

# Rejoicing From the Hills

*"The little hills rejoice on every side."*

*-Psalm 65:12b-*

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## Missions Conference September 25-29

Our annual missions conference will take place September 25-29.

The theme will be **"Here Am I, Send Me"** based on Isaiah 6:8, "I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me."

We have arranged the conference so that it will coincide with our Church Family Picnic. We have invited the missionaries for the conference to be with us during the picnic on Saturday, September 25 so that we may visit with them and get to know them before the preaching sessions begin.



The conference missionaries will include the Brunks who serve with Independent Faith Mission in South Africa and the Torres serving with Gospel Furthering Fellowship in Spain.



This year we will once again have the morning sessions on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 10:30 AM. There will also be a luncheon for the ladies on Monday at 12:30 PM.

Please pray for the conference and plan to attend all the sessions. 📖

## Church Family Picnic September 25

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 25. This will be the day for our church family picnic at John Rudy Park. Once again we will be in the Bluebird pavilion. A map of the park will be provided showing the location of this pavilion.



We will share our lunch at 12:30 PM. Arrive about noon and bring your own meat to cook on a grill. Also bring a hot or cold dish and a dessert to share. Hot grills, condiments, beverages, and all paper products will be provided. Devotions will follow lunch at about 1:30 PM. This will be the unofficial beginning of our

missions conference so some of the missionaries will be with us and share during the picnic.



Games are being planned for all age groups. Everyone is welcome to enjoy this day of recreation and fellowship with one another. Please remember our testimony for the Lord Jesus Christ and please dress modestly.



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*Note: Pictures of our various church activities can be seen on our church website. To find the link to the newsletter, open the NHBC home page at [www.northhillsbiblechurch.org](http://www.northhillsbiblechurch.org) and click on the "Resources" link in the navigation menu at the top of the page. The current newsletter is always the first text link at the top of the Resources page, just below the navigation menu. The link says "Current Issue" and is just below the opening paragraph about Rejoicing from the Hills.*

**A GOSPEL MESSAGE FOR YOU**

Have you asked Jesus Christ to save you? If not, will you accept Him as your Saviour now? The following will explain what you need to do.

1. **ADMIT THAT YOU ARE A SINNER.** The Bible says, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23
2. **KNOW THAT GOD HAS ALREADY PROVIDED FOR YOUR SALVATION.** "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16
3. **KNOW THAT YOU CANNOT SAVE YOURSELF.** "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us." Titus 3:5a
4. **REPENT OF YOUR SIN.** "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of." II Corinthians 7:10. "Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:3
5. **ASK JESUS CHRIST TO SAVE YOU.** "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be **SAVED.**" Romans 10:13. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be **SAVED.**" Acts 16:31
6. **CONFESS JESUS BEFORE MEN.** "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead thou shalt be **SAVED.** For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:9-10

If you have any questions or would like further spiritual help, please contact us at the North Hills Bible Church. Our phone number is 757-1316.

# Library News

by Brenda Hamme, Librarian

Summer is winding down and fall will soon be here. If you're wondering how to profitably fill this transition time, visit the church library to find out if there is a book, cassette tape, CD, video, or DVD which interests you. If you're a homeschool family, you may want to see if there are any resources in the library which would complement your curriculum for the coming school year.

In the days ahead, look for these additions to the library:

## BE SERIES - An Old Testament Study

- Be Comforted** (Isaiah) - Feeling Secure in the Arms of God
- Be Decisive** (Jeremiah) - Taking a Stand for the Truth
- Be Reverent** (Ezekiel) - Bowing Before Our Awesome God

## THE CUL-DE-SAC KIDS

- The Stinky Sneakers Mystery** - Will Jason and his alfalfa sprouts win the science fair?
- Pickle Pizza** - Will Eric's gifts surprise his grandfather on Father's Day?
- Mailbox Mania** - Will a contest for the best decorated mailbox result in a fight?

