



November
2010

It Is NOT Too Late!

In our Sunday school class, *A Heart for Marriage* we have discussed the idea of having a biblical, godly marriage that comes from the heart. Sunday evenings we have discussed Being A Christian Family. In this time we have talked about living out our lives, our marriages, as an example for our children and/or grandchildren. In doing this we hope to illustrate what it means to love, to confess and to forgive. Mostly we want to show what it means to live under the influence of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

I have received many comments, which I appreciate greatly. I believe we are having an impact on our marriages and our families. There is one comment I have repeatedly received that really breaks my heart. I wish I could snap my fingers and resolve the issue. The comment? "I wish I had known this when I was younger," or "I wish I knew this when my children were at home," or "my children are older now, how can I have an impact on them now?"

I believe this to be the sentiment of many. I too wish I could go back and do things differently. But the flow of time will not allow us to go back. We have only one pass through this life and get only once chance. History is just that – history.



But, it is not too late! It is not too late to have an impact on your children and/or your family. You may feel as though you did not do your best or that there were some serious mistakes made. As we discussed one Sunday evening: there is never a perfect parent or husband or wife. Perfection is never the goal. However, living out the gospel is!

Living out the gospel before your children or your spouse means that we recognize we are sinners, that we are not perfect and that we rely on the grace of God in all we do. We need his mercy and forgiveness everyday of our lives and sometimes most especially in our closest relationships. And living out the gospel means that we know that there is assurance of pardon from our Lord.

Once we come to grips with this in our lives, we communicate this to our children – whatever their age.

- First – we must confess. "Lord, I did not do _____ as I should." But here is the vital point, we should confess to our children as well. Yes, even to our adult children. Tell them you are not perfect. Please do not let foolish pride stand in the way.
- Second, ask for forgiveness. Ask both our Lord and your children for forgiveness.
- Third, tell your children what you wish you had done differently. Remember, you are not doing this for yourself alone. Your child will many times repeat their experience with you with their children. You don't want them making the same mistakes.

Maybe the issues of the past don't affect your children, but your spouse. If so, I would suggest following the same process: confession, ask for forgiveness and then discuss the issues.

I know this could be very difficult for some; maybe even a near impossibility. Please try. Pray for the strength and the courage to set things right as much as you are able.

It is not too late. Doing these things will relieve your conscience; it will create a stronger bond between you and your children or your spouse. But most of all, doing this is living out the gospel and that will bring you closer to our Lord Jesus.

It is not too late!

In His Service,
Pastor Tim



Congratulations to

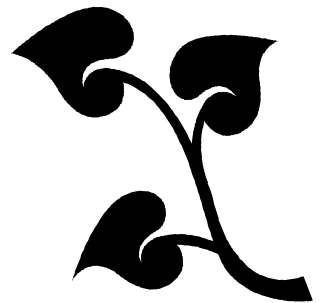
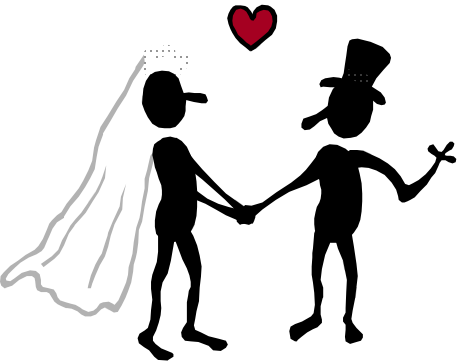
Josh and Kattie Johnson

Married on September 18, 2010



Jason and Angie Brady

Married on October 29, 2010



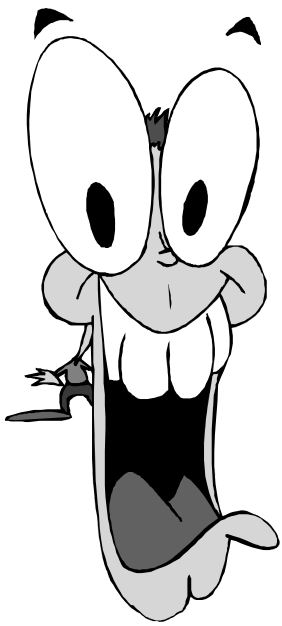
Please Help

The Hope and Care Ministry

Is asking that you assist them in helping those in our community that are in need. We will be collecting COATS and CLOTHES to be donated to the South Yadkin Baptist Association. This is a great opportunity to lend a hand to those less fortunate in these hard times. **NOW** is the time to get those closets cleaned out and *show God's love to others.*

We will be accepting donations until November 14th. Boxes for items will be placed in the Vestibule and in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you so much for your support!!!!





