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From The Pastor's Study

The ordination service for Patrick on Sunday was full of mixed emotions for me. I was thankful and grateful for the time to serve with Patrick, to get to know him and his family, and to see God work in powerful ways through him. I was also saddened to see him leave us and wishing the time could have been longer.

It is hard to find something permanent in this life. Friends come into our lives and then move on. We go through years of wonderful health and also deal with times of illness. Jobs can be fulfilling and rewarding and then frustrating. This instability can be the source of much of our stress and worry. We all want to find something that will not shift under our feet and remain constant in our lives

Our desire to find something permanent and stable can only be found in the God who is the same yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13:8). Only the love of God remains forever and can enable us to find peace (1 Corinthians 13). As we seek to know God more, we find a stability and strength that will sustain us through the changes we all experience.

While we may serve in different places, our connection to those who love God and trust God never ends. When we

share the same mission and are seeking the same Kingdom, we are bound together by love for a lifetime.

On the journey together,

Greg

Thinking Theology: What Those Words Mean

Apostle: Apostle comes from the Greek word that means "one who is sent." While it usually refers to the 12 Apostles chosen by Jesus, it can also be applied to a church leader who has the role of an apostle in the contemporary Church.

Aramaic: An ancient language related to Hebrew that is found in both the Old and New Testaments. It was probably the primary language spoken by Jesus and His contemporaries.

Archangel: A chief or head angel in the hierarchy of angels. The term is used in I Thessalonians and Jude.

Got a term you hear in church but wonder what it really means? Send Pastor Greg a note and he will feature it in an upcoming Thinking Theology.



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Mark Your Calendar!

2013 Book Club

Let's read some great books together! During the year, we will study five books that are wonderful guides to the Christian life. Our third book is *The Divine Conspiracy* by Dallas Willard. This book challenges us to think about how God acts in the world and the motivations behind our own actions. Pick it up and start reading now, and we'll discuss it during the Wednesday night Bible Study meetings in June and July. Other books in our series are:

Beginning to Pray by Anthony Bloom, September and October
Three Simple Rules by Rueben P. Job, November and December

Living the Journey: Thanks!

Thank you to everyone who helped to make *Living the Journey* a great study! Thanks to everyone who brought food, transported folks, and to all the students who showed up and made it so special.

ATS: After The Sermon Class

Sermons are mostly one way communication. The preacher talks, you listen. We're going to try and make the sermon a conversation in 2013 with our ATS Class (After The Sermon Class). Join us in the fellowship hall after the ARISE service for a discussion about the sermon topic of the day. Most Sundays it will be lead by the preacher of the day, but we'll also have others lead the discussion. If

you are not currently involved in a Sunday School class, come and join us!

May 11: Big Lake Flea Market Opportunities

Two great ways for you to support CBC on May 11:

- 1) OIAM will have a booth at the flea market to raise money for projects. Please donate your gently used stuff (no large appliances, please) to the sale by calling Jim and Cindy Meyer at 434-738-3056 to schedule a pick up. Booth hours are 8 am – 3 pm and volunteers are needed to staff the booth. If you're able to help out, please let Jim or Cindy know what time slot works best for you.
- 2) The youth will be selling flowers at their booth. Please stop by and pick up a beautiful plant and help the youth get to camp!

May 19: Parent Child Dedication Service

If you would like to have your child dedicated, please contact Gay Dodson by May 5th.

Graduate Recognition June 2

We will honor those graduating from High School and College on June 2nd at our 11 am service. Please contact the church office no later than May 20th if you are graduating this year so we can recognize you.

OIAM Is Coming September 21!

OIAM stands for "Operation In As Much" and refers to the command of Jesus in Matthew 25 that in as much as we cared



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for others, we cared for Jesus. Make plans to join us on September 21 as we serve others in the love of Christ.

CBC Encouragers:

"CBC Encouragers" Relay for Life team extends a special thank you to our church family. You supported us through our meals, bows, luminaries, contributions, making cakes and homemade ice cream. Your generosity helped us raise \$5867.00. You are an awesome church.

