

Sunday May 20, 2007

North Street Christian Church  
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Butler, Pennsylvania 16001

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# North Street News

The Weekly Newsletter of North Street Christian Church

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## Today's Message

The Confident Message

"Do You Know God's Love?"

Pastor Jeff

## Today's Schedule

8:15 Worship I

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Worship II

## Serving Today

### Greeters

Worship I:

Irene Divers

Worship II

The Riemers

### Nursery

Worship I:

Beth Rhodaberger & Kathy

Twerdok

Sunday School:

Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok

Worship II:

Paula Lesney & Joan Cole

### The Lord's Supper

Worship I:

Debbie Croup

Worship II:

Rondi Morder

## Last Week at NSCC

Worship I 136

Worship II 133

Total Attendance - 269

### Offering

General - \$5807.00

Designated - \$3589.50

Total \$9396.50

## Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement to Thomas Bell, 530 Federal St., Butler, PA 16001.

## Softball Schedule

May 25th

June 1st

5th

15th

18th

25th

All Games at 6:30

## BLESSED BY SALTINE CRACKERS!!!

### Summer Furlough from Romania/Let's Bless the Mitchells Again

"The kids fell in love with saltine crackers last time we were there (here in the states)." said Cathy Mitchell in her last email to Dana McCoy. Can you imagine that saltine crackers would be one of the things that the Mitchell kids would remember about the last time they visited the United States ?

Keeping that in mind, our Missions Department through Dana McCoy is asking for members of the congregation to donate food and household items for the Mitchells' stay in the United States this summer. They will be arriving from Romania on June 12. Non-perishable food items would include: cereal (Raisin Bran, Corn Flakes, Fruit Loops, etc.), soup, *saltines*, noodles, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, salad dressing, taco shells, taco seasoning, salsa, tortilla chips, granola bars, pretzels, peanut butter (which costs a lot in Romania), coffee, sugar, and other things we can get easily her in

Butler, but maybe not so easily in Romania.

Special items you may consider purchasing are M&Ms (everyone's favorite), microwave popcorn, and other snack foods.

Household items which would be appreciated include: laundry detergent, fabric softener, dish detergent, paper products (toilet paper, paper towels), etc.

There will be red collection bins in the entrance to the auditorium on the following Sundays: May 27, June 3, and June 10.

We also need to borrow one set of bunk beds and one single bed.

If you want to call Dana, her number is 724-259-2002 or email her at [mdmccoy@zoominternet.net](mailto:mdmccoy@zoominternet.net).

We thank you in advance for your generosity.

Oh, and don't forget those saltines!

## New Sermon Series Begins Today

### THE CONFIDENCE WHICH IS OURS

#### Small Group Studies Begin This Week

Today's message, The Confident Message begins this sermon series and the small group studies. The sermon series will lead us through THE CONFIDENCE WHICH IS OURS by God's design as expressed in the writings of I John.

At the home groups, we will be studying a chapter a week for 5 weeks.

#### Sunday

@ 7:00 p.m. - *Raders* taught by G. Rader - 724-282-7534

@7:00 p.m. - *Bilowich's* taught by B. Ogden - 724-283-6336

**Monday @ 7:00 p.m.**

*J. Ebaugh's* - taught by M. McCoy-724-265-7989

#### Tuesday

@ 6:30 - *Pressing On* taught by D. Emmett - 724-283-4444

@7:00 p.m. - *Klutinyot's* taught by J. McIntyre-724-789-9758

@7:00 p.m. - *Eckert's* taught by M. Eckert - 724-445-3985

#### Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.

NSCC taught by D. Muir and PB Huber - 724-282-7700

#### \*Friday

@ 10:00 a.m. - for Ladies at B. Pierce's taught by B.

Pierce - 724-282-4547

@ 7:00 p.m. - *Hartman's* taught by T. Hartman - 724-794-1266

#### \*Saturday @ 10:00 a.m.

At NSCC taught by PJ Miller - 724-283-1188

Choose the group that fits your schedule and fill out the attached registration form and place it in the offering.

Grow in the Lord as we study and pray together.

\* Indicates child care is available.

## Summer Electives

### BATTLING UNBELIEF AND BIBLE INTERPRETATION

#### Sunday Mornings at 9:30, June 3-August 26

**BATTLING UNBELIEF** - No one sins out of duty. We sin because it offers some promise of happiness. The promise enslaves us. Join us in waging war against the sins of anxiety, lust, bitterness, unforgiveness, and impatience by cherishing the precious and very great promises of God. This class, tutored by Pastor Bob, follows a DVD workbook series entitled, Battling Unbelief by John Piper. When we wage war against such sins as anxiety, pride, shame, lust, despondency, and more; we are really waging war against unbelief. Sin's power is broken when we trust the grace of God. When faith flickers, stoke the fire. Taught by Pastor Bob in the Dining Room.

**BIBLE INTERPRETATION** - What did God say and what did He mean? Throughout history many people have claimed to believe the Bible is true and live by it. But how can the KKK, Jehovah's Witnesses, Evangelical Christians, and so many other groups believe in the same book, but have such radically different beliefs? The key to interpreting the Bible properly is understanding what the Holy Spirit *meant* as He wrote the Bible. This class for teens (and anyone else interested) focuses on how to properly read, interpret, study, understand, and apply the Word of God. Taught by Pastor Jeff in Room 102.

