Passion for God.....Compassion for People May 16, 2010

Please be Reminded:

Stanton Nursing Home Services will be <u>**TODAY**</u>, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker will be Luke Newell, of the Bowen congregation. Your attendance may brighten the day for a resident.

Men's Business Meeting is the first Sunday of the month, immediately following morning worship. The meeting takes place in the all-purpose room. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

Church Singing is the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM. This is an opportunity to praise God together in song. You may also request that a particular song be sung. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Anna Vires and Family, Waveline Teasley, Pauline Powell, Joe and Debbie Slone, Brian Rice, Sharon and Donald Olinger, Reva O'Hair, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list.

.....the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16

"WHEN YOU'RE MARRIED so long, you know what the other person is thinking before he even speaks...

Your minds are so close that you miss that too, " says Nancy after the death of her husband.

What a blessing to have someone who knew you so well and who loved you just the way you are.

Let God fill this need in your life. He knows you inside and out. He knows even the number of hairs on your head (Luke 12:7). Nothing about you is hidden from God. Bill Dunn and Kathy Leonard in *Through a Season of Grief*, 124



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Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
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Sunday A.M.: Josiah	M.C. Rice
Sunday P.M.: Inclusion and Exclusio	nDaniel Newell

Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty and one years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jedidah, the daughter of Adaiah of Boscath. 2. And he did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, and walked in all the way of David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left. 2 Kings 22:1-2



Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Prayer List	Jody	McCoy
Songs of Worship	Terry	Abney

Homer Rice.
Glenn Hayes
Jody McCoy
Charles Mac Rice.
Dan Newell Jr.

May:

YOUTH GROUP MEETING TODAY

Today will begin the first of what we hope is many devotionals conducted for the benefit of our youth at Clay City. Thanks to Mac and Crystal Rice for their tireless effort in getting this going. Meeting details:

Attendees: Teenage group Time: around 7:30pm, following the evening worship service. Place: The all-purpose room Devotional Topic: Fellowship Pick-up time for parents: 8:30pm

If you have not yet completed and returned the forms that were distributed last Sunday, please do so as soon as possible. These are necessary in order to participate in future activities, particularly those away from the church building.

This and That

For the past couple weeks the news has been swirling about the oil spilling into the Gulf of Mexico. Apparently methane gas was expelled from the well causing an explosion on the oil rig platform and subsequent spillage of oil into the ocean. Several lives were lost as a result of the explosion and now the water is being polluted along with a very real concern for the shoreline and wildlife. This, in a very real way, is not unlike the spread of false doctrine among God's people. Let me explain:

The oil is a contaminant. Oil and water do not go together and the truth does not mix well with falsehoods. God has given us a book of truth. Actually it is 66 books of truth. There is no error or contradictions contained in it. However when man begins to mix in a little of his own teaching here and there soon the outcome is a contaminated doctrine. Such is true with the inclusion of instruments of music or the teaching of "faith only". The word is no longer pure, but mixed with foreign objects that threaten to nullify the effects of truth.

The oil is hard to contain and more so should it reach shore. Thankfully the oil floats on the water and is therefore discernable by the watchful person. However it is hard to get out once it is introduced. So it is with false man-made teaching. If we "keep the water pure" by keeping the contaminants out, we do well. The life sustained by the water is free to multiply and function as designed by God. However, once the water becomes polluted, life is threatened and the outgrowth is less likely to produce the desired effects.

Human life is negatively impacted by the accident in the Gulf. Lives have been lost already and the impact upon the ecosystem remains to be seen. Certainly aquatic life has been compromised in the region and waterfowl will be adversely impacted when the oil reaches shore. These all have a negative impact on humans. So it is with false doctrine. Humanity is saved from sin by a pure, un-adulterated gospel. God, the creator and sustainer of life, has designated a means of preserving life into eternity. That way is by the "well of water springing up into everlasting life". Let's resolve to keep it pure. Demand Bible teaching; nothing more, nothing less. Think about it. Daniel Newell