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FROM THE PASTORS STUDY-

We read in John 14:13 that Jesus will do whatever we ask in His name in order that the Father may be glorified. What does this mean for the believer? The word whatever is the key to this verse and unfortunately there are times when the children of the Most High take this verse out of context. Whatever means not just whatever, but instead whatever is in the will of God. That is the key to the verse, being in God's will whenever we pray.

As believers we must allow the Holy Spirit to help us think the way God thinks and to desire the things God desires.

When this happens we realize that the more we grow, the more we want to go God's way instead of our own way. Therefore when we pray, we pray for the things on God's heart, the things He desires.

We won't always pray for the right things. Jesus may not always answer our prayer the way we believe He should. But, He promises to answer our prayer in a way that Honors His Father.

In His service,
Pastor Mike
James 5:16

Notes of Thanks

Thanks to Herman Tilly for helping with the June Chimes. News for the September Chimes is due in the Church office by August 15th.

Basement Bulletin Board schedule for 2011

Sept./Oct./Nov.
December

Youth Group
Choir

Sunday School News

Planning.....planning for a new Sunday School year, planning for the Sunday School picnic, planning for reaching out to others to study God's Word.

Proverbs 16:1 says "to man belong the plans of the heart, but from the Lord comes the reply of the tongue." And so, we understand the final outcome of plans we make is in God's hands. God wants us to use our minds, to seek the advice of others, and to **plan**. As we live for Him, we ask for guidance and act on our plan as we trust in Him.

Our Sunday School Picnic is on September 18th after Church in the Grove.

Catering by Carla will be preparing the meal, but we are again asking for 20 desserts to be donated by families from Bethel. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in Bethel Hall. **Sacred**

Calling, a trio of women who sing and play several instruments such as the fiddle, bass, guitar, and harmonica and are from the Springs Valley Wesleyan Church, will provide a ministry through music. Other entertainment will be an inflatable, fish pond, football, volleyball, and corn hole.

A Sunday which is traditionally called Promotion Sunday will be on September 4th and will be a time when some in the Children's Department move into a new class.

And once again, be in prayer for the search for an assistant superintendent, a treasurer, and an assistant treasurer. The new Sunday School year will begin after the Picnic, near the first of October.

. . . see you in Sunday School!
Nancy Tilly

Youth Corner

In a culture where students are falling off the grid in record numbers and student ministries are crashing into the trails of their own self-identity, there is an unwavering mission that was issued nearly 2000 years ago by the architect of life himself. “Go and make disciples.” (Matt. 28:19) It was a mission that would leave no room for doubt as to our purpose and reason for being here. A mission that would leave no allowance for hiding out in the shadows or withdrawing in fear. This mission has been the light for God’s people down through the dark ages of time. It has been the driving energy behind the greatest worldwide movement that man has ever seen. It is this mission that men and women have literally laid down their lives to see that calling fulfilled in their lifetime. Now it is our turn to make our presence known. Now is our time to initiate the same courageous behavior as Peter did on the day of Pentecost. He chose to Emerge and Engage the crowd. He chose to raise his voice over the static noise of his day. We must choose the same. We must emerge from the shadows of our comfort zones and engage the world we live in with the truth of God’s Word that will no doubt shake the very foundations of anybody’s existence. This is the message that our kids are hearing in Bethel youth group. . .rise above this world and go live a life for Jesus by bringing others to know him. This not just a message to them. . . follow in our youths example and “go make disciples”!!

Bethel youth group is going strong and I am so proud of the spiritual growth in our kids. Since January, I’ve already seen a great change. . . but we have a long way to go. Our regular Wednesday and Sunday night meetings have been going very well and the summer has opened up several doors for extra fun stuff like: our pool party, weeny roast, our trip to Spirit Song Kings Island and much more. Coming soon is our all boys’ camp out and our girls trip to Indy!! New programs will be starting this fall which will be mentioned in greater detail at a later date but include: Area wide youth group, after school program for 1st – 5th, new young adult’s class, 5th Quarter, etc.

Bethel has a lot to look forward to its youth program, and I am so excited to be here. Please continue to support our youth as we grow in numbers and most importantly spiritually.

God Bless
Your Youth Minister,
Shayne Spurgeon

Historical Committee

The display in the historical case in the sanctuary this month includes a manual typewriter like the ones used years ago to type the bulletins, and mailings of the church. A typewriter was used at Bethel until 1987, when a computer was purchased.

Also on display is an addressograph which was used to address the “Chimes” newsletter, and any other mass mailings. The tray holds the address cards ~ stop by and take look at these machines ~ How much easier it is to do all these tasks today with a computer!

We still have 2 Bethel history books, as well as Baptism, Confirmation, Wedding, and Funeral books, and some older calendars for sale. These can be purchased in the church office, or you can check with someone on the committee.

If anyone has anything that would be helpful to the committee, please get in touch with any one on the Historical Committee.

