"Salt & Light"



¹³ "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. ¹⁴ You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven" Matthew 5:13-16 (NIV)

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alt and light. It almost sounds like a type of potato chip: salt & vinegar, sea salt, light salt. While salt and light may bring to my mind the varieties of potato chips available to us today it also reminds us of the responsibility we have of preserving and sharing the truth of the scriptures.

I do not know if you have noticed or not but there is a deliberate movement that is trying to suppress the God given right of Christians to share the gospel of Christ and shine His light in the world. Take Tim Tebow for example. Tebow is not an "in your face type of person" but did share his belief in Jesus in quiet but deliberate ways such as "Tebowing." I find it interesting that what his actions came to be called really is descriptive of what Tim Tebow was doing: Te – bowing (bowing) before Christ and giving Jesus glory and honor. Tebow was mocked on the field by some of his colleagues and in the media but that did not deter him from Te – bowing before his Lord and Savior. But it did cost him his career. Now I do not purport to know all the circumstances behind why he is no longer playing professional football. However, I cannot help but believe that his open display of his faith had at least a part in it. Some today seem to believe that a person's faith is purely a private matter and therefore, should be kept to him/herself and not displayed publicly. They sometimes use intimidation and/or ridicule to silence Christians but this clearly contradicts what Jesus is teaching us in the above text. We are to be keepers and preservers of the truth. We are called by Jesus to shine the Light of His truth and love to all people in all places – both public and private.

No one likes to be ridiculed. Intimidation tactics are often quite effective in achieving their intent to silence Christians. But I want to encourage you to stand firm in your constitutional right and call from Jesus to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. I encourage you to stand with those who are facing ridicule, intimidation and even loss of opportunity or employment because they are willing to be an open and public witness for Jesus Christ. Our faith is not a private matter that we should keep to ourselves – instead Jesus is calling us to share with the world our faith. Some people of the "world" do not want to hear that they accountable to God. They want to be accountable to no one but themselves so they seek to silence Christian witness both in word and action.

While I was still working in a hospital laboratory, as department managers we were told by the human resources department that we could not have a bible openly displayed in our offices or on our desks. If department managers wanted to keep a bible at work it must be kept in a drawer. Why? *Simply having a bible openly displayed on our desks was considered a form of religious harassment!* My point is this – there are people who are actively working to silence Christians and our message which deters our ability to fulfill the call of Jesus to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. If we do not protect our right to express our faith we will lose it. Stand firm – *Be the Salt, Be the Light!*

Blessings and Peace in Christ Jesus,

Pastor Barry

"What's Happening" Jimmy's Corner

- † 7th & 8th grade only meant twice in January due to the weather and we talked about Nehemiah and Jonah!
- ₱ 9th-12th grade only meant twice as well in January and we touched on honoring our parents and wisdom!
- † The Young Adult Sunday School went over scriptures dealing with the Holy Spirit and

Stay Classy Liberty Chapel, **Jimmy**

> THE ROCK WILL BE OPEN TUESDAY – THURSDAY 3:00-5:30 PM.

Come out and Cheer for the Liberty Chapel Men's Basketball Team @ Archbold Middle School.



Note Change of Date

UMM Meeting

February 17, 2014 @6:00 pm Chapel men come join the fellowship and meal. ***Note Change of Date***

Wednesday, February 19 $6 - 7:00 \, pm$ Beef & Noodles Join us for food and fellowship Let us do the cooking for you! on the $1^{st} \odot 3^{rd}$ Wednesdays!



UMCOR Sager-Brown Mission Trip

@ Baldwin, LA February 8-15, 2014

Going on this Mission trip are Dan & Rita Bare, Kevin & Vondra Oberhaus, Max & Pat Fetterman, Lowynn Atkinson & Mark Jones. Please pray for these volunteers as they travel, work, and fellowship.

Bountiful Blessings Food Pantry

The Pantry will only be open Monday, Feb. 17, 6-7:30 pm. & Friday Fgb. 21, 9 - 11:00 am

Days and hours for our new food pantry have been set: 3rd Monday of every month 6:00-7:30 pm and the 4th Friday of every month 9:00-11:00 am. Six to eight volunteers are needed to help *each time* to meet and greet, set-up and takedown, help carry out food and to help people in other ways. The Clothing Ministries is open at the same times as Bountiful This is another much-needed Blessings. outreach. If you interested in becoming a volunteer, please see Pastor

The Clothing Ministry is in need of ONLY Ladies' and Men's Jeans and winter coats/outerwear (gloves, scarves, hats etc.)

Barry.



<u>Cooking</u> "Friendzy"

Want to learn to cook or to use what you have on hand to make a meal;

sign up today for our monthly cooking "friendzy" class. You can either cook along with the instructions or just watch and take notes. *Classes are free* unless you want to cook along. That cost is listed with the take home menu.

The cost for February Delicious Meal is \$8.00.

February dish: Cheesy Chicken Enchiladas

with Homemade Tortillas

Laura Case will lead this "Friendzy". This is open to the public. Please call Vondra Oberhaus at 419-966-6181 to register or sign-up in the Welcome Center.



