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North Street News

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Today's Message

"A Slave to the Lender:

Living Debt Free"

Pastor Jeff

Today's Schedule

8:15 Worship I

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Worship II

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship I:

The Bartleys

Worship II

The Eckerts

Nursery

Worship I: Karen Munko &
Brooke Rhodabarger

Sunday School: Joan Cole &
Kathy Twerdok

Worship II: Chelsea Daye &
Kathy Twerdok

The Lord's Supper

Worship I:

Sonya Kremer

Worship II:

Barbara Carson

Last Week at NSCC

Worship I	106
Worship II	133
Total Attendance	239

Offering

General -	\$ 6,022.58
Designated -	\$ 6,151.00
Total	\$12,173.58

Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement to Opal Everton, 152 Royal Oak Dr., Apt. 206. McKeesport, PA 15131.

The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.
Proverbs 22:7

UNDERSTANDING MISSIONS AT NORTH STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH By Pastor Bob

The mission ministry serves to coordinate and develop the local, domestic and international missions outreach of NSCC. Not only does this ministry oversee the administration of monthly support to missionaries, it also encourages sending short-term missionaries from NSCC to the various ministries supported by NSCC. The mission budget is separate from the Church budget and is supported through 15% of the Church offering to the General Budget along with other designated gifts. Other areas of ministry include correspondence, special recognition of missionaries, prayer, furlough housing and transportation, and special missions emphases.

Special gifts for missions can be designated and placed in the regular offering any Sunday. Some folks prefer to not have 15% of their regular offering go to missions and instead prefer to give named amounts to the General Fund and to the Missions Fund. Requests for such will of course be honored. For more information concerning how to do this, please contact Treasurer John McIntyre or Stewardship Coordinator Curt Knotick.

Missions Supported:

Local:

- Community Meal Outreach
- Pressing On Ministries
- Deep Valley Camp - Jon and Bonna Ray

- Perfect Praise Ministries (Previously called Brady Hill Outreach)

Domestic:

- Casas Por Cristo - El Paso, Texas/Scott and Jonna DeWitt Family
- Teen Missions - Merritt Island, Florida/Brent and Beth Houten Family
- New Directions Farm - Mars Hill, North Carolina

International:

- OCI - Bucharest, Romania (Russ and Cathy Mitchell Family)
- Trinity Gospel Church Association of Thailand - Chiang Mai, Thailand (Barnabas and Martha Saengsirikhun Family)

In recent years through either Church sponsored trips or by individual workers from NSCC going forth, we have journeyed to northern Thailand, China, Romania, Mexico, the New Directions Farm in N.C. and to Teen Missions in Merritt Island, Fla. Local missions work has been done in connection with our evangelism department and in cooperation with Pressing On Ministries, our Community Meal Outreach, and the Perfect Praise Ministries (Previously called Brady Hill Outreach).

Shepherd/Overseer: Pastor Bob Huber

Coordinators: Jim and Dale Riemer



GET READY...GET SET...
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BEGINS!

It is time to start collecting items to fill shoeboxes for poverty stricken children throughout the world to express Christian love in a language that the kids can understand. Items which are most appreciated are small toys and hygiene products. Label each box for either a boy or girls depending upon the items you are sending. Boxes are sent to many countries including the Philippines, Pakistan, Africa, Poland, Thailand, and even to Timbuktu! Yes, there is a place called Timbuktu!

Last year 7.6 million shoeboxes were shipped to children all over the world. That was the most ever shipped.

Won't you join us in blessing others and making this the best year so far. Brochures will be available next week. The deadline for bringing in your shoeboxes will be November 18th. If you need more information or have questions, please contact Bridget Pierce at 724-496-3498.

MEN OF NORTH STREET CALLED TOGETHER Saturday November 3 at 5:30 p.m.

The Men of Honor Study is a calling all men and boys of North Street Church together this Saturday November 3 at 5:30 p.m. THERE IS AN URGENCY ABOUT PURITY! To be useful for the Master, it is necessary to be spiritually cleansed and prepared for every good work. *"But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor. Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work. Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart."* II Timothy 2:20-22

The men and boys will share a meal in the Dining Room and then proceed to the auditorium to receive from the Lord in Worship and Instruction from the Word. The evening will end with a time of consecration before the Lord. Men - invite your friends to come along. Fathers - bring your sons. Boys - now is the time to get things right with God! Worship will be led by Ken Nogan and Matt Eckert.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS NEXT SUNDAY—FALL BACK ONE HOUR

GOT CONVICTIONS?

A verse of Scripture that affected me early on in my Christian walk is Joshua 24:15. That verse says, "And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, **choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.**" Joshua challenged the nation of Israel to make up their minds about which way they would go. Would they choose to be faithful to the one, true God or would they continue to flirt with all that they laid their eyes on and bow down to the "small g" gods of the surrounding culture?

