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CHURCH NEWSLETTER
July/August 2019

The story that I'd like to share for this month's newsletter comes from an opening assembly that I did a couple of weeks ago. The scripture is from Luke 10:30-37. It's the parable of the Good Samaritan.

30 Jesus replied with a story: "A Jewish man was traveling on a trip from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he was attacked by bandits. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him up, and left him half dead beside the road. 31 "By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by. 32 A Temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side. 33 "Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. 34 Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. 35 The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, "Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here. 36 "Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?" Jesus asked. 37 The man replied, "The one who showed him mercy." Then Jesus said, "Yes, now go and do the same." Luke 10:30-37 (NLT)

I was going through my Facebook news feed a couple of weeks ago...and I saw a story about this worker at Home Depot helping a family out.

There was this family in a community that found out their little son had a degenerative disease, and he wasn't going to be able to walk without this special pediatric sized walker.

To add insult to injury...when the family tried to get a walker for their son...they found out that the insurance wouldn't cover the expense. (Many insurance companies have fairly high deductibles when it comes to durable medical equipment).

So the family was going to have a hard time affording the walker that their son needed.

Along comes a friend that worked for Home Depot. He researched all the dimensions for the walker...and he built a brand new one for this child. He made it out of PVC pipe and casters.

There was a picture of this child using the walker. To me, it was just a heartwarming story.



Image from CNN

However, when I looked at the comments section under the photo, they were quite disheartening. Many people were complaining that this was terrible. They were saying things such as: What if the child gets hurt? Or, Why can't the government force insurance company to pay for things like this. Most of the comments made the person that attempted to help; they made him out to be the bad guy.

Can you imagine if the situation Jesus described happened today? Someone would walk by the injured Jew, and they would take a picture and post it saying something like, "Why isn't the Roman government doing something to keep the walking paths safe?"

At the end of the day, however...pointing out problems doesn't really directly help people in need.

ADVOCACY FOR AN ISSUE IS NOT THE SAME THING AS HELPING!!!

**Who is the true loving neighbor to a person in need?
THE ONE WHO HELPS HIM!!!**

Advocacy can be a good thing. But it doesn't take the place of being a good neighbor.

Pastor Jim.



FIREWORKS

On Wednesday, July 3rd, Pastor Jim will set off some small home fireworks after choir practice around 9PM over near the parsonage. All are welcome to come.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Winn's Creek will be having Vacation Bible School starting Sunday, July 21st through Thursday July 25th. There will be a light supper each night at 6PM. VBS will be from 6:30PM – 8:30PM. Please make plans for your children to come!!!



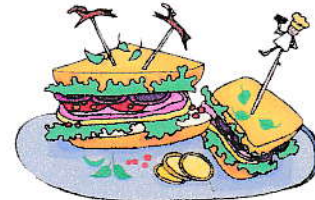
COMMUNION

Winn's Creek will be having Communion on Sunday, July 7th during the morning worship service. Please make plans to attend as we celebrate the Lord's Supper together as a church body.



BUSINESS MEETING

Winn's Creek's next Quarterly Business meeting will be Sunday, July 28th at 6PM.



FELLOWSHIP MEAL

There will be NO fellowship meal in July due to VBS. However, on August 18th Winn's Creek WILL be having a fellowship meal. This fellowship meal will feature COOL items, such as sandwiches, pasta salad, and such. Please make plans to come and bring your COOL items to share with all!



