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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Jan 24, 2010

9:00 A.M. Coffeehouse & Library Open
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:50 A.M. Worship Service

Wednesday, Jan 27, 2010

5:30-6:30 P.M. Fellowship Supper
6:00 P.M. Choir Practice
6:30 P.M. Children Bible Study
6:30 P.M. Youth Bible Study
7:00 P.M. Prayer Meeting

Answers to previous trivia:

1. Pharaoh's daughter; 2. Jewels; 3. A pillar of cloud & fire; 4. Two Cherubim; 5. Joshua.

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PASTOR - Rev. Israel Brooks

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ORGANIST - Lee Green

PIANIST - Jane Crocker

CHURCH SECRETARY - Ginny Stuart

HOUSEKEEPING - Katie Taylor

Jan 24, 2010

BUS DRIVER & MONITOR

James Isbell & Arnold Baker

VAN DRIVER & MONITOR

Joe Hutto & Ray Hudson

ATTENTION BUS & VAN RIDERS:

If you need a ride to services, please contact the church office. If you are on our "standing reservation" list to ride the bus or van, you are scheduled to be picked up unless you contact the office or a member of the Transportation Committee. **Remember to call the church during normal office hours (8:30-3:30-Mon-Fri).** Thank you!

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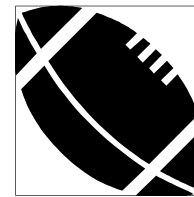
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THANK OFFERING UPDATE

As of today, we have received \$11,003 toward the expense of painting and repairing the gutter work. Our goal is \$19,543. We are getting closer each week and thank everyone who has been able to contribute to this necessary project.



SUPER BOWL PARTY!

Who - Everyone

What - Super Bowl Party

Free food/fun/fellowship

When - Feb. 7th

Times - Pre-game at 4:30

- Game 7:30

Where - EBC Fellowship Hall

Why - Because Jesus loves football too!

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER MENU 1/27

Our menu for the next Fellowship Supper will be ham, macaroni & cheese, green peas, deviled eggs, bread, dessert and drink. Remember, all this delicious home-cooked food for only \$5. Be sure to make your reservation now!

Our heartfelt sympathies go out to the family of Robert Cheek, who passed away Jan 15th.

WARMTH FOR THE HOMELESS

Start your Spring cleaning a little early this year! Bring your gently used coats, hats, gloves, scarves or blankets to the church to donate to the homeless in our community. You don't have to buy anything, just look and see if you have any of the above items you are no longer using. Bring them to Todd Johnson and he will distribute them. If you have any questions, please call Todd or the church office for more information.

UPDATE ON WINTER COLLECTION

Saturday, Jan 30, 2010, we will meet at the church to deliver the coats, blankets, etc. to the homeless of our community. If you would like to join us in delivering these items, please be at the church and ready to leave by 4:30. Big thanks to everyone who has generously supplied the many items we received for this outreach project!

ROOM IN THE INN NEWS

Our next Room in the Inn will be Friday, February 12th. This month is sponsored by the Sanctuary Class. We would love to have you join us!



A Word From the Pastor

Dear Family,

My father in law emailed me a story of a husband and his wife who were invited to be the husband's rich boss guests' for the weekend at his home. We pick up where they went to supper one evening.

As the three of them were about to enter an exclusive restaurant that evening, the boss was walking slightly ahead of Arlene and her husband. He stopped suddenly, looking down on the pavement for a long, silent moment. Arlene wondered if she was supposed to pass him. There was nothing on the ground except a single darkened penny that someone had dropped, and a few cigarette butts. Still silent, the man reached down and picked up the penny. He held it up and smiled, then put it in his pocket as if he had found a great treasure. How absurd! What need did this man have for a single penny? Why would he even take the time to stop and pick it up? Throughout dinner, the entire scene nagged at her. Finally, she could stand it no longer. She casually mentioned that her daughter once had a coin collection, and asked if the penny he had found had been of some value. A smile crept across the man's face as he reached into his pocket for the penny and held it out for her to see. She had seen many pennies before! What was the point of this? "Look at it." He said. "Read what it says." She read the words "United States of America." "No, not that; read further." "One cent?" "No, keep reading." "In God we Trust?" "Yes!" "And?" "And if I trust in God, the name of God is holy, even on a coin. Whenever I find a coin I see that inscription. It is written on every single United States coin, but we never seem to notice it! God drops a message right in front of me telling me to trust Him? Who am I to pass it by? When I see a coin, I pray, I stop to see if my trust is in God at that moment. I pick the coin up as a response to God; that I do trust in Him. For a short time, at least, I cherish it as if it were gold. I think it is God's way of starting a conversation with me. Lucky for me, God is patient and pennies are plentiful!