## MOODY SCIENCE CLASSICS (DVD)

- Red River of Life** - Blood is man's lifeline; Christ's blood is the source of life in the Spirit
- City of the Bees** - God's system for bees differs from His design for human relationships
- Signposts Aloft** - Pilots need instrument panels; man needs guidance from God
- Where the Waters Run** - Water is needed for life; Living Water is needed for spiritual life

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# Loving His Appearing

Chapter Thirteen

## Jesus Is Going To See It

1 Corinthians 4:5

### Introduction

Jesus said that a human life is like a cup (Matthew 23:25-26). A cup has an outside and an inside. The outside can be clean while the inside is dirty, but if the inside is clean, the outside will most likely be clean also. Every human life has an outside and an inside. Just like the cup, the outside of a person can be clean while the inside is dirty, but if the inside of a person is clean, the outside will be clean also.

2 Corinthians 5:10 tells us that we will be judged at the judgment seat of Christ for the things done in our bodies, whether good or bad. According to 1 Corinthians 4:5, this will include not only things done on the outside but also things done on the inside – those hidden things that men cannot see but Jesus can see. He will make manifest even the counsels of the heart.

So everything you do in your body, whether visible to men or not, is visible to Jesus Christ. To say that He will judge us for things done in our body is not to restrict our judgment to external physical activities. Rather, it means that everything we do while living in our bodies here on earth will be observed and evaluated at the judgement seat of Christ, whether external or internal, visible or invisible.

### **Man's Point Of View**

God and man do not see things the same way. This is what The LORD had to teach the prophet Samuel. Samuel was told to anoint one of Jesse's sons to be the next king of Israel. When Samuel saw Jesse's oldest son, Eliab, he was impressed with his physical appearance and was convinced that this must be God's choice. The LORD stopped Samuel by saying, *Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.*

This is not to say the outward appearance is not of some significance. It is because it is the only thing that man can see. Man cannot see another man as God sees him. Only God can see what is on the inside. Men can only guess or hope that the outside accurately reflects what is on the inside. Thus, man's viewpoint is only one dimensional. He looks on the outward appearance because that is all he can see.

As a result, we humans mistakenly tend to justify ourselves on what we see. Luke 16:15 says, *Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.* There is a difference between what is highly esteemed among men and what is highly esteemed by God. We must not assume that the judgment seat of Christ will only measure what we as men can see.

### **Christ's Point of View At The Judgment Seat**

At His judgment seat, Christ will see everything that is presently hidden from human view. The first part of 1 Corinthians 4:5 says, *Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness.* In bringing to light the hidden things of darkness, Jesus Christ will be making visible all the things we have done that other men could not see. This will include many positive things which will result in praise from God. In light of this, it is important to note that the more we do to be seen of men, the less there will be for Christ to bring to light and the less there will be for God to give praise. Thus we should heed Christ's admonition in Matthew 6:1-4 not to do our good works to be seen of men but in secret so that the Father who sees in secret may reward us openly.

The second part of 1 Corinthians 4:5 says, *and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.* In making manifest the counsels of the heart, Christ will unveil not only all the things we have done but also all the things we have thought. Thus at the judgment seat, Christ's point of view will be the same as when He looked on Eliab, not being influenced by a persons outward appearance but being fully aware of the content of his heart.

### **What Is It That Christ Can See?**

According to 1 Samuel 16:7, Christ can look on the heart. The heart represents the inner man, or the inside of the cup. 1 Peter 3:4 refers to the *hidden man*

*of the heart.* Psalm 51:6 makes a connection between the inward part of man and the hidden part of man.

As He looks into the part of man hidden to human view, Christ is able to see our thoughts. 1 Chronicles 28:9 says that *the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts.* Just as we will give account for every word spoken (Matthew 12:36), so will we give account for every thought that passes through our hearts because Christ can see (or hear) it all.

Scripture tells us there is another part to the hidden man which it describes with the term "reins," an old English word for the kidneys. Just as God chose the internal organ of the heart to refer to our thoughts, He chose the internal organ of the kidneys, or reins, to refer to our affections. Psalm 73:21 makes this connection between the reins and a man's emotional responses, *Thus my heart was grieved and I was pricked in my reins.* The fact that God sees these emotions or affections is clearly stated in Jeremiah 20:12, *O LORD of hosts, that sees the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause.* We must conclude, therefore, that we will also be judged for our emotional responses to things for they indicate what we have placed our affection upon and what we have chosen to value or devalue.

