

Sunday February 15, 2009

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North Street News

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Today's Message:

Worldliness, Humility, and the
Cross—Strong Desires

Pastor Bob

Today's Schedule

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

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship I: The Croups

Worship II: Al & Crissy Bell

Nursery

Worship I: Walker Hartman &
Kathy Twerdok

Sunday School: Joan Cole &
Kathy Twerdok

Worship II: Joan Cole & Amy
Parker

The Lord's Supper

Worship I: Dawn Cratty

Worship II: The Seavers

Last Week at NSCC:

Worship I 101
Worship II 138
Total Attendance 239

Offering

General - \$ 5,492.00
Designated - \$ 125.00
Building - \$ 1,475.00
Total - \$ 7,092.00

Let the Church Rise Building Fund Total:

\$215,392.43

Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement
to Chervyl Martin, 627 Herman
Rd., Butler, PA
16001.

For God so lovEd
the world,
That He gAve His
onLy BegottEn SoN
That whoever Be-
lieveth In Him
Should Not perish,
But have Everlast-
ing life.

John 3:16

ANNUAL HEALTHY

Senior
Citizens

HEART LUNCHEON

Seniors, don't miss the Annual Healthy Heart Luncheon tomorrow, February 16th at noon. It will be held in the Church Dining Room. Come join us for soup, salad, dessert, and a special program. If you would like to attend, please contact Barbara Carson at 724-283-2472 or Mary Stevenson at 724-283-4812. If you need transportation, be sure to let them know. Also, if you do not receive mailings for senior events and would like to be added to our list, please call the Church Office at 724-282-7700.

SUNDAY NIGHT DATE--DINNER AND A MOVIE!

Come to North

Street on the evening of **Sunday, February 22** for a nice meal and a movie! The April Mexico Team will be serving a spaghetti dinner and then showing the new hit movie, **FIREPROOF**, starring Kirk Cameron as a heroic fireman in a failing marriage. He takes up his father's challenge to be part of a 40-day experiment designed to teach both husband and wife the real meaning of commitment. As with fighting fires, in marriage, "you never leave your partner behind." If you haven't seen this movie yet, you need to—it's a great film! And you can enjoy a meal beforehand to complete the evening! We'll start serving all-you-can-eat spaghetti and salad at **5:00 PM**. Free will donations will be accepted. THANKS and don't miss it! .

FIREPROOF

BUTLER BIBLE INSTITUTE

Spring Semester Begins the First Week in March



Beginning March 3rd, three spring semester courses are being offered by the "Butler Bible Institute".

Each of these courses will run for 13 - 2 hour meetings. They will all earn 2 semester units towards a Certificate or Diploma in Theology and Biblical Studies. The Tuition for Each course is \$50 (\$25 per semester unit).

To register, fill out the attached form and place in the offering. The cost of notebooks/text books are included in the tuition fee.

Title	Date/Time	Led by:
"The Next Step in End Times Study" (Eschatology 102)	Tues. March 3, 2009 Noon-2pm	John Gumpfer & Sherry O'Donnell
"Continued Studies in Biblical Apologetics" (Apologetics 102)	Thur. March 5, 2009 6 p.m.—8 p.m.	Bob Ogden & Elaine DeJong
"New Testament Survey" (Biblical Studies 103)	Mon. March 16, 2009 12:30—2:30 p.m.	Pastor Bob Huber

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

March-April-May 2009

International Sunday School Class - Christ and Creation is the title of this quarter's International Sunday School Class which begins March 8 and runs through May 31. NEW LIFE will be a major theme of the weekly studies. The Promise of New Life will challenge students in March, with all of the studies taken from the Book of Ezekiel. The Dawn of New Life from Luke and Acts will be considered in April. In May it will be the Fruits of New Life that will be examined, with all lessons taken from the Book of Ephesians. We all need new life. This quarter's lessons will show us the why, the how, and the results of the only kind of new life that counts. Join teachers Doug Emmett and Bob Huber in the **Dining Room** for the International Sunday School Class.

New Members Class - Welcome to North Street Christian Church! This special 4 week class gives you the inside scoop on what we do and why we do what we do at NSCC. Whether you have been coming for a long time or are brand new to the church, we welcome you to come, learn, and ask any questions! Taught by Jeff Miller **during the month of March** in the **Library**.

Revelation - The end of the world is coming. And while to the world that is a terrifying concept, Christians are looking forward to the return of Jesus Christ and the consummation of all things. Revelation is the only New Testament book that includes a special promised spiritual blessing for those who study and apply its message! Come and join us in a verse by verse study of this amazing prophecy. Delve into the mind-blowing account of the last days of the earth, the rise of the anti-Christ, and the glorious return of the King of Kings as Jesus Christ establishes His kingdom and

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LOVE GOD LOVE PEOPLE—HERE AND NOW!

