



THE VOICE OF VICTORY



The voice of him that crieth... prepare ye the way of the Lord... --Isaiah 40:3

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Upcoming Events:

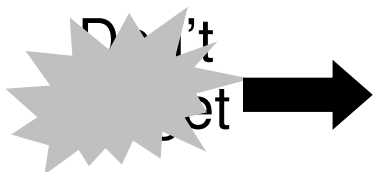
September 5:
Missionary- Bro.
Mark Thomas
Preaching
Wed. 7:00pm

September 16-21:
Camp Meeting 2007
Mon.-Fri.
7:00pm
Nightly

September 5:
No Wed. AM
Service

September 22:
Men of Victory
Breakfast
8:30am
(Church Fellowship
Hall)

Visitation
7:00pm
EVERY
Tuesday



Victory Family Fun Night 8-24-07

Volleyball Game



Pastor Jake enjoy
Mrs. Rena's famou



Cheeseball Fury Contestants



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**NOVEMBER 21:
THANKSGIVING
CANDLE LIGHT
SERVICE**

(No Wednesday AM Service)

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● *The Pastor's Page*

Bringing Back Old Fashion Revival

By: Bro. Jason M. Myers

Deuteronomy 32:15

“But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered with fatness; then he forsook God which made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation.”

People often ask me, “Why don’t we have the Old Fashion, Spirit-filled Revivals that we use to have?” My answer is sadly always the same, “Because we don’t have the Old Fashion, Spirit-filled Christians we use to have.” Revival is not the result of good preaching, fabulous singing or even a well attended service with lots of people. Real Revival is the result of real Christians on their knees before God weeping and praying that they themselves would be broken from their stale and stagnant Christianity. We have followed in the way of Israel as seen here in the passage of scripture, we have ***“forsook God which made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation.”*** The bottom line as to why we don’t experience revival as in years gone by is because we do not cherish God as we use to. Christians use to love to go to church, now it is a chore. Christians use to love to pray and read their Bibles, now that’s just something they let the preacher do Sunday morning. Christians use to love to just spend time worshipping and adoring God when they came to church, now we watch the clock and rush to leave at a certain time. It is rude and absurd to think that we can forsake God and lightly esteem the Rock of our salvation, treating him like a pair of shoes and then request for him to perform miracles in our individual live and corporately in church.

So how then do we see the Power of God move in our lives and in our church? The answer to that question is simple; performing the answer is where the difficulty lies. The answer to revival and the visible power of God is simply to fall in love with God. You see Israel fell because they put God low on their priority list; they allowed other things to take first place. The difficulty in putting God first is that you must put other things second; this is hard for most people, because Satan makes other things appear to be more attractive at the moment. The children of Israel were taught these verses from a very young age: Deut. 6:4-7 ***Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: (5) And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. (6) And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: (7) And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.*** You see they had forgotten God’s proper place was not just to be in their heart, but that he was to be the center of their heart. There are many things today that take God’s proper place in our heart and thus we don’t see real revival. Things like sporting activities when we should be in church, television when we should be praying with our family, worldly books & magazines when we should be reading the Bible, worrying about our “to do” list instead of meditating on the work of God. All this will add up to no revival!!! We must clear our hearts and minds to receive the blessings and words of our God. There can be only room for one to sit on the throne of your heart, The World or The Word, Sports or Spirit, Clubs or Church, you must decide which one will take first place and which one will take second place.

We would do well as a nation and a church to look at the example given to us here in the Word of God. Lest we fall into the same predicament as these people;

Deut. 32:16-19 “They provoked him to jealousy with strange gods, with abominations provoked they him to anger. (17) They sacrificed unto devils, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new gods that came newly up, whom your fathers feared not. (18) Of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee. (19) And when the LORD saw it, he abhorred them, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters.”



Youth Notes



Back to School

By Bro. Tony Patterson

It is finally August! What a busy summer we had. It seems like we packed everything we could into two months. Fall is just around the corner and that means it is time to back to school. With this in mind I have been thinking about the single greatest influence in the life of almost all young people. Is it a school book or a teacher? Is it a parent? Although all of these will influence a child throughout their years probably the most influential person or group of people in a child's life are his or her friends.

