Passion for God.....Compassion for People July 5, 2009

Dates to Remember:

Men's Business Meetings are the first Sunday of each month immediately following the 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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Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Paul Napier, Fred and Waveline Teasley, Patricia Fetters, Sharon Olinger; Kay Stewart, 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



It is good to remember that the tea kettle, although up to its neck in hot water, continues to sing.



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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.: Life is Temporary Assignment	M.C. Rice
Sunday P.M.: Missing the Mark	Daniel Newell
Wednesday:	Singing

We trust that God has been pleased with our worship and pray that each of you will be strengthened from the sacrifice you are making. We welcome our visitors and invite you to join us again at every service. We appreciate your attendance today. May God's richest blessings be yours all week long.



Privileged to Serve July 5, 2009

Announcements and Sick	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	
A M Praver	Homer Rice

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A.M. Prayer before Worship	Glen Hayes
A.M. Closing Prayer	
P.M. Opening Prayer	
P.M. Closing Prayer	e

July:

Communion:

Reading	Homer Rice
Serving	Jody McCoy, Walter Rice
Collection	Dan Newell, Paul Napier
Prepare Communion	Sue Rice, Amanda & Amber
Communion to Sick	Terry Abney
Van Driver 7/5/09	Duwain Watson
Van Driver 7/12/09	Greg Brewer
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Please remember those who come before the congregation asking for the prayers of the church. Also please continue to encourage and support our young in the congregation as they strive to live a Christian life.

......that their hearts may be encouraged......Colossians 2:2nkj

Whatever I do, I want to do it with passion, a sense of adventure, and a pure love for God, who created every one of us to make a difference in the world John Tesh

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This and That

Yesterday our country celebrated its 233rd birthday. It was a celebration of freedom from extreme rule. These many years ago the shackles and burdens of foreign control were thrown off and the small country with big potential began. Christianity and religious freedom was the foundation for the new country. Many of the items included in the constitution were Bible related. The people believed in God and were thus religiously inclined. Things have changed very much along the way and there have been ups and downs, but overall things have been good for those who inhabit this soil. Freedom did not come cheap. It cost the lives of many men and women, boys and girls. And it remains free due to the sacrifices of many more. In many ways this resembles our freedom in Christ.

Humanity became slaves of sin through a lie. Satan told mother Eve that God was lying to her about the penalties for disobedience. He was actually the liar and through Eve and Adam's belief of it, sin has passed on to everyone so deceived in the world. However, there is freedom from sin. If we became servants of sin through a lie, then we must become free from sin through the truth. Jesus said in John 8:31-32, "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." By believing in the Bible and its truths, by obedience to what it says, we can become free from sin. However it did not come easy. It cost Jesus his earthly life. He came into the world, lived a life free from sin, and then died for the sins of all humanity. Paul says, "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." 2 Corinthians 5:21. We now can be free from the burden and penalty of sin because of Jesus sacrifice. If Jesus wouldn't have died for our sins, we would be condemned to die in sin and receive the penalty of hell. But now we can be made new and free through the truth he revealed to us. Paul says again, "For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus". Think Daniel about it. Newell