

**NEWS & NOTES—April 12, 2009**

**HOSPITAL/SICK:** Shawn Gott (now home), Alice Baugh (broken arm, surgery pending), Carrie Smith, Genevieve Brandon (HealthSouth).

**PRAYER LIST:** Earl Baker, Juanita Baugh, Helen Brochey, Bill Cullen, Eva Cullen, Pauline Grissel, Jerry Houston, Linda Inboden, Nelma Kent, Glenda Lane, Tommy McAdams, Bryan Nichols, Josephine Pearce, Maxine Rose, Jewel Watkins, Earl Whittingham, Freida Williams, and Earvin & Nettie B. Shirley.

**WED. (4/15):** Tom McAdams, speaker,  
Meal: Chicken Strips (please bring side items)

**PANTRY ITEM:** Instant Potatoes or Stuffing

**COIN CANS...** have arrived from the Children's Home and are available for pickup on our foyer tables. Cans are due back in mid-September.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- 4/14--Nursing Home Birthday Party, 2:00pm
- 4/19--Elders & Deacons meeting at 4:00pm
- 4/26--VBS meeting at 4:00 in the Library
- 5/3--Potluck for Graduates after morning services
- 5/9--Work day/Houseraising at the Jill Sandlin house (ask Richard for directions), 8:00am

**YOUTH EVENTS for 7th grade and Up:**

- April 18--meet for food and fun at the church building, 4:00pm
- May 29-31--Camp Tahkodah Teen Retreat

**LADIES DAY:** at Viva Dr. Church of Christ April 18 from 10:00am-1:00pm

**APPLICATIONS...** are in for Crowley's Ridge Youth Summer Camp. If you are interested, the applications are in the foyer.

**LAST CALL:** If you are graduating from high school or college please let the office know today.



When I read obituaries that include the "preceded in death by..." line, I know what people are saying. Yet I can't help but think, "really preceded in death by billions..." because death has so far been universal and I see no prospect for that changing.

What's more significant is that we have been "preceded in resurrection" by only One--Jesus Christ alone--who promises one as glorious as His for us! -RA

*Mr. & Mrs. Charles Griffin  
and  
Mr. & Mrs. Kent McDaniel  
request the honor of your presence  
at the marriage of their children  
Melissa Marie  
and  
Von Alan  
on Saturday the twenty-fifth of April  
two thousand nine  
at three o'clock in the afternoon  
Southwest Church of Christ  
A reception will follow in the  
Better Life Center*

RECORD / Week of 4/5/09

AM Class -----	155
AM Worship -----	275
PM Worship -----	125
Wed. Class -----	111
Contribution -----	\$5970

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those same jobs (and perhaps others). Watch soon for announcements regarding VBS volunteer meetings.

An announcement was made Sunday about the sale of the Red Brick building netting the church about \$90K. The bulk of that—70K—has been applied to the building principal. Applying that amount, what was once a 30-year payoff has been trimmed to a 19-year payoff, a great, great accomplishment! Thus far God has richly blessed us and we pray that He continues to show us His favor regarding this financial responsibility.

We've called Olan Mills and they are giving us an April 23<sup>rd</sup> shipping date for our pictorial directories. So it looks like we'll be handing them out about May 1<sup>st</sup>, a couple of weeks later than I thought.

Our Youth and Family Minister search has now yielded four applicants. The Search Committee is busy checking out their credentials. They have all been sent a fairly extensive list of questions to answer and return. We anticipate no interviews before May.

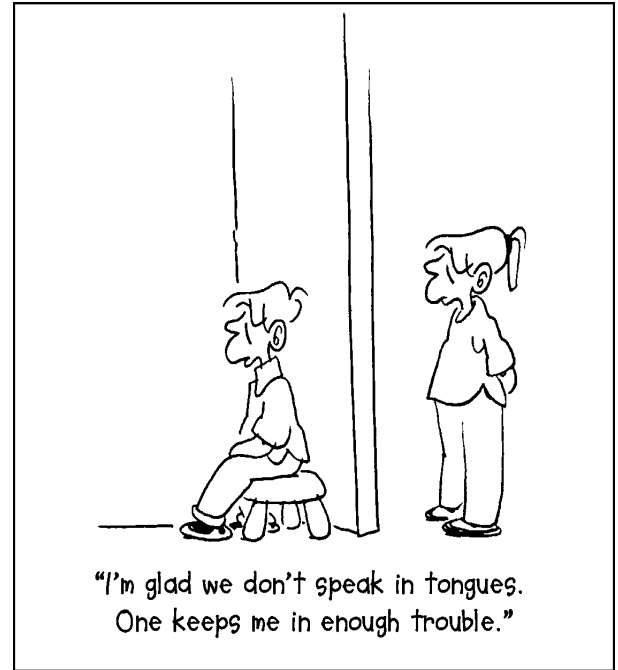
This week's fishing tip: Don't talk about what you've accomplished, talk about how God has blessed you, don't wish out loud for something you don't have, express thanks for what you do have, don't talk about "luck," talk about God's plan and care and provision. Giving Him the glory and meaning it is powerful bait.

