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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 is 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 in no way that 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 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

YOUTH PASTOR

I was looking through some old pictures the other day and found one of my Grandma holding Daniel when he was only a couple months old. I just sat and looked at it for a little bit. Thinking about my Grandma Hall and the wonderful woman she was. I thought about attending church with her at the Helm Street Church of God in Logansport. I thought about how I never really liked instant coffee or generic diet soda, but that was what Grandma bought so that is what we drank. I thought about how much I would love to be able to drink instant coffee or generic diet soda with her just one more time. Then I started to tear up a bit, feeling sorry for myself. Then I started smiling. I smiled because Grandma wasn't in pain anymore, cancer could no longer take her strength or her dignity. And she is back with Grandpa, but not the Grandpa that I barely remember. He no longer needs that wheelchair and his legs are stronger than they ever were.

Revelation 21:3-4

³ And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them *and be* their God. ⁴ And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

In HIS Love,
Pastor Mike

Basement Bulletin Board schedule for 2016

September – Preschool
October/November – Assigned
December – Mustard Seed

GUILD

Nine Guild members met at the Freelandville Community Home to celebrate the August birthdays of six residents. We had devotions, sang Happy Birthday and several hymns, and then played Bingo with the residents.

We served ice cream, cookies and punch which was enjoyed by all.

Our September meeting will be on the 7th at 1:30 with a “show and tell” program. Bring something that that you have made or an antique to tell about. Bring toilet paper for North Knox Social Ministries. Hostesses will be Linda Kixmiller and Doris Richter.

See you on September 7th at 1:30.

Scholarship Guidelines

1. Applicant must attend four youth activities per year.
2. Applicant must attend 50% of Sunday services. (If there is a direct conflict that prohibits an applicant from attending services, he/she could visit shut-ins, help with the Sunday services at the Freelandville Community Home, or assist in some other pastor-approved way. There must be written documentation of these alternative activities.)

If you have any questions, please call Pam Loheider or Darlene Resler.

Memorial Fund

In memory of Ruth Brocksmith:

Patty Jo Bobe

Doris Brocksmith

Kent Brocksmith

Scott & Lana Dike

Gertrude Hagemeyer

Edgar & Linda Hammelman

Linda Hammelman

Randy Hammelman family

Glenn & Glatha Hemme

Mike & Pam Loheider

Andrew & Andrea Miller family

Bob & Betty Miller

Elizabeth Miller/Stephen Holka family

Mary Ann Miller

Naomia Pepmeier

Edith & Edna Rinsch

Lucille Robbins

Rowe & Maridell Sargent

Lois Wampler

Mike & Nancy Wilson

Cemetery Fund: Joan Bland, Foye, Blaize & Bigg families

Pastor Billy-Bob's Letter

by Patricia Nordman

To My Dear Friend Pastor Wally Bullhorn,

I sure hope attendance at your church was better'n my church.

Mercy, pastorin' ain't always easy, now is it? We had us a bunch of sick folk, and them added to all the shut-ins made for a whole lot uh pew cushion to look at from the pulpit.

I got to admit, I was feelin' somewhat put out, but I went ahead a preached anyhow. Only thing was, with all them people missin' the echo in the church gave me a hoot of a head ache.

My wife said I needed to git out and ride a bit 'cause the fresh air would make me feel better.

Well, she took to drivin' and I took to ridin' and sure 'nuff, she was right. Not only did my head clear up, but what I saw renewed my faith in the Good Lord. I tell you, Brother, I seen miracle after miracle!

My Sunday School superintendent, Hank Weaselbaum had called to tell me that he was so deathly sick, he wouldn't make it to church. But there he was, drivin' down the road with his favorite fishin' pole stickin' out the window. I tell you, only a miracle coulda' snatched him out'a the jaws of death that way!

Then there was my head deacon, Wilbur Snooch. He had done left a message on my answerin' machine that his back was so jerked out'a line that he thought he might have to have surgery. But I want you to know that when we drove past the golf course, there he was, hittin' golf balls on the drivin' range. Hallelujah, our prayers worked! Edna Brump sent word with her sister that she wouldn't make it 'cause her stomach was all upset and she didn't want to take a chance on havin' a mishap in the church. But glory! There she was, standin' in line at the Feedin' Trough Smorgasbord. Another healin'!

All told, we saw that 20 of our sick folk had takin' a turn for the better and were up and about. Not only that, but I just couldn't help from rejoicin' over all our shut-ins that got themselves healed too. There was Sam Burply, who don't attend church much causin' of him being allergic to crowds, and he was in line to buy a ticket at the ball park.

Margaret Guffhunker, who's been feelin' all poor and sickly that she's done missed the last eight Sundays, she was comin' out of the mall with both arms full of packages.

