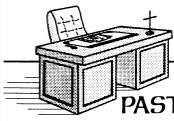


# THE GOOD NEWS BULLETIN OF WELLSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCH



FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In the first three chapters of 1 Corinthians, Paul deals with a church that is divided. He does this through most of the book, but in these chapters, he talks about unity and about our responsibility in the church and the unity that God desires.

In 1 Corinthians, chapter one, beginning in verse 10, Paul addresses the divisions among them:

*"Now I exhort you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be made complete in the same mind and in the same judgment. For I have been informed concerning you, my brethren, by Chloe's people, that there are quarrels among you. Now I mean this, that each one of you is saying, "I am of Paul," and "I of Apollos," and "I of Cephas," and "I of Christ." Has Christ been divided?...."*

The Apostle was encouraging them not to divide into subgroups because of strife and preferences. He was encouraging them to be careful with their thoughts and speech. To do otherwise is to make the world believe that Christ is divided.

In the rest of chapter one and all of chapter two, he is telling them that worldly wisdom isn't from God and what he intimates is that whenever you see people bragging and spouting off at the mouth, it is worldly and not Spirit-led. He gives an example of one who is Spirit-led from his own life.

In Chapter three, he tells us to be careful about how we conduct our affairs in the church. He tells us that the work that we do (presumably in building the church) will be tested by fire (a way that they tested the foundations of a building in Paul's day). If our work in the church is found solid, then we will receive a reward but if we destroy the church with our deeds (gossip and infighting) then we will be destroyed.

One reason that I write this is that we don't take God's Temple (the church) seriously in our day. We talk about each other in ways that make the world blush (at times) and we want our own way in everything that we do.

We need to be holy people who understand our roles as church members. We are to build one another up (since it is the people who are the church and not the buildings). We need to stop our gossip and our back-biting which leads some away from church and others to never darken the door in the first place. I'm not talking about teaching and preaching and defending Biblical truth. This is and always will be a stumbling block to people. I'm talking about acting in a way that isn't Christ-like.

Let us remember that we are children of the King and make every effort to live lives that are worthy of that honor!

In Christ,



For an

## OUTDOOR CONCERT AND PICNIC

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2016

IN THE

## WELLSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH PARKING LOT

We will grill burgers and brats, have chips and potato salad with the concert with a band that we haven't chosen, yet. All for a free-will offering.

Table service will be provided, but bring your own lawn chairs.

More information will be coming soon.



YOU ARE INVITED  
TO A  
WEDDING SHOWER  
FOR

## BRIELLE ROBBS

ON

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2016

3:00 P.M.

IN THE

FELLOWSHIP HALL

AT THE

WELLSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Brielle & Sam are registered at Target and Bed, Bath and Beyond.



## How Do You Handle Failure?



“ . . . . Do you love me more than these”? (John 21:15)

What do you do when you've blown it?

Simon Peter had been so proud when he boasted that he would never betray the Lord, but as we know, Peter fell far short of his expectations. Peter's pride turned to shame as it does with us when we fall short of what we think we can do in our own power. And now, when Jesus needed him the most, he had failed. I'm sure for the next several days, the scene played over and over in his mind. How he wished he could go back in time and change his response.



So, what do you do when you find yourself in the same failed circumstances? Do you busy yourself in something to take your mind off what happened? That's what Peter did and so did some of the other disciples.

They went fishing. They fished all night and caught zero, zip, not a thing. In our language, they got hosed. At morning light, they heard a voice from the nearby shore: "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some" (John 21:6). They did — and they did! As you know, Peter was always the impulsive one, and he immediately jumped into the water and headed for shore. When he arrived on shore, he saw the crucified and risen Lord ... alive! Together, they had breakfast on the beach. Jesus looked at him and asked, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love me more than these?" (v 15).



For Simon Peter, this day marked a new beginning. Coming to grips with the question enabled him to **realize his potential**, which he had lost sight of after his devastating failure; after he denied knowing his Savior. This question enabled Peter to recognize anew his purpose and to realign his priorities. A fresh encounter with the Lord Jesus will bring a new beginning to any of us who come face to face with the question, "Do you love Me more than these?" It is never too late for a new beginning. Just ask Simon Peter. I have, over the years, talked with people who think they have gone too far to receive God's forgiveness. My friend, you are never out of His reach and forgiveness.

