

But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Galatians 6:14

## Today's Message: Worldliness, Humility and the Cross: The Cross and Self

#### **Good Friday**

Worship at 7:00 p.m.
A LOVE THAT NEVER FAILS
Messages by Pastor Jeff and Pastor Bob
The Lord's Supper

### **EASTER EVENTS AT NORTH STREET**

#### **Easter Sunday**

Sunrise Worship at 6:45-Pastor Jeff Miller Breakfast at 8:00 Sunday School at 9:00 Resurrection Worship 10:00 Begins with 30 minutes Pre-Service Praise and Worship Baptism Service Message: Living on This Side of the

Cross—Pastor Bob

# BRANDON STEPHENSON ORDAINED TO THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Brandon Stephenson will be ordained to the Christian Ministry today during Worship II. The Elders and Pastors of NSCC joined by Brian Fisher, Brandon's father-in-law, will lay hands on and pray over Brandon as he is ordained to the Christian Ministry. Following the formal ordination, Brandon will be joined by his wife, Danielle, and their families and we will then pray over them as they are sent forth to serve the Lord.

The Stephensons are completing their educations at Kentucky Christian University and will graduate in May. Soon after graduation, they will move to Waukesha, Wisconsin to join the ministry of the River Glen Christian Church.

## COMMUNITY BENEFIT SPAGHETTI DINNER TODAY!

A benefit spaghetti dinner will be held **today** from 12 Noon until 5 p.m. at the Family Resource Center. All proceeds will go to help the family of Davanna Feyrer, an eleven year old who was severely injury in an automobile accident, has been in the hospital since January 15th. The family's insurance has come to an end and Davanna is in need of continued care.



#### Worldliness, Humility and the Cross Sermon Series Concludes on April 26

There are four remaining messages in the series Worldliness, Humility and the Cross. The remaining messages are as follows:

April 5 – The Cross and Self

April 12 – Living on This Side of the Cross

April 19 – How Can We Yet Be So Worldly?

April 26 - Humbled By the Witness of the Water and the Blood

Please join us each Sunday as we take this journey toward life change.

Remember - Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For everything in the world-the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does-comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever.

I John 2:15-17

And - For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel-not with words of human wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Corinthians 1:17-18

## NSCC UPDATE

March 29

#### Attendance

Worship Gathering 240

#### Offering

 General \$ 3,943.00

 Designated \$ 1,155.75

 Building \$ 755.00

 Total \$ 5,869.75

Let the Church Rise
Total Raised to Date:
\$223,854.00

Remodeling begins at \$250,000



We extend our prayers and bid farewell to Michelle Cousins, Tyler Cranmer, Matt Eckert, Nathan Huber, Chuck Kildoo, Toby and Tammy King, Luke Klutinoty, Gavin Lingenfelter, John McIntyre, Adrianna Passauer, Bridget Pierce, Bonna Ray, Mandy and Gary Saeler, Ruth Stiltz, and Christina Wick; leaving for Mexico this Wednesday. The group will return next Tuesday having blessed a family in Juarez with a new home. What a great way to celebrate Easter!

Take time to encourage a shut-in this week.

Send a card to: Jan Barbary 530 Sunset Dr. Butler, PA 16001

#### Serving Today Greeter

## Worship I Worship II

The Winters Pete Kovach

#### Nursery

Worship I Kathy Twerdok Diane Bowman

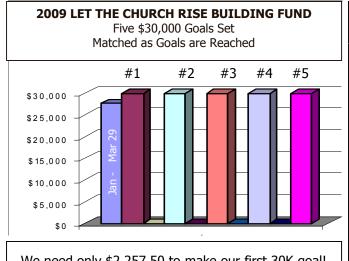
Sunday School Kathy Twerdok Joan Cole

Worship II Joanne Duncan Joan Cole

#### The Lord's Supper

Worship I Paula Bauer Worship II Barbara Carson

Love God, Love People—Here and Now!



We need only \$2,257.50 to make our first 30K goal!

