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### **Grace Greater Than All Our Sin**

The mother of my best friend growing up loved to tell a particular story about him. One day as he was going out to play she warned him not to get his pants dirty. He was wearing a new pair of white jeans. Quickly forgetting his mother's words he proceeded to get into a game of football. When the dust had settled fear gripped his body. He looked down and both knees were grungy green and brown. Days and weeks passed and his mother had not seen those white jeans since day one. Finally when she was cleaning out his room she pulled a crumple of clothes out from under his bed. Amongst the pile was the pair of jeans, wrinkled, dirty...and with the knees cut out of them with a pair of scissors. She always laughed when she told that story.

I wonder if you and I amuse God at our attempts of fixing the messes we make in and of our lives. We've all got our dirty laundry: our secrets, our fears and our failures. And most of us have tried, metaphorically speaking, taking a pair of scissors to "fix things". But our lying, denying, blame shifting and destroying the evidence won't make the problem go away. Because the stain is deep, dark and embedded, not on our clothes but on our souls.

The Bible says in Ephesians 1:7, "In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace." And in Acts 22:16 "And now why do you delay? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on His name." The song says, "Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, What can avail to wash it away? Look! There is flowing a crimson tide, Whiter than snow you may be today." The sin on our souls can only be washed away by the blood of Jesus when we do what He tells us to. All other attempts are scissors on grass stains.

**Brad Fry**

North Oak Church of Christ  
Mineral Wells, Tx



For the millions affected by the tsunami  
For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For the lost in our families and community.

For the ban on partial birth abortion to stand as law.

For marriage to stand in our laws as God ordained it.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chetri

For Tim and Jennifer in the adoption process

Don Lemon as he begins his radiation therapy.

Paulina Hilt (Darriah Kelly's mother) is suffering with advanced cancer.

Dick Barnaby (Rhonda Berry's father) is home now and recuperating from surgery.

Arlene Knore had knee replacement surgery on Wednesday. Surgery went well but she is dealing with a lot of pain. She remains at SOMC.

Julie Ball (friend and co-worker of Cathy Coriell) has been diagnosed with chronic leukemia and is beginning treatments.

Jonathan Morris (son of Ruth Morris) is in Greenbriar awaiting surgery for a reoccurrence of cancer.

Rita Williams (friend of Mike Gamp) involved in serious auto accident this week. Life-flighted to St. Mary's.

Kathy Horsely (friend of Mary Williams) is having a bad spell with MS.

David Smith (12 year old with rare form of liver cancer in the Dayton Children's Medical Center). The parents request prayer for healing. More information is on the bulletin board.

John Piccone (Lisa Hoskins 43 year old brother in London, Ohio) was diagnosed with a blood clot in his lung on Thursday evening. Prayers for his health and his soul.

Mary Jane Anderson (friend of Andy & Amy Graff) is in Whitesburg Hospital with a collapsed lung.

**Teen Devo**

At Jacob Miller's house, 6:30 pm, Tuesday.

**Sunday PM Services**

We are doing John 21 in our video Bible study.

**Scheduled Bible Study Texts**

| <b>Sunday</b> |                            | <b>Wednesday</b> |           |
|---------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1/30          | Mt 21:28-22<br>Mt 25:1-46  | 2/2              | Gen 24    |
| 2/6           | Mt 22:15-23:37             | 2/9              | Gen 25-26 |
| 2/13          | Mk 12:41-44<br>Jn 12:21-50 | 2/16             | Gen 27    |

**Looking Ahead at Sunshine**

- 2/5 Father-Daughter Valentine Gala
- 2/5 Secret Sister Breakfast
- 2/6 Men's GYAT Class
- 2/13 Scout Sunday
- 2/18-20 Winterfest in Gatlinburg
- 2/25 Youth Worker Appreciation Dinner

**Sympathy Extended**

To the family of **Anna Daubs** (sister to Millie Lemon) who passed away in Rio Dosa, NM, last Saturday. The funeral service was Tuesday in New Mexico.

**Bill Cochran** (Brandy Gamp's grandfather) who passed away last Friday. The funeral was Monday at Roger Davis Funeral Home.

**Winterfest Sign-Up**

Winterfest is February 18-20 in Gatlinburg, TN. An information sheet and signup sheet are in the foyer. If you want to go, you must sign up and get your deposit (\$25/person) to Shaun McCray by Feb. 1. There are 54 seats on the charter bus. When they're gone, they're gone.

**Meals on Wheels**

Sunshine church received a thank you for our part in the Meals on Wheels program. We need 4 people that can deliver meals between 10 am and noon on four different Wednesday's in the near future. The dates are Feb. 9, Mar. 9, Apr. 6 and May 4. If you are available, let Eugene Risner know.

**Rental Housing Needed**

A member of our congregation is needing housing, can afford \$350/month. 2-3 bedroom house, trailer or apartment. Contact Steve Miller for more info.

## Father-Daughter Gala Next Week

The Father-Daughter Valentine Gala is set for Saturday, February 5, 2005, at the Minford High School gymnasium with the Grand March set to begin at 7 pm. Willer Wood (Willard Tate) will be our guest entertainment. In addition to volunteers to help with cookies, set-up, cleanup, serving, decorating, etc., we need people to be in the bleachers to clap and cheer for each Father-Daughter couple during the Grand March. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board if you are willing to help in some way. Tickets are \$5/person and are available at Minford Pharmacy; Gahm's Pharmacy in Lucasville or the Christian Connection in Wheelersburg or you can get tickets here from Delores Gamp.