Never let success get to your head and never let failure get to your heart.♥

As a maturing Christian, I no longer define myself by my sin or the sin committed against me, but by who God declares me to be.

Live out your potential,

Pastor Ted M. Buckley

# Vacation Bible School

## Cave Quest Following Jesus The Light of the World June 20-24, 2016

VBS is quickly approaching and we still have a place for you! Don't miss out on this chance to experience the best week of your summer. Please contact Lynda Swafford at 785-248-9071 or Judy O'Leary at 913-481-2232 to sign up today!

Sing and play: Kaylynn Peacock, Chrissy Swafford

Stalagmite crafts: Denise Lowe, Rebecca Oshel, Ann Unruh, Rose Coffman, Brittany Lowe, Rylie Kerr

Kidvid Cinema: Dave Schnoor, Stacy Luttrell

Sports & Games: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Deep Bible Quest: Bob Cramer, Pam Sharp, Sandy Rogers

Cavern Café: Donna Ball, Hunter Warrick

Spotlight VBS: Lauren Williams

Preschool/K: Pat Johnson, director; Kara West; Darcy Schnoor, Judy O'Leary, Tami Mosher, \_\_\_\_\_

Crew leaders:

1st grade: \_\_\_\_\_, Mandy Swafford

2nd grade: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

3rd grade: Sherry Clark, Lisa Kyle

4th/5th grade: Scotty Hutchinson, Dawn Neel

Nursery: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

A/V Tech: Matthew Swafford

Money counters: Kenny Coffman, \_\_\_\_\_

Registration: Bill Lytle, Nancy Lytle, Lori Rogers, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Youth: Dennis Kichler, \_\_\_\_\_

Floaters: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

### Attention VBS Staff!!

Last year, you asked for a head's up meeting before VBS begins, so here it is. We want you to be prepared for all the spelunkers that come to VBS during the week of June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Please plan to attend one (or both!) of the special staff training meetings listed below. Don't worry, we'll make it fun! Materials and a Cave Quest iron-on transfer will be given to everyone at the meeting.

Join us in the Family Center for ...

**Brunch on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.**

Or

**Dessert on Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

Please let Lynda Swafford or Judy O'Leary know which meeting you plan to attend.

## A Father's Advice

"My son," said a father, "treat everybody with politeness, even those who are rude to you; for remember that you show courtesy to others, not because they are gentlemen, but because you are one."

The apostle Paul's testimony was, "We were gentle among you."

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## PRAYER CONCERNS

- Virginia Kramer – recovering from a broken hip  
Family of Bettie Phares – following her passing  
Family of KCKPD Detective Brad Lancaster – officer killed while pursuing a suspect  
Keith Churchill – recovering from a leg infection  
Anita McDaniel – Sinus infection and shoulder pain  
Dwight West – has a lump on his neck that is being treated with antibiotics  
Nicole Chrisp – recurring post-surgery infection  
Our local police officers and fire fighters  
Bev Knapp – health concerns  
Dave Lowe – health concerns  
Jim – Lesley Breithaupt's uncle – diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer  
Casey – Belinda Brown's friend – is on dialysis & needs a new kidney  
Nash – Nicki Birdsall's young friend – diagnosed with leukemia  
Family of Lynnedda – Lesley Breithaupt's sister – following her passing  
Linnaea Guy (parents Keith & Amanda) – Gail Crist's great-niece – 4-yr-old with leukemia and needs blood transfusions once a week  
Amanda Guy's sister, Cindy – recovering from an auto accident & brain surgeries  
Family of Krista – Gail Crist's cousin – following her passing  
Ricky Neville – Dennis Kichler's friend – recovering from a car accident  
Roy Moss – Bev McAuley & Bob Moss' brother – undergoing chemotherapy  
Roger Rockers – Penny Anderson's friend – pancreatic cancer  
Jill Murray – Jim & Pat Campbell's daughter – health concerns  
Kathy Perricone – Lawrence & Sue Burbank's daughter – breast cancer treatment  
Jimmy Gibson – Leonard & Vesta's brother-in-law – cancer  
Jack Nietzsche – Don Nietzsche's brother – severe nerve pain



If your birthday or anniversary is not listed below, please call the church office and let us know.

