

"Shine the Light!"

¹⁹ This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. ²¹ But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

John 3:19-21 (NIV)

vil is rarely done out in open or in the light of day. Usually, as there are exceptions, evil is done under the cover of "darkness" meaning that evil acts are usually hidden from plain sight. This biblical principle is as relevant today as the day it was written.

As I have mentioned previously, Toledo is a major U.S. hub of human trafficking and like myself, there are many people living in NW Ohio who do not have any idea of the evil that is going on in our own "backyard." It was only after I saw a documentary on human trafficking that I became aware of Toledo's role in this illicit trade. Another evil that is happening in the "darkness" in our community is the prevalence of illegal drugs in our community, most notably crystal methamphetamine and heroin. We may believe "our kids" are safe from these drugs – and hopefully they are. But the temptation is always there – and frankly – I do not want even the possibility of temptation to experiment or use these or any illegal drugs in our community. There is also the ubiquitous presence of marijuana. We may think this is not a problem in our community – but a recent study right here in NW Ohio demonstrates that marijuana use is not only on the rise – but among NW Ohio students – it is becoming more socially acceptable than smoking cigarettes! The study also found that marijuana is actually easier for teens to obtain than tobacco! The studies' author concludes that the national anti-tobacco campaign has succeeded in changing teens' attitudes about tobacco. Sadly, teens have fallen into the trap of believing that marijuana is safer than smoking cigarettes.

However, this demonstrates something very promising to me – *teens' attitudes about tobacco have changed*, *therefore their attitudes about drugs can also be changed*. Youth attitudes about the dangers of tobacco were the result of proverbially shinning the light into the darkness exposing the truth about the dangers of using tobacco in its various forms. The evil of human trafficking in NW Ohio was exposed by shining the light of the truth into what is happening in our own backyards. Shining light into the darkness often reveals things we would rather not know are going on in our communities. But the worst thing we can do is ignore these situations. As Christians we are called by Jesus to care for our brothers and sisters in the world. If anyone's daughter is caught up in human trafficking then we should act as if it is our child who is using illegal drugs.

Evil in the world, at work or even in the church rarely occurs out in the open for all to see. While there are exceptions, it almost always happens behind the scenes under the cover of "darkness" and secrecy. Our baptismal vows call us *to renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world… and to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves.* One of the ways we do this is to *expose* the evil that is going on around us by shining the light of Christ Jesus into the darkness. *Be the Light – Shine the Light into the darkness!*

Blessings and Peace in Christ Jesus,

Pastor Barry

"What's Happening" Jimmy's Corner

Good morning/afternoon/evening,

- † Jr. High has spent what time we've had together studying the new testament starting with the four gospels.
- † Sr. High has been learning about developing quiet time with God. It is so important to have moments in our weeks where we learn to listen and be quiet for God.
- † Our young adults have been studying a bunch of topics lately. In February, we touched on what it looks to have mental strength in society that is based in making emotional decisions.

If you are interested in being involved or want to more about some of the youth and young adult ministries feel free to give me a call or text at 419 651-0229.

Stay Classy Liberty Chapel,

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March 12 – Haley & Ainsley March 18 – Abbi & Amanda March 26 – Justin & Conner

THE ROCK WILL

BE OPEN TUESDAY – THURSDAY

3:00 – 5:30 pm.



Congradulations to the Liberty Chapel Men's Basketball Team. The team placed first in the season tournament. Thank you to all who supported and cheered them to victory.



Sunday March 16 following the 10:30 service

Pie Awards
Best Tasting
Most Unique
Prettiest Pie

Free will donation to benefit Firestarters youth trip this summer.

Wednesday, March 19
6 – 7:00 pm
Hot Chicken Sandwiches
Let us do the cooking for you!
Join us for food and fellowship
on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays!



<u>UMM Meeting</u>
March 10, 2014 @ 6:00 pm
Chapel men come join the fellowship and meal.

Bountiful Blessings Food Pantry

The Pantry will be open Monday, March 17, 6-7:30 pm. & Friday March 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 following Friday of that week, 9:00-11:00 am. Six to eight volunteers are needed to help <u>each time</u> 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 Blessings. This is another muchneeded outreach. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please see Pastor Barry.

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

March 9 Don't Forget



Trustees' Snow Removal Schedule

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

"Cooking 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.

March dish

Get the Most Out of a Chicken

Please call Vondra Oberhaus at 419-966-6181 to register or sign-up in the Welcome Center. *She will tell you the price at that time.*

- **†** Rick Thompson (from L.C.) Diagnosed with Lymphoma.
- † Richard Watkins (Eloise Griteman's father) *Health concerns*.
- **† Ken Silveus** *Recovering from surgery.*
- **† Heather Dietrich** (Friend of Joie O'Neal) *Thyroid Cancer.*
- † Scott Sharpe Family Home was lost to a fire on Feb. 2.
- † Seth Oberhaus Recovery from hand surgery for a crushed thumb he received during military maneuvers.

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- * Winnie Leatherman Home.
- † Billy Sharpe Staying at Country View Haven.
- † Steve Goldsmith (brother-in-law of Arita Silveus) Waiting to start treatments.
- 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; Eric 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.]

