Passion for God.....Compassion for People July 12, 2015

## Items to Remember:

**Stanton Nursing Home Services** are the third Sunday of the month, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for July will be Joseph Newell.

**Stanton Nursing Home Birthday Celebrations** are the first Saturday of each month at 2pm. Next monthøs celebration will be on July 4.

**Church Singing** takes place the  $2^{nd}$  Wednesday of each month at 7pm. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

**Ladies Group Meeting** takes place the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 7pm in the multi-purpose room at the church building. Next monthøs meeting will take place on August 14<sup>th</sup>. This is a great opportunity for ladies to learn together and fellowship. All ladies are welcome. Let us know if you need a ride. Please make plans to attend.

**Birthdays this Week:** Evan McCoy, Faye Rogers (13<sup>th</sup>), Julia Estes (16<sup>th</sup>), Brian Rogers (18<sup>th</sup>)

Anniversaries this Week: Josh & Cassandra Begley (15<sup>th</sup>)

Our sermon airs each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. .....WSKV – 104.9 FM

## Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Sharon Olinger, Correne Hatton, Inez Estep, Ellaray Campbell, Joe Slone, Gary Chaney. Those undergoing medical tests, those going through personal trials, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, those who have lost loved ones, and those on the church prayer list. .....the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

James 5:16

Our men and women serving in the armed forces.

Greater love hath no man .....John 15:13

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• The Church food pantry is a way to share with those in need. It is accessed weekly by members of our community. Please donate as you can.

Pantry Item of the Week: Dry Cereal



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## **Elders:**

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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 Evening	
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Sunday A.M.: Three Ingredients of a Happy Life......Mack Rice Sunday P.M.: Seven Confessions of Faith.....Daniel Newell



Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up.

# Thomas A. Edison

America's present need is not heroics, but healing; not nostrums but normalcy; not revolution, but restoration. Warren G. Harding, *Speech in Boston, 1920* 

#### **Privileged to Serve**

Announcements and Sick	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	Charles Rice

#### Prayer:

A.M. Prayer before Worship	Kyle Lucas
A.M. Closing Prayer	
P.M. Opening Prayer	
P.M. Closing Prayer	

## July:

Communion:

Reading	Kyle Lucas
	Rob Little & Charles Rice
Communion to the Sick	Shane Burgher & Jody McCoy
Collection	Walter Rice & Jody McCoy
Prepare Communion	Śue Rice
Van Driver	Shane Burgher
Cleaning Outside	Rob Little & Greg Brewer

## Legislating Morality by: Steve Higginbotham

It seems that whenever immoral practices have been outlawed, those who practice or

support those who practice these immoral activities will inevitably say, "Our government shouldn't legislate morality." Of late, these words have been spoken with regard to the Texas sodomy laws that the Supreme Court recently declared were unconstitutional. Now, we're hearing the same cry with regard to homosexual marriages. Homosexuals, we're told, should have the same right to marry as heterosexuals. "Our government shouldn't legislate morality!"

Oh really? I don't think people really mean what they say. In fact, I'm sure they don't. I dare say the one who is overheard saying, "Our government shouldn't legislate morality," is glad to know that our government has established laws against cheating, stealing, robbery, rape, battery, and murder, all of which are "moral" issues.

You see, people really don't have a problem with government legislating morality. The fact of the matter is, they are glad it does. The problem comes when the government legislates against an immorality that one particularly enjoys to practice.

Give it some thought. (This article was written before the latest Supreme Court ruling. DN)

## Ask Them by: W. Dwyane Dennis

A story is told of the mother of Marshall Field, who gave the University of Chicago a sum of one million dollars. When the board of directors at Northwestern University (also located in Chicago) heard of the gift, they inquired why a similar gift had not been given to their school. The important reply came: õBecause Northwestern didnøt ask.ö

In one of the parables of Jesus, certain ones are asked why they stand idle all the time. The reply is: õBecause no one has hired usö (Matthew 20:7). Could your neighbor say that he is not a Christian because no one has ever asked him? Are there those within your circle of influence who do not attend worship or Bible classes because you have never invited them? Are there children in your block who do not come to Sunday school because they have never been encouraged to do so? Is there, perhaps, even another member of your own family who needs an invitation from you?

There has been a tendency in the past to think that since we have a church building, have announced our schedule of services, have told people they are welcome and preach the gospel from our pulpit, we have fulfilled our responsibility to our neighbors. We think, õIf they really want to be saved, theyøl come.ö But that often is not true. They are waiting to be asked and wondering why you have not asked them if you really care about their soul. There are times when a word fitly spoken is õlike an apple of gold in a picture of silverö (Proverbs 25:11).

Think back briefly to your own conversion. Did it not help you to know that someone actually cared whether you were or were not converted? I am sure there must be many who hesitate simply because we do not show an interest in them. There are some things we say to people that hurt and are harmful, but it never hurts to extend a kind, thoughtful invitation.

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VBS Begins this week! Classes will be held Monday ó Friday from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Please invite all that you can. If someone needs a ride this can be arranged by calling Mack Rice or Shane Burgher. Letøs make this a VBS to remember!