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FROM THE PASTORS STUDY-

Ephesians 4:29 speaks of edification. In the church, edification is used for the building up of a person in grace. In other words, edification is used to instruct, encourage someone in a positive manner in their walk with Christ. In order to do this, the believer must have control over their tongue. The book of James speaks of the tongue several times. James 3:5-10 gives us a good example of the power of the tongue. From these verses we see that if we have no control over our tongues, then there is no way we can edify other believers, and without edification the church suffers, and when the church suffers, the enemy, Satan, gains a stronghold.

It is time for the church to return to the message of the gospel, the whole message in order to differ from the world. Let us make an effort then to be people who edify, who build up, rather than like those of the world who seek to discourage and destroy.

It is my prayer that Bethel be a leader in edification of the believer and not a follower in the ways of the world. Let Holy Scripture be our standard for life and let us stick by that standard.

In His service,
Pastor Mike
James 5:16

Notes of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone very much for thinking of me while I was in the hospital. Also, thanks for the birthday cards.

----Marjorie Horst

Basement Bulletin Board schedule for 2011

Sept./Oct./Nov.
December

Youth Group
Choir

Sunday School News

“This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.”

Sunday, September 18th is set aside as a day of rejoicing and fellowship as we Worship in the Grove. Following our worship a meal of fried chicken, pulled pork, cheesy potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, cauliflower and broccoli salad, rolls and drinks will be served by **Catering by Carla**. Delicious desserts will be prepared by the **families of Bethel** and we thank them for their willingness!

Entertainment beginning at approximately 12:30 will be presented by **Sacred Calling**, a trio of women who sing and play several instruments. Again this year, we will have a fish pond, football, volleyball, corn hole, and an inflatable “bouncy house” with a slide.

September 4th is designated as Promotion Sunday. Several first graders will be moving from the Kindergarten to the Primary Department. They will be honored at the Sunday School Opening on that Sunday.

A **new class of singles and couples of college age** and above has been established and will be meeting for the first time on Sunday, August 21st. They will be meeting in the Social Room and in the beginning will be led by Pastor Shayne. Our prayers and blessings are with them!

The position of assistant superintendent, treasurer and assistant treasurer are still ones that need to be filled. Please be in prayer for this search!

See you in
Sunday School!
Nancy Tilly

Youth Corner

School is back in full swing which means that our youth will be faced with hundreds of choices every day. . . choices that will show that they live for Jesus or choices that show that they are of this world. Being a kid in today's world is tough, please pray for our kids that they may have the courage to rise above this world and be true followers of Christ....Let our youth be a light in dark school hallways.

I spend a great deal of time around kids at school and you wouldn't believe some of the stuff these kids say and do. With a majority of the students being non-Christians, it gets harder and harder for our Christian youth to survive in today's society.....that's where you come in....if you see one of our youth, encourage them, tell them that you are proud of the life in Christ that they have chosen and most importantly of all, hold them accountable when they are not living right. One of the most frustrating things as a youth minister is to work so hard to get these kids going down the right path and then watch a parent or adult come in and not support that or lead them astray.....youth ministry starts with the parents and older loved ones in these kids' lives. Help make a difference in our kids!!

God Bless

Your Youth Minister,
Shayne Spurgeon

Guild

Guild vacation is over and we are ready for our regular Guild meetings to resume. We'll meet September 7 at 1:30 in the Guild room with the program "Learn Something New". Hostesses will be Nancy Tilly and Joyce Kixmiller. Please bring toilet paper for North Knox Social Ministries. Hope to see you there!

Remember Harvest Home is September 25th. Bring produce by noon on Saturday, September 24 to be arranged at 1 pm.

Lill Clinkenbeard

Preschool News

School time is here again – how quickly the summer days pass! As I write this letter, the "big kids" have started their first full week of school and we are eagerly anticipating the first day of Bethel Christian Preschool! We are looking forward to Parent Orientation, Open House, the first day of preschool and Grandparent's Day. ☺ We have a great group of kids coming to preschool this year and we can't wait for all the fun we are going to have learning about God and Jesus and how great their love is for each one of us! We look forward to learning our ABCs, colors, shapes and numbers and also doing lots of coloring, painting, gluing and practicing lots of other

skills we are going to need when it is our turn to go to the big kid school! If you get a moment, feel free to stop by and browse the preschool area this year to see what we've been up to. We have been busy getting things ready for our wild jungle theme and know the kids are going to love all the fun things we have planned! Deuteronomy 31:6 "Be Strong and of Good Courage..." – it can be a jungle out there!

Love,
Mrs. Durall
Mrs. Hammelman

MISSIONS

Thank you so much for all your donations of school supplies. North Knox Social Ministries was able to help numerous families because you provided the materials.

This month we are collecting personal items – shampoo, deodorant, foot powder, toothpaste, razors, band-aids, toothbrushes, cough drops, aspirin, etc. If you have no money, you are forced to do without these items and it is difficult to not be able to brush your teeth, shave, etc. So....thanks again for providing these things.

