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## **North Street News**

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#### Today's Message

"God Is Able; Are We Ready and Willing? The Call of the Church in the Community"

Pastor Bob

#### Today's Schedule

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

#### Serving Today

#### Greeters

Worship I: The Kremers
Worship II: The Simpsons

Nursery

Worship I: Beth and Brooke Rhodaberger

Sunday School: Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok

Worship II: Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok

#### The Lord's Supper

Worship I: Dawn Cratty
Worship II: The Grooms

#### Last Week at NSCC

Worship I 100 Worship II  $\frac{140}{240}$  Total Attendance 240

#### Offering

General - \$ 4,709.50 Designated - \$ 504.00 Total - \$ 5,213.50

> Building Fund \$14,574.09

#### Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement to Opal Everton, 152 Royal Oak Dr. Apt 206, McKeesport, PA 16053.

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me" in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Acts 1:8

#### **LET THE CHURCH RISE**

LOVE GOD LOVE PEOPLE - HERE and NOW!

Today begins a six-week sermon series and capital campaign to revive our spirits and raise funds to carry out some remodeling and construction here at NSCC. Please join us in prayer and preparation as we journey toward Commitment Sunday on November 23. Today's message is entitled: God is Able, Are We Ready and Willing? The Call of the Church in the Community. Next week's message is entitled How God Provides, Manna in the Morning.

Daily Prayer Teams are formed. Prayer Team Captains follow. Sundays – Bob Ogden; Mondays – Terry Hartman; Tuesdays – Doug Emmett; Wednesdays – Jeff Miller; Fridays- John McIntyre; Saturdays – Dennis Muir; Thursdays are ALL CHURCH PRAYER DAY. During today's message you will have opportunity to sign up as a Prayer Partner.

You are reminded to turn in your response card to attend one of our Informational Meetings. Meetings will be held on Friday November 7, Saturday November 8 and Sunday, November 9. If you did not receive a letter concerning the informational meetings, please contact the Church Office at 724-282-7700. Letters and response cards are also available today.

#### **The Truth Project**

Terry Hartman and Dennis Muir Are Fired Up About Your WORLDVIEW!

Recently Terry and Shannon Hartman and Dennis and Marianne Muir attended the Focus on the Family training for The Truth Project. As a result of that training, Terry and Dennis are preparing to train over 15 others to be Small Group Coordinators for a congregational small group study scheduled to begin in January 2009!

Pastor Bob recently spent some time with Terry and Dennis. He says, "It is obvious that Terry and Dennis were highly impacted by their exposure to The Truth Project. I want to take the course because they are so fired up about our worldview and are ready to teach it NOW! Their enthusiasm is contagious!" When both Terry and Dennis were asked to share their thoughts about how The Truth Project would impact the congregation of NSCC, here's what they said: "I really believe the Truth Project small group study, will bring a deep and radical transformation to our

church, families and culture. (Terry) " "I am very excited about the Truth Project. It will strengthen your faith as a Christian and arm you with truth. To those who question the Christian worldview, this will provide the answers." (Dennis)

NOW is the time to set aside time in your calendar to join a small group in January 2009! The Truth Project will give you a starting point to be able to see life from a biblical perspective. The 12 lessons discuss the relevance and importance of living out the Christian worldview day by day. Groups will be held in various homes throughout the community and surrounding area and most likely everyday of the week.

If you would like your name added to the list of those to be trained, call the Church Office at 724-282-7700 and let us know. Training will take place on Saturday mornings.

## "Do you really believe that what you believe is really real?"



#### STOP, DROP & ROLL

Shepherd of My Heart Preschool Visits Butler Fire Department





The second week in October was Fire Prevention Week. That means the preschoolers have been busy learning about fire safety which includes the following:

What do you do if your clothes catch fire? Stop, drop and roll. Find a safe exit—2 in each room.

Have a planned meeting spot outside. Get out and stay out! The children also visited the city



fire station where they learned even more about fire safety. They watched as a firefighter got dressed, one piece at a time, into his fire gear. He didn't look the same and the mask made his voice sound different but the children learned not to be afraid because a firefighters job is to help them. They also got to try on the firefighter's helmet and heavy protective coat and sit in a fire engine. The big bonus of the day for the younger preschoolers was watching the firemen slide down the fire pole.

#### Have you checked your fire alarms yet?

Do so when you turn your clocks back next weekend. Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00 a.m.