### **What Is It That Christ Will Judge?**

Christ will search the reins and the heart. Revelation 2:23 says, *I am he which searchest the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.* And Jeremiah 17:10 says, *I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.* The content of the heart and the reins will no doubt be part of the evaluation at the judgment seat of Christ.

So what is in the reins? Psalm 16:7 says *my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.* At night, upon your bed, how have your affections instructed you? Have you crucified the affections of the old man (Galatians 5:24)? Have you set your affections on things above (Colossians 3:5)? Christ is able to make a distinction between our wanting to do something (Hebrews 10:26 – sinning willfully) or not wanting to do something (Romans 7:20 – I do that I would not). All of this He will make manifest at the judgment seat.

What is in the heart? 1 Corinthians 4:5 refers to the counsels of the heart. The term counsel refers to the contemplations of our thoughts that bring us to conclusions and decisions. Christ will not just examine all that we have done, but also all that we thought about in coming to the decision to do what we have done. Hebrews 4:12 tells us that God is able to discern even between our thoughts and our intents. He will be able to detect the moral implications of the designs of our thought processes. All of this will be evaluated at the judgment seat of Christ.

### **Preparing For The Judgment Seat**

The Word of God discerns the thoughts and intents of our hearts (Hebrews 4:12). We have the Word of God available to us. We need to learn how to use the Word of God to show ourselves what is inside of us so that we may deal with things now!

We must not evaluate ourselves based on the opinions of men who look on the outward appearance. Rather, we must take on the attitude of the apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 where he said, *it is a very small thing that I should be judge of you....He that judgeth me is the Lord.*

We must trust the work of God's Word to show us the truth about ourselves (Isaiah 55:11). The Word of God will break apart all of the bad stuff in our hearts. As Jeremiah 23:29 puts it, *Is not my word like a fire? Saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?* But the Word of God will also plant the good stuff in our hearts. 2 Timothy 3:16-17 describes the profitability of the Word of God in teaching, reproving, correcting and instructing in righteousness so that *the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*

### **Conclusion**

We may want to love the appearing of Jesus Christ. We may want to look forward to it and even long for it to happen. If loving His appearing is going to be a reality for us, we must properly prepare for it. We do this by cleaning the inside of the cup with the Word of God so that when Christ makes visible the hidden things of our hearts and our reins we will not be ashamed before Him at His coming. 📖

# Loving His Appearing

Chapter Fourteen

## The Flash Point

John 12:12

### Introduction

Flammability is defined by how easily something will ignite and burn. In the township where my wife and I live we are allowed to burn. We have a fire pit surrounded by stone where we pile branches, leaves, old wood, etc. and then burn it. When it rains and the pile is wet, it can be difficult to burn. Wet wood is very difficult to ignite. However, if you dropped a lit match into your gas tank, what would happen? The fire would immediately ignite the vapor on top of the liquid gas. The heat from the flame would cause the remaining liquid to vaporize, creating a larger and larger fire. You can throw a flame into water vapor all day long and nothing will happen. But throw a flame into gasoline vapor and boom! Gasoline vapor has a very volatile flash point.

Let us say that joy is the flame of the Christian life and that rejoicing is the fire that gets larger and larger once joy has been ignited. What ignites joy in you? What gets the fire of rejoicing stirred up in your heart as a Christian? Does the thought of the rapture ignite this joy and lead to greater and greater rejoicing?

To get a sense for how it ought to be for us as we love His appearing, let us look at how the people responded in John chapter 12 when they heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem.

### **How Many People Were There?**

In John 12:12 when it says that people were come to the feast, it is referring to the Passover. This was the Passover at which Jesus would be crucified. John 12:1 was six days before the Passover and this was the next day so John 12:12 was five days before the Passover. According to John 11:55 as the Passover drew near, many went out of the country up to Jerusalem arriving early to purify themselves for the feast. The Passover occurred every year on the same day on the Jewish calendar, the 14<sup>th</sup> of Nisan (Leviticus 23:5). Nisan was the first month on the spiritual calendar for Israel. In the year 30 A.D., the Passover

occurred on the equivalent of Friday April 7 on our modern day Calendar.

