



From The Pastor's Pen...

March 10, 2010

DAILY LIFE: “Several days later Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was a Jewess. He sent for Paul and listened to him as he spoke about faith in Christ Jesus. As Paul discoursed on righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and said, ‘That’s enough for now! You may leave. When I find it convenient, I will send for you.’”

Following Jesus can be frightening at times. It can mean being led places we don’t necessarily want to go, to people we don’t necessarily like, to say and do things we’re uncomfortable with.

Faith isn’t always convenient, and that was Felix’s problem. Following Christ at that moment in his life would have been an intrusion. It would have meant change he didn’t want to make. It would be inconvenient.

Jesus is the “way the truth and the life” and that Truth can be an “inconvenient Truth”. It will stretch us, shape us, mold us, bend us, and take us places we would have never gone if left on our own.

Which path will we choose today? Will it be to seek a convenient, easy belief in God that leaves us “just as we are” at the end of the day? Or will we choose the inconvenient Truth that challenges us to get beyond ourselves to follow Jesus in a life of true discipleship?

Pastor Ron

“UNLOCKING THE BIBLE STORY”... We all struggle with feeling weak from time to time. That’s not necessarily a bad thing. We will tackle that topic this week in our “Unlocking the Bible Story” study. Please read your text and II Corinthians 12:1-10

OUR BUILDING PROJECT... We are getting closer every day to spring and the start of our Building Project. We are currently collecting bids on various aspects of the project. Be praying and be ready to roll up your sleeves.

BRIDAL SHOWER... All ladies of Erie E. Free are invited to a Bridal Shower in honor of Quinn Wilkens on Saturday, March 20th, at 9:30 am to be held at the Church. Quinn is registered at Target.

LADIES SPRING BRUNCH... Ladies, you won’t want to miss this event to be held in the home of Meri Hammer on Saturday, March 27th at 9:30 am. Join us for a morning of food and fellowship!

MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT... Montana High County Ministries: Andrew Lewis has sent brochures for their summer camp. If interested, pick one up at the missions table or check out their website - www.highcountryministry.com

FROM THE MITCHELL'S NEWSLETTER...

- We praise the Lord for the funds that have come in to start our building project. We are still asking God for the funds to finish the second cabin plus two more cabins this year.
- We are continuing to work on our furlough plans and hope to see many of you this summer! We are looking at May 20th through August 2nd.
- We are praying for God to provide the 7 plane tickets we need to get started. Please pray with us! Thanks!

If you would like to read the entire newsletter it is posted on our Missions Board.

THANK YOU...Our family wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to Erie E. Free for its service to us for Dad's (Don Ferguson) last part of the funeral. Our personal and truly appreciative "Thank You" to those who personally helped out at the meal, prepared food or gave much needed prayer which sustained us through the affair. Sometimes I'm selfish and wish time would stand still and my family and friends would never age, but then realize that God is in control and everything will be done according to Him and nobody could do it better. May God Bless! Barry & the Don Ferguson Family

PRAYER CONCERNS...

- Continue to pray for Sam Melton
- Prayer for our expectant mom, Julie Norman.
- Prayer for Barry Ferguson and his family on the death of his father, Don.
- Continued prayer for Dorothy and Kerry Slayden.
- Pray for Walt and Bev Watts ministering in Clairmont, Florida.
- Pray for Lori Norman's mom, Shirley.
- Pray for our servicemen and servicewoman all around the world.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, & EVENTS ...

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| * | TODAY | Mar. 10 th ... | Awana – KFC – H.S. Youth Ministries |
| * | Thurs. | Mar. 11 th ... | Worship Team – 7:00 pm
Kyle & Beth Redell (Ann)
Will & Nicole Lukehart (Ann) |
| * | Sat. | Mar. 13 th ... | Reset Your Clocks |
| * | Sun. | Mar. 14 th ... | Our Worship Celebration (9:00 am) Sunday School (10:30 am)
Don Weisenberger |
| * | Mon. | Mar. 15 th ... | Executive Board Meeting @ the Church |
| * | Tues. | Mar. 16 th ... | Ladies Study @ Carol Franks' Home – 6:30-8:00 pm |
| * | Wed. | Mar. 17 th ... | "Happy St. Patrick's Day"
Awana – KFC – H.S. Youth Ministries |

SERVANT SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, March 14th ...

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| * | Nursery | Jason Norman |
| * | Greeters | Linda Morine |
| * | Fellowship | Julie Norman |
| * | Scripture | Susie Knickel |