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North Street News

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Today's Message

THE GOSPEL IN BLUE JEANS

Putting Your Faith to Work

“Learning to Wait and Keep Your Word”

Pastor Bob

Today's Schedule

8:15 Worship I

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Worship II

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship I: Joan Cole

Worship II: The Whites

Nursery

Worship I: Tyler Smith & Kathy Twerdok

Sunday School: Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok

Worship II: Kelly & Emily Huffman

The Lord's Supper

Worship I: Dawn Cratty

Worship II: The Grooms

Last Week at NSCC

Worship I 87

Worship II 154

Total Attendance 241

Offering

General - \$3,298.00

Designated - \$1,426.75

Total - \$4,724.75

Building Fund Balance:
\$15,000.00

Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement to Edith McGrew, Worthington at Adams, 500 Seven Fields Blvd., Apt. A2, Seven Fields, PA 16046.

Address Change

Pastor Jeff, Erin, Owen & Cade Miller
414 Main Street
Prospect, PA 16062
Phone: 724-306-1012

*You also be patient.
Establish your hearts,
for the coming of the
Lord is at hand.
James 5:8*

MISSIONS LUNCH AND PRAYER MEETING TODAY

Meet at Legacy Following Worship II

The Missions Department invites anyone who is interested to remain for lunch and a prayer meeting today following after Worship II. Meet at Legacy to share an enjoyable lunch, get an update on each of our missions and to pray for each of the missionary families supported by NSCC. Jim and Dale Reimer are the Mission Department Coordinators. Pastor Bob is the Shepherd/Overseer.

VBS/DAYCAMP—A HIGHLIGHT OF SUMMER MINISTER

Nearly 100 Kids in Attendance!

For about ½ hour each morning this past week, our street was filled the joyful sounds of children talking, laughing and playing as they waited to board the school bus to head to Slippery Rock to the YMCA Park (formerly Armco Park) to take in a day of Bible lessons, worship, crafts, recreation and of course a delicious lunch!

Pastor Jeff directed the VBS/Day Camp and was assisted by many helpers. Teachers were Josh and Deb Croup for the youngest kids; Michelle Convery for 3rd & 4th grade; John Gumper and Sherry O'Donnell for 5th & 6th grade; and Andrea Cranmer for music time. Craft leaders were Marilyn Crowley and Rondi Morder who also served as the nurse. Recreation leader was Tyler Cranmer. Meals were prepared and served by Jim and Dale Reimer, Kathy Twerdok, Joan Cole, and Barbara Carson. Helpers were Isaac Huber, Austin Reges, Ashley Tack, and Lee Leitch. Bus Drivers were Kathi Huber and Sonya Kremer. Team leaders were Kiersten Petsinger, Zach Ferguson, Tammy King, Brooke and Bethany Rhodaberger, Fran Larsson, Sam and Daryl Tait, Chris Grooms, Austin Cranmer, Bridget Pierce, Tyler Smith, and Adrianna O'Donnell.

Here's what some of the students had to say:

My favorite thing was crafts. I like the snake best. The thing I liked the least was nothing!

Nathan B.

My favorite thing was playing kickball. My least favorite was swimming.

Monica A.

My favorite thing was playing at the park. My least favorite was when I got hit in the eye with a swing.

Kyle M.

My favorite thing was making new friends. Jumping in the ice cold pool was my least favorite.

Galaxy L.

My favorite thing was swimming. My least favorite was nothing.

Tristen W.



GARAGE SALE/FESTIVAL IN THE NSCC PARKING LOT

Next Saturday, August 30th

Come out for a day of fun and service to the Garage Sale/Fun Festival Saturday, August 30, from 9 a.m.—5 p.m. to benefit the Houtens Mission in Belize. We will have a ton of great used items, music hotdogs, snow cones, cotton candy, nachos, candy apples, carnival games, face painting, bake sale, balloons, and car wash.

You can help by setting up your own table, pricing your items and making your own sales, then making your donation at the end of the

day. For this, you can sign up at the front doors of the church. Or you can drop off your items at the house on 209 Bluff St. **The drop off times are Sunday, August 17th from 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 24th from 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

There are many other ways that you can help. If you are interested in helping in any other way, please see Leslie Houk or Melody Williams. For donating bake sale items, please see or call Bridget Pierce at 724-282-4547.

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE - NEXT SUNDAY

The Shepherd of My Heart Preschool Open House will immediately follow Worship II next Sunday, August 24th. This special event is an opportunity for Preschool parents and members of our congregation to meet the teacher and preschool aides, as well as the enthusiastic and dedicated people behind the scenes—the Preschool Board Members and the Principal. Preschool starts September 2/3. This fall marks the beginning of the sixth year the Preschool has been in existence.

If anyone in the congregation is interested in baking/donating cookies for the Preschool Open House it would be greatly appreciated. To ensure that we will have plenty of cookies interested bakers should contact Fi Saeler at 724-283-7535 or Donna McIntyre at 724-234-4100 by Friday, August 22.

ONE WORSHIP AUGUST 31ST—SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:00—WORSHIP AT 10:15

THE BATTLEFIELD OF YOUR THOUGHT LIFE

Have you taken charge of what goes through your mind? It is true that we may not be able to control what flashes before our eyes in a day's time but we can decide just what we will allow to remain in our mind's eye. Whether it begins with a visual image or a verbal image - our thought life can lead us astray or draw us closer to the Lord.

The Scripture says, "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the **renewing of your mind**, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." (Romans 12:2) and "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, **bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ** . . ." (II Corinthians 10:3-5)

Here we learn that victory or defeat is formulated in the mind! If we conform to the world,

we will act like the world acts because we will think like the world thinks. Transformation takes place through the renewing of the mind. In conversion we no longer think as we once thought. The mind is renewed. There is a new moral sense. There is a new knowledge of our actions and of our thoughts. We now act in a Godly fashion because we now think like God thinks.

