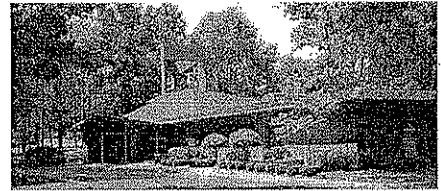


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Dear Members and Friends of New Bedford Church

The month of July has, almost accidentally, become Missionary month in our church. Week after week we have had the opportunity to hear about the missionaries we support. Beginning immediately we will begin regular support for Matt and Stacey Ayars. Matt and Stacy will begin a minimum five year ministry in Haiti. Matt and Stacy will be serving as teachers at the Emmaus Biblical Seminary. It was a joy to have them share their ministry with us.

The next week Laura Scott shared her ministry in Guatemala. Laura is entering her fourth year in the mission field. We have had the joy of supporting Laura for a couple of years. We are excited about her future ministry with her husband in Guatemala. Additions notes about these two ministries can be found under Mission News in the Newsletter.

Another ministry that we support is the ministry of Caring Hearts. I have just gotten back from a 10 day trip to San Luis, Mexico. As I briefly shared last Sunday, It is a joy to see first hand the work of the Lord in this impoverished city through the ministries of Caring Hearts. We saw the growth in the Lord of the children at the orphanage and at the Boys Home. We were part of the ministry to the Woman's and the Men's Drug rehab center. We had the chance to visit the city public orphanage. We had the chance to build the house for Judith and Jose. This couple and their five children were renting a shack and struggling to feed their family. This house will this couple and their children a chance to improve their life in Mexico. Thank you for your support and your prayers for this trip.

A couple of months ago we heard from Nathan and Sandy Musgrave and their ministry in mainland China. We once again saw a couple leave the comfort of life in America and live in a difficult setting as they share the love of our Lord Jesus. Our prayers continue with Sandy and Nathan.

Over the past few years our Mission Committee has been revamping our missionary support. A criteria that has been used in selecting Missionaries has been "personal involvement." We want to know our missionaries. I believe we have seen the wonderful success of this revamping the last few weeks.

Missionary month will continue the next couple of weeks. Mike Harvey and Jim Cossin, staff at Seneca Hills, will be leading our worship the next couple of weeks. Seneca Hills is another mission project we support both financially and with our time and with our kids. The largest local mission project that we support locally is the City Rescue Mission. Their wonderful work of spreading the Word of the Lord to hurting men and families in our area continues.

Do you know that once a month our church, working with the Pittsburgh Food Bank, passes out food to 60 families in the area. These are families that are just over the federally stipulated poverty line. This is hands on mission work in our church

Allow me to share one final thought. It is a joy and a privilege to support mission work internationally, nationally and locally. But mission work is the call of each and very one of us. This central mission field for us is our home, our workplace, our neighborhood, our school. People need the Lord. People in Haiti.... people in Guatemala..... people in China..... people in Mexico..... people in New Castle..... people in New Bedford. We are Christ's ambassadors. Be a Missionary...here... now.

In Christ

Doug

Happy Birthday

BIRTHDAYS FOR JULY

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| Mary Beckman-- 5 | Tim Pogozelec---5 |
| Tracy Duffy-----6 | Nathan Book----7 |
| Amber Morse---8 | Jackson -Riachy 8 |
| Scott Phillips---9 | Jane Eppinger---11 |
| Todd Manuel---11 | Grace Ripley-----11 |
| Matt Miller-----12 | Cindy Minich---13 |
| Chuck Orth----15 | Gail Phillips-----17 |
| Marilyn Ringbloom-17 | David Carr-----18 |
| Sharon Book----18 | Jessica Halt-----19 |
| Isaac Duffy-----19 | Ed Beckman-----19 |
| Alyson Boyer---21 | Aryn Boyer-----21 |
| Shawn McCarthy-23 | Al Belgie-----24 |
| Shannon Marshall 25 | Diane Bell-----26 |
| Matalie Carr-----26 | Bryan Saulpaugh 26 |
| Jacob Moore-----27 | Samuel Moore 27 |
| Nicholas Moore---27 | Richard Pence---27 |
| Art Spence-----27 | Shelea McCarthy-29 |
| Donna Ridenour-31 | |

