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It's a Girl!

Baby Shower for Lyndsey Jackson

Where: New Beginning Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Date: TBD Date in August

Time: 1:00 PM

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August 10 – 15



August 30th

Our church picnic will be held at the Matchett Shelter on Sunday, Aug. 30. The picnic will be right after the morning worship service. Details to follow. Everyone is invited! There will be games for the children.

Date	Time	Meeting
2	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship Service - Communion
5	6:30 PM	Prayer Mtg. @ Library
	6:30 PM	Girl Scout Meeting
9	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship Service
10th - 15th Pastor on Vacation		
10	7:00 PM	Session Ministry Teams
12	6:30 PM	Prayer Mtg. @ Library
16	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship Service
17		School Begins
19	6:30 PM	Prayer Mtg. @ Library
	6:30 PM	Girl Scout Meeting
23	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship Service
24	7:30 PM	Session/Diaconate Mtg
26	6:30 PM	Prayer Mtg. @ Library
30	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship Service
	12 Noon	Church Pot Luck Dinner @ Matchett Shelter

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2009 August Sermon Preview God's Absolutes in Action:

2 – Joy is a Decision – Phil. 4:4-8; I Thess.5: 16-18 – Most of us need to lighten up. In this harsh economic down turn, a grimness has taken control of many faces. I know of no greater need than the need for joy. The good news is that Christians always have a realistic reason to rejoice. Paul said, *rejoice in the Lord always and be joyful always.* What is joy and where is it to be found?

9 - Religion is Dangerous - but Repentance is Redemptive and enables right relationships.

Superficial religion is not substitute for a real relationship with Christ which is only possible through genuine repentance and saving faith. What do you think is the most dangerous religion?

We all know the parable of the prodigal son but do we realize we are living in a prodigal nation?

Repentance is important for us as individuals, but it is also important for us as a nation.

16 - Servanthood: the Key to Success, Significance, Meaning and Purpose. We all want to live lives of significance, meaning and purpose but too many of us are confused about how to do that. As Christian Disciples, we want to use all the resources with which God has blessed us with to help fulfill the Great Commission. Right? We are so confused; we don't even know we are confused.

Together let's discover the hearts attitude which is at the core of true servanthood.

23 - Love Conquers All - it overcomes ever obstacles and solves every problem. I Cor.13:8

What motivates people to heroic sacrificial actions? Jesus said in John 15:13, *“Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.”* The worst that evil can do is no match for the best that love in action can accomplish. What must we do to overcome evil in our nation? Romans 12:21 says, *“Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”*

30 - What is the Source of Absolutes? God and His Word is the only source of absolute morality.

Today we conclude our sermon series on the Foundations of Freedom. We have spent four months examining how God's moral absolutes under gird civil society. They are the truths that dissenters can try to deny, but, like gravity, they can't escape. Within the pages of the Rock of Ages we find God's absolute moral principles that apply to everyone under the sun, including every one of us.

Jeff and Lyndsey Jackson

Jeff and Lyndsey Jackson were married September 22, 2007 at the Vinoklet Winery in Colerain, Ohio. They currently live in the Lakemont Community of Erlanger, Kentucky.

Jeff grew up in Miami Heights, Ohio with his parents Larry and Gail, older sister Julie and younger brother David. He is a graduate of The University of Cincinnati and currently works at Fidelity investments in Covington, KY. Jeff was formerly a combat engineer with the United States Army Reserves and is currently a registered broker with the NASD and registered Emergency Medical Technician within the State of Kentucky. Jeff formerly attended services at The United Methodist Church of Cheviot with his family.

Lyndsey grew up in Lawrenceburg, Indiana with her parents Greg and Cindy and younger brother Mark. Lyndsey is a graduate of The College of Mount St. Joseph and is currently a registered nurse at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Lyndsey recently returned from Honduras where she participated in a surgical mission to help children with congenital malformations and plans to continue these missions in the future. Lyndsey was raised in a Christian household, but her family never officially joined a church of faith.

Lyndsey and Jeff are both excited to reaffirm their faith and become part of the congregation of New Beginning Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

They're Back! Those wonderful Church Bulletins! Thank God for church ladies with typewriters. These sentences (with all the BLOOPERS) actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say 'Hell' to someone who doesn't care much about you.

Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Christian Symbols



Cross Crosslet

This cross is formed of four smaller Latin crosses joined at their overlapping bases. The cross as a whole represents the spreading of the gospel to the four corners of the earth. This cross is often used in connection with missions.

Bible Quiz



Christians consider themselves to be people with whom God has made a New Covenant. Which Old Testament prophet first spoke of the New Covenant? Choose the correct name below:

- A. Isaiah
- B. Joel
- C. Jeremiah
- D. Obadiah

Answer: C. See Jeremiah 31:31.

Living for Christ Through the Scout Law – Article III

By Chris Ecklar

We have been studying in past issues of The Cross how one can teach their son to live for Christ by living out the Scout Law. Past issues have covered the first two points of the Scout Law, while this issue focuses on the third:

Helpful

Psalm 121 of the Psalter, or Book of Psalms, was used most likely as a pilgrimage song by the travelers on the yearly pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Perhaps the most important verses are the first two:

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, From whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, Which made heaven and earth." Ps. 121:1-2

Much of the Psalter consists of simple praise offerings to the Lord. Ps. 121 is no exception. But carefully studying these first two phrases of Ps. 121 gives us knowledge that has the power of solving most of our problems that we run into day by day.

The beginning of this psalm acknowledges that our help comes from the Lord and no one else. As believers in Christ we should be rooted in the deep belief that it is in Him that all things are possible. Many times we get so wrapped up in our own worlds and lives that we simply miss the BIG PICTURE. We are servants of the Lord most high and we should be a light unto the world of His kindness and love. When people meet us they should see God's glory shining all around us, from our demeanor to how we live.

This is not to say that we will not have our problems. Rather, think of problems as trials or challenges. When teaching these points of the Scout Law to your sons teach them to embrace life's challenges but be always seeking God's wisdom in how to deal with them positively.

Lastly, Ps. 121 says "My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." Men teach your sons also that nothing is impossible for the creator of everything. Trust in God always.

Friendly

The fourth point in the Scout Law is friendly. According to Webster's Dictionary a friend is:

"One attached to another by affection; a favorer; one who is merciful or gracious."

Years ago the world was more tightly knit and interdependent. The blacksmith down the road took care of shoeing your horse and tinning your roof, the ladies' auxiliary at church took care of most of the sewing and mending needs in the community, the men at the lumber mill all pulled together when time came for you to build your wife her dream house, and the pastor was relied on and respected by all for his wisdom and guidance.



A Scout is Helpful, Courteous

In today's microwave society friends are a dying breed. Ask a child today what a friend is and they're likely either to tell you "I dunno" or "someone I hang out with." The true meaning of being someone's friend is unfortunately lost in today's society. But we have to learn biblically just what a true friend is before we can teach our children:

"Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you." John 15:1

In this passage Christ is essentially elevating his disciples to the status of friends. He is also making a clear distinction of the differences between being someone's servant and their friend. According to our Lord, being someone's friend means you are privileged enough to be on the same playing ground with someone else--to the point where nothing is hidden between you. Knowledge from one is not kept from the other.

Imagine being a friend of Christ... How awesome would that be? If you have accepted Him into your life, repent of your sins, and try to live by His principles you can surely count yourself as His friend. Men teach your children that they should seek and value Christ's friendship above all else.



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