

THE FRIEND OF TRUTH

Greensboro Road church of Christ

2008 Old Greensboro Road
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“Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?” (Galatians 4:16)

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Mark Brewer
Michael Hughes
Arnold Kelley
Ratna Raju Rapaka
Johnny Robertson
Will Sadler
Joe Spangler

SERVICES

SUNDAY

Classes 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

Hear the Word of God
Romans 10:17

Believe the Word of God
John 8:24

Repent of your sins
Luke 13:3

Confess your faith in Jesus
as the Son of God
Romans 10:9,10

Be Baptized for the remission
of your sins
Acts 2:38

Live faithfully
Revelation 2:10

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KeepNotes

We truly rejoice with each time of coming together. We have enjoyed many good blessing this week which have brought us great joy. However, it seems that every time we have some good news it is tempered with news that troubles and concerns.

We rejoiced Monday night with our young people as they had given time to studying the Word of God and placed second at Washington Avenue. We missed first place by only one point. Every one of our young ones had studied and helped us to achieve what we have. Keep each of these young ones in your daily prayers as they continue to be good dedicated students of the Bible. Parents, be studying Acts chapters 14 and 15 with your children so we can be even better prepared next time.

Then on Wednesday night we welcomed Brother “Cube” Rapaka to the states. He will be here for about five or six weeks visiting supporters and seeking to meet additional brethren who can help with the continuing good work that is being done in India. There was a reception following services Wednesday night which gave all of us a time to meet and visit with our missionary in India. Brother “Cube” will be speaking Wednesday night. Everyone who can needs to be with us to encourage him and to hear all about the good work being done and souls being saved in India.

We also placed a greater emphasis on building up our numbers during Bible classes. This past Lord’s Day our attendance increased by more than 10 percent. We had students present who had not been attending Bible classes regularly. We rejoice to have each and everyone who will come and study the Word of God. We are blessed with good, dedicated Bible class teachers. Each teacher works hard to be prepared to teach each class. Today begins a new quarter of study. If you have not been attending Bible classes, this is a good opportunity to begin and increase your personal knowledge and to help your children be better prepared to face the temptations that come daily in their lives.

Elder's Corner**Are You For It or Against It?**

By Dan Nichols

A few years ago the first place prize at the Idaho Falls Science Fair went to a 9th grader with a sharp eye for people's blind spot.

His project urged people to sign a petition calling for the ban or control of a substance called "dihydrogen monoxide." He cited several reasons for such action:

- * It causes excessive swelling, sweating and vomiting.
- * It is a major component in acid rain.
- * It can cause severe burns in its gaseous state.
- * Inhaling can be fatal.
- * It erodes mountains and beaches.
- * It makes automobile brake less effective.
- * It is found in tumors of terminal cancer patients.

He asked 50 people to support his proposition. Out of the 50:

- 43 signed the petition.
- 6 were undecided.
- 1 refused to sign.

The one who refused to sign, did so for a very simple reason. He knew that "dihydrogen monoxide" is quite simply put, nothing more than "water."

We live in a time when public opinion surveys carry more weight than scientific research, logical thinking or common sense. We have enshrined what people "think" the facts are above what the facts really are. Our political "spin doctors" have taught us to believe that image and perception are more important than simple truth. It all depends upon how the idea is packaged.

Not surprisingly, this kind of thinking or rather non-thinking has invaded the area of Biblical truth. People sit around a table and vote on what they "think" Jesus could have said or would have done in certain situations. We are warned about this type of thinking or attitude in 2 Timothy 4:3 where we are told "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears." We must make certain that we are students of the Bible, so that when someone suggests we incorporate false doctrine, advocate sinful desires or pursuits that we may know what the simple truth is and thus will be able to avoid heartache and sorrow. As we are admonished by Paul in Titus 1: 9 "Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers."

Just a thought!

I Corinthians 12:1-11

(The answers to the questions taken from this passage are found in the word search puzzle.)

