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Today's Message

And He Shall Be Called...
"Mighty God/Everlasting
Father"

Pastor Bob

Today's Schedule

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

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship I: The Duffields

Worship II: Viv Kalberer

Nursery

Worship I: Sandy & Trevor
Hempfling

Sunday School: Joan Cole &
Kathy Twerdok

Worship II: Joan Cole &
Kathy Twerdok

The Lord's Supper

Worship I: Dawn Cratty

Worship II: Kathi Huber

Last Week at NSCC

Worship I 95
Worship II 154
Total Attendance 249

Offering

General - \$7,406.45
Designated - \$1,980.32
Total \$9,386.77

Building Fund Balance

\$186,848.33

15% of General Offering is
Given to Missions Each Week

Send A Card

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

But to the Son He says:
"Your throne, O God, is
forever and ever; A scep-
ter of righteousness is
the scepter of Your king-
dom."

Hebrews 1:8

EXAMINE YOUR WORLDVIEW

Truth Project Sign Ups Begin Today



WHAT IS A WORLDVIEW?

This word - worldview - escapes my understand- ing. I was a missionary in a foreign land - I should have a worldview - but what does it mean?

Those of an "older generation" may remember the song that contained the phrase "rose-colored glasses". Your view of the world around you, or your present circumstance, wouldn't seem so harsh or difficult if you looked through the "rose-colored glasses".

How you view your world or present circumstance is colored by your knowledge, understanding and method of measurement (morals/ethics).

This study will definitely provide you with an un- derstanding of how our country and how our indi- vidual lives got to the present state. But it won't stop there. Your vision will become clearer and you will see details like you never did before. Like in the eye doctor's office when he flips those lenses and suddenly every thing is crystal clear. And sud- denly - it all makes sense. God, Christ, Holy Spirit, government, community, church, elders, family, children, work--every aspect of life. How it all works together and God's masterful design. A real AWE- some moment!

Are you anxious about our current state of affairs? Where is God in all of this mess? Have you been suffering some burnout - physically, mentally, emo- tionally, spiritually? Would you like to recover that excitement of your early spiritual conversion? Like to know what your part in all this is? How does it all fit together?

We often remark to each other, "God is in control", "I'm trusting in the Lord". But do we really believe it

to the extent that we live it? Terry Hartman made this analogy, "I believe that the couch will support me if I sit on it. But if I place a chair beside the couch and sit in the chair, do I really believe that the couch will support me? Until I sit on the couch, I am not really believing what I believe."

Every adult and older teen needs this Truth Project study. You will gain an understand- ing and develop a worldview of God's design -His whole design -which is really awe- some!
Bonna Ray

EXCITED/AMAZED/ANSWERS

I am really excited about the Truth Project bible study scheduled for January. Most of material discussed I already knew, but Del Tackett presents material in way that has really amazed me. It's like seeing all of the pieces of a puzzle scatter about on a table and this study takes each piece and fits them together to see a beautiful picture. The big picture "We are in a Cosmic Battle, whether we realize it or not." This study has given me answers for the unbelieving world and the questioning believer. I would highly recommend you attend the upcoming home bible studies. I Peter 3:15 "but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and rever- ence."
Dennis Muir

A REGISTRATION FORM IS ATTACHED WITH LOCATIONS AND LEADERS FOR THIS STUDY. PLEASE MAKE FILL OUT THE FORM AND PLACE IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE.

STUDY OF THE O.T. TABERNACLE BEGINS JANUARY 14TH

Come to OPEN BIBLE STUDY/Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 in the Library

Beginning Wednesday January 14, for approximately 8 weeks on Wednesday evenings, in the Li- brary, the OPEN Bible Study will examine God's plan for the Old Testament tabernacle in depth. In the study, students will find that there is a type/antitype begun by God for His chosen people and fulfilled by Christ at the Cross in the Church age. There is great meaning in the pictures of the Altar of Sacrifice and Water Laver, the furniture of the Holy Place and the Holy of Holies, the Priests and the High Priest, the blood shed, substitution, and many other details.

A common thread of God's plan can be traced through the Old Testament system of worship in the tabernacle and temple through the Church of the Christian Era and into the New Jerusalem of Revelation 21 and 22. A strong relationship between Exodus and Hebrews will be discovered. God has dwelt with His people and will dwell with His people in every age. OPEN BIBLE STUDY is OPEN to all who want to come and OPEN the Bible with other spiritually hungry students of the Word!

