

The Family Circle



Kearney

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Sunday, March 7th, 2010

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Bible Classes 9:30

Bible Classes For All Ages

Morning Worship 10:30

Sermon: *Jay Towell*

Evening Worship 6:00

Sermon: *Jay Towell*

Wednesday 7:00

Bible Classes For All Ages

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! We are so glad that you are with us today. If there is any way that we can be of service to you we would appreciate you letting us know. We hope you can stay around after our services for a few minutes so that we can get to know you, and come back whenever possible.

In Our Prayers This Week

Murl Lahm - was released from the hospital Friday.

Donna Osborn - fell and injured her knee and is bruised, but is improving.

Annette Huntley - sister-in-law of Willa Whaley, is ill and needs our prayers.

Valerie King - Paula (Allen) King's 5 year old granddaughter, has many health issues. They are asking for our prayers.

Bill Lowrey - father of Tami Hirschfeld, his pacemaker insertion has been postponed while he has further testing. Please keep him in your prayers.

Also please pray for these people; Cindi McCourt, Don Holmes, Victor Zapata, Kami Millspaugh and Dean Phillips.

BABY SHOWER

We will be having a baby shower for Jill and Malia Brown on Sunday, March 28th at 2 p.m. Many of us may not know Jill very well yet and this would be a good opportunity to get to know her better and be an encouragement to her. See Dee for shower details.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Another class has been scheduled to begin this Thursday, March 11th, at 7:00 p.m. The cost for the class materials is normally \$93 per couple, but again this session, we want to make it as affordable as possible for everyone. If you are a member or regularly attend, here you can join the class for just \$25 per couple. The class will be made available to the community for \$50 per couple. Sign up today at www.financialpeace-kearney.com

CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS

Check the bulletin board for information about the Campbell's soup labels for education.

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Remember Brother Eddie Lee will be at the building from 9-12 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

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Come back this evening at 5 p.m. for singing practice.

POT LUCK DINNER

Next Sunday is our monthly potluck dinner. Make your plans now to join us following morning services.

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**Daylight Savings time begins next Sunday. Remember to set your clocks ahead 1 hour before you go to bed Saturday night.**

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WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

*Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Minnig &
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Flanigan
Request the honor of your presence
At the marriage of their children*

*Kimberly Lynn Marie
to
Brandon James*

*On Saturday, the twenty-seventh of March
Two thousand and ten
at three o'clock in the afternoon*

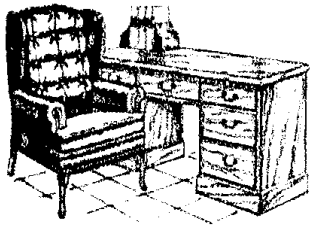
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**MOUNTAIN STATES SPRING FOOD DRIVE**

**Mountain States Children's Home is conducting their Spring Food Drive. Lists of needed items are posted on the bulletin boards up and downstairs. We need to have the items to the building by Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.**

*From the Preacher's Desk. .*



## **Burdens and Blessings**

*"Hey, Church Brother!"*

*Those are the words that always come with a big smile, and an even bigger hug from my friend, Lonnie. Lonnie is 6'4" and weighs 275. But inside, he is only 8 years old. Lonnie loves people. He especially loves me. In spite of his handicaps, he ranks among the top echelon of my truest and most loyal friends from the past 20 years.*

*I hesitate to confess to you that this was not always the case. I didn't always love Lonnie. Sometimes...many times, Lonnie was a burden. I was never rude to him. I simply found easy ways to avoid him, and others like him whose needs were large and payback was small. He (they) never knew it as far as I know. But all the while I was busy patting myself on the back for the important ministry I was doing, underneath, I was a snob.*

*Truth be told, I was busy serving myself. I had carefully and cleverly disguised it as ministry, when in reality, I was happy to serve those who could repay me in some way. It was a pleasure to "serve" old Brother Bill and Sister Hazel, because I knew they would brag about me to everyone at church next Sunday. I looked forward to "serving" in some public capacity where my talents were in the spotlight.*

*One time Jesus wondered out loud about this strange but common ailment that seems to strike us all.*

*If you only love those who love you, what reward will you get?*

*Even the tax collectors do that! And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing more than others? Even pagans do that! (Mt 5)*

*Serving and sacrifice is not to be reserved for those who can repay you. Genuine, Christlike service is done also for those who will never repay.*

*The Seattle Special Olympics had only nine contestants entered to run the 100-yard dash. All of them were children who were physically or mentally handicapped. When the gun sounded, they took off, each one hoping to win the race. Every parent and relative cheered them on, calling out their names and encouraging them.*

*As they ran, nearing the finish line, one boy stumbled, fell to the ground and began to cry. Upon hearing him, the other eight slowed down and looked back. Their hearts went out to him and one by one they turned back to help him to his feet. Nobody was thinking about winning anymore. A comrade was in trouble. A little girl with Down's Syndrome kissed him on the cheek and said, "This will make it better."*

*All nine contestants linked arms and walked together to the finish line while parents and friends cheered and wiped away tears, witnessing this remarkable act of compassion and love for another.*

*Sometime, if we're lucky, we will all experience a moment like that - when our own agenda is put on hold and what matters most is helping others win. At least that's one way to turn a burden into a blessing.*

*Have a blessed week - child of the King!*

**Jay**

## Those Who Are Serving

|                             | <u>Today</u>                        | <u>March 14<sup>th</sup></u>        |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Announcements               | David Spencer                       | David Spencer                       |
| Song Leader                 | Larry Houtz                         | Ken Whaley                          |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Prayer      | Larry Gates                         | Jerry Ridgley                       |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prayer      | Dennis Edwards                      | Don Holmes                          |
| Lord's Supper               |                                     |                                     |
| Presiding:                  | Allen Crawford                      | Allen Crawford                      |
| Serving:                    | Doug Houtz                          | Doug Houtz                          |
|                             | Chuck Johnson                       | Chuck Johnson                       |
|                             | Gary Wiles                          | Gary Wiles                          |
| Scripture Reading           | Bryan Becker                        | Billy Clubb                         |
| Closing Prayer              | Scott Helgeson                      | Sonny Sidlo                         |
| Song Leader                 | Jarrold Allen                       | Eddie Lee                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Prayer p.m. | Dan Hirschfeld                      | Dennis Edwards                      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prayer p.m. | Chuck Johnson                       | Craig Martin                        |
| Closing Prayer              | Doug Houtz                          | Larry Houtz                         |
| Eve. Communion              | Chuck Johnson                       | Chuck Johnson                       |
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| <b>Wednesday</b>            | <b><u>March 10<sup>th</sup></u></b> | <b><u>March 17<sup>th</sup></u></b> |
| Singing                     | Craig Martin                        | Ed Spencer                          |
| Scripture                   | Chuck Johnson                       | Gary Wiles                          |
| Treats                      | Aileen Johnson                      | Bethany Stanger                     |

### ELDERS

Drew Arnold, Dennis Edwards, Dan Hirschfeld,  
Ed Lee and David Spencer

### MINISTER

Jay Towell

**Question of the week:** What leprous army commander, told to wash in the Jordan for healing, preferred to wash in the Abana or Parpar rivers of his homeland?

**Last week's question and answer:** What man, described in Acts as "full of faith and of the Holy Spirit", was one of seven chosen to relieve the apostles of waiting on tables? Stephen (Acts 6:1-5)