

Pastor Appreciation Day



Sunday, October 10, 2010

*The
Messenger*



October

“What Become of Peter?”

Acts 12:18

Peter had been captured and incarcerated in Herod’s prison. His escape was improbable due to the fact of being chained to two guards and confined in a top notch prison. Humanly speaking, his chances for freedom were slim. It turns out, though, that Herod had an “early release” program! This program was not of Herod’s choice but God’s choice.

This account of Scripture reflects the facts of detainment, deliverance, and denial. Peter is detained. He is then delivered by God and his liberation is initially questioned by the church. His liberation caused a great stir. Everyone was in an uproar! There was no small stir among the soldiers that guarded him. There was no small stir on the part of the 16 prison guards that were on duty that day. The Jews were stirred. There was no small stir among God’s own people.

What become of Peter? By way of application, he had gone to a prayer meeting! He is now once again found among God’s people. He will even stand up and tell what great things God has done for him. (Verse 17)

This sounds similar to what happens when a sinner gets rescued out of the slave market of sin. We find them now among God’s people and eager to tell what great things the Lord has done for them.

This account even sounds a little familiar to my own salvation experience that took place in 1968. My old friends were asking, “What become of **Peters**?”

Hallelujah!

Pastor Chuck Peters

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PROVERBS 25:13

As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him, for he refresheth the soul of his masters . . .



Sunday School 10:00 AM
Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM

- NURSERY PROVIDED -

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Ladies Fellowship

Please join us on Tuesday, October 5 for our next meeting. Sherrill Crater will be presenting a pictorial of western America to a combined Men's and Ladies' meeting.



The entire month of November is being designated as
"HARVEST HOME" month.

Each family is asked to bring nonperishable food items to the church. Food items will then be distributed between three worthy organizations. Thank you for your support of this important community outreach.

The mission of the Smith Grove Ladies Fellowship is to promote spiritual growth of the ladies in our church family, proclaim the love of Christ in every activity in which we participate, and provide benevolent support to our church family and surrounding community.



October

I look forward to October
And the rapture that evokes
In a vast array of color
By the Master Painter's strokes
I look forward to October,
Hay in loft, and grain in bin,
Time for lighting jack-o-lanterns,
Time to harvest thoughts with pen
Down the lane the fiery sumac
Wakens from a frosty nod,
And the oak shrugs off an acorn,
Splendor from the Hand of God.



I look forward to October,
And the picture that she weaves,
Reassured of life eternal
By her rustling Autumn leaves.
Now that harvest time is over,
And my cup can hold no more
I will not wait until November
With Thanksgiving at my door.

Merry Autumn by Paul Laurence Dunbar



It's all a farce,—these tales they tell
About the breezes sighing,
And moans astir o'er field and dell,
Because the year is dying.

Such principles are most absurd,—
I care not who first taught 'em;
There's nothing known to beast or bird
To make a solemn autumn.

In solemn times, when grief holds sway
With countenance distressing,
You'll note the more of black and gray
Will then be used in dressing.

Now purple tints are all around;
The sky is blue and mellow;
And e'en the grasses turn the ground
From modest green to yellow.

The seed burs all with laughter crack
On featherweed and jimson;
And leaves that should be dressed in black
Are all decked out in crimson.

A butterfly goes winging by;
A singing bird comes after;
And Nature, all from earth to sky,
Is bubbling o'er with laughter.

The ripples wimple on the rills,
Like sparkling little lasses;
The sunlight runs along the hills,
And laughs among the grasses.

The earth is just so full of fun
It really can't contain it;
And streams of mirth so freely run
The heavens seem to rain it.



Don't talk to me of solemn days
In autumn's time of splendor,
Because the sun shows fewer rays,
And these grow slant and slender.
Why, it's the climax of the year,—
The highest time of living!—
Till naturally its bursting cheer
Just melts into thanksgiving.

October Birthdays.....

1 Breanna Brown	25 Wendy Barham	Michael Flynt
2 Ernest Fulk	25 Gary Holt	Daniel McDowell
6 John Moore	25 Gene Pitts	Donna McDowell
11 Brittany Vanderburg	26 Rubie Hamilton	Dave Mros
12 Curt Bame	26 Brian Holt	Julie Mros
12 Rhonda Owens	27 Denice Slate	Kathy Mros
13 Rose Matthews	30 Kathy L. Crews	Faith Sykes
13 Cody Williams	30 Andrew Raso	Charles Vaughn
20 Ruby Bowden	Lydia Baker	Arvin Wynn
20 Tyler Landreth	Ronnie Beeson	
23 Marlene Holt	Edna Evans	
24 Iris Farrington	Matt Evans	

November Birthdays.....

