

**NEWS & NOTES—May 31, 2009**

**HOSPITAL/SICK:** Vernell Taylor--now home after having a pacemaker installed in Memphis, **Bryan Nichols**--recovering at home after knee surgery; **Patricia Bales** had cancer surgery Wednesday in Texas and **Jacob West**.

**PRAYER LIST:** Earl Baker, Elvis Baugh, Helen Brochey, Bill Cullen, Eva Cullen, Pauline Grissel, Jerry Houston, Nelma Kent, Glenda Lane, Maxine Rose, Jewel Watkins, Earl Whittingham, Freida Williams, Jean Wilson, and Carrie Smith.

**NEXT WED. (5/27):** Carroll Thetford speaker, **Meal:** Hamburgars Please bring side items.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

TODAY--5th Sunday Contribution, 5th Sunday Night singing (**Marco Orozco** will teach new songs)  
6/9--Nursing Home Birthday Party at 2:00pm  
6/14--Elders & Deacons meeting at 4:00pm

**PANTRY ITEM:** Spagetti sauce and noodles. Pantry is very low we need all types of food.

**VBS VOLUNTEER MEETING:** TODAY, 4:30pm.

**ADDRESS CHANGE:** Lavern Tate St. Bernard's Village 1600 Heern Room 278 Jonesboro, AR. 72401

**CHILDREN'S MEETING:** 6th grade and under are invited to Facing Your Giants at Center Hill Church of Christ in Paragould June 6 from 9:00am til noon.



**June 21-24**

**Everyone's help needed!**

**Volunteer meeting today at 4:30pm in the Fellowship Hall**

**SPECIAL VBS NEEDS!!**

1. **New white twin pillow cases.**
2. **Individually wrapped popcorn, peanuts, hard candy etc. (no chocolate please).**
3. **MONEY! MONEY! MONEY! (to help pay for food and other misc. items. Please give money to Susan or Hope.**

Parents and Grandparents, please register your children at the church's website: [bonochurchofchrist.com](http://bonochurchofchrist.com) or you can pick up a registration form in the foyer. Please leave on Hope's desk.

**TEACHERS STILL NEEDED FOR THE SUMMER QUARTER. (JUNE-AUGUST).**

**WE ARE IN NEED OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT TEACHERS.**

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Our GAME SHOW VBS is now less than a month away. Some behind-the-scenes activity has been underway. However, the really visible stuff should begin to unfold over the next two weeks.

There will be a volunteer meeting this afternoon at 4:30 in the Fellowship Hall. We need all kinds of folks... cooks, kitchen helpers, counters, drama, people, teacher's helpers, and on and on. If you've a mind to volunteer and be a part, there will be some way you can help.

The VBS teaching schedule will be 95% complete with the end of activities Tuesday night. Wednesday evening will see us have a big gathering with video and drama in the auditorium and then dismiss outside to where we will have a Fun Night to replace the Fun Day activities we did last year on the Saturday morning before VBS started. We'll need a significant number of volunteers for those activities—if you want to help with that, please attend the 4:30 meeting this afternoon.

We speak often about the pantry because it is a major ministry this church supplies to the people of this community. The last few weeks, we've thanked our partners who have helped keep our pantry supplied. This blurb is to say that the month of May has seen a tremendous drain of our pantry stock and is to ask our members to reach down deep to help us keep the pantry stocked. Take note of the item mentioned weekly in the bulletin and bring some of that along or place a few dollars in the "Pantry Donations" box in the foyer.

Parents and kids, next Sunday night is our night for Bono Buddies. It begins at 5:30pm in the auditorium. I'll be away at Holden Ave. in Newport speaking on behalf of the Student Center work, but I'll have a pinch-hitter to lead along with Gabby.

Love those who are lost around you enough to try to reach them for Jesus!

**KIDS' VIEWS OF THINGS**

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late... But please don't shove me either!"

A little girl became restless as the preacher's sermon dragged on and on. Finally, she leaned over to her mother and whispered, "Mommy, if we give him the money now, will he let us go?"

A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if You can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am!"

A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" Annie replied, "Because people are sleeping."

At Sunday School they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, Johnny what is the matter? Little Johnny responded, "I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."

Two boys were walking home from Sunday school after hearing a strong preaching on the devil. One said to the other, "What do you think about all this Satan stuff?" The other boy replied, "Well, you know how Santa Claus turned out. It's probably just your dad."