Thanks again,
Patsy & Paul, Glenna, Donna, Cathy,
Stephen, Suzi, Betty Jean, Connie, Larry &
Jane, George & Margaret



Coming Up At CBC:

- May 2: MCC Meeting
- May 5: Brotherhood Breakfast, Josh and Jessica Hearne Leading Worship
- May 6: Deacon's Meeting
- May 11: Youth Plant Sale and OIAM Sale in Downtown Clarksville
- May 12: Mother's Day, Pre-School Children Singing
- May 19: Parent Child Dedication Service at 11 am
- May 22: Last Wednesday Night Meal until September
- May 27: Memorial Day, Church Office Closed
- May 29: No Wednesday Night Activities
- June 2: Graduate Recognition
- June 3: Deacon's Meeting
- June 5: Summer Wednesday Night Bible Study Begins
- June 16: Father's Day
- June 26-28 CBF National Meeting in Greensboro NC

Did You Know?

- The ARISE band played at Relay for Life and at Concord Baptist Church in April?
- The Living The Journey class ended with a cookout?
- We already have over 50 people signed up for OIAM projects?
- We have 13 OIAM projects?
- The After The Sermon class (ATS) meets in the fellowship hall?
- You can get some great chocolate for your mom and help with mission projects at the same time?
- We are finding grace, mercy, salvation and hope every time we worship together?



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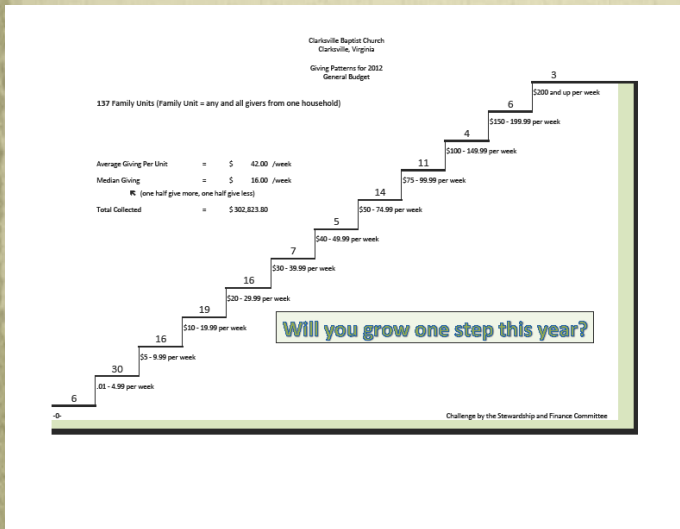
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Stewardship Campaign:



With a list of ideas for the new site, we set out on a journey to code a site that would be less-prone to failure, and one that would be user friendly in both a PC and Mobile Web world.

The result? The all-new ClarkvilleBaptist.org. The site offers several new features including a form to submit 'Prayer Request,' information on our services, a better way to see where we are located, and a home page that has current events, news items, etc.

Because of the new site we needed somewhere to share all of the great photos from our old site, so we added a new media section just for pictures. You can check that out by visiting, <http://media.clarksvillebaptist.org>.

New CBC Web Site: We are pleased to announce the all-new <http://www.clarksvillebaptist.org/>. We have spent many hours over several months working on the all-new site and we hope it will be a place where we as a Church can grow online.

The idea for a new site started several months ago when our old site failed during what should have been a normal, minor update. John D. Rockefeller once said, "I always tried to turn every disaster into an opportunity," and this is what the Web Team did.

We started out by seeing what was popular with our current site at the time, and what other churches were doing on their sites. We looked at hundreds of different church websites from around the world--some were easy to navigate, while others not so much.

We look forward to expanding the site over time and we hope that you will find it useful, and informational at the same time.

Thank you!
Zachary and the CBC Tech Committee / Web Team

Missions

Operation Inasmuch:

The Operation Inasmuch team has identified 13 local mission projects including home improvements for a local family. Fundraisers will continue each month as we try to fund this much needed construction effort as well as projects for the homeless and others. Volunteers are still needed and we need your help! Please let Cindy Meyer know you want to help with OIAM and share God's love with our local community.



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CBC has a booth at the local flea market on 11 May and we are looking for gently used items to donate. Proceeds from the sales will go towards OIAM. Please call Cindy & Jim Meyer at 434-738-3056 to arrange a pick up of your donated items. Volunteers to staff the booth are also needed so, please let them know if you will be willing to help out with the booth on 11 May.