Let us cherish God and treat His name with reverence.

Bro. Israel

A WORD FOR THE CHURCH

Bringing The Truth:

In Galatians 2:20 (Bible in Basic English) it says, "I have been put to death on the cross with Christ; still I am living; no longer I, but Christ is living in me; and that life which I now am living in the flesh I am living by faith, the faith of the Son of God, who in love for me, gave himself up for me." In this verse where it normally says, "I have been crucified with Christ." this literally translates to, 'I am dead'. Why is it important for us to be dead paralleled to Christ dying for us? Well, here we see the apostle describe the spiritual or hidden life of a believer. The old man is crucified, (Romans 6:6), but the new man is living; sin is humiliated, and grace is quickened once again. He has the comforts and the triumphs of grace; yet this grace is NOT from himself, but from another. Believers see themselves living in a state of dependence on Christ. Hence the statement, He doesn't just live in the flesh anymore but is directed by his dependency on God. In order for us to become dependant on God we must know Him, right? Does Jesus really have brown hair and green eyes, as depicted in most churches? Does he have a sense of humor, is he easily angered, where was his favorite place to eat or chill? Even though we do not know everything that we would like to know about God, we can gain great insight from what the bible says about Him. Many times Christians try to define metaphysical things that cannot have definition to them; as we mentioned earlier with the green eyed brown haired Jesus. The moment when God is completely defined with nice, neat little lines and definitions, we are no longer dealing with God. One of my favorite details about the character of God comes through the cross that he was strapped to. For thousands of years we Christians have found the cross to be a central image to our lives. It speaks to us God's suffering, God's pain, God's broken heart. It's God making the first move and waiting for our response...so, what's your response? Erwin Mcmannus reminds us, "If the church waits too long to die to themselves, then they ensure that they will die by themselves."

Because He Lives,
Bro. AB



THIS WEEK TO:
1/21/10-1/27/10

Jan 21-Joe Hutto & Charlie Niemi

MUSIC CONCERT-FEBRUARY 26 7:00 PM

If there's one group whose name inspires thoughts of pure, passionate, solid and true music, it's The Kingsmen. They've encouraged and uplifted listeners with their unique style since the conception of the group in 1956. With countless records and compilations sold, Grammy nominations, four Dove Awards and an induction into the "Gospel Music Hall of Fame"-class of 2000, "The Christian Music Hall Of Fame" in 2008, this certainly solidifies The Kingsmen as gospel music's most predominate Quartet. The momentum has not stopped as the group helps define the southern gospel genre for a whole new generation of music lovers, perhaps more so than any other group. Eastland Baptist Church is proud to present The Kingsmen in concert here, Friday, February 26th at 7:00 p.m. Bring your friends and neighbors for this wonderful gospel music experience!



BIBLE TRIVIA: Jacob

1. Who was Jacob's grandfather?; 2. What was noticeable about Jacob's twin brother, Esau, at birth?; 3. The Lord said that Jacob & Esau were two *what* in the womb?; 4. What was Esau doing while Jacob stole his blessing?; 5. How many years did Jacob live?

(Answers next week!)

SUNDAY, Jan 17, 2010	
WORSHIP SERVICE ATTENDANCE ...	
SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	66
Sunday School Visitors.....	3
New SS Members	0

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

SUNDAY Jan 17, 2010	
Budget Receipts	\$ 3,389.10
Memorials	200.00*
RESTRICTED	
Lottie Moon	30.00*
100th Anniversary	31.00
Offering Envelopes	4.00
Recreation	20.00
Room in the Inn	70.00
Repair of Chimes	200.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 3,944.10

*Memorials made for Earl Sadler and Dan McLeod

Needed weekly for Operating Budget: \$	4,098.00
Needed to date for Operating Budget:\$	12,294.00
Rec'd to date for Operating Budget: \$	9,460.10

TELLERS FOR THIS WEEK
Jan 24-Martha Howland & Helen Brown

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Our Military
Monica Cutrell
Red & Alene Cowan
Hilda Baker
Jim & June Austin
Cora McNeil
Mary & Walter Crocker
Jamie Smith
Josephine Crain
Luella & Theron Morris
Mattie Poole
Ruby Hall
Harold Holland
Shirley Marsh (Denise's grandmother)
Myrtle Smith
Peggy Birdwell
Caitlin Gibson (Martin Taylor's girlfriend)
Juanita Baker
Edward Anderson Jr. (Uncle of Amy Anderson)
Ray Scherer
Jureda Mann (Ginny's aunt)
The Family of Robert Cheek