

**NEWS & NOTES—April 5, 2009**

**HOSPITAL/SICK:** **Carrie Smith, Genevieve Brandon** (Earvin's sister)--moved to HealthSouth; **Linda Inboden** and **Nettie B. Shirley** are now home; **Shannon Reed** (soldier with **Dustin Stinson** in Iraq)--motorcycle accident; **Kelly Henderson; Allen Williams.**

**PRAYER LIST:** **Earl Baker, Juanita Baugh, Helen Brochey, Bill Cullen, Eva Cullen, Pauline Grissel, Jerry Houston, Nelma Kent, Glenda Lane, Bryan Nichols, Josephine Pearce, Maxine Rose, Jewel Watkins, Earl Whittingham, Freida Williams and Donald Jones.**

**RESPONSE:** **Bri Hines** asked for prayers Sunday.

**WED. (4/8): Gaylon Tate,** speaker, **Meal:** Pasta

**PANTRY ITEM:** Peanut Butter.

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

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- TODAY--CCSC Board meeting at 2:00pm (Lib.)
- TODAY--**Samantha Wilson** Shower, 1:30pm
- TONIGHT--Bono Buddies at 5:30pm
- 4/12--Elders & Deacons meeting at 4:00pm
- 4/14--Nursing Home Birthday Party, 2:00pm

**A DONATION...** was made to the Building Fund in memory of **E.L. Shirley, Ruby Allen, Doug Puckett** and **J.B. Wallis** by **Cameron & Agnes Mayberry.**

**THANKS** ...to all for your cards, visits, calls, and above all your prayers. All is better now, but continue to keep me in your prayers, as I am still being watched closely. It is truly a blessing to be among Christians and for the love and concern shown to me. —**Donald, Shelby & Family**

Lonnie and I want to express our love and appreciation for the visits, letters, cards, and phone calls from you during my two weeks of hospitalization and recovery from surgery.

The battle is not over as I begin chemotherapy soon and would appreciate your continued prayers. —**Jerry B. Craft**

...for the visits and goody basket! —**Leamon Thomas**

...for the spring luncheon and including me as a guest. You did a beautiful job for all of us to enjoy. Thanks for the beautiful decorations, good food, fun, fellowship and slide show. I enjoyed getting to be there. —**Claudia Petty**

Words can never express my gratitude for the outpouring of sympathy and support shown to my family following the loss of my great granddaughter. Your cards, letters, calls and prayers touched my heart forever. Also the cards, calls, and visits through out my recent stay in the hospital. —**Lillian Bittle**

For 3-year-old **Mikey Robins** (suffering kidney failure plus other problems)

Blood Drive to be at Allison Insurance Agency, 2005 E. Highland Dr. (across parking lot from old Malco theater)

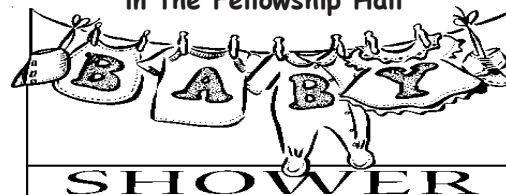
**BLOOD NEEDED** Thursday, April 9th, 10am until 3pm

Call Micah Stinson at 932-7762 or 240-5426

**RECORD / Week of 3/29/09**

AM Class .....	133
AM Worship .....	258
PM Worship .....	118
Wed. Class .....	121
Contribution .....	\$6675

**PINK Baby Shower  
Honoring Samantha Wilson  
TODAY, 1:30-3:00pm  
in the Fellowship Hall**



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to answer. Our three applicants have received them already and we await their answers.

One “awkward moment” often comes with the territory when you’re minister of a 300+ member church. Last Sunday morning after services I greeted someone pretty much in the vein of “hello, glad to have you as a Bono guest” only to discover that they have been here many times. It’s embarrassing for sure and I hate it. But honestly, in the mixing and mingling I try to do each week, despite my desire to know everybody by name and even to know some things about everybody because that tells folks how important they are to me, folks still fly under my radar.

