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Standing in the GAP with the Gospel



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FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR DON

Sing a New Song

Psalm 149

For the month of August and the first Sunday in September, our worship services will include a music video for the offertory. The message for that Sunday will be connected to the video as we seek to discover God's message to us each morning. I am really excited about this concert series and am looking forward to sharing the experience with you all! As we tour together this month, you will notice a theme running through the entire series. I will not divulge that theme just to see if you catch it. Suffice it to say it is a biblically solid one! This is the 3rd year for this

concert tour theme and I am thinking it might be the best one yet! We will be hearing from Toby Mac, Mercy Me, Big Daddy Weave, and possibly a group called 'The Gentlemen Trio' or GENTRI for short. It is a diverse group of musicians who love the Lord and express that love through their music. I chose Psalm 149 as the focus text for this article because this Psalm talks about making a new song and singing it to the Lord. These artists do that! They take themes that are as old as the Bible (because they are taken from the scriptures) and bring a new melody and fresh message from those truths. As we

connect each video message with the corresponding passage of scripture, it is as if we are living out verse 4 from this Psalm: "May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double edged sword in their hands." The writer of Hebrews refers to the word of God as a double-edged sword and we will use this 'sword' to help us in the daily battles we wage in this fallen world. May this concert tour season be one of experiencing God's love and grace in a way that is meaningful and powerful for you!

**Invite your neighbors, friends, and family to join you in the Doubling Gap Concert Tour 2018!
Pastor Don**

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Pastor Snyder will have office hours as shown on page 2. If he is unavailable, please leave a message and he will return your call.

In case of an emergency, you may call Pastor Snyder at home or on his cell. Numbers are found on page 2.

Elders

Charlie Clouse
Shannon Kane-Vice Chairman
Shane Reed-Secretary



Deacons

Carl Baughman-Chairman
Dawn Agar
Sam Clouse

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR AUGUST

Pastor Don

- For the Concert tour this month!
- For my co-teaching (with Pastor Rodger Scheuing) at Adult Life Camp-August 19-24.

Pastor's email address is:
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OR

feedmandcs@yahoo.com

In case of an emergency you
 may contact Pastor Don at home
 or on his cell phone at:

Home: 776-1191

Cell: 278-7904

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

FOR AUGUST

Monday through Thursday

8AM to 12 NOON

Fridays "off" day.

Also appointments can be made .

Pastor Don will be unavailable on the following days

August 9, 20-24, 30



SECRETARY'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday

9AM to 12 NOON

dgapsec@embarqmail.com

Starting September 6, 2018

Thursdays at 6:30 pm for 5 consecutive weeks

FamilyLife's The Art of Parenting: Group Study offers a great opportunity to circle up your friends with kids, or new parents you don't know well yet, or a group of moms or dads. It's an awesome excuse to get together several times and load up on encouragement and the bible's wisdom for this challenge of a lifetime.



FamilyLife's Art of Parenting will help parents find new ways to integrate faith into everyday parenting moments. It can help parents make faith the core of their parenting with intentional, biblical teaching, and Christ-centered plans. Parents will end sessions with renewed confidence, fresh insights on parenting children of different ages, and a parenting plan unique to each child's personality and gifting. Study is based on Psalm 127:4.

FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR BRIAN

Discipleship 101

“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.” (Matthew 4:19)

Did you ever wonder why Jesus had disciples? From the very beginning of his public ministry, one of the first things he did was to call a group of men to join him. They became his companions and closest friends. Why did he call Simon Peter, and his brother Andrew, and James and John, and invite them to leave their boats and nets and “follow me”? What was so special about Nathaniel and Philip? Why did Jesus spend so much time teaching these men, traveling with them, eating with them, rebuking and correcting them, then allowing them to experience things no one else could? Why did he appear to them on that first resurrection day?

