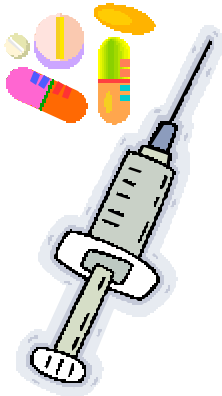


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Drug Awareness Program

I am pleased to announce that on Saturday, November 11, 2006, at 6:00 p.m., we will be hosting a “drug awareness” program at the church building.

Every young person, parent, grandparent, and any interested adult will want to make their plans to be present. Brother Hugh England will be conducting the program, and I know that it will be very informative.

The date is this Saturday, November 11, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. The program should take approximately an hour and a half.

Three Baptisms!

We are happy to announce that Randall Turner, husband of Betty Turner, was baptized into Christ last Monday, October 30. We rejoice with Randall and Betty for Randall’s decision.

A little later in the evening on Monday, October 30, Basil and Ann Surber were also baptized into Christ. Basil and Ann are the step-father and mother of Ken Smith. They have recently moved here from Indiana. We’re proud of Basil and Ann and welcome them to Glasgow as well as our church family.

Prayer Request

Sunday morning, John Page responded to the invitation and requested the prayers of the church on his behalf. He desires to commit his life more fully to the cause of Christ, and to live more like a disciple of Jesus should live. We’re proud of John for his commitment, and want to keep him in our prayers.

CHRIST IN Youth

David Burleson, Youth Minister

At 5:00 a.m. nearly eighty-eight years ago, the Germans and the Allies signed a Armistice (truce) ending the first World War. To pay honor to our brave soldiers, President Woodrow Wilson declared that “the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country’s service and with gratitude for the victory...” Because Armistice was not a common term, on May 24, 1954 congress passed an act defining this day be changed to what we know as Veteran’s Day. This Saturday (11th) our nation will honor the service men and women who have fought in the name of this great country.

Perhaps one of the most recognizable pictures ever is the Raising the Flag on Iwo Jima taken by Joe Rosenthal. This picture depicts six of our World War II servicemen raising a flag in a place notorious for being one of the toughest battles we faced in that war. Of the six men raising that flag, only three made it to see the conclusion of the war. One of the men that did not survive was a native Kentuckian.

Franklin Sousley, who was from Hilltop, Kentucky, received his draft notice when he was eighteen. Sousley, who had to leave his mother and younger brother behind, was a member of the U.S. 5th Marine Division. In the famous picture at Iwo Jima, he was the second from the left. One March day in 1945, he was shot in the back by a Japanese sniper. Franklin was only nineteen years old.

In this congregation, and in congregations of the Lord’s church nation wide, we have men and women who have bravely served this country. We cannot thank you enough for your courage and strength. God bless our American soldiers who are overseas this very day and the ones who have served America in the past. Thank you for your sacrifices.

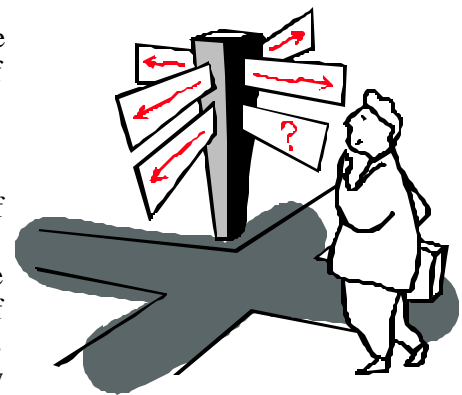
“Lost In The House Of The Lord”

by Steve Higginbotham

I am extremely thankful of the attitude that prevails at the South Green congregation with respect to the Bible. I can confidently affirm that preaching and teaching that does not honor and emphasize the Word of God would not be tolerated, either by the overseers or the congregation. Presently, we have several people who are working very hard to implement some improvements to our Bible school program that will bring the Bible into even greater focus and centrality. Within the past month, I was approached by someone who was visiting our congregation, and he commented to me how impressed he was with the number of people who had their Bibles with them, and how that when I mentioned a Bible passage, the sound of turning pages, could be heard all over the building. That’s great! I don’t know of a better compliment that could be paid to a congregation!

After 57 years of godless leadership, Judah found themselves in the midst of a revival under the leadership of king Josiah. One of the amazing discoveries of Josiah’s reign was the discovery of the Book of the Law. What is even more amazing is that this long lost book was found in the House of the Lord!

My question is, “How is it that the word of God came to be lost, in of all places, the house of the Lord?” What were they doing religiously for the past 57 years that allowed them to lose the word of God in the temple itself? There is really only one adequate explanation - years of neglect. During Judah’s rebellion against God, the word of God has been so forsaken and forgotten, it was simply shuffled off in some dusty corner somewhere and just ignored and forgotten.



