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Today's Message

"A New Way of Living, New Life
from Within:

Dedicated to One Thing"

Pastor Bob

Today's Schedule

8:15 Worship I
9:30 Sunday School
10:45 Worship II

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship I: The Muirs

Worship II: The Records

Nursery

Worship I: Kathy Twerdok

Sunday School: Joan Cole &
Kathy Twerdok

Worship II: Joan Cole &
Bry Freeman

The Lord's Supper

Worship I: Dawn Cratty

Worship II: Kathi Huber & Lisa
Saengsirikhun

Last Week at NSCC

Worship Attendance : 218

Offering

General - \$5,671.00
Designated - \$1,117.00
Total - \$6,788.00

Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement
to Mary Ann Cornelius, YWCA
Room 207, 120 W. Cuning-
ham St., Butler, PA 16001.

30 HOUR FAMINE

Legacy Youth Go Hungry for a Cause

Almost half the population of Zambia is hungry. That translates into 5 million people. The lucky ones may be blessed with a brown and white mushy breakfast, without the assurance of a next meal. Some kids won't get anything to eat - all day. And you won't see them on the TV or hear their stories on the radio. In fact, before this day is over, 29,000 children under age 5 will die because of hunger, disease and poverty. Fifteen thousand (15,000) of them will die from hunger alone. Today...tomorrow...and the next day...That's one every six seconds.

You can join our Legacy Youth who will be participating in **World Vision's 30 Hour Famine** Friday, April 25th and Saturday, April 26th. They will be participating by filling their weekend with worship, devotion, prayer, and service...but not food. By being a sponsor for the 30 hours they will spend without food, they will raise money to fight the hunger epidemic. You could also get sponsors yourself and join us here at the church for the 30 hour fast and activities. Or maybe you would rather fast at home, be a prayer partner with us, or be a sponsor to someone participating. Any manner in which you choose to participate can have a huge impact. Ponder these facts: \$1 feeds one child for a day - the price of downloading one song for your MP3 player. The \$30 you spend going out to eat can feed a child for an entire month. The \$180 an average person spends on soda every year can feed a child for six months. And that \$360 you want to spend to get the latest, greatest gaming system could feed a child for an entire year instead. What are you willing to sacrifice for the sake of others?

Please prayerfully consider your role in this event. There is a sign up sheet in the Welcome Center for anyone interested in participating in any way. Simply sign your name and check how you'd like to help. If you have any questions, please contact Lacey Eckert at 724-445-3985 or at matandlacey@peoplepc.com. You can also find out more at World Vision's website: www.30hourfamine.org.

FUNDRAISER FOR CASA por CRISTO

Second Team Will Build a House June 14th-21st

We are very excited to build another house with Casas por Cristo this June. You can help by participating in some of the fundraisers planned for the next few months. Will you help us raise the money for the supplies?

The first is the sale of bagged lunches which will be available next Sunday, April 13th. The bag will contain a pepperoni roll, chips, soda and dessert for only \$5.00. You can order more pepperoni rolls at an additional cost of \$3.50/roll. **Place your order TODAY!** There is a sign up sheet in the Welcome Center or you can see any team member. Please sign up soon so we know how many lunches to make. We don't want to turn anyone away. Remember that all of the money raised goes toward the house. You can help make someone's dream come true simply by having lunch. We will be selling t-shirts very soon.

WORKERS NEEDED AT LEGACY HOUSE

Next workday is April 12th

There is a need for volunteers to help do some painting, clean-up and other miscellaneous jobs. Work days are scheduled for every other Saturday beginning with April 12th. Just come out and we will find a job for you to do.

CHURCH AND STATE 2008

The Center for Vision and Values of Grove City College is sponsoring a conference this Thursday and Friday, April 10 & 11, entitled Church and State 2008. Speakers include Fred Barnes and Mort Kondracke of the *The Beltway Boys Road Show* Fox News Channel, radio host and film critic Michael Medved, Gary Smith author of Faith And The Presidency and Paul Kengor the author of the spiritual biographies of Ronald Reagan and George W. Bush.

The conference includes many other speakers and a myriad of relevant subjects pertaining to religion and politics with a special interest in the 2008 presidential election. The cost is only \$25 per day. Pastor Bob will be attending. To find more information and/or to register visit www.grovecityconference.com.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR 2008

Sunday worship is normally held at 8:15 and 10:45 at NSCC, but we will have one Worship Service:

- ◀When there are five Sundays in a month
- ◀Memorial Day Weekend
- ◀Labor Day Weekend.

The fifth Sunday dates for the remainder of the year are:

- ◀June 29th
- ◀August 31st
- ◀November 30th

There may be other changes to the worship schedule as determined by special occasions and holidays. Any changes are announced well in advance through the weekly the North Street News, the Church website @ northstreetchristianchurch.org and Office telephone message.

WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY!

*NSSC welcomes Al Bell who
was baptized and placed his
membership last Sunday,
March 30, 2008.*

*Blessed are the pure in
heart, for they shall see
God.*

Matthew 5:8

MISSION DEPARTMENT MEETING NEXT SUNDAY AT NOON—COME JOIN US!