Animal sacrifices help us calculate how many people were present. For example, Exodus 12:21 tells us that there was to be one lamb for every family. Rabbis, in teaching on the dedication of the temple in Solomon's day, tell us that there were 24 persons for every ox and 11 persons for every lamb. In that feast 22,000 oxen were used and 120,000 sheep were used. Doing the math, there would have been 1,848,000 people present at the dedication of the temple. King Agrippa the first, who reigned from 10 B.C. to 44 A.D., wanted to count attenders to the Passover. He instructed the priests to set apart one kidney from each lamb. The total came to 600,000. A notation was added that more than 10 people were accounted for each lamb. In fact, in some cases as many as 40 or 50 were accounted for each lamb. If 11 people were accounted for each lamb as in Solomon's day, a Passover in Agrippa's day would have been attended by as many as 6,600,000. If 40 people were accounted for each lamb, attendance would have swelled to over 24 million. No wonder it was called "the crowded Passover." Suffice it to say that on the day Jesus made his triumphal entry into Jerusalem, a lot of people were present.

### **Jesus Attracted A Lot of Attention**

News spread far and wide about Jesus' miracles. In Matthew 9:26 after Jesus raised the ruler's daughter, His fame went abroad into all the land. In Mark 1:28 when Jesus healed the demon possessed man in the Synagogue, His fame immediately spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee. In Luke 5:15 after Jesus healed a man full of leprosy, His fame went abroad so much the more.

So where ever Jesus went, He drew a crowd. Luke 12:1 records that *there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another.* And Mark 2:1-2 tells us that when *it was noised that he was in the house...straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door.* At times, it made it difficult for Jesus to move about as in Mark 1:45, *But he went out, and began to publish it much, and to blaze abroad the matter, insomuch that Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was without in desert places: and they came to him from every quarter.*

### This Last Passover Was Even More Profound

The raising of Lazarus had taken place just a few short months before this Passover (John 11). So people were anxious to see both Jesus and Lazarus. John 12:9-11 tells us that *much people of the Jews therefore knew that he was there: and they came not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might see Lazarus also, whom he had raised from the dead. But the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death; Because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus.* This was a particularly inviting Passover because there were two very special persons to see: Jesus Christ who performed miracles and Lazarus whom He had raised from the dead. Many people had come early to catch a glimpse of these amazing persons.

On this fifth day before Passover, people heard that Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem (John 12:12). The millions present were the gasoline. Those among the millions that wanted to see Jesus were the vapor on top of the gasoline. Being at the flashpoint already, they were easily ignited when they heard that Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem. On fire, they overflowed from Jerusalem and began burning toward Bethany in the direction from which Jesus was coming, gathering more and more folks as they went. Jesus was not in Jerusalem yet when they heard that He was coming. But just knowing that He was coming was enough to ignite them into action. They grabbed palm branches and went forth to meet Him crying *Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.*

Palm branches are a symbol of joy. In Leviticus 23:40, the Israelites at the Feast of Tabernacles were told to take *boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days.* Something similar will happen with the tribulation saints in the future as Revelation 7:9 tells us that *a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne and unto the Lamb.*

The expression Hosanna, which means "save now" comes from Psalm 118:25-26. Psalms 113 to 118 make up the Hallel Psalms. These six Psalms were quoted in celebration of the major feasts of Israel

including the Passover. Psalm 118 was the conclusion of this chorus. What folks sang at Christ's entry to Jerusalem was a declaration of Jesus as the Messiah.


### Conclusion

All along the route, there was great joy and rejoicing (Luke 19:35-40). It annoyed the Pharisees but Jesus declared the necessity of it or else the stones would cry out in their stead.

What started all this joy? According to John 12:12, it was simply the news that Jesus was coming. He was not even visible when all the rejoicing got started. Just the report that He was on His way was enough.

Here is great news! Jesus is coming again! Is your life dampened with the water of the world that makes it difficult to ignite joy in your life at the news that Jesus is coming again? Even though a great multitude rejoiced at Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, not every one was excited about it. In fact, not even the majority of people who were in Jerusalem at that time were ignitable at the news of Jesus' coming.

Our lives should be like the vapor of gasoline, already at the flash point so that whenever we hear the report that Jesus is coming again – BOOM! – our hearts burst into a flame of joy?

