

Beacon Light

**We live to Grow Christ's kingdom by
passionately sharing His truth in love.**

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*But when they looked up,
they saw that the stone...
had been rolled away.*

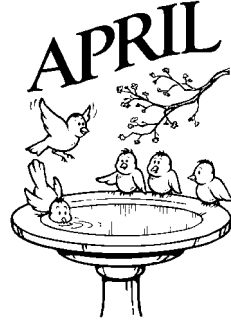


Mark 16:4



Happy Birthday

- 8 Samuel Sydow
- 9 Beulah Meek
- 14 Deardre Wampler
- 16 Becky Ervin
- 18 Patty Arthur
- 21 Wallace Smith
- 22 Courtney Maze, Daniel Sydow
- 25 Jerry Heironimus
- 27 Faith Sydow
- 28 Juanita Adams



Celebrating

An Anniversary This Month

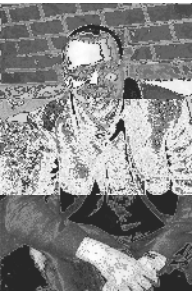
Happy 34th Anniversary to Max & Becky Nickless on April 10.



Happy 12th Anniversary to Charles & Theresa McKimmy on April 15.



Happy 13th Anniversary to Lee & Susan Miller on April 16th.



The Pastor's Page

What a month! It is hard for me to believe that just a month ago I was getting married. Lauren and I would like to express to all of you our heartfelt love and appreciation for all that you have done for us! It was such a joy to have so many from the church join us on our special day. We are so blessed to have such a great church family! We also want to thank you for the gifts, cards, and kindness that you showed. It was such a great joy to pull into the driveway at the parsonage and find my truck fixed and waiting on me! I am so thankful that I am able to serve with such a great congregation. It was such joy for Lauren and I to open all the other gifts that we received from our friends and family. There were several moments that we really felt overwhelmed by how blessed we were.

But I could not help to think about our Easter celebrations. As overjoyed as I was with the gifts that we received, none of them compared to the gift that has been given to us through Christ. Our joy, hope and more importantly our salvation comes from Him. Over the next few days please take some time to consider the gift that God has given you and choose to celebrate and worship Him because of it. Also take some time to serve him! Easter does not have to be a one time event. Instead it should be an everyday celebration of what Christ has done in your life! And part of that celebration is to remember the 4734. God wants to give them the same gift that he has given you.



UNTIMELY ANSWERED PRAYER

During the minister's prayer one Sunday, there was a loud whistle from one of the back pews. Tommy's mother was horrified. She pinched him into silence and, after church, asked, 'Tommy, whatever made you do such a thing?' Tommy answered soberly, 'I asked God to teach me to whistle, and He did!'



NEWS FROM THE PEWS

NEW MEMBER—On Sunday, March 14th, Sean York came forward and joined our church in membership. We welcome Sean and his wife Bobette, who is already a member, with open arms into the FBC family.

COMMUNITY DINNER—The church doors were opened once again to the community to come and fellowship with one another and enjoy a wonderful free meal. Many were served and meals were delivered to our homebound members. The last Sunday of each month, a Free Community Meal is held in the church.

OUR CONDOLENCES—Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Jane Howard. Jane, a long time member of the church passed away on February 11th. Jane was born on September 15, 1920 and is now walking the streets of gold with her heavenly Father. Please remember this family in your prayers during this time.

OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS—Our thoughts and Prayers are with the family of Jim Messer. Jim went home to be with the Lord on Friday, March 26th. He leaves behind his wife Kelly, daughters Megan & Lindsey and his mother Emily Ellerman. They know they will see him again in their heavenly home, but we ask that you keep them in your prayers during this very difficult time.

BIG THINGS HAPPEN IN SMALL GROUPS - Small groups will be meeting soon at FBC and run through June. These are the classes being offered; *Evangelism 101*

The Treasure Principal Workshop

Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage

Paul the Apostle, What Culture Doesn't Want You to Hear

Laugh Again, Experiencing Outrageous Joy.

You can find more information in the church bulletin or call the church office at 735-4474.

2010 SUMMER CAMP SCHEUDLE

Have you signed up for Church Camp yet? If not, here is the schedule for this year.

Camp	Grade	Date	Cost
College	Ages 19-24	June 3-5	\$70.00
Backpacking A	10th and 11th	June 6-12	\$240.00
Teen	9th and 10th	June 6-12	\$225.00
Backpacking B	8th and 9th	June 13-19	\$240.00
Trailblazer	5th and 6th	June 13-19	\$225.00
Backpacking C	6th and 7th	June 20-26	\$240.00
Explorer	2nd and 3rd	June 20-22	\$100.00
Discovery A	3rd and 4th	June 23-26	\$125.00
Senior High	11th - 10 Grads	June 27-July 3	\$225.00
Special Persons	Ages 14 and up	July 4-8	\$160.00
1st Timers	K and 1st	July 9-10	\$65.00
Challenge	7th and 8th	July 11-17	\$225.00
Music, Art & Drama	6th -9th	July 18-24	\$225.00
Discovery B	4th and 5th	July 25-29	\$155.00