It is obvious that household-by-household and ultimately life-by-life, we still must make the same decision. It is the choice of each household (and ultimately of each person) to decide by what convictions they will live. Just like Joshua, the preacher can encourage you to make the right decision – but ultimately it is yours to make. A father (and/or mother) can declare just how a family will choose to live, but ultimately as

each child ages, he/she decides his/her own convictions and lifestyle.

Following is a good list of **Convictions to Live By**, intended to enable you to build your life and/or household upon the solid truths of God's Word. Maybe you would want to adopt them as your own. Here's the list:

1. God alone is sovereign, and the Bible is the inspired Word and the final authority for my life.
2. My purpose in life is to seek God with my whole heart and to build my goals around His purposes.
3. My body is the living temple of God and must not be defiled by the lusts of the world.
4. My Church must teach the foundational truths of the Bible and reinforce the convictions that derive from those truths.
5. My children and grandchildren belong to God first, and it is my responsibility to teach them Scriptural principles, Godly

character, and basic convictions.

6. My activities must never weaken the Scriptural convictions of another Christian.
7. My marriage is a lifelong commitment to God and to my husband/wife.
8. My money is a trust from God and must be earned and managed according to Scriptural principles.
9. My words of reproof, exhorting, and restoring a Christian brother must be in harmony with God's Word.
10. My affections must be set on things above, not on things of this world.

I encourage you to choose whom you will serve and then to live by your convictions.

By His Grace,
Pastor Bob

Resource: Training Faithful Men Manual

CHRISTIAN SINGLES FELLOWSHIP Saturday November 10th

Christian Singles are invited out for an evening of food, fun and fellowship at the home of Bridget Pierce, 121 Shanahan Rd. Butler, PA, Saturday, November 10th at 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Everyone is asked to bring a snack to share, beverages will be provided.

For more information or directions to Bridget's house, call Bridget at 724-496-3498 or Rondi Morder at 724-287-5704 or you can e-mail Rondi at Local1957@yahoo.com.

Hope to see you there!

WANT TO GO TO THE CREATION MUSEUM? Bob Ogden Leading a Group November 2-4

Bob Ogden plans to lead a group of interested folks to the Answers In Genesis Creation Museum in Hebron Kentucky this weekend, November 2-4. There are just three spots left! The group will be meeting at the Church at 9:30 a.m. Friday, November 2nd, and will be riding in the 2 church vans. Lodging is at a cabin with five bedrooms. The cost is \$36.00 per night per room. A deposit of \$20.00 is required today to reserve a seat on the van and a bed in the cabin. The fee for the museum is \$19.95 per person. The group will leave Kentucky at 8 a.m. Sunday morning. It is a six hour drive.

Answers In Genesis is the world's largest apologetics ministry and seeks to equip the Church to uphold the authority and accuracy of the Bible from the very first verse, thereby enabling it to more effectively present the gospel in our increasingly secular, evolutionary society. Ken Ham is president of the ministry. More can be learned at answersingenesis.org.

Anyone interested in joining the group should contact Bob Ogden at 724-283-3413.

YOUTH CORNER

This past Friday I had a birthday party over at our Youth House. It was a lot of fun. We all dressed up, danced, ate a ton of great food, and had fellowship with each other. The house is being put to great use and we are really enjoying hanging out there.

Bethany Rhodaberger

Calendar October 28–November 4th

Sun	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship I Sunday School Worship II
Mon	6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Praise Team Practice <u>One Small Child</u> Rehearsal
Tues	1:00-2:15 p.m.	Ladies Community Bible Study
Wed	Noon 6:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting Pioneer Club/Young Believers in Christ (YBICS)/Passing the Faith/ Circle of Friends/Adult Bible Study
Thur	6:00 p.m.	Butler Bible Institute Class
Fri–Sun	Leaves at 9:30 a.m. Fri.	Trip to Genesis Creation Museum in Hebron Kentucky
Sat	5:30 p.m.	Men of Honor Dinner

Thank you for the beautiful dish garden and kind expressions of sympathy. Thanks also to all who visited at the funeral home, it was appreciated. The Mary C. Rodgers Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE NOTE: We have installed an alarm on the alley door to Church St. as a safety precaution for children. Please use another entrance/exit. We apologize for any inconvenience

MISSION TRIPS - If you are being called by God to be a part of the next mission trip, this is your chance. In mid-February Pastor Bob will lead a small group to Thailand, then March 23-28 Jon and Bonna Ray will be leading a group to build a house in Mexico, then in on June, 16th Andy Bilowich will also lead a group to Mexico. Pray about it and stay tuned.

To the well seasoned (SENIORS):
Celebrate *Seasons of Life*
at our annual Senior Harvest Dinner,
Sunday, November 11th at 1:00 p.m.
in the Church Dining Room.
*To everything there is a season,
a time for every purpose under heaven.
Ecclesiastes 3:1*
Please consider this an invitation.
Hope to see you there,
Jim and Michelle Convery