

The Gospel in Practice

1 Thess 2

1. Entrusted with God's Message, 1 Thess 2:1-6

What does it mean to be entrusted with God's Message?

Titus 1:1-3; Rom 1:16; Hebrews 1:1; 1 Cor 2:4-5, Jn 14:6; John 6:68

2. What loving each other means, 1 Thess 2:7-12

How did Paul present the Good News about Jesus?

How do we show our acceptance of each other, bringing the good news without being judgmental, narrow minded?

-Gentleness of a mother, acceptance of family, firmness of a father

3. Accepting God's Word, 1 Thess 2:13-16. It works within us!

Conclusion:

1. God's plan for His kingdom is to spread the message by preaching and teaching by people just like us
2. We have been entrusted with God's word - we need to take this responsibility to heart.
3. We need to love each other with the tenderness of a mother, the acceptance of family, and firmness of a father.
4. We need to honor God's word as God's word, and reflect this by the way we live, knowing it works within us.

SPIRITUALNEEDS: Those dedicated to mission work; the leaders of the church.

HEALTH NEEDS **Carolyn Capshaw (Suzanne Branard's cousin):** breast cancer. **Pat LeBlanc:** recovering from knee surgery. **Alice Garcia (Diane Kromko's mother):** recovering from Carpal Tunnel Syndrome. **John Branard:** broken foot. **Rhonda Davis:** fractured tibia. **Rita Meredith, Jimmy Hines, Margaret Strickland (Melissa Vangorder's mother), Gayle Davidson, and Bob Grassman's father:** recovering from surgery. **Joe Ford (Randa's husband):** bladder cancer and difficult treatments. **Richard Pierce (Bruce's brother):** stroke. **Mark Smith (Jeff Shepherd's friend):** Lou Gehrig's Disease **Julie Clements, Renee Munro, Valerie Salie-Barber and Tonya Hausbach:** pregnancies. **Sandra Vangorder:** diabetes.

FINANCIAL AND FAMILY NEEDS The **Newtons:** legal issues in Massachusetts. **Paul Keller, Gary Newton:** new jobs. **Nancy Muriel** and her family. Pray for **Farron Sutherland, Jim Anderson and Jose Gonzalez:** away on work assignments.

MOURNING/LOSS: **Julia Apple's father, Jack Barham,** died this week.

Services were Saturday. The **Broy** family mourning the loss of Ryan's father. **Isaiah (Jasmin Muriel's friend),** found dead in a burning car.

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES, WINTER, 2009

Sunday a.m.: Great Texts of the Bible, (Various Men, Auditorium)
James, (various women., Ladies Classroom)
Old Testament Survey, (Scott Clements, Young Adults)
The Psalms (Bruce Pierce, Fellowship Hall)

Wed. p.m.:

The Psalms (Bruce Pierce, Fellowship Hall)

TEEN HAPPENINGS

Check the Youth Page for further info
Sunday morning classes:
The Abundant Christian Life, David Woodford
Wednesday night classes:
Devotional Topics, CJ Salie
June 15-28: TORCH mission

Family Happenings

COME AND CELEBRATE!

A Baby Shower for Julie Clements (and Scott, of course...)

Sunday, February 15 at 12:30 p.m.

At the Cypress Cove at Suntree

Club House

PLEASE r.s.v.p. to Randa Ford (453-4642) or Heather Deel (432-7790). It's especially important because lunch will be served and they want to be sure to have enough food!



Mother/Daughter

Retreat at CFBC

There will be a Mother/Daughter Retreat at Central Florida Bible Camp NEXT WEEKEND, February 6-7, 2009. The cost is \$20 each; daughters 0-3 years of age are free. There is an informational flyer posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway. This is always a wonderfully enriching time of spiritual and emotional bonding.



FOOD PANTRY INFO

Do you shop at a grocery store that offers paper bags? Please ask for and save these bags for use in Oceanside's food pantry. They may be left on the kitchen counter.

Pantry is open Wednesdays from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., Saturdays, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., to the neighborhood, community, and members. For access to the food pantry, please see **Sam or Rita Meredith or Margaret Waitera.**



Piero and Edita Drago are currently in two years of training for full-time Spanish ministry. The training will be at the Alpha and Omega Bible Institute, 6004 west 53rd Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, 72209. The Alpha and Omega Bible Institute is under the supervision of the West Side Church of Christ, 702 West Center Avenue, Searcy, Arkansas, 72143 (www.wschurch.net). There is an information letter posted on the bulletin board outside the Library/WBS Room. Let's all be praying for the Dragos as they are taking this step of faith in serving God.

Their new address is Piero/Edita Drago, 6004 West 53rd Street, Little Rock, AR 72209

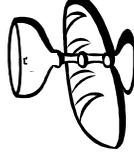
CHURCH SIGN MINISTRY NEED
We have recently had the church sign along SR A1A repaired (power and lighting). If you are interested in posting and changing messages on the sign (on an every other week basis), please see Bill Werner. Thanks for considering serving in this ministry.

FINANCIAL DONATIONS FOR 2008

Contact Bill Werner if you would like a statement for your donation made by check for 2008. If you contributed any single donation by check that was \$250 or more, a written substantiation for those donations will be sent out in early January, and will include your total donations given by check by 2008.

COMMUNION HELP NEEDED: Volunteers are needed to prepare communion for 2009. Please contact Margaret Grassman at 321-543-8161 to let her know what month(s) you are willing and available to serve. Duties consist of making sure the trays are clean and filled prior to service Sunday morning. You will also clean up after service as well as prepare and clean up the coffee service.

Notify her as soon as possible so a schedule can be made for the year. If you can, provide a first, second and third choice so she can accommodate everyone. Thank you for being a part of the work of this church family. *So far, only 3 people have come forward.*



Torch Trip June 15-28, 2009 cost: \$1400
Everyone will need to dig in and get donations for work fund so we can continue to keep the cost for your part of the trip at a reasonable level. Our first meeting will be in the very near future. Questions? Contact Gayle Davidson at gayledavidson@hotmail.com. There is also information on our website at www.torchmissions.com.

SINGLES HAPPENINGS

Info soon on singles events at Central Florida Bible Camp, New Jersey, and April 18 in Jacksonville at the San Jose Church! www.launchingles.wordpress.org to blog about new beginnings

L.A.U.N.C.H Ministries provides counseling for singles. Contact counselor Ken Jones with questions or counseling needs at 321-723-8233 or email at ken@melbournechurchofchrist.org No Charge.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 10—Marlene Shirley
- 11—Loren Hackman
- 14—Monica Baloga & Bruce Furrow
- 15—Gary Apple, Jr., Lori Hackman
- 16—Nancy Muriel
- 18—Cindy Kleckner
- 19—Tito Muriel
- 21—Sarah Hines