2 Ronnie Key	15 Rusty Tucker	28 Ashley Hendrix
2 Hettie Westmoreland	16 Brittany Key	28 Wade Shields
5 Nancy Westmoreland	17 Jennifer Davis	30 Irene Shields
6 Willard Tucker	22 Darla Freeman	30 Gail Tate
7 Aaron Jordan	22 Cheryl Holt	David Donnell
7 Caleb Jordan	23 Jonathan Smith	Kathy Johnson
12 Kathryn L. Crews	23 Forrest Tucker	Justin Stainback
12 Jay Stafford	24 Tony Nuckles	Nicole Tucker
13 Helen Hendrix	24 John Payne	Adrieth Whittemore
13 Virginia Nuckles	26 Marshall Freeman	Klinton Wilkey
15 Darlene Pitts		



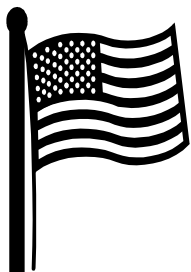
October Anniversaries

Patrick & Amanda Clark - Oct. 11 Jerry & Shelby Crump- Oct. 16
 Scott & Melanie Crump- Oct. 5 Ronnie & Donna Key
 Eric & Candace Nuckles



Pray for those In the Service of our Country

Matthew Bennett, Afghanistan
 A1C William Holt, US Air Force
 Pope AFB, Vass, NC 28394
 CW2 Jonathan Harless (Raleigh, NC)
 Cpt. Robert Harless (Savannah, GA)
 Charles Holmes, Al Asad Air Base (Northern Iraq)
 Chief Warrant Officer 3 Michael Maine, US Army
 [stationed stateside]
 Corporal Mel Wright, US Marines, stateside
 (Nephews of Clarence Redmon)



The Mullinax Family ~ Taking God's Word to China

China! We have a 4-person team from the U.S. going in November where we will meet up with 4 others in Hong Kong. My family will join me in December and make up the 2nd team. It is exciting knowing we will be "Taking God's Word to China".

We have been presented with a great opportunity to purchase additional Chinese Bibles and Children's Bibles. I mentioned a few months ago about our need concerning printing, shipping, and travel expenses. About 1/3 of the needed \$30,000 has come in. PRAISE GOD! But here is the exciting part. I received an email from our Chinese contact in Hong Kong this week that our printing facility received a large contribution and printed thousands of Bibles and Children's Bibles. They will make them available to us for \$1.00 each! WOW! \$1.00 for a complete Bible. \$1.00 for a full-color Children's Bible. All we have to do is pick them up in Hong Kong and get them across the border into China. I have the teams assembled to go, we just need to purchase as many of these Bibles as we can.

Our Team can make a tremendous impact on China with The Word of God if every adult reading or hearing this letter buys ONE Bible. Every child could buy ONE Children's Bible. Can ONE Bible make a difference? I have preached many times about "The Value of One". Jesus needed to go through Samaria for ONE woman at a well. Because of her testimony, a multitude came to the Lord.

ONE Bible can impact a multitude. I was recently reminded of the value and importance of God's Word from Nehemiah Chapter 8. Ezra brought The Book, opened The Book, and read The Book before all the people. The people rejoiced, lifted their hands, and worshipped God because of The Book – God's Holy Word. We bring water to the thirsty land in China – a suitcase at a time! **Can You Help Purchase ONE Bible?**

You can be part of The Team. There are Bible Distribution Trips scheduled for 2011. Call TODAY for more information concerning joining our team for a 10-day Distribution Trip to China. CALL 864-269-2760, ext. 218.