BIRTHDAYS FOR AUGUST

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| Doug Carr-----3 | Jeannie Carr-----3 |
| Eric Anderson---4 | Wilson Carlisle----4 |
| Mary Stoughton-5 | Ted Chrobak-----5 |
| Erma Gorlay----7 | Jessica Bochy-----7 |
| Emma Duffy-----8 | Tammy Anderson-8 |
| Gisela Dieter----10 | John Reynolds-----11 |
| Melvin Kauffman-13 | Mary Miller-----14 |
| Ciarra McAllen -14 | Bob Bretz-----15 |
| Sandy Courson---16 | Shirley Goist-----16 |
| Mary Hartzell---16 | Alexis Manuel----18 |
| Lillian Fulkman---19 | Renee Burrows---19 |
| Lena Showman---19 | Meadow Whiting--22 |
| Marge Divens----22 | Dot Jones-----22 |
| Justin Bell-----22 | Katharine Bell----22 |
| Irma Tryon-----23 | Hilary Robison----24 |
| Mitchell Whiting-25 | Taylor Bochy-----25 |
| Kelly Fox-----26 | Jacob Smith-----27 |
| Helen Ruby-----29 | Jim Matthews----31 |

HARVESTERS NOTES

Note the change of date for the meeting this month. We will meet on Tuesday, July 17th and will be having a picnic in the church pavilion. It will be a catered meal and there will be some entertainment. Lillian needs your reservation as soon as possible.

BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY

Our study will resume meeting Monday evening, July 16th. Time is 6:30P.M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY

Our Tuesday afternoon Bible Study Group will not be meeting again until July 31 due to other activities that are going on at that time.

THANK YOU

Thank You to all the volunteers who came out to help fold and sort clothes. In the two mornings (6 hours) we raised \$80.00 each day. These proceeds go into the Women's Association fund. This mission continued with the clothes that didn't sell, going to the "Prince of Peace" outreach in Farrell, PA where they were given away to the low income families in that area! Thank Jane Eppinger for suggesting it to us.

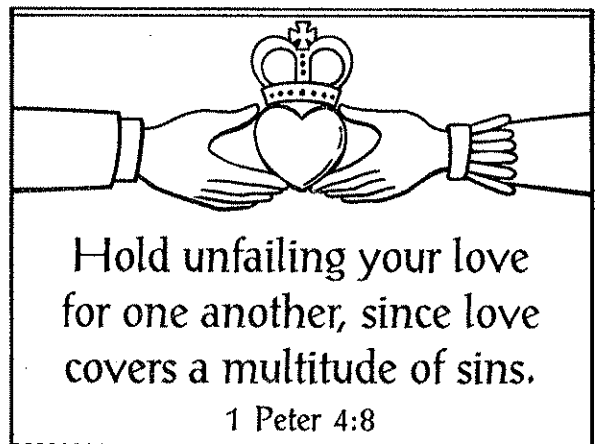
Also Thank You to Al Belgie, Jane Eppinger, Jon Reynolds, Jr. And Pastor Doug for helping me take the left over clothing from the sale to the Charity Outreach in Farrell.

Thanks also to Scott and Gail Phillips for the use of their little U-Haul trailer and thanks to the several women who came out to help sort and fold the clothing. (You know who you are.) an to John Sr. For his elp on that Saturday.

Thank you to members and friends of the congregation for all the cards, calls, visits, good wishes and prayers during my illness and time of recuperation. Your thoughtfulness and concern are appreciated.

-Ray Hilliard

Thanks to Dan Dieter for taking care of the sound while Nathan is on vacation



LIBRARY NOTES



Books that have been added to our church Library.
American Medical Association Encyclopedia

(NF)

The Answer (NF)

The Great House of God (NF) -Lucado

What's Your Story (NF)

Sharing Christ Together (NF)

Growing in Christ Together (NF)



The Yellow Rose (F)

The Brethren (F)

There are so many good books in our church library.
 Why not visit it during this summer and pick up some
 good reading material?

DID YOU KNOW

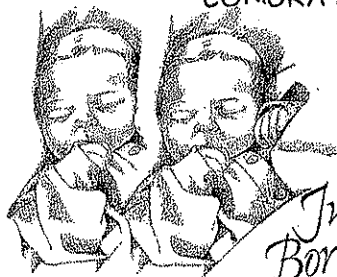
- Reanna Reynolds has been hired only two weeks after college as a Medical Billing Agent in the Windham Professional Building in Boardman, OH as a full time employee. Congratulations Reanna June's mother just turned 90!!
- Charlotte is back in her home after a long hospital stay
- Allen Jones made it through basic training for the Air Force and will now be stationed in Mississippi.
- We have another set of twins in our congregation. (Must be something in the water).
- Bible School is going on even as we are printing the newsletter. Thank you to all the volunteers.
- Kelly Fox was named first team all section shortstop by the Pittsburgh Post Gazette. Congratulations Kelly!
- Doris, Art and Bob played some nice music before the service began last Sunday.
- Bob Adams is sporting a "shiner" from a fall he had. (Be careful out there).

