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Enjoying a day of leisure are motorcycle enthusiasts (front) Sister Delisa and Brother Frank Kearney and (back) Sister Melissa and Brother Chris Morton. They had a beautiful ride soaking in God's creation.

Let's talk about a different kind of punishment, the curse found in Is 3:1-5. God said he would take away bread, water, and strong men from disobedient nations. He said proud children would

Unrecognized Curses

By Elder Dolph Painter

Our state prisons are filled with many kinds of inmates. Some inmates serve long-term sentences, others serve relatively short sentences. Some inmates have family members serving time, others do not. Some are resolved to change their ways, others are hardened and have no intentions of changing. But the inmate I find most difficult to relate to is the one who finds security behind bars, the one who the outside scares.

Astonishing to me is some inmates accept imprisonment as a tolerable way of life. Some inmates have been imprisoned so long, they find security in the structure of prison life. Prison is not a state of being where I ever want to become accustomed to find comfort. To me, imprisonment is a punishment, a curse to be avoided, and I can not relate to this mindset.

rule the homes of these nations, a God imposed penalty.

The majority of American homes are child-run homes. Our nation's children have never been more arrogant, disrespectful, and egotistical. Astonishingly, American parents have come to accept proud children as a tolerable way of life. Some parents have been imprisoned for so long, they know nothing else. A child-run home is not a state of being I ever want to become accustomed to or find tolerable. To me, a child-run home is a penalty, a curse to be avoided, and I can not relate to this mindset.

The inmate who tolerates prison life, who becomes comfortable with jail, puzzles many of us. But, the parent who tolerates disrespectful children, who accepts a child-run home, puzzles very few of us. God designed children to be a blessing, not a curse – Ps 127:3-5. May God help the parents of our nation recognize this curse and repent for it.

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Pastor's Letter

Elder Glenn Blanchard

Evangelism! My thoughts seem to dwell on this subject as my years grow shorter. The Apostle Paul traveled far and wide in his journeys to spread “the good news” of Jesus Christ: His birth, His life, His works while here on the Earth, His death, His resurrection, His return of 40 days, and His instructions for the “Earthly Kingdom” that He was establishing. The Kingdom where we should be witnesses, light, and salt to God’s people here. This should stir our hearts to want to spread His word at every opportunity. Should we not desire to spread the good news, also, of One who saved His people from the dreadful curse of sin and death – an eternity of a burning hell? It is my firm belief, based on evidence that I have witnessed during my forty plus years among the people who call themselves Primitive Baptists that the best place to begin evangelism is in our homes. I have met many people who have not evangelized their children or their grandchildren. As a result, a great number

of our people cannot enjoy the blessings of having their closest relatives in church with them. It is impossible to describe the



joy that comes with worshipping with those closest to our hearts. I encourage each of you who have children or grandchildren that are not a part of the Primitive Baptist Faith to begin immediately talking with them about our beliefs and our Articles of Faith. We are the last denomination in America that I know of who holds the truths that the Apostles and first believers held. We are the last of those who look to both the Old and New Testaments for dividing the word of truth correctly. We are one of the last groups who use the KJV Bible and have not polluted His word with changes to fit man’s “religion”, but we hold to the truths that He taught throughout His preserved word.

Winter Garden's Beach Fellowship



Labor Day at Melbourne Beach proved to be a delightful day of fellowship for all.



Meeting Notices

Annual Meeting, Camp Creek PBC, Lilburn, GA

Camp Creek PB Church of Lilburn, GA, will hold their fall annual meeting October 12-14, 2012. Elders Glenn Blanchard and Tim McCool are the invited ministers. We hope you will pray for this meeting and also come worship with us. For more information please contact Elder John Melvin at 770-271-5256 or Deacon Mike Lopez at 678-468-4991. Camp Creek is located at 302 Camp Creek Road, Lilburn, GA 30047; Phone 770-381-7007. The church is located off I-85 North.

Fall Fellowship Meeting, Cool Springs PBC

October 27th and 28th, Cool Springs Primitive Baptist Church invites you to come and worship with us during our Fall Fellowship meeting. We began this meeting last year and felt the Lord blessed us. The meeting times will be the 4th weekend in October on Saturday morning beginning at 10:00 a.m. followed by lunch and afternoon service. Then Sunday morning beginning at 10:30. Lord willing, Elders Philip Conley, Ricky Harcrow, Marty Hoskins, and Marty Smith will be with us on this occasion and hopefully others. Come praying that the Lord will be with us and magnify His presence during the meeting. For any information call Elder Daniel Wood 865-363-9644, Brother David Sisk 864-380-4098, or Bro. Landrum Cox 864-420-4821.