May it be so that your heart is at the flash point because you love His appearing! And may it be so that your rejoicing spread to others all round you. 

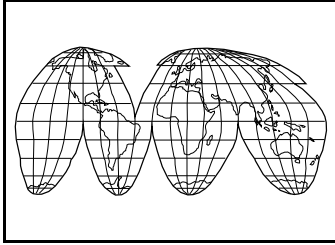
### Map of the World

A father wanted to read a magazine but was being bothered by his little girl. Finally, he tore out a sheet of his magazine on which was printed the map of the world. Tearing it into small pieces, he gave it to her and said, "Go into the other room and see if you can put this together."

After a few minutes, she returned and handed him the map correctly fitted together. The father was surprised and asked how she had finished so quickly.

"Oh" she said, "On the other side of the paper is a picture of Jesus. When I got all of Jesus back where He belonged, then the world came together."

# Missionary News



*From  
Around  
The World  
and  
Here at Home*

## Peter & Rosa Pingol

*Spain*

The grace of God continues working in the lives of many among us. What a joy to see salvation of souls and growth of those that already know the Lord as personal Savior. What a joy to see the challenges that arrive to us like fresh rain in the morning, what a joy to trust, to walk by faith...without any other thing than His eternal promises.

At camp the children heard the prophecies of the Bible with wide open eyes. **We taught with passion** about the coming of the Lord and our need to be ready. The Lord moved in the hearts of those that were present. We saw once again how the Lord continues leading us toward this ministry of reaching the inner city children. Many of these little ones are coming from broken homes, without possibilities to even pay for camp. Some of these children are also immigrants coming from different countries and with important needs.

We have started an association of camps and children ministry called "**Hessed Biblical Ministries.**" Hessed is the Hebrew word for "God's mercy and love". We would like to center all efforts and work in the children's ministry through this ministry.

**"Saved! Saved! I am saved!"** You should have seen her face. From tears she changed into joy. She was saved! A young black girl came with her fiancé to our church outing that Saturday. He had just been saved a few weeks before and now she was also embracing Christ as personal Savior. He came from a rough background and was a member of a street gang called "Latin Kings". In his body he

has the marks of fights and tattoos that are the scars of his past life. Now both of them were walking in newness of life.

**But that was not the end of the day.** Before the church outing was over another person was saved! A lady had come as a visitor that day and spent a couple of hours talking to one of our ladies about the Lord. After pouring out her heart about her spiritual need she asked forgiveness to the Lord. Our congregation was rejoicing. That day two souls were saved from perishing; rescued from the pit of sin. God is awakening the people around us to their spiritual needs. Both Christians and unsaved souls are listening and receiving as never before.

## Len & Marie Smith

To the Spanish Population in New Mexico

### **Bursting at the Seams**

A great big problem! That is, it is a great problem to have - more people attending. But it is also a big problem. We need a bigger building. Pray that the Lord will provide a bigger building where we can afford the rent. We were able to buy 50 new chairs for the sanctuary. Quite an improvement.

We now have a teen Sunday School class which meets in our very small kitchen. They say they like meeting in the kitchen because there are usually donuts and coffee there.

Len uses our Bible Institute lessons from off the internet to teach the adult Sunday School Class. The lessons are interactive and have reviews and tests. He projects the lessons on the wall so all can see and participate in answering the questions as we go along.

### **Bible Studies by Mail Testimony**

"Thank you for sending me these studies. I have learned a lot. Here where I am without freedom, I've come to realize that God is disciplining me because He wants me to change and He loves me, just as His Word says. I am where God wants me to be for now. Please pray for me, my wife, and

two brothers in jail, and for our parents.” (This inmate accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Savior while studying the Gospel of John. PRAISE THE LORD!)

## Peter & Janis Colon

Friends of Israel - Florida

Word got around about my “First Century” style Passover. A reporter from a local newspaper, a Jewish gal, and a photographer showed up. A week later a photo appeared on the front page under the title, “**Christians Share in Passover Seders.**” Janis painted the beautiful backdrop some years back. As I always say, she makes me look good. I did talk with the reporter. Later, I sent her a copy of the Rossvally DVD and the gospel booklet, “*What Every Jewish Person Should Ask.*”

We also got an email from a Jewish pastor friend. He mentioned, as a result of the coverage, that he had an opportunity to talk about Christ in the Passover on a radio program in Miami. He addressed the rabbi in the article who said that we who show Jesus in the Passover “may be well intentioned, but misguided.”