We are starting a new project – "Turn Shoes into Water". We will be collecting shoes – decent usable shoes of all kinds – flip flops, heels, work boots, etc. George, the Shoeman, collects shoes and gets them to other countries. In some of the African countries, there are parasites in the soil that burrow into the soles of the peoples' feet and cause lots of health issues. He also used the money that he receives (15 cents/pair of shoes) and buys water drilling rigs to drill for clean water in those countries. He needs to collect 500,000 pairs of shoes to help buy a \$270.00 rig that will drill through granite so he can get water to some other remote areas.

We will have boxes in both entrances of the church. Please tie the shoestrings together of matching shoes and put rubber bands around pairs that don't have strings.

Thanks to each of you for being a part of Bethel's Mission Team! Your support and prayers are very much appreciated.

Maridell Sargent

Bethel Church Council Minutes August 8, 2011

Pastor's Report – The written report was approved as written. Pastor Mike is ordering the Crown Financial materials and will complete the course before teaching a class on being financially responsible. He shared that the Mission Committee is involved in the following activities: 1) a

mission moment will be given to inform the congregation of financial needs of the Lighthouse Mission in Washington, IN, and will distribute envelopes for donations. 2) They will also introduce a project for helping a group drill a well for a poor village in Kenya by collecting shoes.

Youth Pastor's Report – Pastor Shayne reported that the Guy's Retreat for high school boys was successful, despite the small number attending due to other obligations. Now that school is beginning the combined youth groups will be divided into high school and middle school groups. In cooperation with area churches, a "Fifth Quarter" pizza party (financed with donations) will be available for all area youth following all home football games. Shayne will also be creating a Bible study dealing with youth issues for high school and junior high school students. The youth will be hosting a hog roast this fall as a money raiser for their various projects. Pastor Shayne requested that the youth be able to establish a youth room in the upstairs area. After a discussion it was decided to pursue this project and to solicit input from the youth. Donations have enabled the youth to purchase a projector, including a generous donation of \$400 from Dr. Emily Williams.

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

Treasurer's Report – The report was approved as written. It was shared that the total collected for the WILD heifer project was \$5,697.50.

Deacon's Report – The report was approved as written. The average attendance for July was 137, and the income for July was: offering, \$17,922.08; facility use, \$175; Atlas Energy, \$795.26; CD interest, \$6.26; and mission fund, \$1,573.65.

Elder's Report – The elders will be hosting an informational meeting on Tuesday, August 16, to receive input from young adults for organizing a Sunday school class to meet their needs.

Building and Grounds – It was reported that the flat roof of the sanctuary has been repaired at a projected cost of \$2,750; no settlement has been received from the insurance company to cover other damage due to the spring storm.

Old Business – A bid of \$800 was received and approved for the purchase and installation of security cameras for the church and office building. A new door for the preschool office and an exterior door on the south side of the church near the ramp have been ordered. Kevin Hammelman had met with Anthis concerning monthly payments for their work on the new heating/air conditioning units they are installing. There is a slight increase to the proposed cost due to a few requests made by the board. Now that they are nearing completion of the project, it was decided that one-half of the August bill will be retained until the project is completed to our satisfaction. It was reported that the total amount paid for the sidewalk/concrete project was \$13,456.67.

New Business – The only new business was the creation of a new Sunday school class, which is discussed above.

Coming Events August 22 – Preschool begins
September 18 – Worship in the Grove



*We have experienced love in our parents families and
friends and now have a new love in each other.*

Together with our parents we

Bethany Annette Gibbs

&

Joshua Clark Hammelman

invite you to share with us a celebration of love.

The ceremony will be held at four thirty in the afternoon

Saturday, the seventeenth of September

two thousand eleven at

Bethel Church.

*A casual dinner reception will follow the
ceremony at*

Hammelman Nitrate Inc.

10517 N. Freelandville Rd.

Edwardsport, IN



“This is the Day That The Lord Has Made, Let Us Rejoice and Be Glad in It.” Psalm 118:24

Sunday, September 18

Worship in the grove

10:00 a.m.

and



Sunday School

11:30 a.m.

ENTERTAINMENT BY: “SACRED CALLING”

Inflatable
“Bouncy House”

Volleyball
Fish Pond

Football
Corn Hole

Parish Records:

Death:

Frederick V. “Fritz” Hagemeyer, age 87, passed away on Tuesday, August 16. Funeral services were held at Bethel on Friday, August 20, with burial in Bethel cemetery.

Attendance:

July 24 137
July 31 140

Aug. 7 121
 14 142

Greeters:

Sept. 4 & 11 – Doris Brocksmith
 Sharon Dunkerly

Sept. 18 & 25 – Scott & Lana Dike

Ushers: Mark & Deanna Sargent

Nursery Notes:

Sept. 4 Kelci Anderson
 11 Theresia Barrett
 18 No Sunday School – Worship in Grove
 25 Virginia Koenig

Children’s Church:

Sept. 4 Bonnie Organ/Chris Horst
 11 Cally Miller/Kelci Anderson
 18 Worship in Grove
 25 Brenda Maddox/Nancy Tilly

September birthdays:

Sept. 8 Marjorie Putnam (Happy 88th)
 28 Alvin Schuckman (Happy 89th)

Chimes news will be due on September 19th.

September 2011

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