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## THIS SIDE OF THE CLOUDS

### Life from Higher Perspective

Lately, on several occasions, it has been impressed on me that we view life from this side of the clouds while God sees the world from the other side of the clouds. In our realm, we experience some days (and seasons) that are cold and windy, some that are dark and rainy, others that are sunny and bright. But you know, from God's side of the clouds, every day is much the same. The sun is bright, not just every day, but all of the time. In fact, the light never fails! The laws of the inner workings of the universe do not cease even if on this side of the clouds we are experiencing the worst of weather—a snowstorm, a tornado, an earthquake or tsunami! Above the clouds—it is a different experience from a

higher perspective.

Life itself can be much the same. We may be going through family difficulties or financial problems or health related issues and begin to think that the whole world is falling apart. But just as, on a cloudy day, we could board an aircraft and get above the clouds and see that the SUN IS STILL SHINING—so it is that during these difficult life experiences that we can get new perspective of these earthly problems and for life by viewing things from God's perspective—and when we do, we find that His SON IS STILL SHINING!

For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we may

boldly say:

*"The LORD is my helper;  
I will not fear.*

*What can man do to me?"  
Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.*

*(Hebrews 13:5b,6&8)*

*Through the LORD's mercies we  
are not consumed,*

*Because His compassions fail not.  
They are new every morning;*

*Great is Your faithfulness.*

*The LORD is my portion," says my  
soul, "Therefore I hope in Him!"*

*(Lamentations 3:22-24)*

Pastor Bob

## TRAINING BY CROWN FINANCIAL MINISTRIES

### Become a Leader for Crown's Small Group Study

On Saturday, June 2 from 8:00–3:00, Kelly Kementz from Crown Financial Ministries will be here at NSCC to hold a training day for anyone who wishes to become a leader of Crown's Small Group Study. The course is open to anyone from NSCC who would like to be trained and there will be guests from other churches to join us. The cost for the day of training is \$88.00 and includes refreshments and a light lunch. Register by contacting Curt Knotick at 724-283-2908 or Pastor Bob at 724-282-7700. Leading a Crown Small Group will require a commitment of time and effort. You will need to invest four to six hours of preparation before attending the training. Spouses are encouraged to attend at no additional

cost, however they must complete all of the training requirements as well, and their attendance must be reflected on your registration form.

The Small Group Study is a 10 week in-depth study of what Scripture teaches about money and possessions. Graduates have confirmed that marriages are being strengthened and individuals are finding their way out of debt. They are also becoming consistent savers, generous givers, and prudent consumers. Most importantly, people are entering into a closer relationship with Jesus Christ as they learn to apply His Word. Groups meet for 2 hours every week and include Scripture memorization and interactive discussions.

COMMUNITY DINNERS IN JUNE  
WILL BE ON THE 9TH & 16TH

## Calendar May 20 - May 26

<u>Sun:</u>	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	- - - - -	Worship I Sunday School Worship II Mexico II Meeting I John Study at Raders' I John Study at Bilowichs'
<u>Mon:</u>	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	- -	Instrumental Rehearsal Instrumental & Vocal Rehearsal I John Study at J.Ebaugh's
<u>Tues:</u>	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	- - -	I John Study at Pressing On I John Study at Klutinotys' I John Study at Eckerts'
<u>Wed:</u>	5:30 pm. 6:30 p.m.	- -	Missions Department Meeting I John Study at NSCC
<u>Thurs:</u>	6:00 p.m.	-	Butler Bible Institute Class
<u>Fri:</u>	10:00 a.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	- - -	I John Study at B.Pierce's Softball Game I John Study at Hartmans'
<u>Sat:</u>	10:00 a.m.	-	I John Study at NSCC

## GRADUATE RECOGNITION

### June 3 Worship II

If you know of anyone graduating this year, please call the Church Office at 724-282-7700. To date we will be recognizing Anthony Blumling, Lacey Eckert, Melissa Grooms, Ashton Henderson, Sarah Kiser, Rebekah Souzer, Chad Stephenson, Ashley Tack, Brittany Winters, and Mandy Zalus. We are happy for all of our graduates.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 13

**I JOHN STUDY GROUPS** are held every day of the week except Thursday. See the front of the newsletter or the calendar for the schedule.

**MEXICO II GROUP** departs June 7-9 and returns on June 16. Pray for us.

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE & FELLOWSHIP CARD MINISTRY** - You can be a part of this ministry by donating all occasion cards (single cards/boxes of cards/home made cards) or stamps for this ministry. A basket will be located in the Welcome Center for you to put your items.

**HELPERS NEEDED** for First Chance Camp at Deep Valley **June 10-11**, kids second and third grades. If you are interested, or want more information, call Sonya Kremer at 724-637-1132.

**CHURCH PICNIC!** - The all Church Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 25th at 2:00 at Connoquenessing Community Park. The big meal will be at 5:00. *Mark your calendars NOW!*