- If you are a member of Bicknell First Baptist, you can turn your forms into the church office, otherwise, submit your forms to
Debbie McCray
Indian Creek Baptist Camp
1770 Avoca Eureka Road
Bedford, IN 47421
- Camper attend camp based on grade entering in fall 2010.
- **Registration deadline two weeks before start date of camp.**
indiancreek@abc-indiana.org
(812) 279-2161

BEWARE OF TERRORIST GROUPS IN THE CHURCH

Latest new reports are that five terrorist cell groups have been operating in many of our churches. They have been identified as:

Bin Sleepin
Bin Arguin
Bin Complainin
Bin Missin

Their leader, Lucifer Bin Workin, trained these groups to destroy the Body of Christ. The plan is to come into the church disguised as Christians and to work within the church to discourage, disrupt, and destroy...

However, there have been reports of a sixth group. A tiny cell known by the name Bin Prayin is actually the only effective counter terrorism force in the church. Unlike other terrorist cells, the Bin Prayin team does not blend in with whoever and whatever comes along.

Bin Prayin does whatever is needed to up life and encourage the Body of Christ. We have noticed that the Bin Prayin cell group has different characteristics than the others. They have Bin Watchin, Bin Waitin, Bin Fastin, and Bin Longin for their Master, Jesus Christ to return.

NO CHURCH IS EXEMPT!

(However, you can spot them if you bin lookin)

REDNECK CHURCH

1. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ... The finance committee refuses to provide funds for the purchase of a chandelier because none of the members knows how to play one.

2. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ... People ask, when they learn that Jesus fed the 5000, whether the two fish were bass or catfish, and what bait was used to catch 'em.

3. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ... When the pastor says, "I'd like to ask Bubba to help take up the offering," five guys and two women stand up.

4. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ... Opening day of deer season is recognized as an official church holiday.

5. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if... A member of the church requests to be buried in his 4 wheel-drive truck because "It ain't never been in a hole it couldn't get out of." (Love it!)

6. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ... In a congregation of 500 members, there are only seven last names in the church directory.

7. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ... People think "rapture" is what you get when you lift something to heavy.

8. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ... The baptismal pool is a #2 galvanized " Wheeling" washtub.

9. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ...The collection plates are really hubcaps from a '56 Chevy.

10. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if ... The minister and his wife drive matching pickup trucks.

11. You Know You're in a Redneck Church if... "Thou shall not covet" applies to huntin' dogs, too.

12. You know You're in a Redneck Church if ...The final words of the benediction are, "Y'all come back now, Ya hear"

God Bless Y'all ... and don't fergit ta say yer prayers!

DOOR GREETERS

April 4	1st Service	Lois Wampler
	2nd Service	Doug & Abby Sydow
April 11	1st Service	Randy & Sharon Hobson
	2nd Service	Kayla Ramsey
April 18	1st Service	Glenda Reynolds
	2nd Service	Steve & Andi Hart
April 25	1st Service	Sara Heller
	2nd Service	Beverly & Grace Jones

USHERS

April 4	1st Service	Gary & Christina Byrer Mitch & Carla Arthur
	2nd Service	Luke Sydow, Caleb Sydow, Micah Sydow & Ben McVay
April 11	1st Service	David Overton, Mitch Arthur Don Hart & Todd Ervin
	2nd Service	Becky & Tali Boyles Beverly & Grace Jones
April 18	1st Service	Nina Mahan, Sharon Hobson, Melissa Overton & Becky Ervin
	2nd Service	Doug & Bonnie Sydow Steve & Andi Hart
April 25	1st Service	Tom & Alberta Burnett Don & Margaret Hart
	2nd Service	Luke Sydow, Caleb Sydow, Micah Sydow & Ben McVay

SCRIPTURE READERS

April 4	1st Service	Christina Byrer
	2nd Service	Nicole Hagemeyer
April 11	1st Service	Alberta Burnett
	2nd Service	Andrew Maze
April 18	1st Service	Sharon Alexander
	2nd Service	Lauren Alexander
April 25	1st Service	Sharon Hobson
	2nd Service	Bonnie Sydow

YOUTH CHURCH WORKERS

April 4	2nd Service	Dusty McKimmy
April 11	2nd Service	Kayla Ramsey
April 18	2nd Service	Carol Maze
April 25	2nd Service	Helen Maze

OUR TITHES AND ATTENDANCE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Worship Services</u>	<u>Offering</u>
March 7	47	134	\$2,682.69
March 14	46	115	\$1,657.75
March 21	62	161	\$4,902.81
March 28	64	155	\$2,063.83
		Average Offering	\$2,826.77
		Average Needed*	\$3,060.87

*Please note that the average needed is without a full time youth pastor.
The average needed with a full time youth pastor is \$3448.22



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