2012 North Georgia Preacher's Meeting

November 6,7,8, 2012
Shoal Creek Primitive Baptist Church
174 Fields McGhee Drive
Canton, Georgia 30114
Elder Randall Cagle, Pastor
770-630-7150

TOOLS FOR LIVING

After much prayer and thoughts about this years preachers meeting I feel this will be the theme for this year's meeting, TOOLS FOR LIVING. Paul says in Ephesians 4 that you are to walk worthy of the vocation you are called to. He tells us how also that we have been given gifts and here's the list, " some apostles, and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some pastors and teachers;" for the growth

and maturing of the saints, for the work of ministering, for the building up and equipping the body of Christ. That we all may be unified in the faith, and know the Son of God unto a mature person, and that we can measure up to that of Jesus Christ. We need to quit being like children and grow up, because as children we are carried away tossed around with all kinds of teachings. The evil ones are lying around ready to trap God's people, and we as God's ministry need to be aware and know how to train and equip God's people in the church and all those we may have an opportunity to meet. The rest of the book of Ephesians is full of instruction to us in all this.

Please make plans and come to this years meeting. Services will begin Nov. 6 at 9:00 am and end on Thursday Nov. 8 at noon. We will serve breakfast Tue., Wed., and Thursday. Lunch and supper on Tue., and Wed. will be served at the church.

Also during this time the minister's wives are planning their annual retreat. They have done this for the last three years, and it has been very encouraging to all that has attended. If any minister's wives are interested please contact my wife Debra Cagle at 770-853-1156, and she will reserve you a place.

We have local hotel info available also. If you have any questions or comments please call me 770-630-7150. Please come praying God will be magnified.

November Meeting, Little Union PBC, Lithia, FL

Little Union Church, Lord willing, will host an Annual Meeting beginning on Thursday, November 8, 2012, at 7 PM. The meeting will continue with services on Friday, November 9th at 7 PM, with supper at 5:45 PM. Saturday morning services will begin at 10:30 AM with lunch to follow, then evening services at 7 PM, with supper at 5:45 PM. The meeting will conclude with services on Sunday morning at 10:30 AM, with lunch to follow.

Elder Joe Holder, pastor of Little Zion Church of Bellflower, CA and Elder Philip Conley, pastor of Cool Springs Church of Danville, GA will be our guest ministers during this meeting. We invite all to attend, and if you need lodging arrangements, directions or any other help, please contact the pastor, Elder Chris Crouse at 813-752-1345.

"A Word to the Father"

Article written by Elder Sonny Phelan

"And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" – Ephesians 6:4

One of the greatest responsibilities placed upon a man's shoulders is that of becoming a **father**. When these little ones come into the world, our first response is joy, mingled with a little fear, for before us lays a lifetime commitment. Every man should consider this responsibility solemnly before he brings a child into this world.

As a father, let me be the first to tell you that I have made a lot of mistakes. In this business, as with any other, we learn as we go. I have heard it said that children do not come with an owner's manual, therefore trial and error is the best we can do. But [instead of] the advice of the Dr. Spocks, the television's talk shows, and the trained professionals, I have found a [different] source of accurate information that has proven to be invaluable for the novice I feel so keenly to be. This "owners manual" comes from a Father who is perfect; a Father who has never made a mistake with any of His children; all wise, all loving; all knowing; "Our Father which art in heaven".

Apparently, the church of Ephesus had fathers among its membership. Paul addresses them personally and lovingly for he knew their children represented the future generation of the church at Ephesus, "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

The word "Nurture" carries with it the thought of nurturing a tender young plant. It must have the proper soil, fertilizer and sunlight that it might grow tall and bear fruit. Since everything that it comes in contact with will affect its future health: the t.v. shows

they watch, the music they hear, and even the friends they choose are all subject unto the father's God given authority. Fathers must be

loving and gentle in these areas, but use wisdom and discretion.

The word "Nurture" also means "discipline." While there are many forms of discipline, spanking remains to be one form of Biblical discipline. Modern psychology is telling fathers today that spanking a child is "corporeal punishment". These words, in themselves, may cause a father to feel guilty for administering Biblical discipline that God, in His infinite wisdom, has ordained. It is a dark world that breeds a child abuser, but in their zeal to eradicate this evil from our society, many have gone too far and oppose God and His pattern of loving discipline.