Trustees' Snow Removal Schedule



Feb. 3 – 9	Randy, Jim, Tim
Feb. 10 – 16	Lee, Terry, Neal
Feb. 17 – 23	Brad, Russ, Mark
Feb. 23 – March 2	Randy, Jim, Tim
March 3 – 9	Lee, Neal, Terry
March 10 – 16	Brad, Russ, Mark
March 17 – 23	Randy, Jim, Tim
March 24 – 30	Lee, Neal, Terry



Early Notice for Sunday, March 9

Shiloh Men's Conference March 7th & 8th

Choices That Define

March 7 @7:00 PM March 8 @8:15 AM - 1:00 PM

Main Topics
The Battle – The Victory – The Commission

"Choose for yourself this day whom you will serve...but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Joshua 24:15



- Scott Sharpe Family Home was lost to a fire on Feb. 2.
- † Family and Friends of Jack Slagle – Jack passed away Jan. 23
- † Seth Oberhaus recovery from hand surgery for a crushed thumb he received during military maneuvers.
- † Winnie Leatherman Receiving rehab. services at Fairlawn Haven.
- * Billy Sharpe Staying at County View Haven.
- † Gene Giesige (friend of Colliers) Heart attack
- * Carrie Murdock Recovering from January 13th back surgery.
- † Rick Spiess (Ellie Davidson's son) He had hip surgery on Jan. 2.
- † Steve Goldsmith UPDATE: (brother-in-law of Arita Silveus) diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer, Surgery was Thursday Jan. 23. Cancer has spread and Steve will start receiving Chemo.
- * Judy Parker (Collier's Family) is receiving Hospice Care.
- † April Mozingo April recovering from foot surgery.
- * Leo "Bud" Zenz health concerns
- † Darrell Wishon (Vondra & Kevin Oberhaus' brotherin-law) Update: Darrell has returned home - Praise God. Continued prayer for surgery recovery.

Please keep the following long term needs in your prayers:

Nancy Funkhouser; Ruth Gramling; Éric Gutierrez; Winnie Leatherman; Ruth Whitman; Leo "Bud" Zenz; Kent Spiess Members of the Military and their Families Our Missionary Families

[Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks. For continued prayer listing, please resubmit.]

<u>FEBRUARY SERVANTS</u> COMMUNION CLASS - CELEBRATION

	Traditional Service Nursery	Sunday School Nursery		
2	Witte Family	Gutierrez Family		
9	Overmier Family	Nash Family		
16	C. Carter Family	Zenz Family		
23	L. Mack & C. Bowers	Casey Bright		
	Contemporary Service Nursery	Greeters		
5	Oelkrug Family	Krugh Family		
12	Spangler Family	Todd Shafer Family		
19	O'Neil Family	Silveus Family		
26	Graber Family	Bill Sharpe Family		

Little Lambs - Volunteer Needed

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

FEBRUARY



- 1 Patty McIntosh
- 2 Callan Williams Judy Strayer Lois Ward
- 3 Alex Tedrow
- 4 Emily Leatherman Andy Spiess Karen Dietrich
- 5 Evan Hogrefe
- 6 Wyatt Leatherman Toby Ernsberger Jim Jones David Kessler, Sr. Sharon Sharpe
- 8 Tim Mack
- 9 Brad Howe
- 11 Simon Hartford Viki Mack
- 12 Johnny Danford
- 14 Todd Mohler Deb Leuthold
- 15 Jessica Trapp Ross McLaughlin Matt Vollmar
- 17 Jeanette Saneholtz
- 18 Matthew Orr
- 19 Scott Overmier Josh Wiechers
- 20 Hannah Brooks Hannah Gyurasics Lucas Bare
- 23 Lydia Murrey
- 24 Lillian Case Zane Krall
- 25 Mike Carpenter
- 26 Lowynn Atkinson
- 27 Jake Sharpe Beth Thobe John Sharpe
- 28 Matt Dietrich

CELEBRATIONS



- 1 Bob & Arlene Griteman
- 4 Dan & Brenda Hogrefe
- 7 Gary & Lori Graber

[Please let the office know if you have an addition or correction to this page. ©]

January Averages

Average Total Atten.: 130 Average Sunday School: 107 Avg. to Budget: \$4,555.44 Avg. Total Offering: \$4,721.42

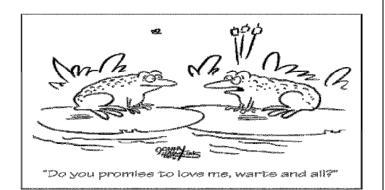
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Mr. & Mrs. David Hartford 190 Valencia Dr. Apt. 206B Jacksonville, NC 28546

Mr. & Mrs. Keith Rhoads 1778 B Peleiholani Ct. Kailua, HI 96743





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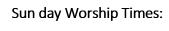
9474 County Road V, Liberty Center, OH 43532
SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS - 8:15 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:15 A.M.

"A body knowing and growing in Christ so deeply that He is overflowing to others."

Returned Service Requested



February 2014



8:15 a.m.

Traditional Worship (Nursery Provided)

Sunday School:

10:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m.

Classes for All Ages

(Nursery Provided)

*Wednesday Night Ministries: 6:30-7:30 p.m. $(3 \text{ yrs.} - 8^{\text{th}} \text{ grades } \& \text{"The Story Bible Study})$ 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. (Sr. YF grades 9 - 12)

Contemporary Praise (Nursery Provided)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	•	Thursday	Friday S	Saturday
						1 7-9:00 am Men's P.T. @church THE ROCKMEN @THE ROCK
2 Worship With Us	6:00 pm Trustees 7:00 pm Finance 8:00 pm Ad. Council	4 6am Men'sStudy@Charlie's 9 -10 am Ladies Exercise 3-5:30 pm "The ROCK" 6:30 pm "David" Study	5 3-5:30 pm "TheROCK" 6-7 pm CrossRoads Cafe Wed. Night Ministries* 6:30 - 9:00 pm	3-5:30 pm "The ROCK" 7-8:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study	7	8 7-9:00 am Men's P.T. @church THE ROCKMEN @THE ROCK "Friendzy" 1:00 pm
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