## **UPCOMING LEGACY EVENTS...**

Wednesday, April 8th, Legacy, 6:30 PM Mexico Team Departs at 3:30 a.m. (Returning 4/13, 4/14)

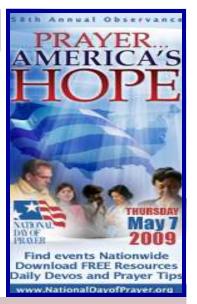
Friday, April 17th, Hubers' 6:30 PM Party at the Hubers' House

Sunday, April 26th, NSCC Dinner for Sr. Citizens

Saturday, May 9th, Erie Splash Lagoon

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#### **OPEN BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE**

**WEDNESDAY, April 8th**, Pioneer Club, YBICS, and Open Bible Study will be off for Easter. Please join us for Easter services—Good Friday (April 10) at 7:00 and Easter Sunday (April 12) at 10:30 (prelude music starts at 10:00).

Wednesday NIGHT, April 15, Return to regular schedule.

#### WEATHERPROOF YOUR HOME...AGAINST THE STORMS OF LIFE—A WOMEN'S SEMINAR By Donna Best

Teaching biblical principles through which God is bringing healing and restoration to women and their families

May 1 & 2, 2009

Friday: 7pm-9pm and Saturday: 9 am-5pm at CrossWay Church, 109 Davis Rd., Valencia, PA 16059 Seminar Registration By <u>April 20, 2009</u>

Cost of seminar: \$42.00 This includes s seminar booklet & lunch on Saturday. Checks payable to: CrossWay Church

Attn: Joni Kellar, 109 Davis Rd., Valencia, PA 16059

Location: Off 228 between Rt. 8 and Mars High School.

Brochures at Welcome Center.

For more information, please contact: Joni Kellar at 724-898-4600



#### A TRIBUTE AND THANKS TO HEARTS TO HEAVEN

Many thanks to Hearts to Heaven for the moving offering of the Avalon song "Orphans of God" on Sunday. The song opens with the line "Who here among us has not been broken? Who here among us is without guilt or pain?" In a society saturated with rejection and scorn it is easy to feel cast off, to be broken by the ways of the world and left alone in shame. As we greet each other each Sunday, here, yes even here we see brothers and sisters who are suffering. We were created for fellowship, for relationship. It is such a privilege and a blessing to have others lift

us, stand beside us; to love us. As adopted sons and daughters ("For you did not receive the spirit of fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out 'Abba, Father'" Romans 8:15-16) let us be about supportive relationships with one another. "There are no strangers, there are no outcasts, there are no orphans of God. So many broken but Hallelujah there are NO orphans of God"! Thanks be to Him who created us, who loves us, who sustains us and who gives us the gift of one another. Our Father has

commanded us to go into the world, a world that He desires to have understand Him intimately through those one another relationships AND He promises to go with us ("... teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age" Matthew 28:20). You are not an orphan. You have a loving Father who calls you by name.

In His service, Lisa Emmett



Much grateful appreciation to everyone who donated snacks, sweets, treats and drinks for the reception following worship last week. Thanks very much to all who helped set up, clean up and put away. Special thanks to all of you who stayed to love one another. It's a blessing to be together as a group and touch base with those we don't get to see as often as we'd like. "Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart, for you have

been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and abiding word of God." 1 Peter 1:22-23. Sweet fellowship is the natural result of the work of grace in the heart of believers. Lets endeavor to continually fan the flame of this God honoring fruit. Doug Emmett, Shepherd C.C.F.

WHAT'S UP THIS WEEK-April 5th-April 11th						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:15 Worship I 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Worship II	5:30 p.m. Worship Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Easter Choir Re- hearsal	12 noon-2 p.m. BBI"The Next Step in End Times Study"  6:30-8:30 p.m. BBI "New Testa- ment Survey"	Off this week!	<b>6:00-8:00 p.m.</b> BBI "Continued Studies in Biblical Apologetics"	<b>7:00 p.m.</b> Worship Messages by Pastor Jeff and Pastor Bob: "A Love the Never Fails"	5:00 p.m. Community Meal 6:00 p.m. Movie Night