

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARTICLES FOR THE BULLETIN Articles will be run in the bulletin for 2 consecutive weeks. Please submit your articles at the appropriate time for your event. See PJ, Tim or the church secretary for more information. Thanks!

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMITTEE All Committee members are reminded to attend the next meeting this Monday, June 14th at 1:30 pm

RELAY FOR LIFE If you'd like to walk for Relay for Life you'll find sign-up sheets on the table by the coat area or see Jason Youngman. The event runs from Friday, June 18th at 3:00 pm to Saturday, June 19th at 3:00 pm. A big Thank You to Jenny, Janet and Jason!

CHICKEN NOODLE DINNER FUNDRAISER There will be a Chicken Noodle Dinner on **Wednesday, June 23rd from 5:00 - 6:30 pm** in Fellowship Hall. Money raised will go to benefit the Youth and VBS.

VBS SIGNS VBS signs are now available for your yards. Please take one if you live on a highly-traveled street or a housing addition with lots of children. Thank you for your help!

VBS DONATIONS Sign-up sheets are now posted in the hall outside the sanctuary for food donations for VBS. Please sign up to bring goodies for VBS! There will be a table set up for your donations. Your donations are greatly appreciated!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VBS If you would like to help with VBS on June 27 through July 2 from 6:00 - 8:30 pm, please contact Kelly @ 452-3517 or Jenny @ 452-3058. In order to make the week a great success we desperately need more volunteers. Let us know if you can help!



VBS 2010

June 27 - July 1

6:00 - 8:30 pm

Buckle up for a sightseeing road trip along "Route 254" where serious fun can be found at every stop. As your group travels across America, kids will learn that by choosing God as their guide, they'll arrive at the ultimate destination - a relationship with Jesus!

Volunteers are still needed. (See article above.)
For more information call Kelly Babbs @ 452-3517 or Jenny Farr @ 452-3058.



Kids - Don't forget to bring a friend!

FOOD FOR CALVARY FAMILIES We are collecting food for Calvary Families in need. There are 2 blue tubs in the coat room to receive your donated food items. This is a stressful time for those who are having financial struggles. Your generosity is much appreciated!

CAM NEEDS: Coordinated Assistance Ministries has put out the call for personal hygiene items. They are in need of items such as bar soap, toothpaste, deodorant, etc. If you would like to donate these items, please bring them to the office and we will see that they are transported to CAM.

TABS FOR TREATMENT Don't forget to bring in your pop can tabs for the Riley Hospital Ronald McDonald House.

FUNDRAISERS The next VBS fundraiser is a **Chicken Noodle Dinner on Wednesday, June 23rd from 5:00 - 6:30pm**. Thank you for your support!

Praising God - The First Thing!

Do you know that praising God is the best thing to do first before anything else? Have you ever been in a situation that you feel all alone? Or have you encountered a difficult situation in your life and you don't know what to do, like losing your job or suffering the loss of someone very close to your heart? Consider the good times such as when you receive a raise from your boss or earn high marks at school? What do you usually do during these moments? Praising God makes every circumstance of our lives complete, essential, and eminently worthwhile.

Webster defines the word praise as *to say good things about* and it is synonymous to words such as admire, commend, extol, honor, and worship. A definition of Christian praise is *the joyful thanking and adoring of God, the celebration of His goodness and grace*. This simply implies that the act of praising is rightfully due to God alone.

Praising God - Why?

Why is praising God important? The reasons are countless. First, God deserves to be praised and He is worthy to receive our praise:

- "For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods" (Psalm 96:4).
 - "Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom" (Psalm 145:3).
 - "I call to the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and I am saved from my enemies" (2 Samuel 22:4).
- "You are worthy, our LORD and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being" (Revelation 4:11).

Second, praising God is useful and favorable for us. By praising God, we are reminded of the greatness of God! His power and presence in our lives is reinforced in our understanding. "Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing praise to his name, for that is pleasant" (Psalm 135:3).