We were invited to do a special conference series on **all the Feasts of Israel** in Honduras. Over a hundred pastors were expected to attend. They never had a study like this. We also hosted a Feast of Pentecost banquet at a local church.

Thanks to all of you for your prayers and faithfulness. We are always appreciative of new folks and churches joining our support family.

## Roberto & Imelda Livio

Philippines

Our Bible Institute has started offering a new Bible course entitled **New Testament Bible History**. It is a comprehensive course on video which we are now using to equip our people to have a strategic

grasp of the Word of God. We are encouraged to have 12 students enrolled from our church. We also praise the Lord for the open door to hold the same classes at the Philippine Air Force Chapel. We have nine enrolled there, mostly pastors serving as chaplains or assistant to the chaplains in our country’s Armed Forces. Please pray that the Lord would use this ministry to influence their theology and enable us to ground them solidly in His Word.

We praise the Lord for our Family Camp. The Lord used our series of messages from the book of Revelation chapters 2-3, the Seven Letters to the Churches in Asia Minor, to speak and minister to our campers. We had four first timers who all **made a decision to surrender their lives to Christ**. We were encouraged to hear many of the campers’ blessings during our final night around a campfire.

## Moises & Rosa Campos

Spain

We were blessed to have a good **opportunity of testimony in our town** during a popular festivity when most people buy a book as a gift to the loved ones. Many bookstores along with different organizations are allowed to sell books on the streets. We were given permission to set a table with Christian books and Bibles in a very crowded street. A few books were sold as well as some New Testaments. We gave a New Testament to a young man who looked interested about it. He came back two times to ask for some more to give to his friends. We hope and pray that they will read them, and that the Word of God will work for salvation in their young hearts.

We drove to a camp near Madrid where we took some of our youth for a day of fellowship. There were 115 young people from all over Spain, and they had a nice time together. Most of them are looking forward to a week-long camp. Although it was a long drive for just one day, we enjoyed very much the time with the six girls who came along; girls that we have known since they were little children. Pray that they will **set their eyes upon Jesus** and that they will love Him with all their hearts.





# Preschoolers

*taught by Mrs. Moss*

We are learning about the life of Jesus this summer and the seven times Jesus said "I Am" according to the book of John. He said, "I am the Light of the world", and we learned about Jesus giving sight to blind Bartimaeus. He said, "I Am the Good Shepherd", and we learned the parable of the lost sheep. He said, "I Am the Resurrection and the Life", and we learned about Jesus raising a little girl from the dead. He said, "I Am the Bread of Life", and we learned how Jesus fed 5,000 people with a little boy's lunch. How wonderful it is to know that Jesus loves and cares for each one of us and has given His life so that we may have eternal life.

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# Primaries

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# Juniors

*taught by Mr. and Mrs. Cook*

What would it feel like to be taken away from your home and family to a strange land, with strange people, a strange culture, strange food, and strange gods? This is the question we asked our class as we began our study on the book of Daniel. None of us could imagine how hard that must have been for Daniel and his three friends. The story of these young men could have been one of despair and hopelessness, but instead we have a story of faith and of God's provision and protection. We see young men who chose not to compromise; oh, that we would do the same in this ungodly world in which we live.

What would it be like to have been an advisor

to King Nebuchadnezzar? Who can give the interpretation of a dream that the king can't even remember? God can! Who can keep three young men from being burned in a furnace that was so hot it killed the men who threw them in? God can! Who can take the most powerful man in the world and humble him as a beast until he knows who God really is? God can! Who can write on a wall using just a hand? God can! Who can shut the mouths of lions? God can! Who can be there with us every moment of every day, fulfilling His plan for our lives? God can! What a wonderful God we serve!

We have really enjoyed having the Smith's class join us for these weeks. We love hearing them sing and joining with us memorizing God's Word from Isaiah 53 and I John 5.

Next we will be studying Esther, Ezra, and Nehemiah.