Dorothy Spanger

Preschool News

We are excited to start preschool August 22. We have been busy reorganizing and decorating our classroom. Thanks to all who helped get us ready by painting, making curtains, or punching out die cuts, etc. We appreciated you and are looking forward to a great preschool year.

Mrs. Hammelman

Mrs. Durall

Bethel Church Council Minutes July 11, 2011

Pastor's Report – The report was approved as written. Pastor Mike is investigating the possibility of enrolling in a financial study course offered by Crown Financial and will then instruct the class locally.

Youth Pastor's Report – Pastor Shayne reported that the youth trip to King's Island and the Spirit Song Festival was a success. He continues working on the area-wide youth event being planned for August, despite some obstacles that have arisen in its formation. However, in the meantime Bethel youth have planned some events with the Followers of Christ and Bicknell Baptist churches, and he is currently focusing on basic Bible stories for his spiritual lessons with the youth group. A youth group for grades 1-5 will be organized shortly after school begins and will be held each Tuesday, 4:00-5:30, following the format of VBS.

Secretary's Report – The report was approved as written.

Treasurer's Report – The report was approved as written. The council approved the following dispersals from the Ministry Budget: \$500 to KC Habitat for humanity; \$500 NK Social Ministries; and \$500 to Bethel Pre-School. The average attendance at Sunday worship services for June was 152. Income for June was: offering, \$13,203.39; facility use, \$25; CD interest, \$86.27; and mission fund, \$2,498.08.

Deacon's Report – The report was approved as presented.

Elder's Report – Concerns about a Sunday school class for newly married couples was discussed, and it is hoped that a new class for this age group (20s) will be organized. It was suggested that an informational meeting entitled "Saving Our Sunday School" be held to gather input from our members concerning the needs of our congregation. To keep the prayer list included in each Sunday's bulletin current, names will be removed after being on the list for a month but may remain if requested.

Buildings and Grounds – It was reported that progress continues with the installation of the heating and air conditioning unit. The roof problems were discussed, noting that more leaks have occurred recently; the deacons are receiving bids for possible solutions. It was noted that the nursery has been painted, and after discussing a request that the hallway in the kindergarten area also be painted, the motion was made, seconded, and passed to proceed with the project. It was announced that Ebony will be on vacation the week of July 18, and the council and pastors will be responsible for cleaning the church.

Old Business – No bid for the installation of security cameras has been received yet, but there is still interest in the project. Fallen trees in the grove have been removed, and it was suggested that other trees be examined to see if there are some that need attention to prevent more damage if another storm occurs.

New Business – Carpet cleaning was discussed, and it was decided to postpone it until the completion of the HVAC project. The annual work day was also discussed and will be scheduled as needs arise. Broken older tombstones in the cemetery were brought to the attention of the council. A list of these will be placed in the Chimes to see if any family members would consider repairing/replacing them.

Coming Events

August 7 – Mid-summer communion
Worship at the FCH

August 22 – Preschool begins
Sept. 18 – Worship in the grove

Heifer International (W.I.L.D. Project) – To date, over \$5,700 has been given to this project. Thanks to all Bethel people who have donated! Following is a list of donors.

<i>Tom & Joyce Kixmiller</i>	<i>in memory of Tim Kixmiller</i>
<i>Bill Brocksmith, Jane Tiek,</i>	<i>in honor of Doris Brocksmith &</i>
<i>Kent Brocksmith & families</i>	<i>in memory of Richard Brocksmith</i>
<i>Bruce Miller & Maridell Sargent</i>	<i>in memory of Ernest & Laura Miller</i>
<i>Pam Loheider</i>	<i>in honor of Wayne & Vera Dunkerly</i>
<i>Bob & Vera Jones</i>	<i>in memory of Guy Fuller, Mr. &</i>
	<i>Mrs. George Jones, and Albert & Alma Pfrang</i>
<i>Chuck Borgmeier</i>	<i>in memory of Walter Borgmeier &</i>
	<i>Marie Borgmeier</i>
<i>Bob & Betty Miller</i>	<i>in memory of parents</i>
<i>John & Jan Spanger</i>	<i>in memory of Walter Spanger and</i>
	<i>Don Messel</i>
<i>Jane Tiek</i>	<i>in honor of Dale Tiek</i>
<i>Nancy Tilly</i>	<i>in honor of Herman Tilly</i>
<i>Tonya & Tim Miller</i>	<i>in memory of Rachel Pieper</i>
<i>Maridell Sargent</i>	<i>in honor of Rowe Sargent</i>
<i>Doris Brocksmith</i>	<i>in memory of Richard Brocksmith</i>
<i>Rowe Sargent</i>	<i>in honor of Mary Ann Miller</i>
<i>Mike, Susan, Cassandra &</i>	<i>in honor of Rowe &</i>
<i>Victoria Brocksmith</i>	<i>Maridell Sargent</i>
<i>Mary Ann Miller</i>	<i>in memory of Oscar & Lydia Berger</i>
	<i>in memory of Ernest & Laura Miller</i>
<i>Mary Ann Miller</i>	<i>in honor of grandchildren</i>
<i>Taylor Hammelman</i>	<i>in honor of Kate Hammelman</i>
<i>Mark & Deanna Sargent</i>	<i>in honor of parents</i>
<i>Susan Brocksmith</i>	<i>in honor of parents</i>
<i>Steve & Debbie Telligman</i>	<i>in honor of Bill & Patsie O'Dell,</i>
	<i>Judy & Neal Foland, & Joyce Telligman</i>
	<i>in memory of Milton Telligman</i>
<i>Dallas & Shirley Miller</i>	<i>in memory of parents</i>

