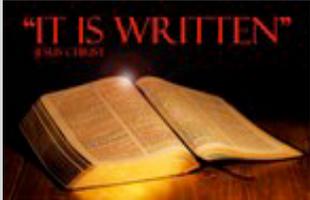


THE BULLETIN

TEACHERS

We need teachers, but so many are hesitant to teach. Did you know that teaching is a command? Jesus told his disciples in Matthew 28, "19 therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you..."



Teaching is a critical part of discipleship. How else will others know about the price Jesus paid for our sins? The responsibility to teach others falls on believers. Then Philip asked the Ethiopian Eunuch in Acts 8, "Do you understand what you are reading?" The Eunuch responded, "How can I, unless someone explains it to me."

Quarterly, many in this congregation are asked to teach adult and youth bible classes. And, many step up with fervor and energy. However, sometimes, others reject the request to teach. If believers do not teach, who will? When our children grow up to young adults, have they been equipped with the word of God? If not, who is to blame?

I realize that teaching the word of God is a serious matter. James teaches us in chapter 3, "Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers; because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly." Perhaps this verse has caused some to hesitate. But this chapter goes on to talk about the tongue and how the tongue can praise and curse.

Jesus used many opportunities to teach. People were constantly amazed at his wisdom.

Your church is calling on you now to step up and teach. Can we count on you to teach one of the youth or adult bible classes?

PRAYERS for Christian **TEACHERS** If not you, then who?

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Worship Time:

Sun. Worship - 9:30am
Bible Class - 11:00am
Sun. Evening - 6:00pm
Wed. Bible Class - 7:00pm



My dishes went unwashed today,
I didn't make the bed:
I took God's hand and followed
him to VBS, instead.
Oh, yes, we went adventuring -
The children and I -
Exploring the whole Bible for
truths we can't deny.



Family News

"So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith." Galatians 6:10, NAS95.

If you're a visitor to our church, welcome! If you have questions, we welcome them; please don't hesitate to ask Park Linscomb, our minister (the really tall guy), or any other church member.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **JUNE 11** - Brown bag lunch after class then fishing at Massabesic. Call Nick Bonzagni with questions.
- **JUNE 14** - Last Wednesday Night Supper of the year
- **JUNE 16-17** - NE States Men's Retreat
- **JUNE 17** - DAD'S NIGHT COOKOUT

OTHER NEWS

SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS - We are studying the book of Hosea.

GANDER BROOK WORK & WORSHIP WEEK - June 25.

GANDER BROOK REGISTRATION
There are paper registration forms, in the foyer. Online registration forms will be available soon.

CAMPERSHIP CANS are in the foyer.
GANDER BROOK CAMP SESSION 1 - July 1 - 7

THE GLENN'S - are looking for handyman for several significant building/repair projects around the house. Please contact them if you know someone you recommend. On some of the more challenging projects we need someone that specializes in carpentry work, etc.

WE NEED HELP!!!

Grounds Clean Up

The sign-up sheet for mowing, etc., along with a list of what needs to be done, is in the foyer. Make it a family affair and help keep our grounds beautiful. More than one family can sign-up for a week.

Wednesday Night Supper

June 14, is our final Wednesday Night Supper until school starts, again. In the tradition of Dick, Potter, Rich Therrien is making prime rib, potatoes, green beans & dessert. Please sign up at the back of the auditorium so Rich knows how much meat to buy. Thanks!

Lord's Supper to shut-in

Volunteer needed, **now**, Please talk with Doug Paul about this.

Pantry:

Those willing to participate at the pantry either on Wed. evenings or Sunday mornings, please drop a text or email to Dave Skerry.

GREAT JOB!

T. J. OGUNSUYI received 2 awards last week. He has excelled since joining his family last year.

GAGE DUMAS' parents, Mark & Kas are hosting an Eagle Scout Ceremony on July 8. Watch for additional details.

THANK YOU

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

To Penny for her card ministry. The cards in the basket in the foyer - \$5/bag & all proceeds go to Thom.

• To all of our teachers & helpers

PRAYERS

New Prayer Concerns: for Don Dion, the Girard's all our families as school is winding down and for the teachers that they continue to impact their classes for God
Additional Prayer Requests and details are on the WORSHIP INSERT.



VBS is June 26 - 28
- Invite your friends & neighbors!
- We need lots of church volunteers & help to make this possible!
- **Everybody** - please make an effort to be at VBS during the VBS days, we can use as many people as possible!

A Word of Encouragement

“For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it.”
Hebrews 2:1, NAS95.

FLESH AND SPIRIT, PART 3

In the last couple of bulletin articles we've been looking at the works of the flesh and the fruit of the Spirit as Paul lays them out in Galatians 5:19-23. The first two installments were about the sins of improper sexual expression and paganism; the next few “works” also have something in common, sins that destroy relationships.

Enmities—The Greek word came from the same word as “enemy” and could also be translated quarrels, hostility, feud, or being “at odds”. It is used in Rom. 8:7 in which Paul says that “the mind that is set on the flesh is *hostile* to God.” In Eph. 2:14,16 it is used for the “us vs. them” mentality between the Jew and Gentile. So, when we're told that enmities are works of the flesh, it incorporates a wide range of sins like prejudice (racial, economic, nationalistic, or political), grudges, bitterness, and animosity. These things don't belong in the Christian's heart or life.