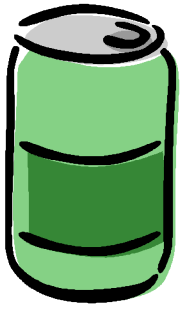
HAVE YOU HEARD???????

Muriel Jenkins had cataract surgery on both of her eyes..... **Nikki Winters** had surgery recently.....**Tim Donnelly** presented the children's sermon on Mission Emphasis Sunday, collecting pocket change to help children and teachers in Pakistan.....**Jimmy Gray** had 100 kids over for Youth Day at his home.....**Olean Deal** fell recently and was bruised....**Davis Sides** spoke at Covenant ARP Church while they look for a pastor..... There will be a new addition to **the Graham** family come June, congrats **Scott and Jessica**.....**Caleb Watson** was diagnosed with Juvenile Arthritis **Dean Thorne** was hospitalized recently.... The youth traveled on the Virginia Creeper... **Ed Donahoe** travelled to California for work for several days..... **Dr. David Norman** President for Erskine College spoke on 10/24..... **Reverend John Hopkins**, missionary spoke for mission emphasis Sunday.....The **Belize Mission Team** raised around\$1200 at their yard sale.....**Tammy Brown and Jill Hager** attended a meeting in Raleigh.....Thank you to all of those who participated in the Fall Festival!!!.....The youth painted pumpkins for the fall festival..... **Kattie Johnson** was given a bridal shower on 10/31.... **The youth** went to a corn maze on Bell farm road on 9/17.....**BJ Brewer** is here at home visiting for 6 whole months!!.....**Dr. Steve Shores** a Christian Marriage Counselor from Hickory spoke to A Heart for Marriage Sunday School Class on October 17.....**David Brady's** business R3 Water was heavily damaged by a tornado last week.....The **Richard Hairyes** family lost their long time family pet of 14 years, Gracie Bob, to an accident.....Warning!! Warning!! Another New Sterling youth has gotten their license. If you see **Kortney Hauck** on the road, proceed with CAUTION!!

Our Deepest Sympathy

*Is expressed to the Family of
Elena Johnson recently who
passed away*

*And to Cora Poovey and family
in the passing of her nephew
Kenneth Rumple.*



Cans For Kids



For the last few years
there has been a

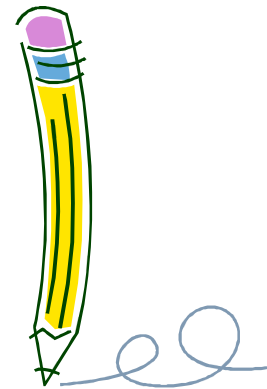
RED CANISTER in the fellow-
ship hall for aluminum cans and
pie pans. **THANK YOU** to those
who have saved aluminum. This
has helped a number of mentally
and physically challenged indi-
viduals to go to summer camp. It
has also helped pay for some
items in the goodie bags for the
Special Olympic partici-
pants.

**PLEASE KEEP SAVING
AND THANK YOU!!!!**



Sterling Silvers

The agenda was discussed for the coming months of October thru December of this year. Food committee for fall was selected. A luncheon was served.



November 8th 10:30am Fellowship Hall

A Thanksgiving dinner to be catered. Cater to be selected by food committee

December 13th 10:30am Fellowship Hall

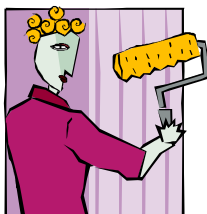
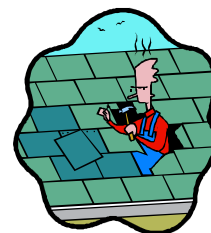
Gifts valued at \$10 to be exchanged in the Battle of the BINGOs. Bring your own sandwich. Dessert and Drink will be Provided.



