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THE PASTOR'S PEN - BY RON HYMER, PASTOR

Overlooking the Obvious

I was walking into the worship center on a Wednesday evening to lead the prayer service. I was somewhat surprised when one of the ladies of the church asked me an interesting question.

"Did you dress yourself?" she asked.

I responded with a simple, "Yes, why do you ask?"

The next statement caught me completely off guard and required immediate action. "Your sweater is inside out."

I looked down and, sure enough, I had put my sweater vest on with the inside out. Now that might be alright with today's fashions in mind, but I just didn't think it was appropriate for a minister about to conduct a public prayer service.

I muttered something about Kathy (my wife) not checking the way I was dressed before I left the house, made a quick trip to an unoccupied Sunday School class room and fixed the problem.

I have wondered what would have happened had she not ask me that unusual question. There would have been some strange looks, perhaps a snicker or two. And maybe even someone would have been bold enough to suggest that I do something about my new fashionable appearance. Nevertheless, I was reminded of how easy it is to overlook what is obvious to everyone else.

Perhaps there is an application to our everyday existence. I wonder how many times there is something in my life that is obvious to someone else, but I just simply do not see it. It might be the way I treat someone, some inflection in my voice that betrays an inward attitude or a look that condemns. There are attitudes and actions that are obvious to others which we do not see.

What in your life is obvious but you refuse to see it? Perhaps a new set of spiritual glasses would help. God's word is the spiritual glasses we look through to see ourselves. Paul says "we look through a glass darkly.' It is his way of saying that we don't see very well.

Lord, help me to see myself as you see me. Help me to be genuine and real in the way I treat others. May your attitudes and actions be communicated through my life. Help me to wear my sweater vest with the right side out.

In His Service,

Bro. Ron

"Building Powerful Ministry Teams"

August 17-18, 2007

First Baptist Church, Huntsville

Friday, 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, 8:30 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

RESERVATIONS DUE BY AUGUST 3

Two-Day Workshop is designed to explore:

- Principles and practices of high performance teamwork
- Characteristics of highly effective ministry teams
- Action plan for increased Team effectiveness

Don't Miss It!!!!

The Workshop is presented by:

North American Mission Board, Missouri Baptist Convention, Baptist Intermission Board

Reservations must be made by Aug. 3 by contacting the church office at 660-277-4687 or the associational office at 660-263-7171

WMU CORNER.... BY DORA MAY CRAVEN

The fall season is quickly arriving and we are planning for upcoming Missions opportunities, missions education/training, special prayer emphasis opportunities and financial support for thousands of Missionaries around the world. All of us experienced "summer busyness". Please take a deep breath and get your calendars ready for upcoming activities.

Approximately 55 men, women & youth representing 10 churches in the Mt. Pleasant Association were blessed with the July 10th Annual Picnic hosted by Salisbury Baptist Church. The Missionary speaker and musicians were Rusty & Melanie Crutchfield who do Nursing Home Ministry over the United States. The Crutchfield's not only minister in Nursing Homes themselves, but they also help train and encourage churches to start Nursing Home Ministries. Rusty and Melanie provided special music as they sang to the accompaniment of the auto harp. Several had asked for Rusty and Melanie's address and their mail is collected by their home church at Holts Summit:

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church
Attn: Rusty Crutchfield
3092 State Raod AA
Holts Summit, MO 65043

Fall WMU Training will be held at the FBC Kirksville on Saturday, August 18 at 9:00 a.m. to noon. Cost is $5.00 per person. Get acquainted with the new WMU *"How to"* manuals for adults, children and students.

CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST

During the month of August we will be taking a "love offering" for the Steve & Alice Quarles Family as they serve on the Mission Field in Romania.

We are getting a list of their personal and ministry needs and will share them in the weekly bulletin during August. Keep Steve, Alice, Ruth, Josh, Sharon and Johnny in your prayers as we know they have many needs. Watch for the Christmas tree in the Fellowship Sunday School classroom, with family pictures and prayer needs of the Quarles Family.

Christmas in August

We will be collecting a "Love Offering" for the Quarles Family in Romania, as they continue their mission work.

More information will be posted in future bulletins.

ATTENTION

SENIOR ADULTS

"Senior Adult Breakfast"

August 21
8:00 a.m.