MARCH SERVANTS COMMUNION CLASS - CELEBRATION

	Traditional Service Nursery	Sunday School Nursery		
2	Witte Family	Witte Family		
9	B & H Saneholtz	Case Family		
16	J. & J. Saneholtz	Kate Bare		
23	Hartford Family	Spangler Family		
30	Oberhaus Family	Kelsey Bare		
	Contemporary Service Nursery	Greeters		
2	Hartford Family	Shadday Family		
9	T. Smith Family	Ron Saneholtz Family		
16	J. Clapp & girls	Nash Family		
23	R. Bare & boys	Masuwa Family		
30	T. Bostelman & C. Bright	Whitman Family		

Little Lambs - Liz S.

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

MARCH



- 1 Arleen Weaks
- 2 Jillian Clapp
- 3 Jake Leatherman Kyra Griteman
- 4 Alex Starkey
- 7 Andrew Myers Courtney Lee
- 8 Staci Cramer
- 9 Curt Ernsberger
- 11 Paul Zimmerman
- 12 Ainsley Quigley Rita Bare Roger Saneholtz Ron Saneholtz
- 13 Lucas Estelle Ethan James Myers
- 14 Gwendolyn Hite Kristy Keller Sheila Jones Sharon Stites
- 15 Bryce Trapp Brent Shafer Eric Witte
- 16 Lucas Estelle Jonah Wetterauer Byronna Bare
- 17 Linda Vollmar
- 18 Lillian McLaughlin Jimmy Bright
- 19 Seth Oberhaus William Sharpe
- 21 Malia Murrey
- 23 Kate Bare
- 24 Carrie Quigley
- 25 Courtney Bowers
- 27 Kent Spiess Dan Hogrefe
- 29 Carol Martin Sherri Shafer Nancy Funkhouser
- 30 Ethan Gutierrez

CELEBRATIONS



- 2 Don & Jeanne Meter
- 4 David & Andrea Kessler
- 19 Ron & Jeanette Saneholtz
- 25 Cory & Jessica Trapp
- 26 Dan & Rita Bare
- 28 Todd & DeeAnn Shafer

[Please let the office know if you have an addition or correction to this page. ③]

February Averages

Average Total Atten.: 148 Average Sunday School: 107 Avg. to Budget: \$5,064.57 Avg. Total Offering: \$6,021.44

US Military Addresses:

OSSR Danny Leatherman Dept OPS/Div 01 USS Nimitz (CVN-68) FPO AP 96620/2820

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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



March 2014



Sun day Worship Times: 8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship (Nursery Provided)

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Praise (Nursery Provided)

Sunday School: 9:15 a.m. Classes for All Ages (Nursery Provided)

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday .	Saturday
						1 7-9:00 am Men's P.T. @church THE ROCKMEN @THE ROCK
2 Worship With Us	3 6:00 pm Trustees 7:00 pm Finance	4 6am Men's Study@Charlie's 9 -10 am Ladies Exercise 3-5:30 pm "The ROCK"	5 3-5:30 pm "The ROCK" 6-7 pm CrossRoads Cafe Wed. Night Ministries* 6:30 – 9:00 pm 7:15 pm Ash Wed. Services	6 3-5:30pm "The ROCK" 7-8:30 pm Pastor's Study with New Members @ THE ROCK	7	8 7-9:00 am Men's P.T. @church THE ROCKMEN @THE ROCK "Friendzy" 1:00 pm
9 "Spring Forward" Girl Scout Sunday Worship With Us "Thank You" Reception after 10:30 service	6:00 pm UMM 8:00 pm Worship	11 6am Men'sStudy@Charlie's 9 -10 am Ladies Exercise 3-5:30 pm "The ROCK" 7:00 pm SPRC	3-5:30 pm "The ROCK" Wed. Night Ministries* 6:30 – 9:00 pm	13 10:00 am Staff Meeting 3-5:30 pm "The ROCK" 7-8:30 pm Pastor's Study with New Members @ THE ROCK 7:00 pm THE ROCK Team @ the church	14	15 7-9:00 am Men's P.T. @church THE ROCKMEN @THE ROCK
16 Worship With Us Combined Services 10:30 "Creation Ministries" Presentation Soup & Pie Lunch Following services 6-7:30 pm Girl Scouts	17 6 – 7:30 pm Bountiful Blessings & Clothing Ministries 7:30 pm Evangelism	18 6am Men'sStudy@Charlie's 9 -10 am Ladies Exercise 3-5:30 pm "TheROCK"	3-5:30 pm "The ROCK" 6—7 pm CrossRoads Cafe Wed. Night Ministries* 6:30 – 9:00 pm	20 3-5:30 pm "The ROCK" 7-8:30 pm Wesleyan Doctrine classes@ THE Rock 7:00 pm THE ROCK Team @ the church	21 9-11am Bountiful Blessings & Clothing Ministries	22 7-9:00 am Men's P.T. @church THE ROCKMEN @THE ROCK
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30 Worship With Us Welcome Ben & Mandi Woods	31	360		Vi.		