January NO MEETING

Betty Godfrey: Director 704-872-2940

REMEMBER: Our Missions Committee will be working year around to raise funds for missions. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help with any of the projects we have going on, come on out. The more the merrier!!!! We get a lot of work done and have a great time doing it.



If you need any jobs done around your house, call a member of the missions committee and **Remember** we will work for donations!!!!

News from New Sterling Women's Ministry

I can hardly believe the Women's Council met a few weeks ago to make plans for the upcoming holidays! This year has passed by at an unbelievable fast pace. Judy's devotion beginning our meeting was challenging. She pointed out that it seems at the end of each year we seem to be somewhat dissatisfied. We are hoping that this is due to God preparing for us to desire more of Him next year. Psalm 37:4 says "Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires." But God does not want us to settle for worldly wants. He wants us to become total pleasure seekers who recognize that He is our greatest pleasure.



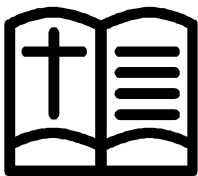
We do not want to look back at our Christian life and see that it has been about duty instead of delight. Therefore, we must understand what it means to delight in the Lord. John Piper says, "God is most glorified when I am most satisfied in him." Understanding delight in the Lord is like a gift that is given and we spend the rest of our lives unwrapping and enjoying it. Duty only gets us so far. Duty becomes a drain and leaves us dry. Duty is not enough to keep us clinging to God when the bottom falls out. But delighting in the Lord is like a refreshing spring in the desert. While duty will suck the life out of us, delight infuses us with life.

We are excited about the Women's Fall Retreat at Bonclarken. We are looking forward to hearing Nancy Guthrie with her titled sessions of "Holding on to Hope." We have around 20 making the trip.

The Women's Soup/Salad Supper is coming quickly upon us. Our circles have decided on Study books for 2011 and preparations are made to sign up for circles at the Supper. You can stay with the circle you have been involved with or if another study intrigues you and you wish to change circles, please do so. The important thing is that you are in the study you are excited about. Also that night those interested will draw for Secret Circle Sisters. If you wish to participate, see Delinda Mauney, Pat Price or Leann Hartness.

Remember the Women have flavoring to sell. We have many flavors. The upcoming "baking season" is coming up and I am sure you will need some. Please see Judy Stewart. The cost is \$2.50 a bottle.

Also the Christmas gift giving season is coming up and we have our Rada Knives. See Jane Mayhew for a catalog and get your orders together. There are many knife sets and these are wonderful products. Look at the catalog - there is more there than just knives. Do your Christmas shopping here.



Come join us for the Soup/Salad Supper and join a Circle. If you would like to be part of a different type ministry, join the Knit Wits or the Christian Symbols/Chrismons group. There is something for everyone and God has a special place for you. . Come and join us for the Bible Study, prayer groups, fellowship, fun and learning about and loving your Sisters in Christ.

As we continue to turn our focus on Bible Studies and prayer ministries, we ask that all of our women here at New Sterling begin to delight in the Lord our God.



Delinda Mauney
Co-Chair Women's Council

Knit Wits

The Knit Wits visited recently with Mrs. Nancy McNeely. We had a wonderful time. I think Miss Nancy had been baking all day before we got there. We visited, ate, watched the tornado warnings and had a great time.

Obviously we were not worried about a tornado because we were safe, fat and full, still had plenty to eat and in wonderful company. It was a wonderful visit and we were so happy that Miss Linney and Patti was there to visit with us.



Back to front: Jane Fulbright, Missy Withers, Aarene Reese, Jane Mayhew, Pat Price, Michelle Hairyes, Muriel Jenkins Miss Nancy, Betty Godfrey, Jeanette Hauck and Delinda Mauney.



