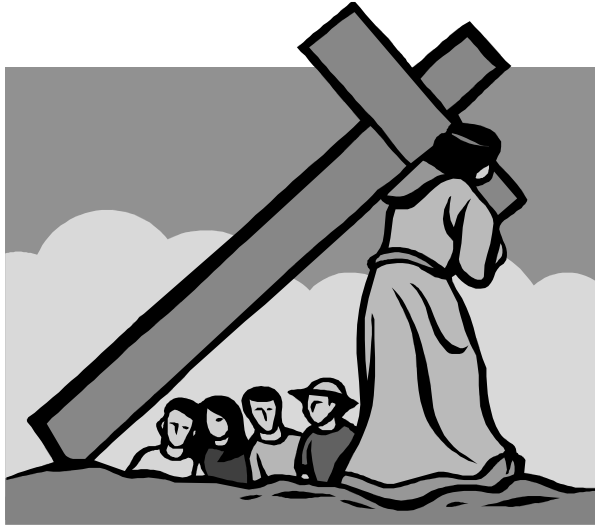

A Disciple?



October
2009

As we begin the book of Mark in our sermon series, we will be faced repeatedly with the actions of the disciples as they follow Jesus. There will be others who follow Jesus who I think were believers. But as his ministry begins to move closer to the cross, the number of followers begins to thin; not everyone is willing have Jesus face that cross.



So I ask; is there a difference between a believer and a disciple? Some will argue no; others yes. For me I believe there to be a difference. Every disciple by default is a believer, but not every believer is a disciple.

A disciple of Jesus is defined as one who (1) believes his doctrine, (2) rests on his sacrifice, (3) imbibe or absorbs his spirit, and (4) imitates his example (Biblos.com). Simon (Peter), Andrew, James and John are prime examples of disciples (Mark 1). When called to follow Jesus, they immediately dropped everything and followed him. Not all believers will do that.

There were many who followed Jesus in the early days of his ministry and believed in him. However, when he mentioned his death, the number of followers grew smaller and smaller and only those willing to dedicate themselves fully remained. There is a difference between a disciple and a believer.

What of us today? Are we disciples? Are we willing to give up everything to follow him; to go where he calls; to follow his example?

In January 2010, I would like to begin a men's small group discipleship study. In this study I want to dig deeper into the doctrines of our Lord, I want to realize to an even greater degree the meaning of our Lord Jesus' sacrifice, and imitate in my own life a greater level of his example. I am looking for some men to join me.

As the military mantra goes, "I am looking for a few good men." Are you interested? We will meet regularly, once a month, no excuses. If you start, you finish. Only prescheduled deaths should keep you from our study.

Our church, our community, our nation and our world are in need of men who are willing to step up and be disciples of Christ and who in turn will lead others in this way. Are you being called to this level of discipleship for our Lord Jesus? Are you ready to take the next step in your relationship with our Lord Jesus?

If you believe the Holy Spirit is leading you to this level of study then please contact me. I want to know who will be involved by the end of November so I can begin praying and preparing for our study. I don't suppose this group will be very large but it maybe the opportunity you have been looking for.

Call or email me!

In His Service,
Pastor Tim

Welcome New Members



New Members from left to right: Auria King, Chris and Crystal King and Chuck King. Standing with them is Ethan and Paris King, Shirley King and Karen King.

Pastor Tim presents Ethan and Paris King to the New Sterling congregation after their baptism on October 25.



News From the Women's Ministries

Dear Ladies,

It is so hard to believe the holidays are upon us. The Women's Ministries would like to personally invite all women of New Sterling to attend the annual Salad Supper on Tuesday, December 8th at 6:30 pm. It will be held in the fellowship hall.

During this time you will have opportunities to see what the Women's Ministries are doing. The circles will have sign up sheets out for 2010. Each circle will also have the new study books to view and purchase.

Also, during this time secret sisters will exchange presents and new secret sisters will be drawn. (Please read the in-depth information in the newsletter about Secret Sisters.)

This is a great time of fun, food and fellowship. Bring your favorite salad or your favorite desert and come join us!

As the year comes to a close, now is a special time to reflect and see all the great things God has done in your life personally and in the ministries here at New Sterling Church. Take a moment and thank Him for all that He has done and will continue to do!

Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done. Sing to Him, sing praise to Him; tell of all His wonderful acts. Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always. Psalm 105:1-4

God's Sweet Blessings to You,

Women's Ministries



Secret Sisters

This handout is prepared for those who are interested in being a Secret Circle Sister, Secret Pal/Prayer partner. These are all special names for a special person and a very special ministry.

It is fun and rewarding to have a good "Sister" and it is even more fun to be one. It does not have to be a costly endeavor. How wonderful it is to open your mailbox and find a card just to let you know someone is thinking of you, or to find a birthday or anniversary gift in your car, or to find a special memento or a note just saying "thinking of you" on your pew in church or Sunday School. How even more wonderful it is to know someone is praying for you daily.

As you draw your name in December for your Secret Circle Sister, please keep this in mind. The name should be kept in your heart and mind to be remembered every day. Draw your sister thoughtfully and prayerfully. Get to know your sister. Listen for signs of special needs. Be aware of special or troubled things going on in her life. Pray for her daily.

This can be a wonderful ministry but only if you put time, thought and prayer into it. Let her know you think and pray for her often—not just once a year. Your reward will be great.

If you desire to be a secret sister, complete the following information; give it to Delinda Mauney before the Salad Supper on December 8 so she can have everything ready to draw on that night. Delinda will record who she is for the following year. If you are unable to attend the Salad Supper, see Delinda before or after to draw your name. Have Fun! And remember Shhhhhh it's a Secret!

(See form on next page)

My Secret Sister

Name



Birthday

Anniversary

Favorite Colors

Hobbies

Collectables

Allergies

Special needs such as diabetic, etc.

Special prayer requests



**Please give sign up sheet to Delinda Mauney before the Salad Supper on December 8. All those involved will draw on the night of the Salad Supper.

Sterling Silvers News



Sterling Silvers will meet on Monday November 9th in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30 am.

The program will feature our annual Thanksgiving lunch that has become a favorite meeting of the year with the exception of Christmas. I personally like food more than presents now at 86 years of age. How one's taste does change. NO pun intended.

Last month the Wii Game Machine was introduced to the members. The method of working the fame took up some time but a bowling game between Dr. Linderman and I (Sarge) was played. Lucky Linderman bowled a strike in the last frame and won the game. We hope to get the women a chance to show off their bowling talents at this meeting. (We may start a bowling league between the Sterling Silvers.)

We hope all of the members can make this holiday event.

Sarge



YOUTH FALL SCHELEULE



Nov.13-15 Junior High Retreat

Nov. 21 Packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child 10am-11am (All Youth)

Nov. 27 Delivering Shoe Boxes to Samaritans Purse



BELIZE MISSION TEAM

DATE: 12/05/2009

Time: 7:00 am until

JEWELRY
BOOKMARKS
CROCHET ITEMS
KNITTED ITEMS
HAND CRAFTED WOOD-
WORK
CRAFTS IN GENERAL

New Sterling ARP Church
Fellowship Hall
All proceeds go to the Belize
Mission trip fund

Craft Sale / Bake Sale

Youth Shoe Box Packing Day for Samaritans Purse



November 21, 2009



10am-11am

Youth and parents we need you help!!! Donated items are needed to pack the shoe boxes with.....

Please do not bring: liquid items, war related toys, play money, food that will melt or perish

Some ideas of things to bring are: hygiene items (NO LIQUIDS), hairbrush and combs, toothbrush and paste, bar soap, washcloths, stuffed animals, appropriate plastic toys, hard candy, small games and puzzle books, coloring books, crayons, pencils, sharpeners, stickers, socks, hats, mittens and tobagans.

Many if not all of the items you can find at a dollar store so STOCK UP we have A LOT of boxes to pack!!!!!!!



