someone had rolled clay balls and left them out in the sun to bake. They didn't look like much, but they intrigued the man, so he took the bag out of the cave with him. As he strolled along the beach, he would throw the clay balls one at a time out into the ocean as far as he could.

He thought little about it, until he dropped one of the clay balls and it cracked open on a rock. Inside was a beautiful, precious stone!

Excited, the man started breaking open the remaining clay balls. Each contained a similar treasure. He found thousands of dollars worth of jewels in the 20 or so clay balls he had left.

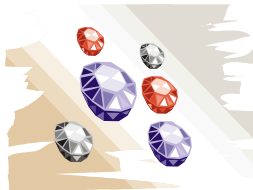
Then it struck him. He had been on the beach a long time. He had thrown maybe 50 or 60 of the clay balls with their hidden treasure into the ocean waves. Instead of thousands of dollars in treasure, he could have taken home tens of thousands, but he had just thrown it away!

It's like that with people. We look at someone, maybe even ourselves, and we see the external clay vessel. It doesn't look like much from the outside. It isn't always beautiful or sparkling, so we discount it.

We see that person as less important than someone more beautiful or stylish or well known or wealthy. But we have not taken the time to find the treasure hidden inside that person.

There is a treasure in each and every one of us. If we take the time to get to know that person, and if we ask God to show us that person the way He sees them, then the clay begins to peel away and the brilliant gem begins to shine forth..

May we not come to the end of our lives and find out that we have thrown away a fortune in friendships because the gems were hidden in bits of clay. May we see the people in our world as God sees them.



Work Day
August 15
7:00 a.m.– Approximately 11:00 a.m.

There is much work to be done around Bethel & many helping hands are needed. Please join us. Refreshing drinks and snacks will be available. Mark your calendar! The list is long. We may or may not be able to complete all the tasks, but with your hands and feet we can serve the Lord by making His House look the best it can be.

Projects:

1. Hang new lights in the lounge
2. Storage Shed Lighting
3. Clean Gutters
4. Trim Trees
5. Replace Missing Roofing Shingles
6. Tear down old outside sign
7. New Electrical receptacles & switches as needed in the church
8. Replace Broken Light Pole/and or hang lighting elsewhere
9. Scrape and Paint Railing at Bethel Hall and around window wells. Paint brushes provided – bring your scrapers please. If we have one lady for every railing – the task will go quickly.
10. Caulk Expansion Joints around the building
11. Spray Brick Sealant @ Church Office



Bulletin Bloopers

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and the deterioration of some older ones.

Parish Records:

Death: Bob Strange, age 69, passed away on Saturday, July 18. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, July 22 with burial in Bethel Cemetery.

New members:

Tom and Joyce Kixmiller became new members of Bethel on Sunday, July 5.

Nancy Rinsch and Kimberly Johns became new members of Bethel on Sunday, July 19.

Attendance:

June	28	138
July	5	145
	12	160
	19	151

Greeters:

July 26 and August 2

Gordon and Janet Clinkenbeard

August 9 and 16

Rowe and Maridell Sargent

Ushers:

August	Steve and Debbie Telligman
August 16	Youth

Nursery Notes:

Aug.	2	Emily Telligman
	9	Brenda Maddox
	16	Bonnie Organ
	23	Debbie Telligman
	30	Beth Durall



Children's Church:

August	2	Brenda Maddox/Patrick Sargent/Chris Horst
	9	JoAnne Brocksmith/Barron Brocksmith/Bonnie Organ
	16	Ramona Hammelman/Emily Telligman/Chris Horst
	23	Lenora McCrary/Tracey Kahre/Nancy Tilly
	30	Cally Miller/Austin Miller/Bonnie Organ

Happy August Birthday to:

- Aug. 6 Susie Walters-(Happy 89th birthday)
- 8 Harold Huffman-(Happy 94th birthday)
- 10 Bertha Conrad-(Happy 84th birthday)
- 12 Delphia Snyder-(Happy 87th birthday)
- 19 Don Clifford-(Happy 81st birthday)
- 21 Lucille Robbins-(Happy 81st birthday)
- 22 Herb Grabbe-(Happy 80th birthday)
- 24 Dallas Miller-(Happy 81st birthday)
- 26 Martin Pieper-(Happy 88th birthday)
- 31 Ruth Varns-(Happy 85th birthday)

Church Council Meeting
July 13, 2009

Pastor's report-approved and accepted as written.