The call to discipleship is more than just a call to religious training and bible study. It’s an invitation to share life together. A “disciple” is, in the technical sense, a student. But “discipleship” is more than just being taught a lesson. Consider some of the ways Jesus disciple the disciples. *He answered their questions, and asked them questions of his own. They were present when he did miracles; some miracles they even participated in. He ate meals with them. He sent them to minister together, in his name. He forgave them and corrected them when they messed up.*

Why did Jesus have disciples? I believe it is because discipleship is a reflection of the fellowship shared by God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Discipleship is more than learning; it’s experiencing life together. The writer of Hebrews encourages us, “Let’s see how inventive we can be in encouraging love and helping out, not avoiding worshipping together as some do, but spurring each other on”. (10:25, The Message) Are you actively allowing yourself to be disciple? It’s more than just attending church on Sunday, or being part of a bible study on Wednesday night. It’s being actively involved in the life of other believers, and allowing them to be actively involved in your life. It’s coming alongside a younger, or less mature Christian, modeling grace to them while you mentor and guide them. It’s actively seeking out time with Jesus, to allow His Holy Spirit to work first in your own life. If you’re ready to see some growth in your Christian life, then let’s grow together as seek to be discipled and to disciple others.

Praying for your journey,

~ Pastor Brian

AUGUST'S GREETERS



5-Sharon Barrick & Joann Varner

12-Bill & Roxy Fulton

19-Sue Jardine & Bev Agar

26-Richard & Joyce Hockensmith

Please be on duty at least 20 minutes prior to service and remain at the doors until 10:05 for any latecomers.

AUGUST'S WORSHIP NURSERY ATTENDANTS

5-Carley Miller & Logan Logan

12-Connie Cornman & Emilyynn Howell

19-Kelly Bier & Lacie Logan

26-Shane & Jeanine Reed



****If you are unable to fulfill your duties as a GREETER or NURSERY attendant,**

PLEASE contact someone else on the schedule to change with you.

ACTS OF RANDOM KINDNESS KIDS (ARKK)

"Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ." 1 Corinthians 11:1

THANK YOU to everyone who donated school supplies for kids in the Newville area during VBS. We filled 65 backpacks which are being distributed at the Big Spring Area Food Bank on Monday, July 30th.

ARKK PICNIC: There will be a meeting after church on August 12th to plan this year's ARKK picnic. If you are a parent of an ARKKid and are interested in helping to prepare for this event, please attend this meeting after church in the CE Wing. The theme this year will be a carnival. The date for the ARKK picnic will be Saturday, September 29th.



UPDATE ON THE PRAYER CROSS: Good News, the cross is being used, we have already refilled the nail bin twice since its arrival up at camp! Check it out when you are at camp this summer! The Prayer Cross is in the Gym Lobby near the "Touching Lives" display board.

****DONATIONS NEEDED FOR OUR NEXT PROJECT**** - On Sunday, August 19th we will be doing a back to school project for the kid's school teachers. We are in need of a lot of **"new unsharpened yellow" no. 2 pencils** for this project. If you can help out, please send in pencils during the month of August and place them in the designated bin in the CE Wing. **THANK YOU!**

If you have any questions about ARKK, please feel free to contact Melisa Lucas at 717-713-4244 (cell) or email at actsofrandomkindnesskids@gmail.com.

JUNIOR CHURCH 1 (AGES 3-5) TEACHERS & HELPERS

***Meet in Room #4 in the CE Wing at 10:00 am**

5-Steph Cohick & Ayla Davis

12-Steph Cohick & Emilyynn Howell

19-ARKK Program

26-Children's Chat Steph & Oliver Cohick

JUNIOR CHURCH 2 (Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd Grade) TEACHERS & HELPERS

***Meet in Room #2 in the CE Wing at 10:00 AM**

5-Don Agar & Maycey Davis

12-Don Agar & Camryn Mountz

19-ARKK Program

26-Children's Chat Carrie Kimmich & Ayden Reed

JUNIOR CHURCH 3 (3rd, 4th, 5th Grade) TEACHERS & HELPERS

5-Adam Cohick & Carrie Kimmich

12-Adam Cohick & Sharon Barrick

19-ARKK Program

26-Children's Chat Adam Cohick & Wendy Stuber

****When you are assigned to be a helper, PLEASE be in the Junior Church room by 9:50. If you cannot be a helper on the Sunday you have been assigned, PLEASE let Carrie Kimmich know (658-6339) so a replacement can be obtained if necessary.**

July 30-August 3

Local Mission Team Trip



- Looking for a way to service, but have other responsibilities? Sign up to donate food, check out the lists on the table in the narthex.
- Please pray for the team members as they work on several different service projects in the area.