**WIT AND WISDOM**

Don't let your worries get the best of you; remember, Moses started out as a basket case.

Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited until you try to sit in their pews.

It is easier to preach ten sermons than it is to live one.



  
**Wedding Showers**

**Amanda Cooper**  
April 19, 2009  
1:30-3:00  
in the Fellowship Hall

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**Mallory Flemon**  
April 26, 2009  
1:30-3:00  
in the Fellowship Hall

**Morning Services, April 12, 2009**

Opening Prayer: Carroll Thetford  
Reading: Alan Keith (Matt. 28:1-6)

Closing Prayer: Gynn Arnold  
Communion Prayer: Perry Jones

Table-East  
Bill Swindle  
Jimmy Felkins  
Ken Jones  
Floyd Howard

Table-West  
Dale Moody  
Don Coggin  
Kevin James  
Jamey Felkins

**Evening Services**

Opening Prayer: Lanny Shirley  
Foyer and Halls: Alan Keith

Closing Prayer: Arvis Shirley

**Morning Services, April 19, 2009**

Opening Prayer: Donald Jones  
Reading: Lorne Hazlewood (1 Jno. 3:18; Rom. 12:1-2)

Closing Prayer: Shawn Gott  
Communion Prayer: Tony Sauser

Table-East  
Justin Welch  
Mike Tolbert  
Travis Kimberling  
Nick Tate

Table-West  
Gynn Arnold  
Michael Montgomery  
Cameron Baldrige  
Wes McBroom

**Evening Services**

Opening Prayer: Cameron Baldrige  
Foyer and Halls: Darrell Parks

Closing Prayer: Donnie Brooks

**ELDERS:** Danny Blalock (935-7693), Donald Jones (932-7654), Arvis Shirley (935-7574), Carroll Thetford (935-3269)  
**DEACONS:** Gynn Arnold (972-0305), Rick Griffin (932-2724), Kenny James (932-5975), Alan Keith (932-5075), Wilson Lane (935-7649), Tommy McElrath (935-9707), John Owens (935-5857), Darrell Parks (935-4664), Gaylon Tate (972-1252)  
**MINISTER:** Richard Akins (919-8925), e-mail: richakins@yahoo.com  
**MISSIONS:** CCCM-ASU, Families First, Africa, and Church Of Christ Disaster Relief.  
**SERVICES SCHEDULE:** SUNDAY: Classes, 9:00am, Worship, 9:50am and 5:30pm, WEDNESDAY: Classes, 6:45pm  
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# PRO BONO

*Bono Church of Christ Newsletter*

April 12, 2009 (15/09)

Welcome Easter guests. We're delighted to have you and hope you will find occasions to be with us more and more. We'd count it a privilege to have some opportunity to serve you. Bono members, put on your meeting and greeting hats and give everyone Bono's warmest welcome.

I will be away tonight speaking at Hoxie on behalf of the ASU campus ministry. You'll have the delight of hearing **Tony Sauser** and I thank him in advance for the spiritual feast he'll serve up.

We are now within calendar-sight of our 2009 VBS—STUDIO GO—which begins Father's Day, June 21 and ends Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. **Susan Martin** will again direct VBS and we say thanks to her in advance for the great work we know she will do. Next year's co-directors have been named—**Andrea Tate** and **Mikah Felkins** will be "shadowing" **Susan** to learn all her VBS director's secrets.

As for everyone else, let me remind you how many people were involved to make last year's VBS the smashing success it was. We'll need that many people again (and maybe more) doing

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**Next Week's Sermon:**  
**The Strength of Sacrifice**



*On the first day of the week, the women went to the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.*  
**Luke 24:1-3**

**"Come, follow me... I will make you fishers of men..." [Matthew 9:19]**