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# Master Clubs

Director - Nathaniel Wertz

Since Mr. and Mrs. Krape and Miss Smith are helping at Servant's Heart Camp, we have combined all children for game time and Bible time.

Mrs. Boyer has been teaching on the Champions of Faith including Rahab (who believed that God would protect her if she obeyed Him), Job (who believed God was in control even though circumstances seemed against him), Gideon (who believed God could use the Israelite army no matter how small, to defeat the Midianites), and the Shunamite Woman (who believed she should use the talents God gave her to help the prophet Elijah).

Mr. Nate Moss has been teaching the children soccer skills in game time.

We also welcome a new helper Miss Ilene Shoff who helps Miss Brenda Hamme in the beginners' class this summer.

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## Quizzing

by Quiz Coach, Mrs. Moss

This summer the teens have had the opportunity to hear various men in the church provide a devotional to them on Wednesday nights as we have taken a break from the quizzing format.

The teens have also been working on the decorations for the Missions Conference to be held in September with the theme "Here am I, send me". The decorations include the 18 foot banner to go across the front of the church, and the two scrolls with the theme verse on it from Isaiah 6:8. With this theme we are decorating using suitcases and Wordless Books - packed and ready to go with the Gospel. A giant wooden Wordless Book took a lot of time and effort to paint. Suitcases were painted the Wordless Book colors to decorate the windowsills reminding us to 'depart from: the ways of sin', and taking us through to our 'destination: heaven'.

Bulletin boards were also decorated displaying our conference theme in interesting ways.

Various Wordless Book crafts were made including zipper pulls, bracelets, felt books, key chains, and caterpillars. These will be used for display and also offered to the missionaries for their use in their field of service.

It has been enjoyable to take a break from the quizzing schedule and focus on missions this summer. Quite a few of our teens have been involved in serving the Lord at camps or with Child Evangelism Fellowship. It is a blessing to see teenagers willing to devote their summer to His service.

Pictures of the teens activities may be viewed on our website by doing the following:

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

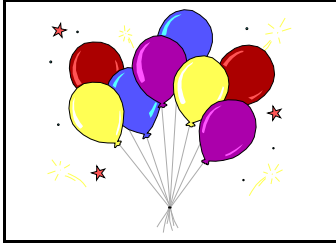
### AUGUST

2	- Street Meeting	7:00 PM
5	- Senior Outing to Crayola Factory	8:00 AM
9	- Street Meeting	7:00 PM
15	- Manor Care Service	1:30 PM
16	- Street Meeting	7:00 PM
	- Rescue Mission Service	8:00 PM
17	- Trustees Meeting	6:30 PM
18	- TAP Ministry	8:00 AM
23	- Street Meeting	7:00 PM
30	- Street Meeting	7:00 PM

### SEPTEMBER

1	- Quizzing and Master Clubs start	7:00 PM
2	- Senior Outing	
9	- Homeschool Classes	9-12 AM
12	- Pleasant Acres Service	1:45 PM
15	- TAP Ministry	8:00 AM
20	- Rescue Mission Service	8:00 PM
21	- Trustees Meeting	6:30 PM
23	- Homeschoolers Field Trip	
25	- Church Picnic	12 noon
26-29	- Missions Conference	
	Sun. Sunday School	9:30 AM
	Sun. Morning Worship	10:45 AM
	Sun. Evening Service	6:30 PM
	Mon. - Wed. AM sessions	10:30 AM
	Mon. Ladies Luncheon	12:30 PM
	Mon.- Wed. PM services	7:00 PM

# Church Family News



## Happy Birthday

### August

- 2 - Tim Hoffman
- 5 - Todd Chronister
- 5 - Mary Shelly
- 6 - Jessica Byers
- 10 - **Jeremy Pinyol**
- 11 - Ariana Jones
- 11 - Edgar Miller
- 11 - Margery Wilt
- 12 - Natasha Jones
- 12 - Earl Knuth
- 12 - Patsy Knuth
- 12 - Anna Morales
- 12 - **Rosa Pinyol**
- 12 - Ina Stelfox
- 13 - Linda Spahr
- 17 - Daniel Kahler
- 19 - **Daniel Pinyol**
- 20 - Christina Pinto
- 21 - Rick Fetrow, Sr.
- 21 - Heather Knuth
- 21 - Mary Snyder
- 23 - Henry(son) Balcom
- 26 - Gerald Cook
- 27 - Jonathan Boyer
- 29 - Emily Pinto
- 30 - Hilda Wallace
- 31 - Ginnie Stough