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 E Y E W K C C N I K I S M A F H Y
 B A P T I Z E D B H S R E E I C A
 T G G O T L E G O D T T L L G S N
 K E J B L E O N E B R S L P T E D
 M E R E N N O A O N P I I Y S L V
 R I C P E U B N S I T V N Q E T B
 W X R B R U D T R X F I G K B S M
 E C O A N E E I O O K P L D R O E
 Q D B D C H T D E R E P M E T P M
 Y L A G P L G N I R A E H K S A B
 E N Y O K Z E X I E L B E E F D E
 T Q R N Q A Y S U F F E R J B N R
 X P T E A C H E R S W Y K W E A S
 V V T G K M Q Z Z C E S B N F H B

The body is one, but it has many what? Being many we are what, as also is who? For by one what you are all what into one body? This is true whether you are what or what, what or what? You have all been made to do what into one Spirit? The body is not one member but what? The foot does not say that because it is not what it is not a part of the body? The ear does not say that because it is not an what it is not of the body? If the whole body were an eye, where would be the what? If the whole body was hearing, where would be the what? God set the members in the body as it what him? The eye does not say to the hand I have no what of thee? Members which seem to be more what are necessary? Members which we think to be less what have bestowed upon them more what honor? God hath what the body? There should be no what in the body? If one member suffers than all members do what with that member? If one member is honored than all member do what with it? Ye are members of the body and members in what? God has set some in the church, first who; secondly who; thirdly who? Are all workers of what? Do all speak with what? Do all what? Paul said to covet earnestly the what? Therefore Paul would show them a more what way?

BIBLE READING FOR THE WEEK:

October:

1. ◇◇◇	Isaiah 43-44	Ps. 92	Acts 15	4. ◇◇◇	Isaiah 49-50	Ps. 95	Acts 18
2. ◇◇◇	Isaiah 45-46	Ps. 93	Acts 16	5. ◇◇◇	Isaiah 51-52	Ps. 96	Acts 19
3. ◇◇◇	Isaiah 47-48	Ps. 94	Acts 17	6. ◇◇◇	Isaiah 53-54	Ps. 97	Acts 20
				7. ◇◇◇	Isaiah 55-56	Ps. 98	Acts 21

NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Remember our sister, **Earline Franklin** in your prayers. **Diane Garland** asks that we keep her in our prayers. She is in terrible pain at this time due to her Fibromyalgia.

Robert Rickman remains in Healthsouth, room 215 by the door for rehab after surgery.

Homer Harper (Carol Willcockson's brother) has been diagnosed with cancer. The cancer has spread and she asks for our prayers. Carol is also home recovering from the flu.

Please remember in your prayers: Susan Kelly, Jae Renck, and Misty Honeycutt (Stan Honeycutt's daughter), Darrell McClung (Christy Lamb's father) **and those listed on the bulletin boards.**

Visitation Team #1 (Randy Oden & Bill Willard) will meet in the foyer after evening services to pick up their assignments.

Today is **Mission Sunday**.

Our children that participated in the **Bible Bowl** came in 2nd place.

We want to thank **the Berry's** for another successful fish fry and fun; also, thank you to all those that helped setting up.

Today is our **Friend Day**. We welcome all our friends with us today.

Tonight after evening services will be our **Birthday & Anniversary Celebration**. Team # 3 is in charge of desserts.

Wednesday night Brother **Ratna Raju Rapaka** will be speaking to us about the work in India during our class time.

Our **Coat Drive** will take place on October 8th from 9 – noon.

There are several **Gospel Meetings** scheduled for the month of October listed on the main bulletin board in the foyer.

Scripture of the Week: I Cor. 12:13 *“For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body...”*

**Wednesday Evening Devotional
October 5, 2011**

Our Record for September 25, 2011

<i>Sunday A. M. Worship</i>	<i>174</i>
<i>Sunday P.M. Worship</i>	<i>151</i>
<i>Wednesday Bible Study</i>	<i>142</i>
<i>Contribution</i>	<i>\$4689</i>
<i>Mission Fund</i>	<i>\$31.86</i>

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