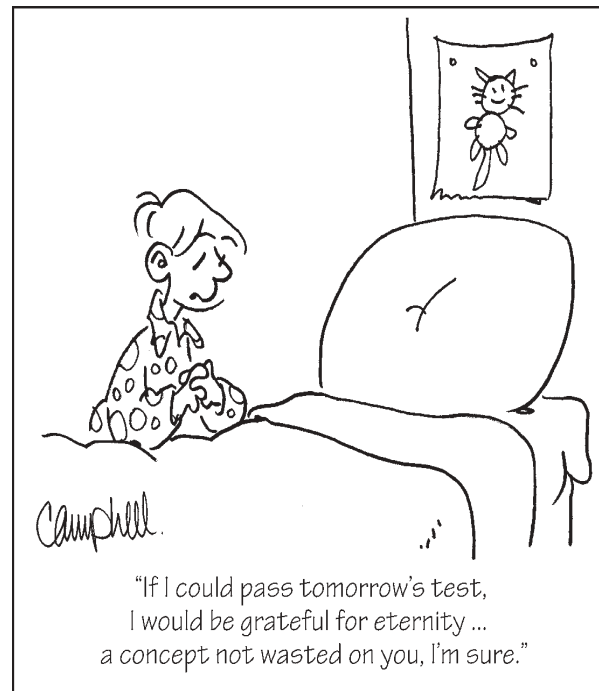
Please forgive me if I happen to not know you as well as I should. I’ll be working to improve. And if you are really big-hearted, have pity on me and just remind me of who you are—the embarrassment certainly creates a “strong learning environment” for me. The new directories (expected within a couple of weeks, we hope) will help, but, even there, alas, some were not photographed due to being “regulars but not members,” etc. So the struggle will go on.

Mikey Robbins, a three-year-old boy is very ill and in need of blood. There will be a drive Thursday morning at the Tim Alliosn Allstate Insurance Agency on Highland Drive (on the west side of the old closed Malco parking lot). If you’re able to give, God will find His way to bless your compassion. You can call **Micah Stinson** at 932-7762 04 240-5426 to sign up.

Speaking of guests, next Sunday is Easter and we’ll be having a bunch of guests. Let’s put on our meeting and greeting hats and give all our warmest welcome.

For your “fishing” technique this week, just decide to be Jesus’ hands and feet. Look for someone who has a need—“beaten and robbed,” so to speak—and give them the love of Christ in the help you give them.

Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisors.



**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 5, 2009**

Opening Prayer: Brad Martin  
Reading: Darrell Parks (Matt. 25:31-40)

Closing Prayer: Lanny Shirley  
Communion Prayer: Bill Keith

Table-East  
Donnie Brooks  
Len Sharp  
Lester Wislon  
Rick Thomas

Table-West  
Robin Castleberry  
Bill Inboden  
Ronnie Norman  
Michael Owens

**Evening Services**

Opening Prayer: Donald Jones  
Foyer and Halls: Tommy McElrath

Closing Prayer: Kenny James

**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

**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 5, 2009 (14/09)

**Bri Hines** responded Sunday morning asking for prayers. What an enormous privilege it is to pray with and for each other. And I love how we've taken to allowing no one to come to the front and sit alone. I like watching the love-fest that we have as we show our support with hugs, tears, smiles, and kind and understanding words. Don't forget **Bri** as you pray.

Tulsa is always a booster. It is a mixture of just getting away, great worship, learning from excellent teachers, picking up new ideas, enjoying fellowship with fellow-travelers and fellow-workshoppers, and seeing old acquaintances. I'd recommend it even a year in advance—plan to go next year. Tip-toeing on rather sacred ground, I know, but give up one hunting trip, shopping trip, or a weekend at the lake or in Branson and take it in. I'm predicting you'll think it's a fair exchange.

I thoroughly enjoyed my Bono couples--**Floyd & Shirley Howard, Bill & Anita Keith, and Delbert & Evalyn Tate**--as we travelled and ate (and ate, and ate!!!). Lots of area history was shared by the group. And lots of fun was had by all. **Bobby** gets the group's thanks for being the consummate van driver.

The Youth and Family Ministry Search has thus far yielded three applicants and several lesser contacts and inquiries. The committee has met each Sunday night since the process began and will continue to do so (if necessary) until God shows us our man. This past Sunday night, we cobbled together a list of twenty wide-ranging questions we want the applicants

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*“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.”*  
Colossians 3:12

**Next Week's Sermon:**

**King's Move**

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