A gift box of chocolate dipped strawberries and chocolate covered pretzels is available for \$10 for Mother's Day. Place your order with Evelyn Allen, Suzi Moore or Cindy Meyer and your gift will be available to pick up in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, 12 May (Mother's Day) from 9 am to 1 pm. All proceeds will go towards OIAM projects.

Look for the "Quarters for Laundry" jar and feed the cause! Please don't donate coins other than quarters. And, of course, paper bills are always welcome! The jar will be located either in Fellowship Hall or the vestibule area. Proceeds will go towards the purchase of laundry detergent and feeding the machines on OIAM Day.

Panama Missions

Moises, a Panamanian Pastor, recently visited the Concord Baptist Association. Since his visit, several people have expressed interest for a mission trip to Panama. We believe there is need with children and construction. A trip is being planned for later this year and perhaps another trip in early 2014. If you are interested in participating in a missions trip to Panama, please let Cindy Meyer know and your name will be added to the list of participants.

Laughter is Good for the Soul

Submitted by Betty Rodenhizer

"Margaret and John had been married a long time; Margaret was hinting about what she wanted for their upcoming anniversary. She said I want something shiny and goes from 0 to 150 in just three seconds. John bought her a bathroom scale. John's dead now!"

Conversations With My Father

Submitted by Cindy Meyer

I am humbled. I am awed by your love and inspired by your patience. I confess that in the midst of my pain I am short tempered and simply wish to be left alone. But, I have learned that when I'm engaged in Your work, the pain is barely noticeable, a mere ache as a reminder of my weakness and vulnerability. Yet, when I get moving onto the business of my life, You know that life I get so wrapped up in and in which I don't include You, the ache becomes a radiating pain limiting my abilities, making me dependent on others. Suddenly it's not about others but about me. It was just this morning I was in the midst of such a self-pity party. How was I going to accomplish all my errands in the midst of the pain? In the instant I lashed out at someone I love, I saw You. I saw you beaten and bloody barely able to stand under the weight of the cross you carried. Yet, you walked with love in your eyes. I saw you on the Cross still with love in your eyes for the people who persecuted you and patience in your voice as You asked our Father to forgive them. When the haunting visions faded, I realized the pain had faded with them.



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Shamed by my weakness, I turned from my self-pity and re-focused on You. I came back to You. My imperfect self is back humbled, awed and inspired by You. I think I should like to hold your hand this day and depend on your strength to hold me up. I will be with You and You with me and I will walk as though I were 20. We can accomplish a lot this day, You and I. And, since I know You won't mind, I'll reach for you again tomorrow. Yes, Jesus, we can accomplish a lot You and I.

Recipe Box

Submitted by Donna Dennis

Easy Pineapple Nut Cake

**2 cups sugar
2 cups plain flour
2 eggs
2 tsp. baking soda
1/4 tsp salt
1 can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple**

Stir and pour into 9" x 13" pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes.

**Topping:
1 stick margarine
1 small (5 oz.) can evaporated milk
1 cup sugar
1 cup chopped pecans
1/2 bag coconut (1 cup)**

Boil 5 min. and pour over warm cake.







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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Note* Every Sunday</u> 9:00 ARISE 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship</p>			<p><u>1 Note* Every Wed</u> 6:30 Mission Sparks 6:30 Mission Friends 6:30 Adult Bible Study</p>	<p><u>2</u> 7:00 MCC Meeting Catherine Scott Birthday</p>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
<p><u>5</u> 8:00 Brotherhood Breakfast</p>	<p><u>6</u> 5:45 Children's Committee Meeting 7:00 Deacon's Meeting</p>	<p><u>7</u> 6:30 Youth Committee Meeting</p>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<p><u>11</u> Youth Plant Sale 8:00AM—2:00PM </p>
<p><u>12</u> Mother's Day  Children Sing at 11</p>	<p><u>13</u> 7:00 Rosa Liipfert Circle Meeting</p>	<p><u>14</u> 7:00 WHM Meeting</p>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<p><u>18</u> Armed Forces Day </p>
<p><u>19</u> Parent/ Child Dedication</p>	<u>20</u>	<p><u>21</u> 12PM Prime Time Luncheon</p>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>
<u>26</u>	<p><u>27</u> Memorial Day </p>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>	



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