According to God, it takes more love to discipline a child than it does to ignore their misbehavior, "He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes". Proverbs 13:24. The comparison is clear: he that hateth and he that loveth. The word betimes means "early": early in the offense and early in their lives. Read Proverbs 13:24, 22:15, 23:13,14, 29:15 as well. Loving discipline will not harm a child. It is applied under control, without anger and with an explanation of the offense...with an 'I love you' attached. As one mother lovingly told her son before she administered the hickory switch to the sitter downer, "I am your mother. I will always love you. But I want others to love you as well." Like salt and sugar in the cookie recipe, proper proportions of love and discipline produce a palatable child.

The word "admonition" means "calling attention to the scriptures". It is not dad's out of date opinion concerning good and evil. This is what God declares in His word. By this method, a father's advice will carry more weight. Therefore, Paul assumes that every father is a reader of God's word. While there is no such thing as a perfect child, when it is all said and done may we be able to say, "I did it God's way." I remember the old Kodak jingle what went something like this, "Where are you going my little one, little one? Where are you going my little one now? Turn around you're 2, turn around you're 4, turn around you're a young man going out of the door". Our little saplings approach the fruit bearing season before we know it. Lord, help us to be better fathers, redeeming the time, for the days are evil.

Caring for Sister Pat while she recovers from an illness, "Doc", aka, Elder Glenn administers IV meds at home.



Church News

New Member at Cool Springs PBC

The last Sunday of July this year at the close of our service at Cool Springs our oldest daughter, Brenlee, came running down the aisle and asked for a home in Cool Springs Primitive Baptist Church. The following Sunday I was blessed with one of the greatest joys of my life when I baptized our little girl. I want to publicly thank our Lord for all the many blessings he has given us at Cool Springs Church and we desire your prayers as we continue to worship Him as He has given us command.

My parents came over to enjoy the day with us: Pictured (right) are my father and mother Johnny and Sis. Karen Wood, Sis. Jennifer, Lucy, Sis. Brenlee, myself, and Isaac!

God Bless,
Daniel Wood



Constitution of Zion PBC, Gordo, AL

“Zion Primitive Baptist Church was constituted on the Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in May, 1847. For years it thrived in the Zion Community near Gordo, Alabama, its membership dwindled in the late 20th century due to the influx of some false teachings. By 2005, the membership had shrunk to the point that there was only one member.

However, that one member began to see the need for revival in the church, and under the influence of the preaching of Elder Tim McCool, pastor of Bethlehem church in Echola, Alabama, she began to attempt to re-establish fellowship with mainline Old Baptist churches in the area. On the 1st Sunday in August, 2011, she held a business meeting wherein the church re-affirmed its original articles of faith and requested that fellowship be re-opened among the primitive Baptist churches in West Alabama. The meeting was attended by a large crowd of mainline Old Baptists, including the pastors of the local churches, who were ultimately satisfied with the conversion of the church. Each of the local churches voted to accept Zion’s request for fellowship, and the precious fellowship that was broken in the early 1900s was finally re-established, by the providential grace of God!

Almost immediately, God blessed the church with growth. By January 1, 2012, the membership had increased from one member to four members. On March 17, 2012, the church held its first ordination in decades, ordaining Elder Chris McCool to the full gospel ministry, and calling him to be pastor at Zion church. On March 18, 2012, Elder McCool baptized his entire family into the primitive Baptist church at Zion (wife Sherri, daughters Meredith and Ashleigh, sons Austin and Mason). That night, after a powerful and Spirit-filled message by Elder Buddy Abernathy, six more people joined the church. On March 25, 2012, as those six members were being baptized, another member came down and asked for membership by baptism.

Since that time, Zion has experienced a wonderful period of sustained revival. To date, there are 23 members of this little flock. God has blessed Zion church with continued growth. Many people in the community continue to visit the church, and the hope is that God will lead them eventually to become members. Moreover, as anyone who attends can see for themselves, God has blessed the church with a sweet fellowship and with Spirit-filled services each Sunday. Elder McCool commented on the work of God in this area: ‘We have been blessed beyond measure at



Elders Chris McCool and Tim McCool with their families and parents. The Lord has surely been good.

Zion, and certainly beyond what we deserve. The growth of this little Bethel-spot can be attributed to the mercy of a God who can do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think. Please continue to pray that He will continue to send revival in our area, and, indeed, to all His churches throughout the world.”