We also learn that in this battle for our lives that our weaponry is spiritual and not carnal. There is supernatural (not simply natural) power that works within us. Spiritual strongholds are overcome. Arguments against God and God's ways are defeated.

Victory in our thought life is won by **bringing every thought into captivity!** Every thought must be analyzed, weighed and measured against the truth of God and His Word. No worldly thought can run wild. No ungodly thought can be allowed to

take root. Otherwise we naturally return to our old ways of living as motivated by our old ways of thinking. Proverbs 20:27 says, "The spirit of a man is the lamp of the LORD, Searching all the inner depths of his heart." Let the lamp of the Lord search the innermost parts of your being.

Without a renewed way of thinking you will never begin to be able to live out just what God's good and perfected will is for your life. Every man needs his conscience cleansed and his mind renewed. Take charge of our thought life today!

Think About It,

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"To the pure all things are pure, but to those who are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure; but **even their mind and conscience are defiled.**" (Titus 1:15)

THE SILVER RING THING IS COMING TO OUR AREA

Saturday, September 20th at Knoch High School in Saxonburg

The Silver Ring Thing is the fastest growing teen abstinence program in the United States and is rapidly gaining international recognition for its concert-style show incorporating music, laser lights, fast-paced video, drama & comedy performances. Through this program teens are able to understand that abstinence until marriage is not only God's plan for their lives, but also the best and only way to avoid the harmful physical and emotional effects of premarital sex. By offering a message of forgiveness and new beginnings the program reaches out to those teens that have become sexually active and offers an opportunity to embrace a "second virginity".

The Silver Ring Thing program was created in 1996 by Denny and Amy Pattyn as a response to the escalating numbers of teen pregnancies in Yuma, Arizona, and was moved to Pittsburgh, PA in 2000. The Silver Ring Thing leadership recognizes that the distribution of condoms or the practice of "safe-sex" will not ensure protection from the physical, emotional and spiritual problems resulting from sexual activity among teens. The only way to reverse the moral decay of any youth culture is to inspire a change in the conduct and behavior from those within the culture. Therefore, the Silver Ring Thing has developed a roll-out plan to help create a culture shift that will reach 20% of the student population and has introduced the SRT 434 programs to aid in the national and international spread and understanding of the message of abstinence.

At the beginning of each Silver Ring Thing Live Event there is a 40 minute Parents Session* that will inform parents about the destructive nature of today's youth culture and will instruct and empower these parents to support their children in an abstinence commitment. Following this session, all parents are then encouraged to attend the remainder of the Live Silver Ring Thing Event and witness the transforming effect this program has on student's lives.

Youth and parents should plan to attend this very important event.

WHAT: 
WHERE: Knoch High School, Saxonburg, PA
WHEN: September 20th 6:30-9:00 p.m.
COST: \$5.00 ON LINE; \$8.00 AT DOOR (\$20.00 FOR RING)

(For more information go to silverringthing.com. Volunteers are needed to help at this event. Anyone interested in helping should contact Bill Bittner at 724-822-8547 or e-mail at 1seedplanter@netzero.net or seedplanter@zoominternet.net.

LOVE OFFERING REPORT

On Sunday August 10 we received a Love Offering for Scott and Jonna DeWitt so that they could replace tools which were stolen while they worked in Mexico with Casas por Cristo. Our goal of reaching \$1000.00 was reached! Thank you to all who gave so generously. A check will be sent to the DeWitts so that they can re-stock their cargo trailer and get back to working as efficiently as in the past.

ONE WORSHIP ON AUGUST 31ST!

Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:15

Sunday August 31 is a fifth Sunday and also the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend. The morning schedule is changed each time there is a fifth Sunday in a month and also on Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekends. On those occasions we hold Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:15. Mark your calendar for the change just two weeks from today. The next fifth Sunday will be November 30.

Pressing On Ministries Outreach

Remembering Christ/ Jesus - Name Above Every Name

Saturday Sept. 6 at 1:00 p.m. @ Alameda Park/Carousel Shelter

Pressing On Ministry invites all who desire to come together on Saturday September 6 from 1-8 at the Carousel Shelter in Alameda Park for an afternoon of Christian Fellowship. The event will include the exaltation of Christ and the proclamation of the Gospel in worship and preaching. In addition to worship and the Word - live music, games and refreshments will be enjoyed. Help is needed in distributing flyers and in evangelism. Donations of potato chips and other snacks are needed. See Simon Bowman for more information or to volunteer to help. Come on out and have a great time in the Lord!

NEEDED

A few items from Sam's Club for the Garage Sale/Fun Festival:
 6 Packages of Ball Park Beef Hot Dogs; 28ct.
 5 Packages of Deer Park Water 16.9 oz; 32 ct.
 2 Pack of Ketchup
 1 Mustard

Thank you for your support of your missionaries in Belize. Call Leslie Houk at 724-496-5309 if you are interested in making any of the above donations.

SEAMSTRESS NEEDED: Legacy is in need of a seamstress to cover twelve throw pillows. We have the forms and the material so all we need is for someone to cut and sew them. If this is a skill that you have and would like to serve in this way, please call Leslie Houk at 724-496-5309.

AUGUST 17TH-23rd

<u>Sun</u>	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Worship I Sunday School Worship II Missions Lunch and Prayer Meeting
<u>Mon</u>	6:00 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal
<u>Tues</u>	6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Board Meeting Elders Meeting
<u>Wed</u>	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Youth Dinner at CiCi's followed by Bowling at Sherwood Lanes, Lyndora