*Here and There
At
New Sterling*

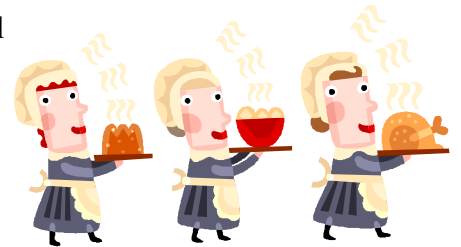


Earl and Harriet Linderman recently took a trip to Nova Scotia.....**Jessica, Addie and Paisley Graham** took a trip to Banner Elk with family.....**The Sterling Silvers** have way too much fun at their meetings. It seems that **Sarge Emery** brought the weed—oh I mean the Wii.....**Taryn and Brian Setzer** recently shared big news —There’s a little one on the way!!.....**Jacob McNeely** competed in a shooting competition for the National Wild Turkey Federation and won the world championship for his age division. The competition was held in South Carolina.....**Cindy and Madeline McNeely, Kitzi and Maggie Emery, Julie and Madison Winters, Jeanette and Kortney Hauck, Kim, Merritt and Madison Elliott and Maddie Campbell** attended the Revolve Tour.....**Emily Nash** had surgery to her eye.....**David Brady** recently suffered a kidney stone and spent a couple of days in the hospital.....**Cody Hairyes** sprained his foot recently playing backyard football with **Garrett Deal and Todd McCulloch** **Dylan Deal** was a representative on the Homecoming court at West Iredell. She was escorted by her dad, **Todd**..... **Addie and Paisley Graham** had a special surprise for their birthday, a puppy.....**Mara Hairyes** and her Tilley’s Too mini cheer squad placed 2nd in their 1st competition of the year @ Jamfest in Charlotte.....

Mark your calendar
this year.

Sunday, November 15 is our annual Holiday Dinner. Actually this year it will be our Holiday Lunch as we are changing things a bit

Everyone bring your covered dishes and come join us after Worship Service. The Women’s Ministry is providing the tea and drinks and are hosting the event.



Everyone stay after Worship Service on the 15th and let’s kick off the upcoming holiday season with food, fun, fellowship and much, much Thanksgiving for all God has done and is doing for all of us.

Thanksgiving

We hope to see you all there!!!!



Thanksgiving

Find the hidden words within the grid of letters.

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**harvest festival
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Plymouth Colony**

**religious persecution
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Comedy Corner



After a church service on Sunday morning, a young boy suddenly announced to his mother,
"Mom, I've decided to become a minister when I grow up."
"That's okay with us, but what made you decide that?"
"Well," said the little boy, "I have to go to church on Sunday anyway, and I figure it will be more fun to stand up and yell, than to sit and listen."

A little boy was attending his first wedding.
After the service, his cousin asked him, "How many women can a man marry?"
"Sixteen," the boy responded. His cousin was amazed that he had an answer so quickly.
"How do you know that?"
"Easy," the little boy said.
"All you have to do is add it up, like the pastor said, 4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer."



Ms. Terri asked her Sunday School class to draw pictures of their favorite Bible stories. She was puzzled by Kyle's picture, which showed four people on an airplane, so she asked him which story it was meant to represent.

"The Flight to Egypt," was his reply. Pointing at each figure, Ms. Terri said, "That must be Mary, Joseph, and Baby Jesus.

But who's the fourth person?"

"Oh, that's Pontius - the pilot!"

The Sunday School Teacher asks, "Now, Johnny, tell me frankly do you say prayers before eating?"
"No sir," little Johnny replies, "I don't have to. My mom is a good cook."

Coming Events

November 1	4:00 pm	Christmas Program Practice
	5:00 pm	CE Committee
	5:00 pm	C3 Practice
	5:45 pm	Children's Choir
	6:00 pm	Sunday Family Night
November 2	9:30 am	Golden Christian Circle
November 8	4:00 pm	Christmas Program Practice
	5:00 pm	C3 Practice
	5:45 pm	Children's Choir
	6:00 pm	Sunday Family Night
November 9	10:00 am	Sterling Silvers
	7:00 pm	Property and Maintenance
November 10	7:00 pm	Treasure Keepers—Judy Watson, hostess; Delinda Mauney, facilitator Judy Watson and Emily Nash, meal
November 13-15		Junior High Retreat
November 15	12:45 pm	Congregational Holiday Covered Dish Lunch
	4:00 pm	Christmas Program Practice
	5:00 pm	C3 Practice
	5:45 pm	Children's Choir
November 16	7:00 pm	Knit Wits at the home of Wayne Jenkins
November 17	7:00 pm	Mary/Martha Sunset—Jane Fulbright and Juanita Massey, hostess Nicki Winters, facilitator—Meet in the parlor
November 18	9:30 am	Mary/Martha Sunrise—Peggy Gray, hostess; Tena Campbell, facilitator
November 21	10-11:00 am	Pack Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes
November 22	4:00 pm	Christmas Program Practice
	4:30 pm	Hope and Care Ministry meeting
	5:00 pm	C3 Practice
	5:45 pm	Children's Choir Practice
	6:00 pm	Sunday Family Night
November 25	7:00 pm	Community Thanksgiving Service @ Mount Herman Lutheran Church
November 27	6-9:00 pm	Deliver Shoeboxes to Charlotte
November 28		Hanging of the Greens
November 29		First Sunday of Advent
	10:00 am	Decorate Christmas Tree in Fellowship Hall Elect Deacons
	4:00 pm	Christmas Program Practice
	5:00 pm	C3 Practice
	7:00 pm	5th Sunday Night Sing at Pressley Memorial ARP Church
December 6		Ordination and/or installation of deacons and elders
December 13		Annual Congregational Meeting