## Happy Anniversary

- 1-M/M Larry Averill, M/M Jayson Owings, M/M Bill Shields  
3-M/M Robert Lawrenz  
12-M/M Brad Oshel  
14-M/M Mike McAuley, M/M David Johnson  
15-M/M Randy Fouts, M/M Keith Churchill  
17-M/M Jim Rogers  
20-M/M Craig Davis  
25-M/M Ken Robbs



- 1-Dee Kyle, Lisa Kyle, Dennis Kichler  
6-Pam Sharp  
8-Nadine Gale  
9-Libbi (Fouts) Shelton, Cheryl Christian  
11-Denise Lowe  
12-Peyton Young  
14-Brian Dunaway  
15-Seth Breithaupt  
16-Bob Moss, Bill Shields  
19-Erin (Johnson) Smith, Nolan Bubeck  
20-Nancy Buckley  
24-Eddie Winslow, Jim Campbell, Mandy Swafford  
28-Jim Rogers  
30-Emily Taylor

## Christ Is Your Protector!

An English woman illustrated what it means to have Christ between us and danger. She

said she was awakened by a very strange noise of pecking. When she went to the window, she saw a butterfly flying inside the window pane in great fright; outside a sparrow was pecking at the pane and trying to reach the butterfly. The butterfly did not see the glass pane and expected every minute to be caught, the sparrow did not see the glass and expected every minute to catch the butterfly. All the while the butterfly was safe because the glass was between it and the sparrow. So it is with the Christian who is abiding in Christ. God's presence is between His child and every danger!



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# June, 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
*Sunday—Regular Weekly Services — 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service, 9:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service, 4:45 P.M.. Worship Team, 5:30 p.m. Youth Group for ages 7th—12th grades			<b>1</b> <u>9:30 a</u> Adult Bible Study, <u>7:00 p</u> Adult Bible Study	<b>2</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Summer Preschool, <u>9:00 a</u> Bible Study at Wellsville Retirement Center, <u>7:00 p</u> Board of Deacons	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Prayer group, <u>10:00 a</u> VBS training—FC, <u>3:00 p</u> Brielle Robbs wedding shower  Teens leave for New Mexico mission trip
<b>5*</b> <u>8:30, 9:45, 11:00 a</u> Worship services, <u>12:10 p</u> Council, <u>4:45 p</u> Worship team, <u>5:30 p</u> youth group	<b>6</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Summer preschool, <u>10:00 a</u> Staff, <u>7:00 p</u> 4-H in the Fellowship Hall	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <u>9:30 a</u> Adult Bible Study, <u>7:00 p</u> Adult Bible Study	<b>9</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Summer preschool, <u>9:30 a</u> Bible Study at Wellsville Retirement Center, <u>10:00 a</u> Bingo at Wellsville Retirement Center, <u>7:00 p</u> VBS training—FC	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Prayer group  Teens return from New Mexico mission trip
<b>12*</b> <u>8:30, 9:45, 11:00 a</u> worship services, <u>4:45 p</u> Worship team, <u>5:30 p</u> youth group	<b>13</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Summer preschool, <u>10:00 a</u> staff	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <u>9:30 a</u> Adult Bible study, <u>7:00 p</u> Adult Bible study	<b>16</b> <u>9:30 a</u> Summer preschool, <u>9:30 a</u> Bible study at Wellsville Retirement Center	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Prayer group
<b>19*</b> Father's Day <u>8:30, 9:45, 11:00 a</u> worship services, <u>3:00 p</u> service at Wellsville Retirement Center, <u>4:45 p</u> Worship team, <u>5:30 p</u> youth group	<b>20</b> <u>9:00 a</u> VBS, <u>12:30 p</u> Summer preschool	<b>21</b> <u>9:00 a</u> VBS	<b>22</b> <u>9:00 a</u> VBS, <u>7:00 p</u> Adult Bible study	<b>23</b> <u>9:00 a</u> VBS, <u>9:30 a</u> Bible Study at Wellsville Retirement Center, <u>12:30 p</u> Summer preschool	<b>24</b> <u>9:00 a</u> VBS	<b>25</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Prayer group
<b>26*</b> <u>8:30, 9:45, 11:00 a</u> worship services, <u>4:45 p</u> worship team, <u>5:30 p</u> youth group	<b>27</b> <u>8:30 A</u> Summer preschool, <u>10:00 a</u> staff	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <u>9:30 a</u> Adult Bible Study, <u>7:00 p</u> Adult Bible Study	<b>30</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Summer preschool, <u>9:30 a</u> Bible Study at Wellsville Retirement Center		

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