URGENT: The deadline to register for the amazing Family Life Weekend to Remember is approaching! If you have not already signed up, please do so today! The conference will be held at the Pittsburgh Marriott North in Cranberry Twp on Nov

21-23, 2008. I cannot think of a better investment of your time or money than investing in your marriage! Strong marriages create strong families and are the backbone of a strong church! You cannot afford NOT to go! This is a life-changing time away with your spouse that will live in your hearts forever! I strongly encourage every married or engaged couple to attend, it will heal broken relationships and strengthen strong ones! Please register by calling 1-800-FL-TODAY (358-6329) and mention our Group code: 18187 for a savings of \$80 per couple. The group rate is \$89 per person (reg. \$129) The deadline for this substantial savings is Monday, November 10th. If you have any questions or want additional information, please contact Stacy Milliron at 724-772-2045, smilli-

### Legacy Open House

Come and See! Sunday, November 2 from 9:30—1:00 "Let's just take a wall out and open that up." One year after those words were first spoken and much hard work, the Legacy house is complete! You are invited to Legacy open house for a tour and refreshments Sunday November 2, from 9:30-1:00. If you have already seen Legacy then come just for refreshments. Please pray that Legacy will always be used for ministry and God's glory. Therefore, my beloved brethren be steadfast, immoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil was not in vain. Corinthians 15:58

### **THANK YOU!**

Our thanks to all the men for all the work that was accomplished for Buildings and Property at NSCC last Saturday, October 18th. A special thanks to Tammy and Toby King for giving us a hand. Also thanks to Pastor Bob and Kathi Huber for cooking breakfast.



Operation Christmas Child is taking off. We only have a few weeks to fill shoeboxes for children in need. As in II Corinthians 8:3 "I can tell you that they gave as much as they were able and even

more than they could afford.." How much can you give? A simple gift-filled shoebox is a tangible expression of the love of God. More information will be coming in next week's News Sheet, but you can start now. Any question, please call Bridge Pierce at 724-282-4547. Thank you and God Bless.

#### ATTENTION ALL SENIOR CITIZENS...

Please come and share a wonderful **HARVEST** meal together. Sunday, November 9th at 1:00 pm. in the Church Dining Room. Bring a friend, or another brother or sister in the Lord... In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Thessalonians 5:18

# ALONE FOR THANKSGIVING? We invite you to come and join our family for food

We invite you to come and join our family for food and fellowship here at North Street Thursday, November 27th at 5 p.m. Cissy and Dale

#### October 26th-November 2nd

<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 Department Meeting
Mon	6:00 p.m.	Worship Rehearsal
Tues	12 noon.—2:00 p.m.	BBI
Wed	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pioneer Club/YBICS/Legacy Open Bible Study (Room 102)
<u>Thur</u>	6:00-8:00 p.m.	ВВІ
<u>Sun</u>	2:00 a.m.	Daylight Savings Time Ends- TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK

#### **SEVEN STEP SOLUTION TO THE ECONOMIC CRISIS**

Chuck Bentley, CEO Crown Financial Ministries, Gives the Following Advice:

Submitted by Curt Knotick

In light of the massive amount of signs pointing to what some are calling the "economic crisis of a century," and "economic Pearl Harbor," or a "financial tsunami", I believe we all have reason now to ask: "What can I do to help solve this problem?' I for one believe it is time we stop looking to the federal government as the final solution and mobilize the grassroots of this nation to bring about the economic change that is desperately needed.

Here are the steps I believe will solve this crisis by each of us doing our part to fight this on a personal, local level.

Step 1: The most glaring error in all the news reports, public debate, and political rhetoric is that I have yet to hear any leader make reference for our collective need to look beyond ourselves for a solution and turn to God Almighty. Yet, when I read of our political leaders identifying the root cause of this meltdown as "greed", it is as if we have forgotten that greed and its resulting consequences is a heart problem, not a policy problem.

The Scripture teaches that money is not the solution to money problems. In fact, it says that whoever loves money never has enough, and that the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. Money problems are heart problems and can only be solved by a change of heart initiated by repentance.

"When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their

sin and will heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:13-14 NIV).

**Step 2:** I would call for an emergency economic recovery plan for American citizens to begin immediately. The plan would be for every American to get his or her personal house in order as quickly as possible. Throughout our history, we have shown that when leaders have called upon and trusted in the power and capacity of the voluntary efforts of the American people, we have risen to the challenge. We are a resilient people, willing to do our part in times of crisis. When there is a call to action, we will take up the challenge with great resolve.

As followers of Christ we should be prepared if we must endure another Great Depression. We must show the world that what holds us together is not a political system, as great as it may be; it is not capitalism, as great as it may be; nor is it even the democracy that has made this nation great. It is the living out of our motto printed on our coins: *In God we trust*. The real economic recovery needed is the recovery of the Biblical values we hold dear. Call it "The New American Dream-Living within our Means," a concept as old as the Scripture itself. It was God who taught us to: Honor God with our wealth, Save but do not hoard, Get out of Debt, and Invest wisely and steadily.

Simply put, God wants us to live within our means so that we can be free from all financial bondage. I would call for churches, businessmen, and the educational sector to implement programs to lead the way.

Steps 3, 4 and 5 next week.