### September

- 1 - Gladys Gross
- 2 - Ed Cosgrove
- 6 - Richard Waltemyer
- 6 - **Marie Smith**
- 7 - Allison Boyer
- 7 - Andrew Fetrow
- 8 - Bessie Boyer
- 10 - Robert Frey
- 10 - Ken Hoffman
- 10 - Don Snyder
- 15 - **Irene Campos**
- 17 - Lester Fink
- 18 - **Roberto Livioco**
- 19 - Brian Hilt
- 21 - Melissa Kahler
- 22 - Ian Morrow
- 24 - Treva Shellenberger
- 26 - Susan Peters
- 28 - Jean Beck
- 28 - Hannah Ortiz
- 29 - Dorothy Moore
- 29 - Hannah Wertz
- 29 - **Glenn Hilt**



## Happy Anniversary

### August

- 4 - Bud & Mary Collins
- 11 - **Roger & Nola Perrott**
- 22 - Norm & Sonja Breneman
- 25 - Skip & Chris Wise
- 28 - Joe & Romaine Feltenberger

### September

- 4 - Joseph & Carol Byers
- 8 - Pedro & Susan Ortiz
- 13 - Edgar & Beverly Miller
- 15 - Jonathan & Natasha Jones

### Please Note!

The purpose of printing these lists is to give the church family an opportunity to congratulate one another on these special days. The **bold print** indicates a member of our missionary family.

## Address Change

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## Remember Our Shut-ins



Lorraine Beath, Jean Beck, Bessie Boyer, Harold and Jeanie Geesey, Pam Grove, Gloria Hevner, Ethel Leib, Dorothy Moore, Harriet Moyer, Ivy Pyle, Treva Shellenberger, Sara Sipe, Marian Tawney, Hilda Wallace, Elmira Wise.

## TEENS WORKING ON MISSIONS CONFERENCE DECORATIONS



Painting the verse on scrolls.



Painting the giant Wordless Book.



Suitcases painted the Wordless Book colors.



Making felt Wordless Books.



Making Wordless Book Caterpillars can be a bit tedious.



Measuring and cutting plastic lacing for zipper-pulls.

Foam Wordless Books.



Wordless Book Zipper-pulls.

## Our Church Family Doing Summer Ministries



Cindy Smith working in the camp kitchen.



Matt Krape working the camp snack shop.



Tanisha Smith serving food at camp.



Jon Boyer helping to set up a game for campers.



Buck Smith driving tractor at camp.



Rachelle Krape handling camp registrations.



Matt Krape as camp activities director.



Dalton Cook helping with a camp game.



Amy Krape helping to prepare food for hungry campers.



Emily Sutter teaching a CEF 5-day club.



Laura Cook teaching a CEF 5-day club.

We praise God for all these  
servants of the Lord going  
out from our church this summer.

# Servant's Heart Camp



Bible messages to learn and grow by.



Snack shop.



Archery range.



Other fun activities.





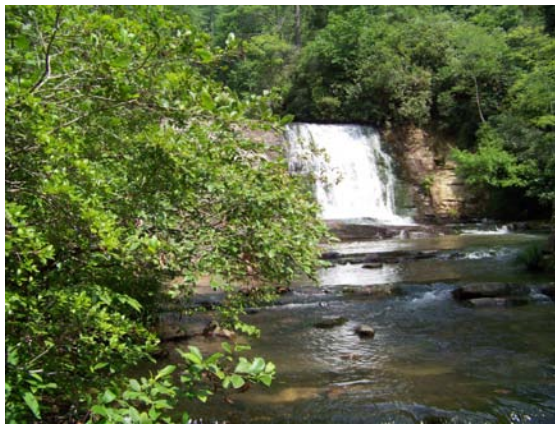
Servant's Heart Camp has:  
Teen Weeks  
Junior Weeks  
And Family Camp



# The Wilds Camp



The group of us that traveled the 12 hour trip to North Carolina together.



The amazing beauty of God's creation in "the wilds".