Held in Trask Hall

YOUTH MINISTY—BY JEREMY JOBSON

Wow... July was an awesome month! Summer is a different time for the youth ministry, but it is still going very well. In the past couple of weeks I have found out that we are going to be losing some leaders. This is a great opportunity for others to step up. The youth ministry is growing and God is really working in and through this ministry. I hope that if you are considering helping out that you would contact me about it. We are continually seeing lives change and it is a great blessing to be apart of it. I appreciate all your prayers and support. Thank you.

~STATE MISSIONS - SEPTEMBER 2007~

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2007 OFFERING FOR 2008 MINISTRIES

State Goal - $800,000
FBC Goal - $1,000

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August Calendar of Events

1	Business Meeting	6:30 pm
	Youth Ministries	6:30-8:00 pm
3	Associational WMU Council Meeting	9:30 pm
4	Back to School Swim Party @ Huntsville Pool	7:00-9:00 pm
5	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Morning Worship Service (Wilfred Winn)	10:30 am
	Children's Committee Meeting in Trask Hall	5:30 pm
	Evening Worship Service (Jeremy Jobson)	6:30 pm
8	Adult Bible Study	6:30 pm
	Youth Ministries	6:30-8:00 pm
11	Wedding Reception-Dennis Dollich/Mandy Woodward	5:00 pm
12	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Morning Worship Service	10:30 am
	Evening Worship Service	6:30 pm
15	Adult Bible Study	6:30 pm
	Youth Ministries	6:30-8:00 pm
17	Leadership Conference in Trask Hall	6:30-9:00 pm
18	Leadership Conference continues	8:30-2:00 pm
	Family Movie Night in Trask Hall	7:00 pm
19	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Morning Worship Service	10:30 am
	Evening Worship Service	6:30 pm
21	Senior Adult Breakfast in Trask Hall	8:00 am
22	Back to School for Westran Students	
	Adult Bible Study	6:30 pm
	Youth Ministries	6:30-8:00 pm
26	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Morning Worship Service	10:30 am
	Evening Worship Service	6:30 pm
29	Adult Bible Study	6:30 pm
	Youth Ministries	6:30-8:00 pm

MOVIE NIGHT

Held in Trask Hall

Sat., Aug. 18

7:00 p.m.

"Because of Winn Dixie"

Invite your family & friends to attend.

FREE ADMISSION

BACK TO SCHOOL SWIM PARTY

Huntsville Swimming Pool

Saturday, August 4

7:00—9:00 p.m.

- Ages Pre-school thru 5th grade
- Parents are welcome to attend
- Refreshments will be served

August Birthday's

6	Sarah Gilbert, Angie Moore, Berneal Hardwick
7	Richard Hoge
8	Paulette Myers
9	Joey Kertz
10	Dolores Bagby
11	Jim Summers, Ryan Terry
12	Micah Penrod, Sue Richardson
13	Justin Kertz, Sue Simpson
16	Joyce Crutchfield, Jamie Hocker
17	Zachary Cochran, Chuck Johnson, Pam Kertz
18	Angie Goff
19	Craig Cunningham, Trudy Sears, Jeff Webster
20	Michelle Green
24	Robert Freeman
25	Rick Johnson, Whitney Kertz, Jamie Pollard
26	Marcie Johnson
28	David Baumann, Joey Fifer, Bob Waters
29	Stephanie Berry
31	Mary Ellen Enyeart

August Anniversary's

10	Mr. & Mrs. Mike Powell
12	Mr. & Mrs. Don Hartung
13	Mr. & Mrs. Kelly Odneal
14	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Vaughan
20	Mr. & Mrs. Larry Schermerhorn
23	Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Freeman, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Epperly
24	Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Summers
30	Mr. & Mrs. Walter Haley, Mr. & Mrs. Rick Johnson
31	Mr. & Mrs. Tom Campbell

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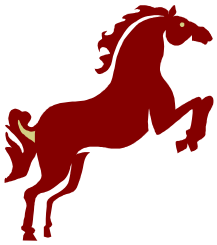
REVIVAL

Sons of the Father
Sept 30-Oct. 3

Plan now to attend!

"Horse Whisperer"
First Baptist Church Huntsville
Sat., Sept. 29

Les Green will be the Horse Whisperer as he shows how faith and courage come together as he tames a horse. The presentation will be on the grounds of Huntsville First Baptist Church and everyone is welcome to attend.



TeamKID Begins Soon!!!

Wednesday, Sept 12, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

If you are interested in assisting in any way, please see Bro. Ron or contact the church office at 277-4687.