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**July 18, 2010**

**A Place to Belong....A Place to Become....A Place to Call Home....**

**MAKING THE CHANGE PERMANENT**

**The following is a true story from JOAO PESSOA, Brazil.**

When Fernanda said that she wanted to be baptized, we held our breath because, in these nine months, we had come to know this young lady to be hard-headed, strong-willed, explosive, fiercely contentious. She never measured her words or tone of voice when provoked by a co-worker or family member, and was a constant source of conflict within the restaurant where she worked and as a visitor of the church meeting. Her rudeness had made her some bitter enemies within the restaurant. So we hesitated, but she persisted in her desire, and she was baptized January 18 for the remission of sins. Fernanda was baptized early Sunday morning, so the restaurant workers could be there and still get to work on time. Fernanda cried when she came out of the water, and the whole church hugged and welcomed this newborn baby into the family.

She quickly changed into her work clothes and went to the restaurant. There one of her co-workers came up to her and said, "So, you were baptized. Are you ready to receive the baptismal certificate?" She waited expectantly.

He held both of her hands in one hand and slapped her face with the other. He said that Jesus said she should turn the other cheek. She did, and he slapped her again. When she didn't react negatively, he said, "Ah, you only passed because your hair is still wet from the water of baptism, let's see how you do in a week."

This story really hit home to me. It also addresses the issue of transformation. We all recognize the need to change. We all want to change. From time to time we even make conscience efforts to change our life in some way. The real problem is making the change stick.

How do we do that? Well in case you missed it, we have been talking about for the past five months from time to time. We are transformed by the renewing of our mind. (Romans 12:2) I want to make a suggestion to you. Take whatever issue you struggle with most and attack your attitude and thinking about it, by using the word of God. Find one scripture that you can relate to that helps you put that issue in perspective and memorize it. For example, I use Phil. 4:6,7 to help me overcome anxiety.

Take other scriptures that address that issue and write them down. Put them in significant places so you will see them. Make them into artwork and frame them, tape it to your bathroom mirror, or even inside your shoe. Use a concordance or Bible program to find a group of scriptures that will help you overcome that weakness. Copy those onto one sheet of paper so that you can carry that in your wallet or purse wherever you go. Anytime you are struggling with that issue take out that piece of paper read it, and pray and ask God to help you change.

*Joe Palmer*

# YOUTH MINISTRY

July 18, 2010

## ...Looking Ahead...

- July 19: Combined Devo
- July 27-Aug 10: Ecuador Mission Trip
- Aug 5: First Day Back to School
- Aug 6-7: Conquerors! Scenic Hills Church of Christ Pensacola (Sign-up today!)
- Aug 16: Combined Devo (6:30-8:30 pm)
- Aug 19: After School Bible Exploration (2:15 pm)
- Aug 26: After School Bible Exploration (2:15 pm)
- Aug 27: HS Football Concessions work (4:00 pm)

Do you have a "Shout Out About It" news about our youth?... let David Copeland know by e-mail:

[youth@ nicevillechurchofchrist.org](mailto:youth@nicevillechurchofchrist.org)



We would like to purchase new chairs for the Fellowship Hall, and are accepting donations to help with that. The cost per chair is \$22.34. Please see Angie Conner or Kim Smith if you would like to donate funds or for further information.

## LADIES BIBLE STUDY



Jeannette Tate will resume our Ladies Bible Study on Thursday July 22nd at 10:00 a.m. only. We will meet in the ladies Bible class room in the education wing. If you have any questions or need a book, please see Tammy McCown or Jeanette Tate.

## LADIES NIGHT OUT



Ladies, mark your calendar for Tuesday, July 27th, for a Ladies Night Out of fellowship and games in the Fellowship Hall. We will start at 6:30 p.m. and ask that you bring salads, and dessert will be provided. See Carol Hudgens or Kim Smith if you have any questions.

## SPIRITUAL GROWTH WORKSHOP

The Spiritual Growth Workshop in Orlando is coming up July 29th-31st. If you are interested in going, see Joe Palmer for more info. Brochures with the schedule are in the foyer.

## WORSHIP CAFE



Please come and join us this Wednesday at the "Worship Café"! This week's menu will be Tacos, Spanish Rice, Black Beans, Dessert, Tea and Coffee.

Please remember that we keep the Worship Cafe operating by donations. Thanks!

## SCHEDULE TO PICK UP THE MOORES

July 18th: Lewis & Woxie Williams

July 25th: William & Stacy Clements

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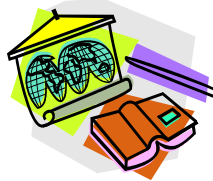


## GRAND OPENING & VBS

We will have our Grand Opening combined with VBS on Saturday, August 14th from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you can help with this, please see Doyle Babe.

We still need a tour guide for the museum on Wednesdays. The position needs to be filled as soon as possible. If you would like to be part of this exciting program, please contact Doyle Babe.