Secretary's report-approved as written.

Treasurer's report-annual interest income generated from the Mabes Estate funds already received will be added to the general fund and earmarked for the youth pastor as was voted on at the annual meeting.

Deacon's report-approved as written. Mission disbursements were as follows: \$1,000 to the preschool scholarship fund, \$1,000 to the Nurse's Fund, and \$500 to Heart to Heart Ministries.

Elder's report-20 groups or individuals accepted \$50 for the "Serve the Lord" project to raise money for missions. A P.M.S. (**P**opcorn, **M**ovies, and **S**undaes) night is being planned for sometime in October. A six-week Women's Bible study is being planned. Pastor Mike is putting together a men's Bible study. A Senior Pastor Job description was submitted to the council for final approval. Motion was made and approved.

Building and Grounds committee-Carpets have been cleaned. The committee will meet and submit recommendations to the council concerning water leakage and damage in the preschool/nursery area.

Old Business:

Chapel-Concerning the chapel plans there is no news, still waiting on estimates.

Youth pastor-Still taking resumes and currently advertising.

Purchase of funeral stools-A final decision is nearing completion.

New Church sign-The footer is in and we are waiting on the sign to be installed. The new sign should arrive within the next 2 weeks.

Worship Committee-New altar cloths are being purchased. The Special Gifts committee will cover costs.

Automated Prayer Chain-A motion was made unanimously to implement a voice mail system which will relay prayer requests, committee announcements, and other pertinent church information to those from the church who have added their phone numbers to the program in order to be notified of this information.

New Business:

Leakage problem-There is ground water seepage in the preschool area. Currently, steps are being taken by the council to review options to remedy the situation.

Special Gifts Committee-A Yamaha digital piano is being purchased from the Conservatory of Music, per Karen DeCoursey and Mary Ann Miller's search. A motion was made to approve as designated by the family of Lydia and Oscar Berger.

Preschool board-The board is currently seeking a part-time assistant for the preschool.

Cemetery entrance-Security issues concerning a gated cemetery entrance were brought to the council for discussion but, for lack of a motion, it was denied.

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The next meeting has been changed to Wednesday, August 5.

Bethel Church
Treasurer's Report
(1/1/09-6/30/09)

Income:

Cemetery Income	\$ 650.00
Choir Income	520.00
Insurance Income	155.98
Interest Income	3,245.98
Memorial Income	12,122.00
Misc. Income	1,350.46
Mission Income	5,169.01
Offering	83,030.28
Preschool Income	17,461.05
Rental Income	150.00
Scholarship Income	25.00
Shelter House Income	25.00
Youth Pastor Income	<u>4,810.00</u>
Tot. Income	128,714.76

Assets:

Bank and Cash Accounts	
Brocksmith Mission	24,434.77
Building Fund	25.00
Cemetery Fund	1,575.46
Choir/Music	2,542.10
General Fund	68,935.41
Insurance	155.98
M L Mabes	400,038.69
Memorial Fund	29,786.09
Mission Fund	33.00
Mission Trip	0.00
Scholarship Fund	3,907.55
Shelter House	7,649.13
Strate 40 Acres	16,989.47
Van Fund	0.00
Youth Pastor	<u>5,905.00</u>
Total Assets	561,977.65
Net Worth	561,977.65

Expenses:

Asst. Preschool Person	\$ 5,307.00
Books & Lit	257.02
Cemetery Expense	3,193.88
Choir Expense	727.95
Custodial Supplies	841.31
Custodian	4,571.27
Electricity	5,132.19
Employee Withholding	9,351.04
Evangelism Exp.	169.80
Gas	8,257.67
Groundskeeper	4,301.52
Insurance	10,499.25
Maint. And Repair	5,720.22
Memorial Expense	5,551.28
Misc. Expense	579.70
Mission Expense	9,277.86
Music Director	3,924.84
New Equipment	1,493.79
Office Supplies	1,288.07
Pastor	26,912.52
Pastor Training	543.61
Pastor Travel	1,077.55
Pest Control	430.00
Postage	600.00
Preschool Director	7,400.70
Secretary	7,203.24
Sub Music Person	575.00
Sub Pastor	200.00
Telephone	943.02
Van Expense	309.29
Waste Expense	364.57
Water	<u>449.36</u>
Total Expenses	127,454.52
Income less Expenses	1,260.24

August 2009

Bethel Chimes



Bethel Church
Freelandville, Indiana

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