Robbie, Jan, Alaina & Anadele

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Smith Grove Seniors

Louise Byrd	Cleo Holt	J. D. Shields
Gordon Crouch	Reva Holt	Raynelle Shields
Shirley Crouch	Helen Jones	Wade Shields
Iris Farrington	Lawrence Jones	Louise Smith
Wilma Farrington	Neva Long	Clarence Tucker
June Freeman	Curney Matthews	Forrest Tucker
Ernest Fulk	Rose Matthews	Hettie Westmoreland
Pat George	Bud McCurdy	Mary Westmoreland
	Laura Nuckles	

Others in Need of Prayer

(In alphabetical order)

***Special Needs**

Marilyn Alston	Ronnie Holcomb	Harvey Pitts
Fred Bame	Alice & Barry Holman	Claude Royal
Merl Blake	Garland Holt	Jamie Shell
Roy Boody	Raleigh Hunt	Donald Shields
Homer Bowden	Daniel Idol	Gale Tester
Mazalean Byerly	Roscoe Johnson*	Eddie Thomason
John Carter	Danny Keen	Barbara Tucker
Bonnie Clark	Leighann Kincade	Clara Ward
Johnny Clark	Daniel Matthews	Kenneth Westmoreland
Aaron Cole	Richie McCormick	Gordon Wilkey*
Bette Crouse	Mark Midkiff	Gerry Williams*
Jimmy Dillon	John & Dolly Miller	Arry Wilson
Rudy Dillon*	Waynard Nuckles	Tom* & Frances Woody
Vicky Dye*	John Pearl	Jessi Wright
David Gindelsberger	Don Peterson	New converts/The Unsaved
Clyde Gray, Sr.	Miranda Petkis	
Debbie Harden	Norma Pilchett*	

Note: If there are names that you know could be removed from the prayer list, please let someone on the newsletter committee know. Also, let us know if you have someone you wish to add to the prayer list.

Special Prayer Requests

- Pastor Chuck Peters
- Wade and Nora Smith (Virginia Beach, VA)
- All the missions and missionaries we support
- Youth Directors
- Preachers, teachers, singers and workers of our church and Discovery Clubs
- Our sincere sympathies to the families of Peggy Bowman and Daniel Idol.

Services Each Week

Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Service	11:00 a.m.
<i>Children's Church</i>	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Services:	
Discovery Bible Clubs	7:00 p.m.
Prayer Service	7:00 p.m.
Thursday Visitation	7:00 p.m.



October ~ 2010

[Sundays at 7:30 a.m.
WPET - Brother Ward Laramore]

Tues., Oct. 5, 7:00 p.m.

Men's and Ladies' Fellowship meetings in the Fellowship Building.

***Sun., Oct. 10, 11:00 a.m.**

Smith Grove Homecoming ~ Special Music by the Envoys. Lunch in the Fellowship Building after the morning service



October 17 - 20 Pastor Chuck will be in revival services in Hendersonville, N.C.

***Sunday, October 10 is national Pastor Appreciation Day!**

Let's be sure and let Pastor Chuck know how much we appreciate our pastor!

I Cor. 7:22-24



Gary & Friends Missionary Outreach Ministry

Greetings, and God's blessings to you all. Our work with seniors is just getting better and better! We enjoy such a closeness with the seniors and the activity directors as we get to know them, and we are thankful for the trust that is shown toward our team of faithful workers.

Let me say a little about Friday night, September 17 at The Aroboretum, part of Heritage Greens homes in Greensboro. These are all mentally-challenged patients, but they have a good mind for old hymns and acknowledging the Lord and His presence. I had just finished a five- to seven-minute message on salvation and being sure you are a Christian, and one of the ladies said, "Jesus Christ is my Savior," and I said, "What did you say?" and she said it again. She was glowing with blessed assurance with a smile of peace on her face. She asked for me to get close to her – she wanted a hug – and she kissed me on the cheek, as if to say, thank you for coming tonight, and reminding me that I am a child of God. That is only one of the reasons we go, but how great to hear her confess with her mouth the feeling in her heart, and to know she has bowed and confessed Jesus as her Savior! The Bible says that every knee will bow and every tongue will confess Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God.

Thank God for His presence as we go to about 20-25 homes per month. God help us to keep on for Jesus!

Gary Smith and Friends ~ I Peter 5:7

LAUGH OUT LOUD

An overweight colleague of mine decided it was time to shed some excess pounds. He took his new diet seriously, even changing his driving route to avoid his favorite bakery. One morning, however, he arrived at work carrying a gigantic coffeecake. We all scolded him, but his smile remained cherubic. "This is a very special coffeecake," he explained. "I accidentally drove by the bakery this morning and there in the window were a host of goodies. I felt this was no accident, so I prayed, 'Lord, if you want me to have one of those delicious coffeecakes, let me have a parking place directly in front of the bakery.' And sure enough," he continued, "the eighth time around the block, there it was!"



