

# Paynesville Christian Church Epistle

“Therefore, Brethren, hold steadfast the tradition, which you were taught by word and our Epistle. II Thess. 2:13  
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## JOE'S JOURNAL

What a wonderful heritage we have in Jesus Christ! As we prepare to celebrate the one hundredth birthday of the Paynesville Christian Church, we are reminded of those who have gone on before us. God spoke to the Hebrew people about that which was to be given to them in the land of Canaan-“A land with large, flourishing cities you did not build, houses filled with all kinds of good things you did not provide, wells you did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves you did not plant...” Deut. 6:10, 11.

God has given us a great Christian heritage as a nation, and blessed us as a people spiritually and physically. We are known as “One nation under God.” God has given us a great Christian heritage in the church which Christ built. Matt 16:18. God has kept His promise for 200 years. God has given us a great Christian heritage in the Restoration Movement-with the purpose and ideal of restoring the Church of the New Testament in the world today taking the Bible as our only authority for life and doctrine. “Where the Bible speaks, we speak; where the Bible is silent, we are silent.”

God has given us a great Christian heritage in the Paynesville Christian Church. One hundred years of worship, and fellowship and witness in this community in the name of Jesus Christ! And now we celebrate this through a special day of praise to God on Sunday, October 7. Certainly, we are “drinking from wells we did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves we did not plant.”

But now is our greater task. What are we doing for Him who has given us so much and blessed us so richly? You see, our heritage rests not on what others have done in the past, but what, with Christ's help, we do now and in the future. May God grant us the faith and vision to be anchored “anchored to the Rock, and geared to the times.”

Yours because of Calvary,

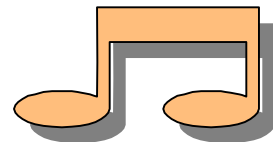
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\*We, the congregation, wish to thank Bro Joe and Velma for the picnic at their lovely home in the woods near Henryville. The food was delicious and the song fest was pleasing and joyful to all.

**CELEBRATE ! CELEBRATE ! CELEBRATE !**  
**THE CENTENNIAL**



**October 7, 2007**  
**1:30 pm**



**Movin On** ~Restroom renewal is complete and a new display board for literature has been installed near entrance. Blinds for fellowship hall and childrens' room have been hung. New tables, folding chairs and a file cabinet for choral music have been purchased. Enclosure of previous window spaces and painting of classrooms have been completed. A new name sign is being designed and made by John and Emmily Bair Enyart.

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The congregation wishes to acknowledge the beautiful floral arrangements which **Moniee Tackett** brings to services. She has many different kinds of flowers which is of great interest. The vases are of uniqueness and some are heritage in nature.

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**141<sup>ST</sup> JUBILEE** is now history. The congregation manned the booth, which began in 1961. It is now a hospitality and welcome center. This year Loren

Bair had many of the historic photos of the congregational progress on a disc for viewing. We thank all those who helped spread the word and work of the congregation. **Emily Sandlin**, 8 year old daughter of members Donnie and Michelle Sandlin, sang "Me and God" song in the opening ceremony. Praise the Lord for her talent. The Ladies as in the past provided free Bibles. The longest married couple was Kenneth and Peggy Hostetler Stoner, who were married January 19, 1954. A heritage Bible will be presented to this couple. They are both graduates of Saluda and live in Madison. The name drawn for the free Bible was Rose Huttshell, who lives in the Paynesville community. A new category was the couple who had been married the shortest length of time. That couple was Charles and Becki McNeely, who were married June 16, 2006. They received the four gospels on CD. Charles is a director of the Jubilee Association.

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Recently, Cheryl Patecell Wexler, who attended the congregation in the early '60's visited in the area and viewed the new additions at the church. She and her siblings were 4-H members when the meetings were held at the church. Thanks for the revisit.

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Sympathy is extended to the families of: Janet Corbert, and Maryruth Auxier Schafer.

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We wish to acknowledge the donations which have been given in memory of Reno Taylor. Thank you.

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A detailed invitation to the celebration will be forth coming in a separate mailing.

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## **FROM THE CORNERSTONE~ 1926 &1927**

From New Washington Courier

September 2, 1926 *A farce comedy in three acts, "A Poor Married Man" will be presented at Payneville on Friday and Saturday night. Proceeds will benefit the church. Presented by Howard Park Christian church, adults 25 cents and children 15 cents.* (Howard Park Christian Church, still in existence, is located at 450 Norwood Ave. Clarksville, In.)

June 23, 1927 *"The Bethel baptismal services at Payneville were largely attended. There were several candidates.*

October 26, '27 *The revival meeting at Paynewville Christian Church closed on Sunday night*

November 25, '27 *The Rev Bateman of North Madison will preach at the Payneville Christian Church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in December, morning and evening*

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LADIES~A joyous day was the agenda for the ladies who went to the home of Irene Hutchins in Henryville. She has a lovely home and is a very gracious hostess. The ladies shared what had been their most memorable event of the summer. It is good to feel connected to our fellow members by knowing their interests and life's happenings. It is delightful and uplifting to hear funny stories. The next meeting will be at the church on August 18 at 11 am. The color theme is purple and gold..

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### **PCC CONNECTIONS**

Please visit the website:

[www.paynesvillechristianchurch.com](http://www.paynesvillechristianchurch.com) Loren Bair, Elder, is the creator and has a very appealing site. New photos and pertinent information about church happenings and the coming 100<sup>th</sup> celebration can be accessed.

If you wish to contact: Bro Joe McKay, PO Box 157, Henryville, IN 47125, ph 812.294.4891

"What does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Micah 6:8

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