Saturday, August 25

Workshop



A

light dinner at 5:30, workshop to start at 6.

All teacher and helpers please plan to attend

Women's Ministry

Next Meeting

September 10 at 7:00 PM

2018 Fall Retreat

at

Doubling Gap Center

September 21-23

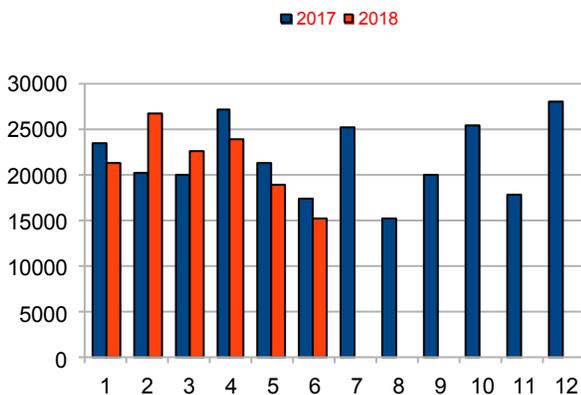


Church of God Home Needs

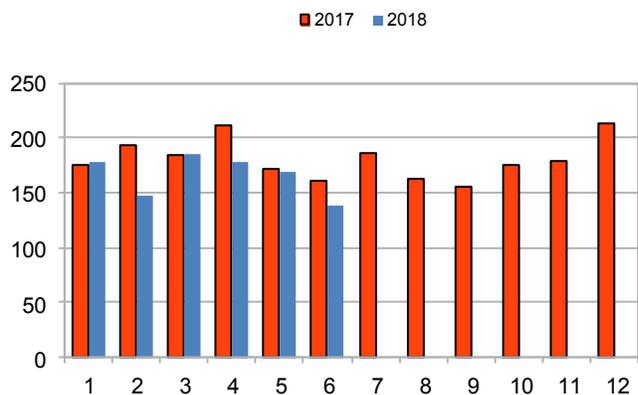
- Lubriderm or Vaseline Intensive Care (6 or 8 oz)
- Ladies Deodorants-Secret or Suave
- Men's Deodorant-Mennen or Speedstick or Gillette
- Tissues-Kleenex or Scottie or Puffs (tall boxes)
- Nail Polish-speed drying
- Light/medium pinks, corals or peaches, clear
- Emery boards
- Cuticle/orange sticks (disposable)
- Cotton balls
- Toothpaste-Colgate or Crest (2.8 or 2.5 oz or travel)
- Denture Adhesive
Fixodent, Fasteeth, Poligrip, Effergrip
- Denture Cleaner Tablets-Polident or Efferdent
- Dove Bar Soap

