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Today's Message

THE GOSPEL IN BLUE JEANS
Putting Your Faith to Work

"We Have Two Ears and One Mouth for a Good Reason"

Pastor Bob

Today's Schedule

8:15 Worship I9:30 Sunday School10:45 Worship II

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship I: The Saelers

Worship II: The Raths

Nursery

Worship I: Sharon & Nick

Bartley

Sunday School: Joan Cole &

Kathy Twerdok

Worship II: Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok

The Lord's Supper

Worship I: Dawn Cratty

Worship II: Marlene & Don

Winters

Last Week at NSCC

Total Attendance - 206

Offering

 General \$ 9,457.00

 Designated \$ 17,393.00

 Total \$26,850.00

Flowers

Our thanks to Lauretta Phillips who donated flowers in memory of her daughter, Gayle Coffin.

Send A Card

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

So I said: "Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts."

LISA SEANGSIRIKHUN RETURNS TO THAILAND SOON

"C U L8R" Reception to Be Held Next Sunday, July 13

It has been three short years that Lisa has lived with Bob and Kathi Huber here in the U.S. She has been "on loan" to all of us by her parents Barnabas and Martha Seangsirikhun, missionaries in Chiang Mai and northern Thailand. Lisa recently graduated from First Baptist Christian School. On Thursday July 17, she will depart the Pittsburgh International Airport and return to Thailand for at least one year. Present plans are for her to return to the US to attend Bible College, pursuing a degree in Biblical Studies and Counseling.

While home she will spend time helping her father in ministry, being a big sister, getting reacquainted with old friends and the customs of her homeland. She will also spend some time

studying and helping her Aunt and Uncle at the Bethel Bible School near Mae Sai in the North. She will help lots of people to learn and speak English.

NEXT SUNDAY JULY 13 immediately following 10:45 worship the Hubers are hosting a reception for Lisa. Everyone is invited to remain after worship to say, "C U L8R" (see you later) and enjoy some refreshments and fellowship with one another.

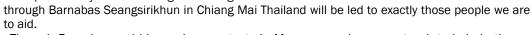
Lisa and the Hubers say "thank you" for all you have done to help us with making Lisa's stay here a most enjoyable one. She certainly has become a part of not only the Huber's family but of the family of NSCC! Sawasdee (well being) and Khop-Khun Khrap (thank you).

MYANMAR RELIEF OFFERING RECEIVED TODAY

Help Us Help Others

Just a few weeks ago nearly 80,000 people lost their lives, tens of thousands are still missing and hundreds of thousands people lost their homes, their belongings and any stability that they could claim when cyclone Nargis hit Myanmar (Burma). As most would know, aid to the living was stalled through government bureaucracy.

Although the immediate crisis is over, there are many, many, poor, poor people struggling to rebuild the meager lives they once knew. Today we are receiving an offering to help some. By faith we will give trusting that the Lord



Through Barnabas and his previous contacts in Myanmar we have a network to help in the rebuilding process. He will make sure the funds are delivered and used to meet the direct needs of some who have lost much through the ravaging damage left behind when Nargis made his way inland

LEGACY YOUTH TO TAKE TRIP

July 9th—July 11th

The Legacy Youth will be leaving early Wednesday morning to go to the Creation Museum in Kentucky. From there, the fifteen youth and adults will go to King's Island for Spirit Song, a festive of Christian musicians. They will return Friday, July 11th.

ISLAND OUTREACH A BIG HIT!

Last week, Monday through Thursday from 4:00-7:00, we held our outreach for kids and their families on the Island. Fishbone ministries held activities from 2:00-4:00, where we would pick up and resume sharing God's love and His Word. Approximately 60 kids and their families came out for games, supper, and the teaching of God's

Word. Wednesday night, our teens took the reins and handled all the ministry details!

We would like to thank everyone who was involved in love.

We would like to thank everyone who was involved in loving, feeding, playing with, and teaching all who came out. It

WILDERNESS ADVENTURE

July 30–August 3

Do you like camping? Canoeing? Bicycling? Fishing? Hiking? Settin? Some of the deacons and other men along with Pastor Bob are putting together a short adventure in Cook's Forest scheduled for Wednesday, July 30 through Sunday, August 3. The adventure is open to all ages. Time will be spent daily in the Word with nightly campfire worship and study. Meals will be shared at the campsite. NO FEE will be charged for the event but funds will be needed for canoe rental, food and campground site rental. Students who wish to attend can use their camp scholarship provided by the church toward the costs involved. REGISTRATION BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY. You can join us for the entire event or just for the weekend.

was a tremendous week, and we were blessed to be

part of it! We look forward to continuing our outreach to Butler with Day-Camp/VBS August 11-15, and we hope to see the enthusiasm continue!