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

LAWRENCE COUNTY HABITAT FOR

HUMANITY is seeking a community-minded individual to promote Lawrence County Habitat for Humanity's Christian mission, to coordinate and direct the activities of the affiliate, and actively lead the staff and volunteers to achieve the goals established by the Board of Directors. Foxible/30 hours a week. For more information call 724-652-3438 or write 138 W. Washington Street, New Castle, PA
 Also a position description is available in the church office.

CONGRATULATIONS



We congratulate Lee and Dawn Harris on the birth of twin boys born on July 4th. Mother and boys are doing fine. They have been named Brandon and Ethan.

We welcome these little ones into the fellowship of our church

Please remember the following people who are hospitalized, receiving treatment, recuperating at home, and those who have asked for prayer.

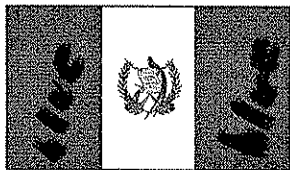
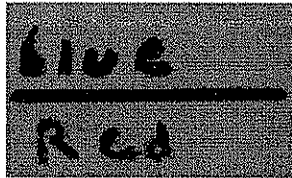
Charlotte Wallace-----	Home
Justin Dillon-----	Home
Katharine Bell-----	Cedar Manor
Shirley Ruby-----	At home
Verda Hepler-----	Home
Dee Haines-----	Home at Harvey Jr's
Gertie Bretz-----	Home
Ray Hilliard-----	Home
Grace Baughman-----	Jameson Place
Nancy Templeton-----	Overlook
Bob Rishell-----	Home

We are hoping everyone has a safe, cool, and pleasant summer! The next Redeeming Times will be published in September.
 Don't forget Sunday School and Worship Service each week.

MISSION NEWS

The past few weeks have been mission filled weeks for the congregation. The Mission Committee was excited that several of our missionaries were able to be with our congregation and share their work and how important our church support is to each of them.

While Pastor Doug was heading up a mission trip at the orphanage in Mexico, it gave the Mission Committee an opportunity to introduce to the congregation Matt and Stacey Ayars, a new mission couple that we will begin supporting in August. Matt brought the message that Sunday and they shared how they were called to mission work in Haiti and about the teaching work they will be involved with. They shared slides and a video and told about some of the outreach work they will be involved in with the Haitian people. Matt and Stacey have made a 5 year commitment to this work and we join them in this mission journey with our financial and prayerful support. You may follow their journey as they continually update their blog at sayars@omsinternational.org (Be sure to tell them you are from New Bedford, they will be thrilled to hear from you). Matt and Stacey were so very excited to be with us and impressed with our church, the people and the support we have given them. They ask for your prayers as they leave for Cap Haitien, Haiti, August 21st



The following Sunday we were blessed by a familiar face to many of us—Laura Scott was home

from Guatemala and was able to share about her current mission work with Christian Academy of Guatemala where one of her

primary jobs is to teach the children of other missionaries serving in Guatemala. She also does mentoring work with the students and has an outreach through a basketball program. The most exciting news she shared with us was that she will be getting married December 15th 2007 to Edgar Cojon. Laura met Edgar at the church she attended in Guatemala where he served as the music pastor. They look forward to combining their ministries as they continue to seek the Lord and serve His people. If you would like to be in touch with Laura you may do so by e-mail at laurascott@cten.org

We also continue to collect monies as we “fill the ark” for Heifer International. In less than one year our congregation has the ark half full. Great job, keep up the good work.

Also be keeping the Musgrave family in prayer as they will soon be returning to their mission work in China.

The Mission Committee is working on a “Mission Weekend” at the church which will take place November 16, 17 and 18th. We hope to have a dinner on Saturday evening and give you an informal opportunity to meet and talk with some of the people who are involved in the missions we support. We hope that some of our missionaries will be able to be with us and share about their work. Be watching the Newsletter for further information.





YOUTH NEWS

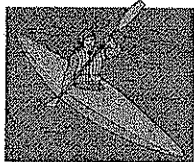
It's hard to believe it is July already. I missed all of you while I was away on vacation, but now I'm back and the activities are picking up again.

I would first like to thank everyone who helped with the hoagie sale. A special thank you to Scott and Gail Phillips who organized and ordered everything. It is through fundraisers that we are able to do activities and go to special events. So I thank all the youth and parents who helped to sell and make the hoagies, and I thank each of you who purchased hoagies and supports our youth ministry.