In Christ,
Bro. Chris McCool

New Members at Cincinnati PBC

Cincinnati PBC receives (a few months ago) seven for baptism and membership—including Steve and Jennifer Hunt, and five children. The children’s names beginning with oldest to youngest are Olivia, Austin, Emma, Adrian, Ethan, Liam, Courtney and Levi. All are members except for the youngest three Liam, Courtney and Levi. The church was blessed to hear their testimonies of the Lord’s graciousness and mercy to them. (See photo on left)



Contributions
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My Favorite Things

-Submitted by Elder Dolph Painter-Sung to the tune of “My Favorite Things” from The Sound of Music

Maalox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,
Bundles of magazines tied up in string,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Cadillacs and cataracts, and hearing aids, and glasses,
Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,
Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

When the pipes leak,
When the bones creak,
When the knees go bad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don’t feel so bad.

Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions,
No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
Bathrobes and heating pads and hot meals they bring,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Back pains, confused brains, and no need for sinnin’,
Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin’,
And we won’t mention our short shrunken frames;
When we remember our favorite things.

When the joints ache,
When the hips break,
When the eyes grow dim,
Then I remember the great life I’ve had,
And then I don’t feel so bad. ■

Answers to This Month's Quiz

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| 1. cherubim, Gn. 3:22-24 | 5. quail, Ex. 16:13 |
| 2. Nod, Gn.4:16 | 6. Philistine, Jdg. 14:3 |
| 3. 969, Gn. 5:27 | 7. bare hands, Jdg. 14:5-6 |
| 4. gold, Gn. 24:22 | 8. 10 yrs, Ruth 1:4-5 |

Report from South Africa

By Elder Darrell Chambers-part 2

We had good attention and seemingly good reception of the gospel teachings we delivered to the people here. There were many good questions on the topics presented, showing: interest in the messages, perception of the concepts, and no contention against our messages. One of the things that impressed me was that most of the men were from other parts of Africa, so the potential that they will take these messages to folks both in South Africa, and in other parts of Africa is very good. I pray the Lord will bless them, and bless their future service to Him in conveying the same truths we have shared with them.

What a lovely family. I was so impressed with this godly family. Bro. MacMillan has great support from his loving wife, and they are such good parents to Ivan Phiri, the 1yr-7mo old son of MacMillian and Angela. He is a delight and one of the smartest boys for his age I have ever seen. His vocabulary is remarkable. He speaks more like a 3-5 yr. old. He dances like Michael Jackson, and has not been taught this but it seems to come naturally. He is very interactive and inquisitive, and well behaved. He loves to pray and often asks his parents to pray. He seems to have adopted me and Eld. Johnson and is very loving. We truly enjoyed our time with this wonderful family. By the end of the week, Ivan was calling Bro. Vernon, "Paw Paw".

On one afternoon, we took our good host and hostess out to eat as a treat, as a show of appreciation, and to provide a break for the dear sisters who labored so hard to care for our every need.. They were unbelievably hospitable, and Sister Angela Phiri, who was 7-1/2 months pregnant, labored tirelessly to attend to us in every way. Her sister Symphrose also worked very hard. They waited on us hand and foot, despite our objections that they were doing too much and that we could wait on ourselves. They were so kind and gracious. Later in the week we visited this park and they enjoyed feeding the birds, and posing next to the statues. We also visited a local market where we purchased African made crafts and souvenirs.

I was stung by something one day, but I had no allergic reaction. It was quite painful

though and I never even saw the offending creature. However, they said it was probably a wasp, and the sting felt like a wasp sting. Later, Bro. Phiri showed me the hive of African Killer Bees in his back yard. We slowly walked to the hive and kept a large distance between us and them. He said they were very aggressive, and hundreds would swarm you, even if you were not threatening them. I then knew to avoid the backyard.

Bro. Phiri is more brilliant than either me or Elder Johnson expected, and we believe he could teach our materials well. He has an outstanding knowledge of the scriptures and has rightly divided every passage we have heard him speak about. He added much to the instructions and conversations. He is a wonderful man and reminds both me and Eld. Johnson of our good friend and fellow minister, Elder Martin Onyoni. I believe the Lord will use Bro. MacMillan greatly in His service for many years to come. And, I believe there will be much fruit from his labors.



Brother MacMillan Phiri at a church in Africa.

■ Taking a moment to relax are neighbor girl, Angela Phiri, Symphrose Jonas, Ivan and MacMillan Phiri.



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Kid's Corner

OT Wisdom

1. Whom did God put in place to guard the tree of life ?
2. When Cain went out of the Lord's presence, he went to live where?
3. Methuselah lived how many years?
4. Abraham's servant gave Rebekah what gift for Isaac?
5. God raised what kind of meat on the wilderness for the Israelites?
6. The woman Samson wanted to marry was of what heritage?
7. When a lion attacked Samson after he visited the woman, he killed it with what weapon?
8. How long did they live in Moab before both of Naomi's sons died ?