Passion for God.....Compassion for People November 1, 2009

## **Dates to Remember:**

**Men's Business Meeting** will be today, immediately following morning worship. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

**Stanton Nursing Home Services** are the third Sunday of each month, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Please join us in making our congregation a light in the community.

**Church Singing** is the second Wednesday of each month. Singing night is an important part of our worship. Please plan to attend. Your presence encourages others.

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FULL AND EMPTY BOXES By: Charles R. Brewer

Of each 25¢ he got he put in: One Box 5 for Mother and Dad One box 10 for gum, candy, etc. One box 5 for Education One box 5 for Jesus

In old age he opened them and found: In one: 2 Golden Angels In one: Broken toys, paper, etc. In one: A golden Book of Wisdom In One: A golden Crown



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#### **Worship Services:**

Sunday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	
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Sunday A.M.: Why does God allow Suffering? ...... M.C. Rice Sunday P.M.: Lessons from Nehemiah...... Daniel Newell

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. John 10:10-11



Question: In what do we invest our earnings?

### Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	Terry Abney
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A.M. Prayer	Jody McCoy
A.M. Prayer before Worship	

A.M. Closing Prayer	Joe Slone
P. M. Opening Prayer	
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#### November:

Communion:

Reading	Terry Abney
Serving	Greg Brewer, Walter Rice
Collection	Dan Newell Jr., Paul Napier
Communion to Sick	Shane Burgher, Jody McCoy
Prepare Communion	Paula Rice, Erica Rice
Van Driver 11/01/09	Donald Olinger
Van Driver 11/08/09	Duwain Watson

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## Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Paul Napier, Anna Vires, Fred Teasley, Patricia Fetters, Pauline Powell, Joe and Debbie Slone, Brian Rice, Kay Stewart, Sharon Olinger, 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

If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:7-9

#### This and That

In the opening of Peter's 1<sup>st</sup> epistle he expressed thankfulness to God for our new birth and "*lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead*." He then talks about an inheritance given us by the Father. He says this is incorruptible, undefiled, does not fade away, reserved in heaven. According to Vine's, inheritance is "what is given to one as a possession". Biblically, this means "the eternal blessedness of the consummated kingdom of God which is to be expected after the visible return of Christ". Let's look at the characteristics as given by Peter.

- Incorruptible: not liable to perish or decay. Our homes and other material possessions are subject to the ravages of time and weather. Without proper upkeep they would soon become unusable. However our home in heaven is not like this. Time has no effect upon it. The atmosphere of heaven will be conducive to eternal existence. No wonder we sing the old song, "Won't it be Wonderful There".
- Undefiled: free from that by which the nature of a thing is deformed and debased, or its force and vigour impaired. Do you remember how we have studied in the book of Exodus about the tabernacle? Its dimensions were given to Moses and he was to build it just as it was revealed. How beautiful and useful was the result! Now reflect on heaven, which is not made with hands of men, and think of how unblemished it will be. There will be no defects in heaven.

• Fadeth not away: Even the best of fabrics will eventually fade. The finish of a new car will dull over time and begin to rust. Sometimes we may have dreams that we are sure we can accomplish during our lifetime only to see them fade from view as we age. Not so in heaven. Everything is always new. There is no night there, just one eternal day, regulated by God himself instead of the sun and moon.

This inheritance belongs to those who are children of God. Are you one of God's children by virtue of having been born into His family? Think about it. *Darúel Newell* 

Each day is a gift from God. Do we receive it graciously and live it wisely?