July is turning out to be a very busy month. There are several of our youth helping with VBS. We've already had a movie night and have been boating. There are some major events this month so please read the following carefully.

July 17th (Tues.) 1P-4P - Swimming at Geniene's house for 6th-12th

July 20th (Fri.) 6P - We will meet at the church to go on an overnight canoe trip. We will be camping out Friday night and canoeing for about 6 hours on Saturday. Thank the Hostetler's for rounding up the canoes. This is going to be a great time!!! You must let me know if you are coming or not. We have to know how many canoes we need! We are planning on canoeing from Franklin to Kennerdale; however, it may be too shallow. If we don't get any rain from now until then, we may be camping out at Hostetler's and canoeing from West Middlesex to Nashua. Whatever we end up doing, I know it will be a blast! Be watching your e-mail and the bulletin for more details. And don't forget to let me know if you're coming!



July 25th (Wed.) 9A - 10:30P - We will meet at the church at 9A to go to Geauga Lake. I have 24 tickets at the discounted price (which is only \$4 off the general admission). There will also be a charge for the bus which will total \$28 for the bus and admission.

The first 24 youth members who get money to me will get the discounted price. If I still have discounted tickets remaining after July 18th, I will offer them to anyone in the congregation. All members of our congregation are invited to spend the day with us.

July 27th - 29th Youth Group and Family Camping Weekend at YMCA's Camp Sherwin in Erie. The cost is as follows:

Site without electric - \$25 per night

Site with water & electric - \$30 per night

If we have a "youth site" - cost will be \$2 per person per night.

Please let Geniene know ASAP if you need to reserve a campsite!

Aug. 3rd (Fri.) 6P - 10P Swimming, volleyball and bonfire at Geniene's for Jr./Sr. High youth group.

Aug. 8th (Wed.) 10A Moraine State Park day. More details to follow.

Aug. 17th (Fri.) High School Musical 2 party at Geniene's. What we've all been waiting for!!! (At least the girls anyway.) Woo Hoo!

I would also like to encourage everyone in the congregation to join us for Family Camp at Seneca Hills over Labor Day weekend. Please talk to Pastor Doug or myself for details. It's a wonderful time of fun and fellowship! I pray that everyone is having a blessed summer. I look forward to all of the scheduled events. I enjoy my time spent with each one of you!!!

In Christ,

Geniene



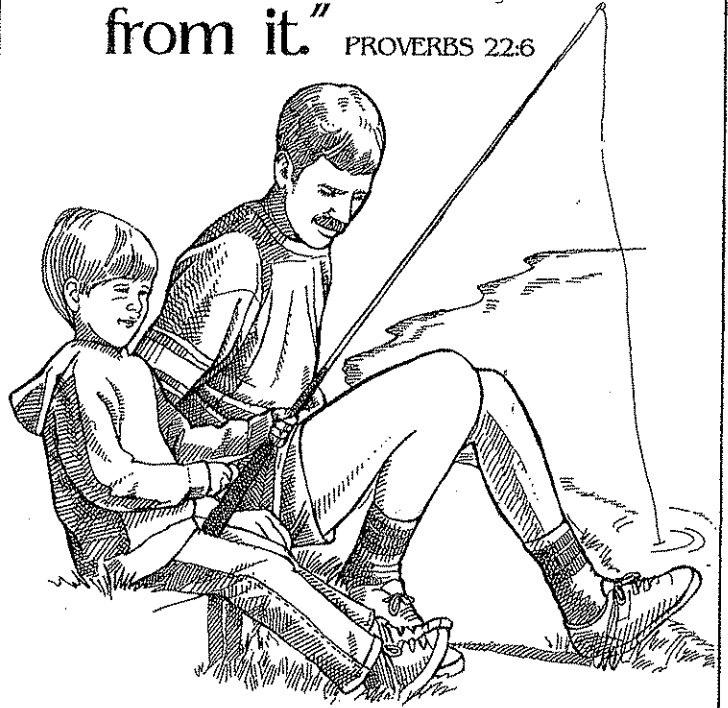


“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.”
Colossians 3:12

Many of you have asked for the sermons on Parenting. There are extra copies of Parenting II on the table in the vestibule. If anyone need more let June know.



“**T**rain a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.” PROVERBS 22:6



“The wolf will live with the lamb,
the leopard will lay down with the goat,
the calf & the lion & the yearling together,
& a little child will lead them.”

Isaiah 11:6



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