THANKSGIVING IN HILL TRIBE VILLAGES OF NORTHERN THAILAND



In Old Mae Moo
(Evangelist Joseph)



Nong Tong
(Evangelist David)



In Kerdamsip
(Evangelist Joshua)

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY—SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:00—WORSHIP AT 10:15

CHANGES IN PEOPLE'S BEHAVIOR AROUND THE HOLIDAYS

From the Barna Report

"The holidays are an especially difficult time for people who are not connected to the world through a community of faith or through other civic attachments," said George Barna, speaking of his nationwide survey evaluating seasonal behaviors during the end-of-year holidays. "People who are generally detached—as indicated by their not being part of a faith community, not being registered to vote, or typically feeling isolated or lonely—find the holidays to be especially depressing." Seven percent of the public admitted that they would drink more alcoholic beverages during the holidays, led by the under-25 crowd (12%), atheists and agnostics (11%) and liberals (11%). Four percent said that they would definitely struggle with loneliness or depression during the holidays. The group that stood out as the most likely to suffer through the holidays was downscale adults, 11% of whom said they would definitely confront depression or loneliness. The people least likely to confront these

emotions were evangelicals and atheists, among whom less than one-half of one percent of each group said they would endure such a struggle. Otherwise, the expectation of being lonely or depressed was consistent across demographic segments. Adults who live in the western states, representing nearly one-quarter of the nation's population, were more likely than people in other regions to struggle with depression or loneliness. Barna said, "Experiences that bring joy and hope to those with broader attachments—such as giving gifts, singing or listening to carols, attending holiday parties, and participating in religious events—simply heighten the sense of isolation that detached individuals feel. This is a large swath of the population; roughly one out of every eight adults feels as if he or she is on the outside looking in.

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Hui Na On Lisu Village-No Evangelist., Just 3 Christian Families Joshua goes there twice a month.



In Akha Village (Evangelist Sergius)

WANTED—TWO LADIES TO SHARE HOUSE

Rent Includes Utilities

A female senior citizen is looking for two ladies to share rent of a three bedroom house. These is shared laundry, kitchen and living room. Everything if on the first floor and rent includes utilities. The house is located two miles East of Butler on Route 422. If you are interested please call Curt Weichey at 724-504-3147. Leave a message for a return call.

THE SPOTLIGHT IS ON YOU!

Don and Marlene Winters Celebrate Their 50th Anniversary

Don and Marlene were married December 20, 1958 at North Street Christian Church by Quentin Grey. Both retired after 35 years, Don from the U.S. Corp of Engineers, and Marlene as a teacher at West End and McQuistion Schools. They are the parents of two children, Grant and Tracy, and have five grandchildren. Congratulations, and may God grant you many more years together.



REMINDER:

When ordering CD's of Sunday Messages, please be sure to include your name and phone number on the envelope. Thank you.

Thank You

Our family would like to thank everyone for the many cards of sympathy and spiritual encouragement that we have received from you our Christian family following the death of mother, Freda Nist. It truly is the hand of God and the prayers and touch of His people that carries us in a time like this.

Pastor Bob and Kathi Huber & Family

The Christmas Break for Wednesday Night Activities at NSCC is from December 24th through January 7th. See you on January 14th!

CANDLE LIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

PRE-SERVICE CONCERT FEATURING
Steve Goettler
Meghan Gaiser
Hearts to Heaven
Ashley Tack

EVENING OF PRAISE & WORSHIP
CAROLS
COMMUNION
MESSAGE: "No Other Name"
CANDLE LIGHT
(Nursery—Mary Stevenson)

DECEMBER 21ST—DECEMBER 28TH

Sun	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship I Sunday School Worship II
Mon	6:00 p.m. 7:40 p.m.	Worship Rehearsal Basketball Game-Sr. Division #1
Wed	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service
<u>The Church Office will be closed</u> <u>December 24th-December 26th</u>		
Sat	6:00 p.m. 8:40 p.m.	Basketball Game-Jr. Division Basketball Game-Sr. Division #2
Sun	9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Gathering

LOVE GOD LOVE PEOPLE—HERE AND NOW!