Strife—Enmity is the state of the heart towards others, but strife is the real-life conflict and fighting that comes out of that state of mind. Interestingly enough, although the Greeks viewed strife as destructive and undesirable, they considered it as one of the fundamental, essential, and indestructible forces of the world. And from a completely worldly point of view, they were probably right; none of mankind's attempts to banish war, violence, and strife have succeeded. Christianity is the only way that peace will ever get a chance.

Jealousy and Envy—Jealousy is a word that can be used in both a good and bad way, but here as we talk about the works of the flesh, we'll speak of its bad sense. Jealousy sees something that someone else has and seeks to get it for himself. Envy is actually found at the end of this portion of the list that deals with relationship sins, but it is put together with jealousy for a reason; because while similar, it is a step more evil than jealousy. Envy sees a good thing that someone else has, but only wishes to see it taken away. And it is jealousy and envy that have prompted many a feud, many a harsh word, and many an enmity.

Outburst of Anger—It is certainly true that one can be angry and not sin, but the anger that most of us have shown and experienced is this “outburst of anger” we see in this list, an emotional explosion, like when we said those awful words, made those regretted threats, and perhaps even laid hands on someone. To anyone who has reflected on their lives for even a moment, it is clear why it is sometimes called “getting mad” (we get out of control) and such wrath truly is a sin.

Disputes—This word is often translated “selfish ambition” in the NT. This word in the Greek language is one that emphasizes the sin of being more concerned with *who* is right than *what* is right. Putting self or party above the unity of the church, above truth, above Christ is the essence of the problems, for example, in Corinth—where there were tons of disputes. The center of the universe for the Christian needs to be Christ and His church, not “what's in it for me”.

Dissensions—The word in Greek literally means to “stand apart”. The mental picture of the word is when a brother takes a step back, folds his arms, and turns his back; division. While there is a proper time and place for division (1 Cor. 11:19), it is a grave matter to “stand apart” without a sound Christ-like reason.

Factions—The word here is the same one from which we get “heresy”, a teaching or religious party that is different from apostolic, NT truth and the Lord's church. The modern word denomination is just a nicer way of expressing the very concept that Paul is pointing to here in this work of the flesh.

I'm in the process currently of discussing the Bible with someone, who believes that the divisions of the religious world are due primarily to “interpretation”. The truth (from the Bible itself) is simpler; division is less a matter of intellectual interpretive inability and more about our fleshly weaknesses.

Beloved, abandon these and other works of the flesh and watch the church swell in true unity.

Park Linscomb



UPCOMING EVENTS

June calendars in the foyer. Grab one!

Church Game Night: There will be a church wide game night on June 9th starting at 7pm. We will be at the building! Bring your favorite game and a snack or drink to share and let's all have fun!

Father's Day Weekend Grill-Out!

Saturday, June 17th will be a night of food and games! Bring the whole family down to celebrate Dad! We will have outdoor games around the property and lots of burgers and hot dogs at a minimum! We hope the whole family can join us from 6-8 pm. There is a sign up sheet at the back!

Teen Event Ideas: Teens! If you have ideas for events you would like to see done this year please write them down on a piece of paper and turn it into Mark or Ann. This will help us plan for the year.

VBS Set Up Days!: June 23rd from 7-9 at the building and at a time TBA for the 24th. There are lots of things to do and we will probably have more work days. If you can't make a work day but would like to help out contact myself or Kas Dumas to see what you can do! All levels of experience can help!

VBS: Theme is "Standing on the Promises". We need lots of volunteers and church help to make this possible! VBS is



June 26, 27, and 28. Invite your friends and your neighbors! Please make an effort to be at VBS during the VBS days. We can use as many people as possible!

Camperships!: There are coin jars in the back of the foyer. If you can grab one and throw your spare change into it we would appreciate it! We are trying to send all of our children to camp this summer and help lift the burden off the families.

Gander Brook: Camp is about to be getting underway for the summer. Will you be a part of it? Make sure you sign up and send in your registration.

From the Youth Minister

"If I speak in tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or clanging symbol. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing."

1 Corinthians

13:1-3

1 Corinthians 13 can give me the chills. Most people recognize this chapter of the Bible as the chapter of love, and they should. It talks a

lot about the way of love and the meaning of what love is. But notice all of the things that we can be doing, making noise, understanding, mountain moving faith, and so much more but if we don't love it means nothing. Love is a very important thing.

One thing that we forget in our society and culture today is the ability to love. I don't mean love like how we like tacos and quesadillas but love that builds relationships. We are relational humans. We need each other. It speaks to the power of love when we could do all of those other things that the verse mentions but if we don't love it means nothing.

We don't get along with every person and we don't always agree with them either. Even if the other person is completely wrong we need to deal with them in love. God sent Jesus to die for our sins. That was love. If God can love us so much that He would do that, then we can love the people in our lives. Let's not forget to love each other. Nothing else matters if we can't love one another! -Mark

Thought Provoking Question
Where do you see light in your life?

Family Bible Reading and Congregational Calendar for June 11 - June 17

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11 - Josh. 13-14 9:30am Worship 11am - Bible Class 6pm - Evening Worship	12 - Josh. 15-16	13 - Josh. 17-18	14 - Luke 2 6pm - Wednesday supper 7pm - Bible Class	15 - Josh. 19-20	16 - Josh. 21-22	17 - Josh. 23-24 Mike & Beth Girling - Anniv Stuart Peacock - BD