And then there was Horace Dweedle, who ain't been to church in six months cause'a his bum knee; he was playin' basketball down at the park.

Seein' all these mighty miracles and healin's got me so worked up, I started singin' the Doxology!

Yes, sir, Brother Blowhorn, I'm excited! I just know we'll be havin' us a packed house next Sunday, what with all the sick and shut-ins revived by such a touch from Heaven. I look forward to givin' you right nice report.

Pastor William Robert ("Billy-Bob")

The **A B C D S** of

praying for students



- Attitude** – Psalm 19:14
- Boldness** – Psalm 27:1
- Courage** – John 1:9
- Discernment** – Philippians 1:9-10
- Enthusiasm** – Colossians 3:23
- Friendliness** – Proverbs 18:24
- Generosity** – 2 Corinthians 9:7
- Humility** – Philippians 2:3-5
- Initiative** – 1 John 3:18
- Joyfulness** – Philippians 4:4
- Knowledge** – Proverbs 18:15
- Listening** – Proverbs 12:15
- Maturity** – 1 Corinthians 14:20
- Neighbors** – Mark 12:31
- Overflow** – Romans 15:13
- Perseverance** – Galatians 6:9
- Quiet** – Proverbs 29:11
- Respect** – Romans 12:10
- Self-control** – 2 Peter 1:5-7
- Thankfulness** – 1 Chronicles 16:34
- Understanding** – Psalm 119:130
- Victory** – Psalm 18:29
- Wisdom** – James 3:17
- eXcellence** – Proverbs 3:9
- Youthfulness** – 1 Timothy 4:12
- Zeal** – Romans 12:11

Bethel Church Council Minutes

Aug 14, 2016

Pastor's Report: Pastor Mike reported he completed a funeral service for Charles Linneweber. He and Karen held service and communion for 8 Freelandville residents. He has also been working with the committee on the sesquicentennial celebration. The church will be putting a float in the parade and Bob Taylor will be doing the sermon that day. Confirmation will be starting next month (4-2nd year kids and 6-1st year kids). Worship in the grove is set for a Sunday in September.

Pastor Mike Leydet reported that the 7th grade welcome party was a success. There were 16 kids at the Back to School Bash for the youth. A huge thank you to Marvin and Jan Richter. Their support has been tremendous. Pastor is also working a Chrysalis walk in August.

Secretary's Report: Approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Approved as written. \$700 was awarded to Christian Radio from the ministries fund.

Building and Grounds: Bill Resler reported on some minor repairs that were completed. Yeast was added to the septic tanks. The council also discussed the need for insulation in the attic and the shelter house. Bill also provided the members with a list of chores that need to be completed for Work Day.

Deacons Report: The average attendance for July was 137. The June offering totaled \$21,360.

Elders Report: Communion is scheduled for August 14, 2016.

Old Business: Discussion centered on projects and items needed for workday. Replacing sinks, cleaning gutters, moving the picnic tables. The council also discussed the roofing project as it has been approved to move forward with renovation. Other old business included; bathroom remodel, bathroom repairs, shelter house improvements, ceiling fans, float for the parade, and potatoes for the dinner at the sesquicentennial celebration.

New Business: The drain on the water fountain needs repaired. Bill provided a list of Work Day projects. 15 people have signed up for potatoes.

Upcoming Event:

Workday-8/14 Worship in the Grove- 9/25 Sesquicentennial-8/28

Parish Records:

Attendance:

July 24 151
July 31 156
Aug. 7 147
Aug. 14 131

Greeters:

Sept. 4 – John & Jan Spanger
Sept. 11 & 18 – Clint & Beth Durall
Sept. 25 & Oct. 2 – Herman & Nancy Tilly

Ushers: Mike & Shirley Bright

Nursery (Sunday School):

Sept. 4 Lana Dike/Mary Ann Miller
11 Cheryl Hagemeyer/Holly Spanger
18 Krista Telligman/Carole Albrecht
25 Sunday School picnic

Nursery Notes (Worship):

Sept. 4 Theresia Barrett/Reeva Hammelman
11 Rylee Hammelman/Bonnie Organ
18 Emilee Organ/Debbie Telligman
25 Sunday School picnic

Children's Church:

Sept. 4 Kate Hammelman/Linda Hammelman/Ryan J'meier
11 Tracey Kahre/Liberty Lemberg
18 Bonnie Organ/Cheryl Hagemeyer/Krista Telligman
25 Sunday School picnic

September birthdays:

1 Irma O'Niones (81)
18 Stanley (Pete) Coker (81)
27 Bernard Sager (82)

Chimes news will be due on September 19^h.

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