Officer Election Schedule



Nov 7 Announce election of deacons; publish list of deacon candidates

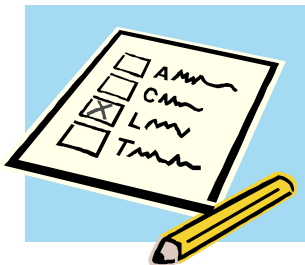
Nov 14 Commitment Sunday (financial pledge)

Nov 21 Congregational Meeting to nominate Deacons

Nov 28 Congregational Meeting to elect deacons

Dec 5 Ordination and /or installation of deacons and elders

Dec 12 Annual Congregation Meeting (elect congregational officers, present 2011 budget and any other business from the floor)





COMING EVENTS



November 1	9:30 am	Golden Christian Circle
November 5-6	1:00 pm	Meet to leave for the Women's Fall Retreat at Bonclarken. We Will leave at 1:00 pm and stop at Tripp's in Hickory for lunch
November 7	5:00 pm	C3 practice
	6:00 pm	Sunday Family Night
November 8	10:30 am	Sterling Silvers—Thanksgiving Lunch to be catered
	7:00 pm	Evangelism/Membership Committee
November 9	7:00 pm	Treasure Keepers at Missy Withers Cake, Coffee and Inspiration video
November 12-14		Middle School Retreat
November 14	11:-00 am	Commitment Sunday
	5:00 pm	CE Committee
	5:00 pm	C3 practice
	6:00 pm	Sunday Family Night
November 16	7:00 pm	Mary Martha Sunset in the parlor—Introduction to 2011 Study
November 21	11:00 am	Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes Due
	12:00 pm	Congregational Meeting to nominate Deacons
	12:30 pm	Holiday Congregational Covered Dish Lunch
	4:00 pm	Youth Council
	5:00 pm	C3 practice
	6:00 pm	Sunday Family Night
	7:00 pm	Session Study Group
		Newsletter Items Due
November 22	7:00 pm	Men's Study Group
November 24	7:00 pm	Community Thanksgiving Service at New Sterling
November 25		Thanksgiving Day
November 27		Hanging of the Greens—Treasure Keepers in charge
November 28	10:00am	Sunday School Classes trim Fellowship Hall Christmas Tree
	12:00 am	Congregational Meeting to Elect Deacons
		Rada Knife Orders Due
November 29	7:00 pm	Property and Maintenance Committee



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL LUNCH



NOVEMBER 21, 2010

12:30 PM

IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

BRING YOUR FAVORITE THANKSGIVING
CLASSIC, MEAT, CASSEROLE, SIDE DISH OR
DESSERT



COME AND JOIN US
IN CELEBRATING THE
THANKSGIVING
HOLIDAYS WITH
FOOD, FUN AND
FELLOWSHIP!!!!!!

EDGEFIELD, S.C. - Garrett Deal's steady aim and intense focus paid off Oct. 2 when he was crowned champion in the JAKES 20-gauge division at the National Wild Turkey Federation's 2010 Wild Turkey World Still Target Championships.

Deal, 13, from Statesville, N.C., claimed his first shooting world title in his first year in the sport.

"I can't really explain how good it feels to win," said Deal, an 8th grader. "A family friend talked to my dad and told him he should let me give shooting a try. After I got started, it took a lot of hard work to get to this level."



Still-target shooting simulates turkey hunters shooting a wild turkey gobbler at 40 yards with a shotgun. Winners are determined by the number of pellets a shooter is able to put in a 3-inch circle on a paper target. The JAKES (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship) division is for youth shooters ages 17 and under.

After dozens of rounds of preliminary, qualifying competition on Friday, Oct. 1 and the morning of Saturday, Oct. 2, Deal joined other finalists later in the day on Saturday as the competition's drama unfolded in the finals.

Deal's scores of 15 and 13 were good enough to defeat the other shooters in his division. For his victory, Deal won \$400 and a Remington 870 12-gauge shotgun.

Originally known as a "turkey shoot," the NWTF's Still Target Championships were conceived 18 years ago as a conservation effort to help turkey hunters better understand the point of aim and point of impact of their turkey guns.

"The ultimate goal of the competition is to reduce crippling loss and misses in the field, but it's also a great way for equipment manufacturers to improve their turkey hunting products," said Rhett Simmons, NWTF director of special events.

Founded in 1973, the NWTF is dedicated to the conservation of the wild turkey and the preservation of our hunting heritage.

Through dynamic partnerships with state, federal and provincial wildlife agencies, the NWTF and its members have helped restore wild turkey populations across the country, spending more than \$331 million to conserve 15.9 million acres of habitat for all types of wildlife.

The NWTF works to increase interest in the outdoors by bringing new hunters and conservationists into the fold through outdoor education events and its outreach programs - Women in the Outdoors, Wheelin' Sportsmen, JAKES and Xtreme JAKES.