JUNE'S INCOME & ATTENDANCE CHARTS

INCOME



ATTENDANCE



TREASURER'S REPORT

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| Balance June 1, 2018 | \$58,641.08 | Rita's (Gift Cards for Children's Day) | \$200.00 |
| | | Darren Horst (Children's Day) | \$440.00 |
| DEPOSITS | \$15,210.18 | CPHERC (AED) | \$1,278.00 |
| | | Harbor Freight (Floor Jack, Mower Lift) | \$279.98 |
| EXPENSES | | Waste Connections of PA (May Trash) | \$105.20 |
| Donald C. Snyder (June Salary) | \$1,920.20 | Right Now Campaign (Monthly Service) | \$129.99 |
| Donald C. Snyder (June Housing) | \$1,121.44 | Mirelle Associates (May P/R & Tax Svc) | \$75.00 |
| Donald C. Snyder (May Travel) | \$202.50 | Internal Revenue Service (May FIT,SS,Medi) | \$1,218.34 |
| Brian L. Ramsey (Dir of Disc/June) | \$362.48 | PA Dept of Revenue (May SIT) | \$238.53 |
| Royetta G. Baughman (Secretary/June) | \$790.16 | | |
| The Board of Pensions (July) | \$459.21 | Justin Kaufman (Microphone Addition Project) | \$359.85 |
| Eastern Regional Conf (Ret Pastors Ins) | \$80.00 | Betty Clouse (Trash Bags) | \$48.73 |
| ERC (May Tithe, Acosta/Hosler Benv Tithe) | \$3,808.00 | Walmart (Benevolent Fund) | \$116.00 |
| Transfer to Mission Trip Fd (May Benv Tithe) | \$300.00 | | |
| Corner Store (VBS curriculum) | \$2,100.40 | Saylor's Market (Gift Card - Benevolent Fund) | \$100.00 |
| Corner Store (VBS, Gifts, Office Supplies) | \$400.44 | Saylor's Market (Trash Bags) | \$21.28 |
| Jeannine Reed (VBS Candy) | \$43.78 | Sherry Koppenhaver (June Custodial Svcs) | \$500.00 |
| Pleasantville Church of God (May Benv Tithe) | \$300.00 | Bender Hardware (Weed Killer) | \$18.99 |
| Child Evangelism Fellowship (Benv-Summer Prg) | \$300.00 | Camino Global (Yinglings-June) | \$120.00 |
| Transfer to Building Fund (June Transfer) | \$3,000.00 | Send International (Books-June) | \$70.00 |
| Transfer to Faith Prom from Ralph Mowery mem. | \$300.00 | | |
| Hartman Fire Equipment (Fire Extinguisher) | \$82.00 | TOTAL EXPENSES | \$22,327.68 |
| Blue Mountain Blooms (5/12/18 Altar Flowers) | \$36.00 | | |
| Sheetz (Gas for Mowers) | \$42.11 | Balance June 30, 2018 | \$51,523.58 |
| Perry Pest Control (Quarterly Service) | \$200.00 | | |
| Lifeway (Children's Church) | \$256.14 | | |
| Adams Electric Cooperative (May) | \$217.00 | | |
| Century Link (May) | \$161.49 | | |
| Global Outreach (SS Honorarium 6/3/18-Piper) | \$75.00 | | |
| Salvation Army (SS Honorarium 6/10/18) | \$75.00 | | |
| Gideons Int, (SS Honorarium 6/17/18) | \$75.00 | | |
| CMF International (SS Honorarium 6/24/18) | \$75.00 | | |
| Rodger Schering (Honorarium Men's Brkfst) | \$75.00 | | |
| Giant Food (Men's Breakfast 6/23/18) | \$87.74 | | |
| BJ's Wholesale (Men's Breakfast 6/23/18) | \$61.70 | | |

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| Building Fund | \$209,793.72 |
| (CD \$102,465.77 & Checking \$107,327.95) | |

The following is a breakdown of the major funds available within the general treasury:

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| Live Nativity Fund | \$4,191.57 |
| Mission Fund | \$3,841.23 |
| Mission Trip Fund | \$9,552.78 |

Disciple Group Bulletin Board

August, 2018

****Saturday, August 25** – Mark your calendar for a Staff Development Workshop at the church. A light dinner at 5:30, workshop to start at 6.

All teachers and helpers please plan to attend! We will be reviewing position descriptions as we prepare for our fall/winter Sunday School year! **A sign-up sheet will be on the table outside the sanctuary.**



Sunday Morning Adult Groups

All *adult* classes, and *youth classes* grades 6-12, will be suspended for the summer, in lieu of our weekly missionary speakers. Nursery and children's classes through 5th grade will still meet as scheduled.

