



The Journal

OCTOBER, 2011

DAN'S DOODLES

“A time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.” (John 4: 23, 24).

These words of Jesus to “the woman at the well” are a wonderful reminder to us of the importance of “passionate worship!” Jesus indicates that worship which pleases the heart of God must grow out of an attitude that is both earnest and genuine. In fact, Jesus tells us that God is SEEKING persons who willingly connect us with the heart of God! It must touch both our mind and our heart. And friends, that is a daunting task.

My heart’s desire, and that of our worship team, is to provide a worship experience that gives us the opportunity to be passionately related to Jesus Christ! BUT WE ALL HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS. After 36 years of ministry I am convinced that those persons who find worship “passionate” come to worship with an EXPECTANT heart and mind. They have prepared themselves for worship through the week by spending time with the Lord in His Word and in prayer. And then they come on Sunday expecting God to meet them there and “speak” to their hearts and minds. Those persons encounter Jesus Christ in worship! So, maybe the Boy Scouts motto would be good for us as well. Hey, “be prepared” when you come to worship.

Oh, and I thought I would try something just to see if anyone actually reads the pastor’s articles:

“The preacher’s 5 year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day, she asked him why. “Well, honey”, he began—proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. “I’m asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon.” She though a moment and said, “How come He doesn’t answer it?”

**GOD IS SPIRIT AND HIS WORSHIPERS MUST
WORSHIP HIM IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH!!**

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OCTOBER GREETERS

*October 2 - Blevé & Jacqueline
Willoughby*

*October 9 - Marty Williams &
Bob Hearnés*

October 16 - The Taylor Burke Family

*October 23 - Jane Jackson &
Annette Robertson*

October 31 - Don & Mae McClain

**MEN’S PRAYER
BREAKFAST, SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 8 AT
7:30 A.M. THE
FAMILY LIFE CENTER.**

OCTOBER LUNCHEON TO BE HELD AT MAGNOLIA MANOR

The Historic Magnolia Manor (2700 Washington Ave., Cairo, IL) will hold a luncheon Tuesday, October 4, 2011, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A donation of \$8.00 is requested and reservations may be made by calling 618-734-0201. All proceeds are used for the upkeep of the Manor.

CHURCH FAMILY & FRIENDS!!!!

Please come to the Mississippi County Historical Society, Sunday, October 16, 2011 to help Ben B. Moore celebrate his 90th birthday. Hours are 2:00 p.m. thru 4:00 p.m. Cousins will be hosting the Birthday Party.

FALL HARVEST CELEBRATION

An All-Church Fall Harvest Celebration is set for Sunday, October 30 from 4:00 until 6:00 p.m. at the church. Everyone is welcome to come & bring a friend! Watch for more information in the up-comings Sunday Bulletins.

THANK YOU!!!

Dear Charleston UMC,

Thank you so much for taking the time to make and pray over the prayer shawl that I was presented with. It means so much!

Please continue to pray that I fulfill Gods plan for me and for the teachers, faculty and students of the Charleston School District.

Sincerely,
Tony Watkins and family

Dear friends,

Thank you for the blessing you recently brought to us. Members called on us and brought lunch to us. We received a delicious sandwich, carrot & celery sticks, a sack of fresh fruit and cookies.

I can imagine the planning involved to put this act of service together. A note attached to our paper sack was heart warming and appreciated also. Our two friends led us in prayer before departing. Another blessing!

We love our church and it's body of wonderful folks.

Thank you also for the prayers you have always lifted on the behalf of our family.

Love in Christ,
Nina & Herb Marshall

Teach me thy way, O Lord; I will walk in thy truth. (Psalm 86:11)

Seeing the neighborhood children walk toward the bus stop on the first day of school prompted me to pull out a notebook page on which I keep an A to Z list culled from my Bible. As a child I memorized many of the short sentences. The rest I intend to learn. They're reminders of how I want to live out the Word by what I do, what I know and what I pray. Master, Teacher, I want to be Your lifelong student.

By Evelyn Bence

A - Awake, awake; put on thy strength....(Isaiah 52:1)
 B - Be ye kind....(Ephesians 4:32)
 C - Create in me a clean heart, O God....(Psalm 51:10)
 D - Do all to the glory of God....(I Corinthians 10:31)
 E - Every perfect gift is from above....(James 1:17)
 F - Fear not: for I am with thee....(Isaiah 43:5)
 G - Give us this day our daily bread. (Matthew 6:11)
 H - Hear my prayer, O God....(Psalm 54:2)
 I - In the beginning God created....(Genesis 1:1)
 J - Jesus himself drew near....(Luke 24:15)
 K - Keep thy tongue from evil....(Psalm 34:13)
 L - Let us love one another....(I John 4:7)
 M - Mercy shall follow me all the days of my life....(Psalm 23:6)
 N - Now is the day of salvation....(II Corinthians 6:2)
 O - O sing unto the Lord a new song....(Psalm 98:1)
 P - Pray without ceasing....(I Thessalonians 5:17)
 Q - Quicken me, O Lord....(Psalm 143:11)
 R - Rejoice in the Lord your God....(Joel 2:23)
 S - Seek ye first the kingdom of God....(Matthew 6:33)
 T - Trust in the Lord....(Proverbs 3:5)
 U - Unto thee, O God, we give thanks....(Psalm 75:1)
 V - The very hairs of your head are all numbered. (Matthew 10:30)
 W - We are laborers together with God....(I Corinthians 3:9)
 X - Exercise thyself...unto godliness....(I Timothy 4:7)
 Y - Yield yourselves unto the Lord....(II Chronicles 30:8)
 Z - Zion heard, and was glad....(Psalm 97:8)

COMMUNION AT THE MANOR

We will serve **Holy Communion** at the Charleston Manor on Wed., October 5, 9:30 a.m. You are invited to come and share in the service.

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Minds, Open Doors*

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DISCIPLES*

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Vonna Hunter
- 2 - Dorothy McDowell
- 4 - Holt Dugan, Thomas Starr & Abby Malugen
- 5 - Brittany Stack & Wesley French
- 6 - Nancy Thurmond & Peggy McNeary
- 7 - Myrtle Austin, Lisa Brewer & Nolen Adkisson
- 8 - Charlotte McNeary & Yoshio Yamashita
- 10 - Debbie Corse
- 11 - Scarlett Goodin
- 14 - Drake McNeary & Ed Hankinson
- 15 - Graham Whitehead & Martha Ann Keener
- 17 - Mac McInnis
- 18 - Terry Hequembourg & Lena Lisbony
- 19 - Anna Marie French, Benj. B. Moore & Lynne Hanor
- 20 - Jennifer Keener & Kiley Brown
- 22 - Alicia Combs
- 24 - Mary Jane Whitehead
- 26 - Corinne Huls
- 27 - Brenda French, Dana McClain, Elliott Williams & Sally Michael
- 28 - Susan Jespersen
- 29 - David Brewer

UMW NEWS

The United Methodist Women will meet Wednesday, October 5 at 9:30 a.m. at Eleanor Moreton's house. Jane Jackson will present the program.

The United Methodist Women's Fall District meeting will be held October 22, 2011 at the Jackson, MO New McKendree United Methodist Church.