Someone once said, "Show me your friends and I will show you who you are or who you will become." Friends will make you or break you. They can encourage you to do things that you would never do on your own. Look at the story of Amnon in the Bible (2 Samuel 13:1-15). Amnon was aided in committing an unthinkable act because of the encouragement of a friend. At the same time friends can get us to do good things that we thought we could never do as well. Look at Daniel and his friends in the Book of Daniel (Daniel 1:1-15; Daniel 3:1-30). One young man took a stand and his friends decided to stand with him. Then, three young men stood together against a king.

As school starts back young person, make a commitment to God that you will pick the right friends. The ones that are going to make you serve Him like you thought you never could.

DON'T FORGET: WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS' CLUB RETURNS SEPTEMBER 12, 2007- FREE BACK TO SCHOOL GIFT FOR ALL WHO ATTEND!!

Upcoming Youth Events:

This Month:

September 8:
Strasburg Railroad
10:00am-5:30pm.
Don't forget your bag lunch

Looking Ahead:

November 1-3:
Get Acquainted Days
Southeastern Free Will
Baptist College
Cost: \$25.00 per person
Registration form and money
due by October 17

December 27-29:
Mid-Atlantic Youth Conference
Beacon Baptist Church
More Info to Come!

Just for Fun:

Color the Squirrel. Then have your mom or dad cut it out and bring it back to Jr. Church for a prize!





Missions and Ministries

By What Name?

By: Bro. William H. Anderson

At one time, if you heard someone talking about or saying the name God we would assume they meant the One True Living God our Nation was founded on.

At one time, all of our elected officials were sworn into office by placing their right hand on a Good Old Bible.

At one time, when you were called to the witness stand in a court of law you were sworn to tell the truth and nothing but the truth "So Help Me God." With your hand on a Good Old Bible.

At one time, all of our meetings opened with a prayer to God in the name of Jesus Christ.

At one time, our school days started with a reading from the book that our Public School System was founded to teach from, the Good Old Bible.

At one time, our children were taught the "Golden Rule."

At one time, our churches preached the Message of Salvation.

At one time, homosexuality was considered a Sin and illegal.

At one time, Sunday's were a day set apart for rest and attending church to Worship God.

Today, if we hear someone talking about or saying the name God we have to stop and examine our surroundings and the person speaking. Our Nation has become a Nation of many God's just like in the days of Babylon and Rome.

Today, our elected officials now have the option to be "Sworn into office" with any book, if any, they choose. Today, if you are called to witness in court you are just asked to tell the truth. No mention of God necessary.

Today, meetings are held with no request for guidance. In Pennsylvania we even had a Hindu Priest open the Senate session with a prayer to one of his 10,000+ Gods. No one even knew or cared about what that God's name was or what the Hind's un-Godly religion was.

Today, schools just start with no guidance to start the day of learning.

Today, our children are taught "If it feels good do it." And, "If you want it, just take it."

Today, our churches preach that "God is Love" and that people only have to attend church to be "Saved."

Today, homosexuality is called an "Alternate Lifestyle." Today, Sunday's are for doing anything you want.

How did this happen? We became a Blessed and Wealthy Nation and just like other Nations who became Blessed and Wealthy we became complacent, arrogant and pushed our Godly Laws aside to become even richer and to do what we thought was fun to do.

2 Chronicles 7: 14: If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

May we begin to call upon the name of Jehovah again!



Victory Nursing Home Ministry Update

By Kathy Shifflet

Brad and Kathy Shifflet are leading up a new ministry here at Victory, the Nursing Home Ministry. We would like to invite you to join us. Brad plays and I sing (or try to). You know I can use all the help with singing that I can get. If you know of someone we can visit in a nursing home let one of us know. We already visit Fairhaven, The Willows, Luckenbaugh's Personal Care Home, and twice a month we go to Plum Creek Nursing Home.

Our weekly visits include:

- The Willows every Monday at 2:00pm
- Luckenbaugh every Wednesday at 2:30pm
- Fairhaven every Thursday at 1:00pm

Our other scheduled visits this month are:

- Plum Creek- August 6 at 2:00pm and August 25 at 2:30pm
- Golden Vision Center- August 23 at 10:30am

It is pure joy to meet and talk to these people that are less fortunate than us. Please come out and help us spread God's love with us.