WORDS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES

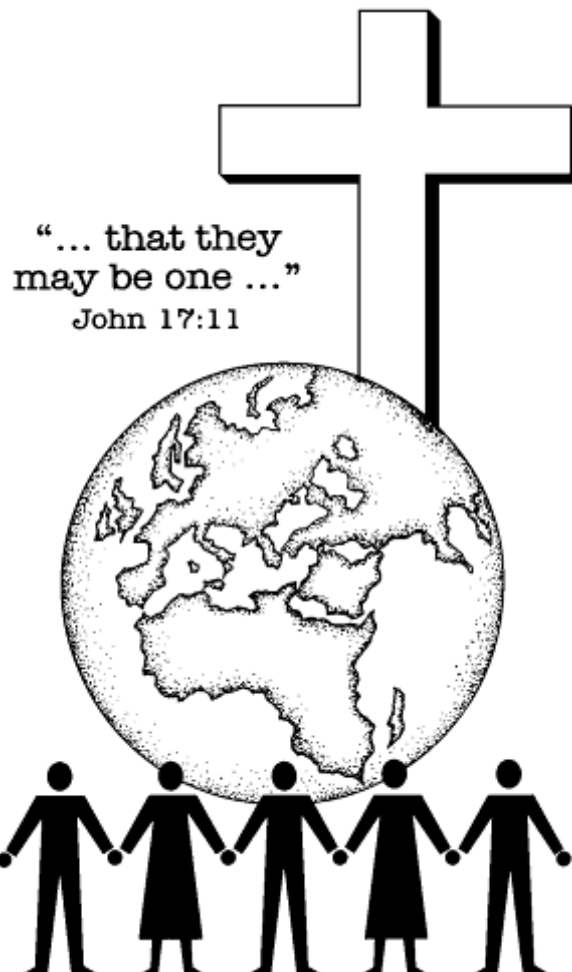


Scott and Julie Moore met at Columbia Bible College in 1985 where they were studying with a view to entering the mission field. They married in 1988 and are the proud parents of 6 children: Benjamin, Rachel, Nathanael, Elizabeth, Rebekah and Lydia whose ages range from 18 all the way down to 2. After studying at Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS, Scott was ordained by the Catawba Presbytery in August, 1995. They began service with World Witness and by December 1995 were on the field in Mexico.

For nearly 8 years Scott taught in Eben-Ezer Theological Seminary of the Mexican ARP Church. In their most recent term of service they planted a new church, Roca de Salvacion, which was received into the Presbiterio de San Luis Potosi in April 2008. Later in April, 09, the Roca church was able to call Tony Juarez, one of Scott's former students from Eben-Ezer, as a pastor.

Since May 09 they have been on furlough during which their oldest son, Ben, will start college and Scott will finish additional studies at Westminster Theological Seminary.

Scott shared a message for the Sunday School department on October 18 as well as an enlightening message during the Worship Service.



Welcome Home!!!!




We were so privileged on Sunday, October 25 to have part of our New Sterling family back with us.

Joseph, Julie and Josiah Alghrary were here for a visit and to bring the message during the 11:00 Worship Service.

Then we had an extra treat when Joseph spoke for Sunday School and quiet little Julie spoke also!



Let's Keep in Touch!!



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- 25 Frank Emery, III



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CANS FOR KIDS

Bring you aluminum cans and pie pans, and place them in the container in the storage room beside the stage next to the refrigerator..