## Sunday PM Home Groups Coming

February 20, 2005 we will begin our next round of Sunday PM Home Groups. We'll be using video material by Willard Tate—How to Get What You Want and Want What You Get. Tate's ten to fifteen minute presentations will serve as the discussion starter for the sessions. Be thinking now about those you could invite to come with you to these groups. **Right now, we need 9 homes to host the nine groups that will meet away from the building. If you are willing and able to do this, sign up on the sheet on the table in the foyer. Home Groups will run from 2/20/05 to 3/20/05—five sessions in all.**

## Home Group Sign-Ups Begin

Today, we have pads laid out on the table in the foyer for you to sign up for your home group. We need three more host homes for the groups. Also, please note the invitation cards that have been prepared to invite non-Sunshine people into the groups. Take all you need.

## Special Prayer Request

We have received a prayer request from **Lyle Shackelford, army chaplain in Iraq** whose unit will be delivering ballots and voting machines throughout Iraq for the upcoming election. Of course, his soldiers will be prime targets for the insurgents as they deliver materials necessary for the election. He requests that Christians and churches everywhere pray for the safety of his men and success in their mission. He asks us to pray for courage and safety for the Iraqi people as they also will be targets for the insurgents as they go to the polls. He asks us to pray that the election will put in power legitimate and competent Iraqi's to lead the nation. Let the whole church say, AMEN!

## Directory Update

**Ira and Marybeth Coriell** recently moved to their new home at xxx xxxxxx Road, Portsmouth, Ohio 45662. The new phone number is 776-xxxx. Please add this new information to your directories.

## Emergency Prayer Team

Our prayer team has been in operation about 4 years now and not a month goes by without the team being activated at least once, twice, sometimes 3 times in a month. The purpose of the emergency prayer team is to provide a way to get Christians praying immediately on life-threatening situations that cannot wait to be put before the church at a regular meeting time. For the most part we try to handle our prayer requests through the bulletin prayer list and by announcements at our services. We ask that you try to use those avenues as much as possible and save the emergency prayer team for the unexpected, life-threatening situations that come up. Steve.

## Men's GYAT Class

Next Sunday morning, February 6, 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Pick up reading material from table in foyer and read the first chapter of John from The Message translation of the Bible. Read and be ready to discuss.

## Secret Sisters Revealed!

If you want to know who your secret sister was this year then you will want to meet at the Bob Evans Restaurant in Wheelersburg on Saturday, February 5, at 9:30 a.m. We will be passing out forms for the New Year and then will be drawing the following day on the 6th. All ladies, even those that did not participate, are invited to attend. So come out and join us for breakfast, fun and fellowship. If you have questions, please see Lisa Hoskins or Paige Jacobs.

## Youth Worker Appreciation Dinner

An appreciation dinner for everyone that helped with youth activities in 2004 is scheduled for Friday, February 25, at 6 pm here at the building. If you did ANYTHING to help with youth activities, you are invited. Anything means driving, hosting a devo, clean up, cooking, providing cookies, etc. Please come so the kids can say "Thank You."

# Those Who Serve

## Scheduled Services

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| <p><b><u>Sunday Morning</u></b><br/>                 Bible Class Text<br/>                 Welcome &amp; Prayer<br/>                 Song Director<br/>                 Scripture Reading<br/>                 Prayer<br/>                 Lord's Supper - Wine<br/>                 Bread<br/>                 Assist<br/>                 Assist<br/>                 Assist<br/>                 Assist<br/>                 Message<br/>                 Closing Prayer</p> | <p><b><u>January 30</u></b><br/>                 Mt. 21:28-22 &amp; 25<br/>                 Jon Coriell<br/>                 Shaun McCray<br/>                 Troy Gahm<br/>                 John Berry<br/>                 Aaron Kallner<br/>                 Tim Coriell<br/>                 Harold Gampp<br/>                 David Gampp<br/>                 Lane Raiser<br/>                 Barry Gampp<br/>                 Steve Miller<br/>                 Jamie Riley</p> | <p><b><u>February 6</u></b><br/>                 Mt 22:15-23:37<br/>                 Wayne Gampp<br/>                 Ralph Gampp<br/>                 Matt Hoskins<br/>                 Gary Glispie<br/>                 Dewey Cordle<br/>                 Jamie Riley<br/>                 Price Gammon<br/>                 Terry Royster<br/>                 Jack Jennings<br/>                 Jerry Gampp<br/>                 Steve Miller<br/>                 Scott Gragg</p> |
| <p><b><u>Sunday Evening</u></b><br/>                 Song Director<br/>                 Opening Prayer<br/>                 Lord's Supper<br/>                 Closing Prayer</p>   | <p>Jeff Hayward<br/>                 Terry Royster<br/>                 Greg Coriell<br/>                 Jason Coriell</p>  | <p>Gabe Coriell<br/>                 Jon Coriell<br/>                 Jacob Miller<br/>                 Matt Cram</p>  |
| <p><b><u>Wednesday Evening</u></b><br/>                 Song Director<br/>                 Prayer<br/>                 Bible Class Text</p>   | <p>Aaron McCray<br/>                 Rich Book<br/>                 Genesis 24</p>   | <p>Bud Coriell<br/>                 Mike Coriell<br/>                 Genesis 25 &amp; 26</p>  |

**Sunday**  
 Bible Study - 9:45 am  
 Worship - 10:30 am  
 Eve.Worship - 6:30 p.m

**Wednesday**  
 Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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| Gary Glispie   | 776-4279 | Church Directory, Program of Work        |
| Alan Graff     | 776-7905 | Bulletin, Advert., Front sign, Computers |
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