"What's Missing?"

An eye-catching slogan found on many church signs uses the letters: "CH__CH" along with the question, "What's missing?" The answer, "U R", is meant to encourage us to attend church more regularly.

Did you know that as a New Sterling member, you are a part of the body of Christ at New Sterling? Romans 12:4-5 states, "Just as each of us has one body with many members (parts), and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." (NIV) Each member has been given different gifts, such as teaching, encouraging, giving, leading, and showing mercy. Each one is a vital and necessary part of the body of Christ.

In Hebrews 10:24-25, we read, "Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." (ESV) The Day is of course referring to the awesome Day when Jesus Christ returns to bring His church to the wonderful home He has prepared for us where we will enjoy His presence and fellowship forever!

In the meantime, we must continue meeting together--not only at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays, but at 9:15 and 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sundays, and at all other times when we have opportunity to meet with our fellow church members! Whenever we meet together, we are "stirred up" to love and good works, and greatly encouraged in one another's presence. Just as omitting one ingredient in a recipe causes the finished product to suffer, our absence in church causes the body to suffer.

Let us not give up meeting together, but encourage one another at every opportunity as each day brings our Savior's return nearer!

(from your Evangelism and Membership Committee)



Hanging of the Greens.....

Attention Treasure Keepers!!! This is your year to bring the beauty of Christmas to our church by joining in the Hanging of the Greens. So Treasure Keepers mark your calendars for November 27 and plan to do some decorating!!!

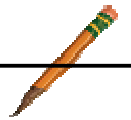
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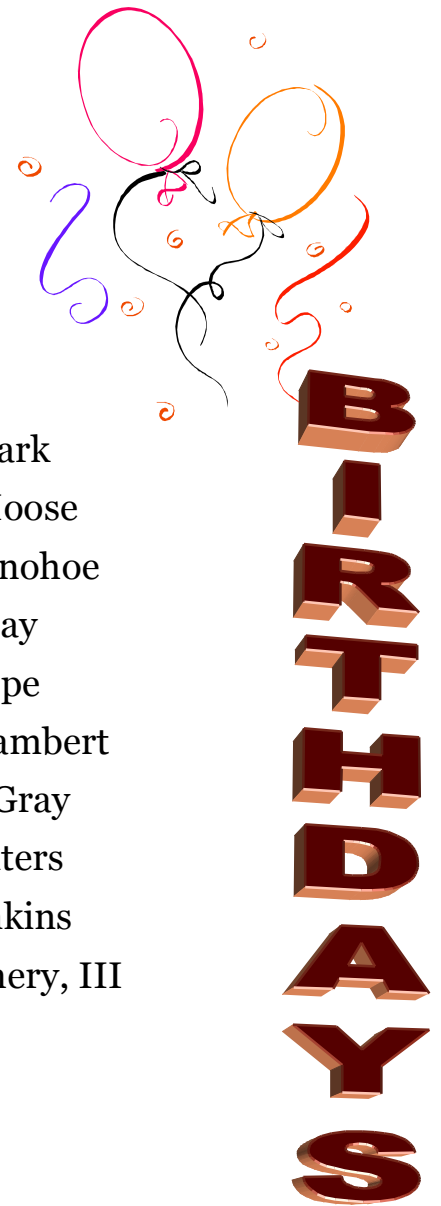
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- 4 Casey Clarke
- 5 Muriel Jenkins
- 6 Eddie Compton
- 7 Sheila Snyder
- 8 John Roby Gray
- 9 Adeleigh Graham
- 10 Roger Pope
- 11 Caleb Watson
- 11 Jonah Watson
- 13 Derek Winters
- 13 Brianna Little
- 14 Brian Pope

- 17 Ashley Clark
- 17 Sandra Moose
- 18 Adam Donohoe
- 19 Vivian Gray
- 19 Taylor Pope
- 20 Jessica Lambert
- 21 Amanda Gray
- 23 Julie Winters
- 24 Tracy Jenkins
- 25 Frank Emery, III



If there are any Birthdays missing on our calendar, please let Delinda Mauney or Taryn Setzer know so we can update them.

You may leave a note in the newsletter mail box or give a note to Delinda or Taryn personally. Your birthday is a day we don't want to miss!!!!!!