BLOOD DRIVE

Winn's Creek will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday, August 3rd from 10AM – 2PM. Please see Joani Layman to sign up to give or help. You can also sign up online at www.redcross.org



DEACONS MEETING

Winn's Creek's next deacon/deacon wives' meeting is Monday, August 5th at 7PM.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 2nd Russell & Brenda Ashby – A
Cody Henderson - B
- 4th Marie McLaughlin – B
- 6th Tony Duffey – B
- 10th Joan Boutwell - B
Sadie Everett Lloyd – B
Matt Comer – B
Steven Conner – B
- 13th Matt Gunn – B
Autumn Dease - B
- 16th Matthew Eanes – B
- 17th Courtney Epps – B
- 18th Phyllis Dawson – B
- 19th Jakob Jones – B
- 22nd Brianna Fears – B
- 23rd Karen Shiner – B
- 24th Mitzi Gunn – B
- 27th Charles Fears – B
Dylan Plainte – B
- 28th Chelsea Grove – B
Joe Martin – B
Julie Kopco - B
- 31st Chase Cole – B
Boo Conner – B
Nancye Mode – B



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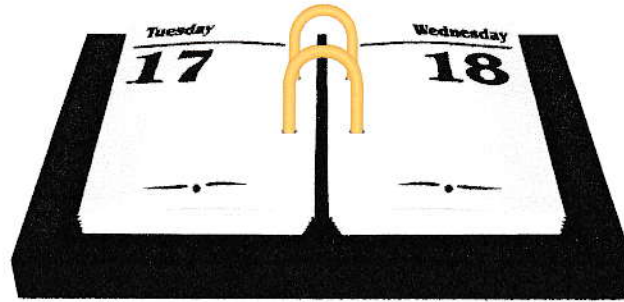
- 1st John Courtney – B
Vince Loftis – B
- 3rd Mary Elizabeth Magnotto – B
- 4th Kelly Fears – B
Katlyn Smith – B
- 7th Luther & Linda Conner – A
Jennifer Smith – B
- 9th Linda Hart – B
- 12th Judy Loftis – B
- 17th Jackson Hank Ambrose – B
- 18th Cecelia Owen – B
Huntleigh Reid Henderson - B
- 19th Kim Martin – B
- 22nd Russell Ashby – B
Alex Turner – B
- 24th Steve Stewart – B
Skeeter Conner – B
- 27th Maxine Martin – B
Conner Abbott – B
- 28th Deborah Montgomery – B
- 30th Tom & Kelly Fears – A
Kayla Dawson – B
- 31st David Epps – B
Madison Gunn – B

GOD
Whispers
TO US IN OUR PLEASURES
Speaks
IN OUR CONSCIENCE, BUT
Shouts
IN OUR PAIN.

C. S. Lewis

IF YOU HAVE A BIRTHDAY THAT YOU WOULD LIKE ADDED OR REMOVED FROM THE BIRTHDAY LIST, PLEASE LET PASTOR JIM KNOW. ALSO, IF YOU HAVE HAD A CHILD RECENTLY AND WOULD LIKE THEIR NAME ADDED TO THE BIRTHDAY LIST, PLEASE EMAIL PASTOR JIM AT JIMFLAMESFAN@GMAIL.COM AND INCLUDE YOUR CHILD'S BIRTHDAY AND JUST SAY SOMETHING LIKE, "HEY, PLEASE ADD THEM TO THE BIRTHDAY LIST". THANKS!!

WINN'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS



CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAYS (UNLESS OTHERWISE ANNOUNCED)

9:45AM Opening Assembly/Sunday School

11:00AM Morning Worship

6:00PM Adult Bible Study on the book of Exodus

7:00PM Adult Choir

(There are no Sunday Evening services on 5th Sundays or Holidays)

WEDNESDAYS (UNLESS OTHERWISE ANNOUNCED)

7:00PM Bible Study (Momentum Series on The Beatitudes)

8:00PM Adult Choir

- JULY 3RD FIREWORKS AT 9PM AT THE PARSONAGE
- JULY 7TH COMMUNION
- JULY 21ST-25TH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 6:30-8:30PM (MEAL @ 6PM)
- JULY 28TH QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING
- AUGUST 3RD AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOODDRIVE
- AUGUST 5TH DEACON/DEACON WIVES' MEETING
- AUGUST 18TH FELLOWSHIP MEAL AFTER CHURCH (COOL ITEMS)