RECORD / Week of 5/24/09	
AM Class .....	79
AM Worship .....	151
PM Worship .....	66
Wed. Class .....	122
Contribution .....	\$4150

**Morning Services, May 31, 2009**

Opening Prayer: Danny Blalock  
Reading: Jamey Felkins (Psa. 32:1-7)

Closing Prayer: Dale Moody  
Communion Prayer: Arvis Shirley

Table-East  
Tony Sauser  
Len Sharp  
Lester Wilson  
Rick Thomas

Table-West  
Robin Castleberry  
Bill Inboden  
Bill Lane  
Walt Sauser

**Evening Services**

Opening Prayer: Carroll Thetford  
Foyer and Halls: Tommy McElrath

Closing Prayer: Darrell Parks

**Morning Services, June 3, 2009**

Opening Prayer: Bill Keith  
Reading: Lanny Shirley (Heb. 10:19-25)

Closing Prayer: Darrell Parks  
Communion Prayer: Brad Martin

Table-East  
Donnie Brooks  
Len Sharp  
Lester Wilson  
Rick Thomas

Table-West  
Robin Castleberry  
Bill Inboden  
Ronnie Norman  
Michael Owens

**Evening Services**

Opening Prayer: Donald Jones  
Foyer and Halls: Alan Keith

Closing Prayer: Kenny James

**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:** CCSC-ASU, Families First, South 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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*Bono Church of Christ Newsletter*

May 31, 2009 (22/09)

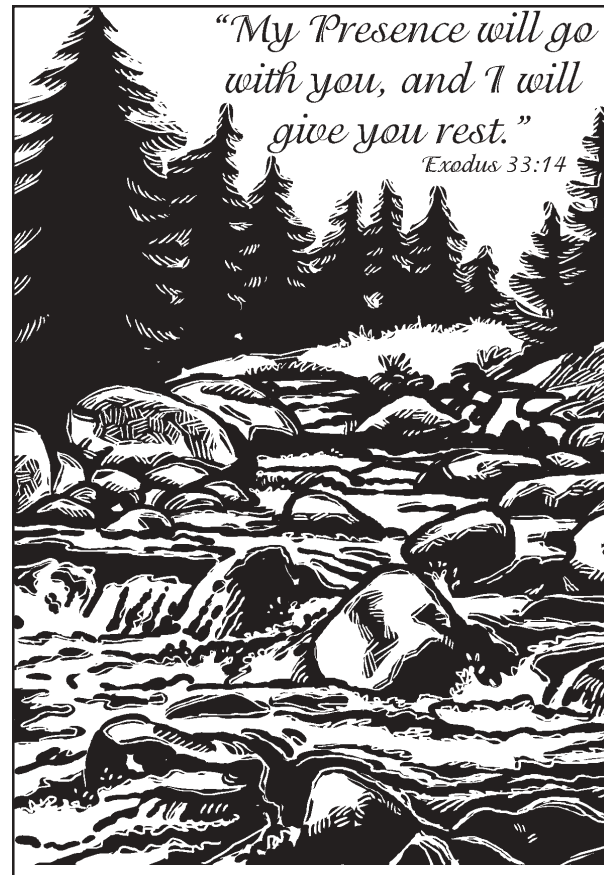
Our worship hour this morning will be a celebration of our “deliverance from bondage.” As we’ve spoken about worship, we’ve noted that the basis for worship is wonder at what God can do. It’s proper to be amazed at sunsets and the miracle of birth, but His wondrous work that touches us all is His redeeming us from a lifetime and an eternity enslaved to sin. Think over what He’s done for you and enthusiastically join in.

Tonight—a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Singing night—will be led almost in it’s entirety by **Marco Orozco**. He’ll be using most of the time to teach us new songs. Join us for a good period of worship and learning.

We had what turned out to be—in a practical way—a “perfect storm” to smash our attendance to about as low a percentage of normal attendance as we’d ever see outside an icy event. We had the first holiday weekend of the summer, a driving rain, and a shifting of service times to accommodate the activities at Trinity Cemetery. With 161 present, we were down about 120 below our average.

As always, with that kind of unusual week, we ask all who can to be conscious of the church’s needs and make up contributions. This being a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday contribution, extra contribution will be used to cover budget shortfall (if any) with any overage beyond that going into our Building Fund.

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*“My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”*  
*Exodus 33:14*

Next Sunday Sermon

**Three Ways We Worship**

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