PJ In Charge

FORGIVENESS AGAIN!?!

Forgiveness is somewhat of a worn out subject at NSCC! We often talk about forgiveness. We often talk about God's forgiveness of people – sinners by nature who need His forgiveness. We often talk about God's forgiveness offered to all by His love through the sacrifice of His Son. We often talk about people forgiving people. You could say that "forgiveness seems to be all that they talk about at NSCC."

That is true, but you know what? FOR-GIVENESS has not had its full work at NSCC. People still need God's forgiveness. People still need to forgive people. The one vertical relationship built of love is about forgiveness. The many horizontal relationships built on love certainly include forgiveness.

Forgiveness leads to freedom, joy, peace

and a certain blessedness that is not otherwise a part of our lives. Lack of forgiveness of course robs us of that same freedom, joy, peace and blessedness.

Do you need to practice some horizontal forgiveness? Are you carrying around a hurt brought about by another? Would you like to see the person who brought the hurt have to pay? Do you tell others about that hurt? Can you thank God for that person?

Forgiveness means that you have released the one who hurt you from the debt they "owe" you. If their record is not clear with you, then you need to work a little more on the forgiveness factor.

FORGIVENESS renews friendships. FOR-GIVENESS heals families. FORGIVENESS sets you free. FORGIVENESS allows you to bless again. FORGIVENESS restores oxygen to the soul! FORGIVENESS is YOUR CHOICE!

Want to forgive? Admit the hurt. Thank God for the wound. Confess to God any wrong responses (unforgiveness, hatred, bitterness, gossip.) Go to your offender. As Christ has forgiven, FORGIVE. Confirm your love through HIS love.

For Forgiveness,

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Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do.

Colossians 3:12,13

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The All Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 20th, at Alameda Park—Masonic Shelter near the Swimming Pool. The day will begin at NSCC, Worship at 8:15 and Sunday School at 9:30. Worship II will be at Alameda at 11:30 followed by a picnic lunch at 1:00. Hot dogs, homemade kielbasa and hot sausage sandwiches will be provided. Bring salads, casseroles, chips, desserts, or pasta. Each family is asked to bring their own table service and drink. Water and coffee will be available. Swimming, softball, and volleyball are some of the activities.

FLOCKS NOT FLOCKING

An Ellison Research study finds 69% of all Americans who currently attend worship services have attended more than one place of worship once over the age of 18. Only 31% say their current place of worship is the only one they have regularly attended since age 18. Americans are equally divided regarding larger or smaller congregations: 43% of U.S. Protestants have moved to a larger congregation and 45% to a smaller one. Just 11% switched to a place about the same size. 31% say their current church has a more contemporary worship style, while 42% say it is more traditional. Although megachurches get a lot of press, they have not cannibalized smaller churches as some observers have concluded. There has been a slight trend toward more contemporary worship styles.

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NSCC GARAGE SALE/FESTIVAL-AUGUST 31

Proceeds Benefit the Houtens in Belize

Let's all do some house cleaning and get rid of those clothes, dishes, appliances, and of course that unused exercise equipment!

Melody Williams and the families at Legacy will be holding a garage sale/festival on August 31st at the Church to benefit the Houtens's mission in Belize. You can man your own table and give the proceeds to their fund or drop off items on dates to be assigned.

Watch for future announcements that will list when and where to make drop offs. See Melody Williams or Leslie Houk for more information.



Our thanks to everyone who came out and helped with "work day" last Saturday, June 28th. The weather held out and we got a little dirty, but everyone seemed to have a good time.

Bob Seaver Buildings & Property

WANTED

SHEPHERD OF MY HEART PRESCHOOL AIDE

> If you are interested in helping with Shepherd of My Heart Preschool two days a week, please contact Fi Saeler at 724-283-7535, or call Jeff Miller at 724-282-7700.

Congratulations!

Salvatora whose heifer, Phoebe, was named Grand Champion Supreme Female at the Butler County Fair.

SUMMER YOUTH MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 9 to Friday, July 11—Creation Museum, King's Island and Spirit Song Wednesday, July 16—Wave Pool at Settler's Cabin Wednesday, July 23, 6:00 PM—Meeting at the Hubers' Wednesday, July 30—Sunday, August 3 Youth Adventure and Camping Trip

July 6th—July 11th

<u>Sun</u>	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship I Sunday School Worship II
<u>Mon</u>	6:00 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal
<u>Tues</u>	11 a.m.—1:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	B.B.I Elders Meeting
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