Third, praise discharges strength in faith, which causes God to move on our behalf. "From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger" (Psalm 8:2). Praising God also transforms the spiritual environment that we have. 2 Chronicles 5:13-14 clearly illustrates the alteration that happened when the Levites gave praise and thanks to the Lord and the temple was filled with a cloud signifying the glory of God. "The trumpeters and singers joined in unison, as with one voice, to give praise and thanks to the LORD. Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, they raised their voices in praise to the LORD and sang: 'He is good; his love endures forever.' Then the temple of the LORD was filled with a cloud, and the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled the temple of God."

Fourth, God inhabits the atmosphere of praise. Psalm 22:3 says, "But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel (KJV). If we want to see a clear manifestation of God's blessings and grace, all we need to do is to praise Him with all our heart, our mind, and our soul.

Praising God - Who and When?

Who is to praise God? "Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD," states Psalm 150:6.

- "I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips (Psalm 34:1)."
 - "Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands" (Psalm 63:3-4).
- "Praise the LORD, all you servants of the LORD who minister by night in the house of the LORD. Lift up your hands in the sanctuary and praise the LORD" (Psalm 134:1-2). We cannot embark on the true joy and benefits of praising God unless we have received Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. As children of God, He dwells in our bodies through the Holy Spirit. This means that wherever we go, God is to be praised. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 states that "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body."

Praising God - How to Praise and Worship God

How is praising God possible? Singing songs and hymns, clapping our hands, even jumping for joy...the list is endless. We can give glory and praise to our God with the use of our physical bodies, with our hearts and minds, and with our deeds. There are many ways to praise God! No matter how you praise and worship God, it should result in an awe of God's power, love, and grace for all of us!

Calvary Family

Shirley Vandermark, recovering at home
 Steve Shade, surgery on June 16th (Libby Updike's brother-in-law)
 Alice Youngman, rehab at Northwoods Village
 Diane McCord, breast and liver cancer (Ruth Stahl's sister-in-law)
 Linda Hjelmeland, heart issues and blood clots (Ruth Stahl's sister)
 John McDaniel, recovering from respiratory illness
 Elizabeth Lane, heart surgery (Granddaughter of Ray and Carolyn Weaver)
 Dale Rody & Family, cancer (Bonnie Croddy's brother)
 Dianne Robertson
 Suzanne Cinnamon
 Gerty Burton, recovering at home
 Suzanne Eikenberry, undergoing tests (Jim Eikenberry's mother)
 Joy Browning, pregnant (Praise the Lord!) (Angella Eikenberry's sister)
 Dylan Meyers, undiagnosed illness (great-grandson of the Watsons)

Those Who Have Suffered a Loss

Our condolences to Rick Comer & Family on the loss of his sister, Terri Comer

Those In Need of Employment / Businesses In Need of Prayer

Other Concerns

The Unsaved
 Our Country
 Calvary Church and Pastors
 Those in Leadership
 Our Missionaries
 Our Enemies



In Service

Sam McDaniel, (Marines) Afghanistan, grandson of the McDaniels
 Matthew Reyes, (Marines) Afghanistan, Patti O'Connor's nephew
 Andrew Zikowitz, (Army) Afghanistan, Ashlyn Sharpless' cousin
 Dan Taylor, Afghanistan
 Sean Sharpless, (Navy) Patti O'Connor's son & Ashlyn Sharpless' uncle
 Chris Ledwell, (Army) Houston, TX, great-grandson of the McDaniels
 Joshua Johnson, (Nat. Guard) Afghanistan, great-grandson of the Powells
 Charlie Ericson, Iraq, Greg Chapel's cousin
 Cole Williams, KY (Army) Mike and Ruth Williams' son

Please Note: At the end of each month we will clear the prayer list of names. Please submit or re-submit prayer requests each month as needed. Those names in **bold** are new to the list this week.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES If we've missed recognizing your birthday or anniversary, please contact the office and let us know your special date.

IF YOU'VE MOVED or have a new phone number, please contact the office and let us know so that we can update our records. Thanks!

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