CONFESSION:
Clearing Your Debt With God and Others

In my former days, living as a Roman Catholic, I was taught and practiced “going to confession” once a week. The idea was that I would confess my sins (against God and against others) to the priest so that he could mediate for me to gain forgiveness before I could partake of the sacrament of the Eucharist on Sunday. (Now I am not sure that is the official stance, but that’s what was in my mind as young Catholic.) Of course, these days I have come to understand that biblically, as a redeemed believer in Christ, I have direct access to the Father through the Son and no longer need to have a human mediator seek forgiveness of my behalf but have the “once for all” Mediator – our great High Priest and the Lamb of God – Jesus Christ to represent my case to the Father.

BUT – I learned a lot about the connection between CONFESSION and a CLEAR CONSCIENCE as a kid. As I walked to the Church to make my weekly confessions and get my penance assignment – I was burdened and after I had made my confession and did my penance – I was lighter and refreshed. (I should have taken communion right then and there because by the next day I was already *heavily indebted to God and people* – I had trespassed and had need to be forgiven all over again!) Anyhow, I usually whistled on the walk home after confessing and doing my penance – I felt so good!

We are yet to confess our sins to God and to others. When we do not – our conscience is not clear and we carry our spiritual debts around with us. There is a burden from sin not forgiven. I want to encourage you to clear you conscience with God and man – and get out of spiritual debt – you’ll feel much better with a clear conscience.

In Acts 24:16 the Apostle Paul said, “ . . . *I myself always strive to have a conscience without offense toward God and men.*”

James said, “*Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other . . .* “

John said, “*If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*”

Clear your accounts with God and man – you’ll feel so much better!

pb ☺

NEWS FROM BARNABAS
The Church in Thailand Continues to Grow

Dear Brother Bob,

We are doing fine. Lisa is looking for her school. In this week, the weather is getting warm alot. Smoky month is ahead. On 26 of February, all our evangelists will be coming to Chiangmai for monthly meeting. On 28 Enoch and David will get for their school certificate for B Th. Graduation Ceremony. In Chiangmai we have three new converts Ai Sai and Nan Nuan husband and wife from Shan tribe. They have a two year old boy. The other one is Nuan Jan, Thai lady about 45 years old. We drove down 45 kilometers and baptized for them. I visited to Nong Chiew and to Hui Ko for Church building. Anyhow we focus on Hui Ko Church first. We are praying for North Street Christian Church and US economy. May God bless you.

In His Service,
Barnabas



I'm David Smith, nephew of Debbie and Bill Croup, cousin of Josh and Jacob Croup and brother of Tyler and Phillip Smith. I am writing to say thank everyone for the prayers that i have got with in the past 5months, while my seizures were occurring. I greatly appreciate all them from everyone. Thank you once again.

David Smith



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truly makes all things new. **This class will begin in April and will run more than one quarter.** Taught by Pastor Jeff in the Library.

The Senior High Class will continue their studies at **Legacy**, and Terry Hartman will continue to lead the **Junior High** class in **Room 102**.

Ladies Class will continue to meet in room 103. Details will follow.

Thank You

*“My sincere appreciation and heart-felt thanks to each one who attended this past weeks **Congregational Care and Fellowship** planning meeting. I look forward with delightful anticipation to the events planned throughout the year, and especially want to encourage and thank the co-ordinators. It is a pleasure to serve with you and as elder/over-seer I do so with joy. May the Lord take notice and pour out abundant grace on your every endeavor.” For those who could not make the meeting, please watch the up-coming news sheets for sign up opportunities. *“It is the blessing of the LORD that makes rich, and He adds no sorrow to it.”**

Doug Emmett

Dear Church Family,

We would like to express our deepest thanks for your continued prayers, cards, and gifts during Rebekah’s hospitalization. She delighted in every card, gift and mention that people were thinking of her and praying for her to get well quickly. Even at the young age of 4, she truly appreciates (as do we, her family), the love of God shown to her/us through all of you. She recovering well.

Our most sincere thanks,
Ken, Lisa, Ben & Rebekah



I would like to thank everyone who called and sent cards during the time I was unable to attend church.

Sincerely,
Sara O'Donnell

FEBRUARY 15TH—FEBRUARY 21ST

<u>Sun</u>	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Worship I Sunday School Worship II
<u>Mon</u>	12:00 Noon 12:30-2:30 6:00 p.m.	Healthy Heart Luncheon BBI—Biblical Counseling Class Worship Rehearsal
<u>Tues</u>	12 noon-2 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	BBI—Angelology Board Meeting Elders Meeting
<u>Wed</u>	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pioneer Club/YBICS/Legacy Open Bible Study (Room 102)
<u>Thur</u>	6:00-8:00	BBI-Biblical Apologetics2
<u>Sat</u>	5:00 p.m.	Community Dinner