However, before we smugly look down upon Judah with contempt for their conduct, we had better do some self evaluation (Matthew 7:1-5). I’m afraid that the book of the law, or the word of God has been lost, in of all places, many churches today. I have talked with enough people and listened to them express their concerns to come to the conclusion that God’s word has been lost and needs rediscovered in many of our churches today.

Book, chapter, and verse preaching is a rare commodity in some places. I hear people tell me and I read in bulletins that there is no shortage of information about psychology, philosophy, counseling, current events, social concerns, and politics. Not that these things have no relevance to the Christian life, but divorced from Scriptural application they have little meaning. In too many places, few are being told how to “be good,” while many are being told how to “feel good.” I’m afraid that some are more familiar with the 12 steps to recovery than they are with the five steps of salvation. In some quarters, the word of God is dispensed in such small diluted doses, it lacks the convicting power necessary to reform lives and bring about repentance. In these places, the Bible is given honorable mention, but has for all practical purposes been shoved aside and lost among the cobwebs.

Brethren, let’s learn from history that the Word of the Lord can be lost. It’s not beyond the realm of possibility. It’s happened before, it can happen again. However, it cannot happen unless we allow it. May we be vigilant to never lose the Bible, for it will be our standard of judgment (John 12:48), and it is the only light that can guide us on our way to Heaven (Psalm 119:105).

Family Matters

Sick List

- Dr. George McKinley remains in the Community Hospital.
- Lena Britt is recovering from knee surgery at the Community Hospital. She is in room #282.
- Marney Nunnally, son of Maude Nunnally, is quite ill in Paducah.
- Continue to remember: Evelyn Alls, Mary Anderson, Ellen Bale, Wendell Britt, Shawn Bryant, Linda Cable, Ruby Cloyd, Dorothy Coffey, Pauline Cole, Marie Denton, Jim Dunaway, Ruth Elliott, Lucy Byrd Every, Eddie Gerald, Eugene Harlow, Sally Henry, Fred Hensley, Amanda Hinton, Caden Hodges, Carl Hutchinson, Preston Jolly, Stacey King, Jeanette Krume, Raymond Melton, Rose Ann Mesker, Marney Nunnally, Frankie Pace, Linda Pedigo, J.C. Polson, Cindy Proffitt, Robert & Nina Richardson, Todd Rodgers, Chelsea Shaw, Shelley South, Dixie Strode, Sherry Tabor, Ronnie Walker, James Williams and James Wooten.

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the friends and family of Kathy Hamilton. She passed away last week. She was the daughter-in-law of Mary Baker Smith.

Our deepest sympathy is extended the friends and family of Inez Houchens Green. She passed away Wednesday, November 1. Funeral services were conducted Friday at the Crow Funeral Home. She was the mother of Mark Green and the sister of Charles Houchens.

Teachers Meeting

A Teachers Meeting for all current Teachers, Aids and Substitutes will be held Sunday afternoon, November 19, at 4:45 in the church basement. We will be discussing the new curriculum, as well as, other important changes in the Education Program. It is imperative that all those involved in the Education Program be in attendance at this meeting.

Visitation Teams

Visitation Teams #2 & #3 will meet Sunday morning November 12, for a potluck meal and meeting. Please bring your visitation records to turn in. Team Leaders are Howard Alls/Jim Searcy and Doug Frasier/Glenn Pitcock.

Visitation Team #1 will have a brief meeting, no meal following the evening service on Sunday, November 12. This brief meeting is to discuss an upcoming Christmas project. Team Leaders are Tom Edwards/Ronnie Turner.

Gospel Meeting

The Scottsville Church of Christ will conduct a Gospel Meeting, November 12-15. Services begin each night at 7:00. The speaker will be Gerald Watt. Everyone is invited.

Teacher Training Series

The Lehman Avenue Church of Christ will host a Teacher Training Series, November 13 and 14, from 6:30-8:30 each night. Sessions for Ladies only will include: Teachers of Preschool by Lea Dye, Teachers of K-3rd Grades by Kim Higginbotham and Teachers of 4th-6th grades-Marie Arney. Sessions for Teachers of Teens, Adults, and Non-Teachers will be conducted by Dale Graham, Jerry Carmichael, David Hamilton, Steve Higginbotham, Tom Hall and Mark Sexton. We encourage you to attend this series.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

A Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 18, at 7:30 a.m. All men of the congregation are invited to attend.

Time Change

Our mid week Bible Study will be moved to Tuesday night the week of Thanksgiving. Services will be held at the regular time of 7:00 on Tuesday, November 21.

