

# Paynesville Christian Church Epistle

## Joe's Journal

We often hear someone say, "I want to be happy, to enjoy life, to make living worthwhile." But real happiness does not come through personal selfish pleasures, but through a life that reflects certain values. See the Beatitudes in Matthew 6. From my files come these "Twelve Simple Rules for Happiness".

1. Live a simple life. Do not plan too many things for each day. Be temperate and moderate in your lifestyle.
2. Spend less than you earn. This may be difficult to do, but it pays big dividends in contentment and peace of mind.
3. Think constructively. Store useful thoughts in your mind.
4. Cultivate a flexible disposition. Resist the tendency to want your own way. Try to see another person's point of view. Listen.
5. Be grateful. Begin each day with a prayer of thanksgiving for all your blessings.
6. Rule your moods. Your mental attitude is all-important in living at peace with others.
7. Give generously. Intelligent giving of your time, talents, personality, and money will bring great joy.
8. Work with right motives. Seek to grow in favor with God and man, seeking His will first in your life.
9. Be interested in others. As we serve others, we reap happiness as a by product of a life of self-giving.
10. Make the most of today. Use it wisely so you may look back on it without regret.
11. Take time for a hobby. Time spent on leisure interests should bring you diversion and relaxation.
12. Stay close to God. Enduring happiness depends on continuing spiritual nourishment. As God's children, we have His promise of constant love and care.

*Joe*

From the congregation: We ask for prayer from all our readers in regards to the health of Velma. Please include Joe and our congregation in those prayers as it is stressful for all who love and honor this couple for their Christian Walk.

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### May's Memory Verse

"Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord". Romans 12:11.

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Bro. Joe's Sermon Topic on May 24:

**WHAT SHALL I DO WITH CHRIST?**

"Therefore, Brethren, hold steadfast the tradition which you were taught, by word and our Epistle".

II Thessalonians 2:13

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### GIDEON SPEAKER

Mr. Donnie Ball spoke on behalf of the Gideon Bible Society on May 16. Mr. Ball gave a very interesting speech about the success stories of the society. Bibles are distributed world wide. However, a radical note for us to take and ponder, **NO BIBLES CAN BE DISTRIBUTED IN INDIANA SCHOOLS.** The world is seeking the gospel but we, citizens, in Indiana have allowed anti-Christ efforts to take this freedom from the Christian community. All the money which is donated is used for the printing and distribution. All the speakers are volunteers and are not compensated.

If you wish to make a donation in honor or in memoriam, or otherwise through the church use the return address on this letter. Total Donation: \$387.00

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL

It is with sadness to some of the congregation as the decision has been made to discontinue the 9:30 service. This has traditionally been the period prior to the morning worship-preaching. Due to a lack of students who wished to study the Bible, the decision was made to only have the 10:30 service. It is another arm of the church like the Ladies Aid which has been lost due to a lack of participation.

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### CRADLE

This organization is located in Scottsburg and is operated by Deanna Jackson and staff. The purpose of the facility is to help indigent mothers and small children. Jackson, also, has parenting classes and gives spiritual guidance. Our congregation has supported the charity for several years. Presently, baby bottles are distributed to those who wish and are filled with coins during the month of May. Also, there is a need for new garments, infant to 4T. Please, participate with your monetary donation and clothing. One lady has crocheted several baby blankets this year. PTL

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### MOTHER'S DAY

Bro. Joe spoke about the importance of the mother and her devotion to the children and the home. Flowers were given to all the ladies in the congregation.

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"The other fellow's sins, like the other fellow's car lights always seem more glaring than our own".

## MOVIN' ON

A new leased copier has been delivered. It will be connected to the technical programs and to the computer. The vinyl coverings on the sanctuary windows need repair work. Kenny Lanham has an estimate of the cost. More details are forth coming. The stage door which is not like the other one is being evaluated to determine the best plan. June 12 has been designated as a work day. The congregation is asked to come and help prepare the building for VBS. The sanctuary drapes are in need of cleaning and new posts for the sign are on the improvement agenda.

### VBS

**JUNE 21-25, 6-8 PM**

After years of absence, the congregation has decided to implement a week of children's programs. The theme of the lessons will be **Sonquest Rain Forest**

Levels-

Age 3 thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade

The evening's happenings will be Bible Stories, games, crafts, singing and refreshments. The mission project will be Christ's Mission to Brazil. All children in the community are welcome to attend. Everyone in the congregation can participate even if it is giving a smile or pat on the back of a child.

MARK 15:1-15 READ AND CONSIDER TAKING A STAND FOR CHRISTIAN MORALITY.

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## TARGET MISSION:

May 30<sup>th</sup>. Each 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday is designated as missions. This month's recipient will be Global Witness, Gary and Linda Layman. They are seeking aid to install a water pump in Uganda for 10 homes of orphans. The water will be pumped to an outside faucet near each house.

## EASTER'S LOVE OFFERING

Each year during the month, in which we celebrate Easter, a mission is selected. This year Christ's Mission to Brazil received the offering. This mission is led by Ana and Magno. It is the continuation of the work begun by Shirley and Paul Lanham in the 1950's. The total amount given was \$269.00

On June 20, 10:30 am, the congregation will be privileged to have in the pulpit Mr. Jeff Chandler. Chandler is the representative in the US for the Lanham mission.

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## FLOWERS

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, we were privileged to have red roses. Mrs. Debbie Clapp Bair had received this bouquet for her thirty years at King's Daughter's Hospital.

Congratulations to Debbie. Monnie Tackett has embraced the congregation this season with her beautiful floral arrangements.

Thank you, Monnie.

**SALUDA**- A special notation to all those who live or did live in the township or attended the schools- A Saluda Memory & history book from 1910-1960 is available for sale, \$15.00. Call 889-2726

## FROM THE CORNERSTONE:

New Washington Courier Excerpts:  
January 15, 1909 There was quite a crowd at both the Christian and Methodist Sunday Schools on Sunday. According to Bertha Huttshell Benham, sometimes the Sunday Schools were held one in the morning and one in the afternoon and many people would attend both, as she did.

October 7, 1910 The Saluda Township Sunday School Convention at Prospect was a complete success. W S Pender gave an excellent address on the temperance question-a paramount issue in Saluda Township

October 4, 1914 The seventh annual Sunday School Convention was held at Mt. Zion. Payneville Christian Church participated by leading a song. Bro John C. Allen, the Christian Church minister, led the prayer and gave an address.

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**Sympathy** is extended to families of: Naomi Huttshell, Ralph Stanley, Heather Anderson, Atha Wells, Michael Overfelt, Todd Stark, James Lanham, Frank McKay- Joe's brother.

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY & CONGRATULATIONS FOR 38 YEARS TO - PAT AND ALLEN DEW.

## SERVICE TIMES

MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 AM  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH 11 AM

**FELLOWSHIP DINNER, JUNE 6**  
following services.

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