## TOOLS FOR SCHOOL



Nita Kirkland and Bobbie Edwards are heading up this year's "Back to School" donations on behalf of Team Life #5. Supply Lists are in the foyer.

## ANNUAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY GALA

This year our theme is Patriotism and we are requesting pictures of our past and present military members. If you or your spouse, or any of your children/parents are currently, or have been, in the military, we would like a picture of them in uniform. Please make sure the pictures are labeled on the back with the member's name and your name, so that we can get them back to you. Please give the pictures to any of the following: Wayne & Barbara Hall, Fred & Linda Carrender, or Kirk & Nita Kirkland.

## FRIEND DAY

Our Friend Day is coming up on August 8th. Please be inviting your friends to come and worship with us. We will have a potluck fellowship.

# JULY



## THIS WEEK AT NICEVILLE

<b>Today:</b>	<b>Early Service</b>	7:45 AM
<b>July 18th:</b>	<b>Bible Class</b>	9:00 AM
	<b>Worship</b>	10:00 AM
	<b>Evening Worship</b>	5:00 PM
<b>Tues:</b>	<b>Ladies Lunch at Olive Garden</b>	11:45 AM
<b>Wed:</b>	<b>Worship Café</b>	5:30 PM
	<b>Bible Study</b>	7:00 PM
<b>Thurs:</b>	<b>Ladies Bible Class</b>	10:00 AM
<b>Sat: :</b>	<b>TL#4 Meeting at the Stickel's</b>	5:00 PM
<b>July 27:</b>	<b>Ladies Night Out - FH</b>	6:30 PM
<b>July 29-Aug 1:</b>	<b>Spiritual Growth Workshop Orlando</b>	
<b>Aug 4:</b>	<b>Ladies Card Ministry</b>	7:00 PM
<b>Aug. 8:</b>	<b>FRIEND DAY &amp; Potluck</b>	
<b>Aug 10:</b>	<b>Helping Hands Luncheon</b>	12:30 PM
<b>Aug. 14:</b>	<b>Grand Opening Sonshine Pkwy</b>	9-12:30
<b>Aug 17:</b>	<b>Ladies Monthly Lunch</b>	11:45 AM
<b>Aug 18:</b>	<b>BLOOD DRIVE</b>	3-7 PM
<b>Sept. 18:</b>	<b>Historical Society Gala</b>	5 PM
<b>Sept. 29-Oct. 10th:</b>	<b>Evangelism Campaign</b>	

Please continue to remember all of our military, especially, **Joshua Born** at Ft. Leonard Wood, MO, **Mike Kaseman, Jared McNeal, Ryan Ehrhard** and **Shannon Pugh** in Afghanistan, **Jason Conner** in CA., and **Curtis Thomas** in Iraq.

## Continued Prayer:

**Fred Courington, Patrick Ehrhard, J.T. Grace, Barbara Summers, Amanda Martin, Mary Barnes.**

**Wanda Andrews** requests our prayers as she deals with child support issues, and such.

**Tyler Andrews** has still been sick and they have decided she needed a root canal which hopefully will help with the infection/headaches she's had.

**Annette Moore** is still in the FWB hospital in Room 315 with continuing heart problems.

**Joe Lunn** has not been able to be with us lately.

**Estelle Basford** is suffering from congestive heart failure and chronic bronchitis and needs our continued prayers.

**Jason Conner** graduates this month from tech school and will be home a short time before going to Camp Lejune, NC.

Barbara Summers asks for prayers for her friend, **Granny**, who has Lou Gehrig's disease.

**Dorothy Allen** is not doing well and needs our prayers. She is in a nursing home in Dothan, AL.

**Traveling: Sue Hutchinson, Kim Smith & Ginny Moody** taking kids to camp!

## MEMORIAL SERVICE



There will be a memorial service for Jim Roberts on Monday at 6:30 p.m. here at the building. We will have dessert and coffee afterward.

## TEAM LIFE #4 - STICKEL/PALMER



We will have a Team Life meeting and cookout on Saturday, July 24th, at 5:00 p.m. at the Stickel's home. Please see Sandy for more info.

## LADIES MONTHLY LUNCH



We will have our monthly Ladies Lunch on Tuesday, July 20th at Olive Garden in Destin. We will meet at the Church Building at 11:30 a.m. to carpool, or meet at the Olive Garden at 11:45 a.m. Please sign up in the foyer.

## SYMPATHY



Our sympathy goes out to the family of our brother, Jim Roberts, as he passed away on Tuesday night.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Mary Barnes who passed away last week. Her funeral was on Monday.

Our sympathy is with Millie Sanders and her family in the loss of her niece, Andy, who passed away this past week. Millie and Chuck have gone to Texas to be with the family.

Our sympathy goes out to the Easterly family in the loss of Greg's daughter, Jenna's unborn baby on Monday.

Our sympathy also goes out to the family of Joe Donovan who passed away last week.

Many thanks for all your cards, calls and prayers. It's a real joy to be part of such a loving, concerned Christian family.

Jim and Wanda Coville