SLOWING DOWN TO HEAR GOD'S VOICE

FAST FORWARD seems to be the button that commands most of us most of the time. The PAUSE button is there for a reason too! I want to encourage you with some timely advice that has come my way as a welcome reminder. I pass to you what I recently gleaned from an article by Donald Whitney in Spirit of Revival magazine.

Solitude and silence are to be sought. "Now when it was day, He departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowd sought Him and came to Him, and tried to keep Him from leaving them. . ." (Luke 4:42) From this example set by Jesus, we see that in the midst of all the clamor and the real needs of real people that we too must make the time to be alone with God. It is there we will find our spiritual strength. And nothing can replace that time alone with Him. Nothing!

When we retreat daily WE HEAR GOD BETTER. There are many voices calling our name all day long. Like Elijah at Mt Horeb or Habakkuk keeping watch or Paul in Arabia – we too hear God's voice best when alone with Him.

When we retreat daily WE WORSHIP GOD. Our private worship may include reading Scripture, singing and prayer. But worship

does not always require words or sounds or actions. There is worship in the stillness and hush of times alone with Him. Beholding and adoring Him are motivation toward confidence and service.

When we retreat daily WE EXERCISE OUR FAITH. In the solitude we speak to God and listen to Him – that is faith at work. God has said, "In repentance and rest you will be saved, in quietness and trust is your strength." (Isaiah 30:15) In daily retreat there is by faith a quiet absence of anxiety, a particular worldlessness before the Lord.

When we retreat daily WE ARE RESTORED. Both the inward and outward man wear thin. In times of daily retreat there is a re-energizing, a re-commitment, a renewed patience and strength that is granted. We become less and He becomes more – again.

When we retreat daily WE SEEK AND FIND GOD'S WILL. Sometimes God's will perfectly clear from His Word and His Spirit. We can act and react publicly with great confidence that we are abiding just as He would desire. There are other


times when we only find God's will in solitude. Before Jesus chose the twelve He spent a whole night in a prayer retreat with His father. (Luke 6:12,13)

When we retreat daily WE GAIN CONTROL OVER OUR TONGUE. We are to be quick to listen and slow to speak. Without the daily retreat, we are quick to criticize, to express our opinions and to speak without much forethought. When we have been with God in silence and solitude we naturally (supernaturally) rely more on God's control where we would normally be quick to speak and act. We find that we do not need to say many things that we previously thought we needed to say.


Make plans to push PAUSE so that you can spend time alone with God. Pick place, set a time and start with a few minutes – tonight or first thing tomorrow morning would be good!

I guess two ears and one mouth by God's design really does have a message for us.

Trying to listen more than I speak.
pb



On behalf of Joseph Matua of Nairobi, Kenya I would like to express my heart-felt thanks to the congregation for the out-pouring of grace last Sunday. Over \$700.00 was given by you to help and encourage this fellow worker in Christ as he labor's in difficult circumstances to further the gospel of God. May the Lord richly bless you, that you may continue to bless others. "Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account." Phil.4:17. Doug Emmett



BUTLER BIBLE INSTITUTE

B.B.I. will resume weekly classes April 17th from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. with the continuation of Genesis, the first book of the Bible. Chapter 1 of Genesis was completed last session. Although this session will begin with Chapter 2, there is no requirement to have completed Chapter 1. Classes will end on May 29, 2008. If you would like more information or would like to register, please contact Bob Ogden at 724-283-3413.

REGISTRATION UNDERWAY FOR 2008-09

MAKE SURE YOUR PRESCHOOL SIGN IS IN YOUR YARD!

Help advertise Shepherd of My Heart Christian Preschool by placing your preschool sign from last year back in your yard. Registration for 2008-2009 is now in progress. Informational brochures are available at the Welcome Center. For more information, please call the Church Office at 724-282-7700.

Calendar April 6th – April 13th

<u>Sun</u>	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Worship I Sunday School Worship II Thailand Mission Trip Presentation
<u>Mon</u>	6:00 p.m.	Praise Team Practice
<u>Tues</u>	10:00-12 Noon	BBI
<u>Wed</u>	6:30 p.m.	Pioneer Club/Jr. & Sr. Hi. Youth/ Adult Bible Study
<u>Thurs</u>	See Schedule at www.grovecityconference.com .	Church and State 2008 Conference at Grove City College
<u>Fri</u>	See Schedule at www.grovecityconference.com .	Church and State 2008 Conference at Grove City College
<u>Sat</u>	5:00 p.m.	Community Dinner
<u>Sun</u>	After Worship Services 12 Noon	Bagged Lunch Pick-up Mission Department Meeting



BAGGED LUNCHES FOR SALE

Lunch contains:

- Pepperoni Roll
- Chips
- Soda
- Dessert

\$5.00/Bag
Additional Pepperoni Rolls \$3.50 Each

SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME CENTER OR SEE A TEAM MEMBER

PICK UP ORDERS FOLLOWING WORSHIP APRIL 13TH

Watch for the fundraisers during the next several months. Be a part of the blessing!!



All the money goes toward building a house for a needy family in Juarez, Mexico.



If God so loved us, we also should love one another.

Support The June 14-21st CASAS por CRISTO Mission Trip