Other donors were Michah Morgan, Emily Telligman Pirtle, Wilma Chester and the Arnold Hagemeyer Family.

Donations include 1 water buffalo, 3 heifers, 3 goats, 3 sheep, 10 pigs, and numerous rabbits, chickens, geese, and ducks.

Memorials:

Cemetery Trust Fund:

In Memory of Robert Bohmeier:

Dallas & Shirley Miller

Carmalita & Ronald Kersten

George Mullens

Ronald & Harriett Kersten, Sr.

In Honor of the birthdays of George Burton Hall and Maxine Kirchoff Hall:

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Hall

Bethel Church Treasurer's Report
1/1/2011 through 6/30/2011

Income:

Mabes Income	139,306.00
Offering	88,362.61
Preschool Income	19,598.95
Interest Income	6,775.51
Mission Income	5,692.47
Atlas Gas	3,708.28
Misc. Income	2,354.80
Youth Pastor Income	712.00
Rental Income	220.00
Cemetery Income	150.00
Memorial Income	<u>130.00</u>
Total Income	267,010.62

Assets:

Brocksmith Mission	24,645.36
Building Fund	25.00
Cemetery Fund	(4,630.92)
Cemetery Trust	244,749.30
Choir/Music	2,266.49
General Fund	104,069.04
M. L. Mabes	470,464.20
Memorial Fund	21,746.14
Mission Fund	(9,396.88)
Scholarship Fund	2,507.55
Shelter House	13,171.63
Strate 40 Acres	3,748.30
Youth Pastor	<u>6,523.63</u>
Total Assets	879,888.84

Expenses:

New Furnace/AC	139,306.00
Pastor	28,273.80
Mission Expense	15,089.35
Youth Pastor	14,919.52
Insurance	13,212.50
Employee Withholding	11,952.52
Strate Expense	9,345.74
Secretary	7,172.61
Maint & Repair	6,417.86
Preschool Teacher MWF	6,130.00
Electricity	5,955.31
Custodian	5,840.28
Gas	5,829.46
Preschool Teacher T/Th	5,432.00
Groundskeeper	4,597.20
Music Director	4,207.44
Preschool Aide	3,260.80
Office Supplies	2,569.92
Telephone	2,141.97
Cemetery Expense	1,669.69
Pastor Travel	1,133.75
Misc. Expense	983.80
Custodial Supplies	805.20
Water	712.37
Van Expense	597.92
Postage	444.00
Pest Control	430.00
Choir Expense	425.70
Waste Expense	421.84
Sub. Music Person	225.00
Sub. Pastor	200.00
Books & Lit.	149.23
Youth P. Expense	<u>15.00</u>
Total expense	229,869.27
Grand Total	(32,858.65)

Parish Records:

Attendance:

June 26 136
July 3 126
10 107
17 173

Greeters:

Aug. 3 – Gordon & Janet Clinkenbeard
Aug. 7 & 14 – Rowe & Maridell Sargent
Aug. 21 & 28 – Don & Kara
Johanningsmeier

Ushers: August – Frank & Lenora

McCrary

Nursery Notes:

August 7 Emily Pirtle
14 Brenda Maddox
21 Cally Miller
28 Beth Durall

Children's Church:

Aug. 7 Bonnie Organ/Chris Horst
14 Lenora McCrary/Tracey Kahre/Kelci Anderson
21 Jo Ann Brocksmith/Chris Horst
28 Dale Tiek/Nancy Tilly

August birthdays:

August 6 Susie Walters (Happy 91st)
8 Harold Huffman (Happy 96th)
10 Bertha Conrad (Happy 86th)
19 Don Clifford (Happy 83rd)
21 Lucille Robbins (Happy 83rd)
22 Herb Grabbe (Happy 82nd)
24 Dallas Miller (Happy 83rd)
31 Ruth Varns (Happy 87th)

WARNING: Bible usage can be habit forming. Regular reading can cause loss of anxiety and fear, decreased appetite for lying, cheating, stealing, hating, anger, jealousy, and envy. Symptom's include, but are not limited to, increased sense of love, joy, peace, compassion and contentment. Use as directed. Just Praise the Lord!!

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