"Our Honour Roll"

Smith Grove's ministry to our widows and widowers
"Honour widows that are widows indeed."

(I Timothy 5:3)

This is a continuing churchwide ministry to remember widows and widowers of the church in a meaningful way. Each month, we highlight our special "Honour Roll Gang Members" who are having birthdays. Listed below are *October and November* Honour Roll Gang members. Please take a moment to send a card, make a telephone call, or do something extra special for our special saints.

Ernest Fulk

2075 Wallburg-High Point Rd.
High Point, NC 27265
841-8670 ~ October 02

Ruby Bowden

8727 Bame Road
Colfax, NC 27235
668-2495 ~ October 20

Iris Farrington

4207 Kerwick Drive
Greensboro, NC 27409
668-2133 ~ October 24

Hettie Mae Westmoreland

2708 Sandy Ridge Rd.
Colfax, NC 27235
~ November 02

Nancy Westmoreland

628 Millwood School Rd.
Greensboro, NC 27409
668-2891 ~ November 05

Virginia Nuckles

4610 Kendale Road
High Point, NC 27265
668-2334 ~ November 13

Forrest Tucker

8017 National Service Rd.
Colfax, NC 27235
668-2173 ~ November 23



"Come said the wind to the leaves one day,
Come o're the meadows and we will play.
Put on your dresses scarlet and gold,
For summer is gone and the days grow cold."
- *A Children's Song of the 1880s*



W.P.E.T. to Honor the Ministry of

~ Rev. M.W. Laramore ~

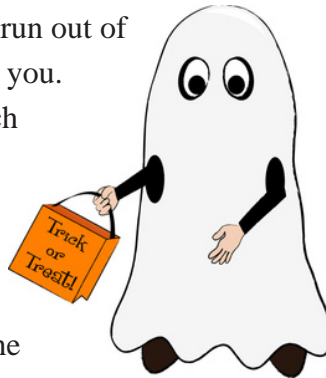
Beginning September 5 at 7:30 a.m., and continuing each Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m., W.P.E.T. Radio (950 AM) will be playing sermons from the archives of sermons preached by Brother Ward. If you can't receive WPET locally, you can access the broadcast streaming live on your computer at www.wpetam950.com. Click on the "LISTEN LIVE" link. *The Message of Redemption continues on . . .*

Christians and Halloween

Halloween is generally viewed as a harmless, childish celebration each year. However, it's good for all of us to be reminded of the background of Halloween. The following excerpt from an article by Jenna Robinson is note-worthy.

Halloween is also referred to as Samhain (pronounced sow-in most of the time), and is still celebrated as an ancient pagan festival of the dead by wiccans and pagans all over the world. Unfortunately, just giving the date a "holy" name like All Hallows' Eve or All Saints' Eve cannot change its character. Deuteronomy 18:13 Be completely loyal to GOD, your God. Deuteronomy 18:14 These nations that you're about to run out of the country consort with sorcerers and witches. But not you. GOD, your God, forbids it. [14 For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do.]

Halloween is filled with different kinds of pagan characters and customs that Christians should avoid. The black cat, for example, was believed by the Druids to be evil spirit friends of witches, and even witches themselves. Some witches are worshipers of the spirits of the earth. They believe that the whole earth is the giver of life and has power to give and take away life from humans; kind of reminds me of the ancient beliefs of the Romans. Either way, God does not condone the worship of earth-spirits. Scary masks were worn by the Celts to scare away evil spirits. The jack-o-lantern was used for the same purpose, although a turnip was originally used. Even the orange and black colors of



Halloween have a pagan origin. At the Druid Festival for Samhain, huge bon fires were used for offering sacrifices. So the colors of the night were orange flames glowing in the dark. Trick-or-treating might have found its origin in the custom of peasants going house to house begging for money to purchase necessities for a feast.

The Bible says: Deuteronomy 18:10 There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch." Deuteronomy 18:11 "Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer." 1 Corinthians 10:21 "Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils." 1 Corinthians 10:22 "Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? are we stronger than he?" 2 Kings 21:5 "And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD." 2 Kings 21:6 "And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger." "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them."

(Eph. 5:11) "The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light." (Rom. 13:12)