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| July 29 | | Cure International |
| August 5 | Cathy Graver | Big Spring Senior Center |
| August 12 | Heather Book | Send – Thailand |
| August 19 | Doubling Gap Mission Team | |
| August 26 | Greg Gorman & Gary Zimmerman | Bolivia Mission |
| September 2 | Kyle Whisler | ACTS Team – Sweden & Southwest |

Wednesday Evening Adult Groups

****Note: No Wednesday evening services on August 1! (home mission trip)**

“Book of Acts”. The adult bible study in the sanctuary is currently learning about the adventures of the apostles in Acts. Acts is a very exciting book to learn about, and because it's written in story-form, it's very easy to read. If you've never joined a bible study, this is a great time to be part of one!

Ladies bible study will not meet over the summer. New study, starting August 15, “Believing in Jesus” by Lisa Harper.

Worship Ministry Team August 2018



As the new WMT chair, I would like to take a minute and say a big thank you to Denise Agar for all the time she puts into our worship! Worship is both an attitude and an action. Denise has volunteered a lot of time to help orchestrate songs that reflect Pastor Don's message and prepare our hearts for worship! **Thank you, Denise, for your servanthood.** Denise and Don Agar will be taking some relaxation time in their camper so you will see some additional faces over the months of August and September. Be sure to welcome them.

I value your input on worship, so feel free to let me know of any suggestions or ideas you have. I've also learned there is a song suggestion box near the mailboxes. If you have heard a great song on the radio or just miss singing one of your favorite songs, drop us a note! Looking forward to worshipping with you and preparing our hearts for God's word!

Emily Ramsey



Parents' Corner



2 Simple Ways to Teach Respect to Young Children

By Tricia Goyer

<https://www.familylife.com/articles/topics/parenting/foundations/character-development/2-simple-ways-to-teach-respect-to-young-children/>

There are many important values that we need to teach our kids, but in my opinion one of the most challenging is teaching respect. Actually, it's more than just teaching our children what respect is, it's training them to be respectful ... and that's where the problem lies. From the moment of birth, children are "me" centered. Their sole focus is on having their needs fulfilled—for food, for rest, for comfort. Then, as they grow and become more aware of their world, they start to understand the world of "others." Lesson by lesson they learn the world does not center on them. What a concept! Here are two ways to teach respect to preschoolers. You'll be amazed by how just two things can change everything!

1. Use respectful language. From your child's first words we begin to teach respect. "Mama" and "Dada" are loving terms, but they also establish the relationship. They teach children that their parents are not equal to the rest of the world. From the earliest ages teach your little one how to respect others by using proper terms to define the relationship. Growing up, our kids Cory, Leslie, and Nathan were taught to use the terms "Mr. and Mrs." when speaking to adults. For example even our closest friends were Mr. and Mrs. Klundt or Mr. and Mrs. Norick. Our children had wonderful relationships with our friends, and now that they are adults they still do! The more formal term did not hinder the relationship in the slightest, but it did teach our children a level of respect. Now that we live in the South we are teaching our children "Miss" and "Mr." with the use of first names. For example some of our friends are Mr. Andy, Miss Hannah and Mr. Bruce and Miss Cindy. (Of course they are not really "Miss" but that's how things are done here.) Again the purpose is to train our children not to treat adults the same way you treat friends.

2. Teach right responses. For many years we thought our daughter was shy. Anytime someone at the store, at church, or in any public place would approach Leslie she'd run away and hide behind us. She'd refuse to respond. We'd coax her to answer—to say hello or thank you—but it never worked. In the end we'd just apologize and use the excuse, "She's shy."

Then, through a parenting curriculum, John and I realized we'd never taught our daughter how to respond. After that we started practicing. We'd act out situations, and we taught her what a good response looks like. We taught her to 1) acknowledge the person talking; 2) smile; and 3) give a short reply such as, "yes," "no," or "thank you." We practiced with Leslie before we went to places like church or a party, and we rewarded her when she applied it in social situations. It was amazing how our "shy" child opened up. Once she had the right tools, she started having conversations with those talking to her, even at the age of 3! Teaching right responses teaches respect because our children learn that people are worthy of an answer. Training children can be overwhelming and a lot of work, but teaching your children how to be respectful in these two ways will build a strong foundation for more lessons to come.