New Hope Newsletter

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The Florida Fellowship Meeting was held in February at MacClenny PBC in North Fl. Elders Tim and Chris McCool preached ably at Sunday services. Some of the young folk were excited to spend time together as well.

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"Mothers, the Heart of the Home"

By Elder Sonny Phelan

"Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, saying, because I have asked him of the Lord". I Samuel 1:20

It is at this time of the year that we focus our attention to that special person in our life that has meant so much to us all: our mother. We all have but one. While the Bible does not mention mother's day, it does say a lot about mothers and we find no greater example in all of scripture than that of Hannah, a godly mother.

We say "godly" because this is the attribute most profitable to motherhood. It is not her looks, her knowledge, her social status, her wit, her friends or her wealth, but rather those graces which flow from God, the giver of every good and perfect gift. If

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Pastor's Letter

Elder Glenn Blanchard



We have enjoyed a number of visitors from the frozen north in the past couple of months. Among them have been several ministers, Gary Brinson, Ben Cordes and Ken Smith.

We were thankful when Sister Erline Pierre-Louis came

forward asking for a home in our church. I am especially thankful when someone from the community visits our church and after a period of attending, decides to join us.

The Florida Fellowship Meeting in February was hosted by MacClenny Primitive Baptist Church and they did an outstanding job. Hats off to Elder David Crawford and his congregation. Lord willing, Winter Garden PBC will be hosting the next Florida Fellowship Meeting in February of 2015.

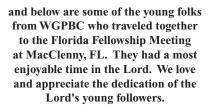
Annual Meetings that I have schedules for include Hebron PBC, April 4-6; Orange PBC, April 19, 20; Antioch PBC, May 9-11 and Winter Garden PBC May 23-25. Elder Carl Staten is scheduled to be with us for our Annual Meeting.

MacClenny Primitive Baptis

WGPBC Events



Sister Erline
Pierre-Louis has been
visiting our church
recently with her
daughter and grandson
and was baptized in
March. (Photo on left)
She is a delightful
addition to our body
and we are thankful
for her. Photos on right



See WGPBC Annual Meeting Notice page 5 May 23-25

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we were to take a poll of every child, and ask them which attribute of their mother was most treasured, I believe this attribute would be found to be most precious. It is here that we find the graces of Christ: sacrifice, security, warmth, understanding, love and compassion. Is it not so with your case?

Of all the things that Hannah could become in her life, there was nothing she wanted to be more than a mother. She placed this great honor above fortune and fame. Therefore, we find this request at the top of her prayer list. When her son was born into this world she named him "Samuel". Samuel means "asked for". This is a refreshing thought in a day in which freedom and pleasures are placed above this godly calling.

The word "mother" is a warm expression. It suggest three: wife, husband and child. It suggest a home. This is the purpose of motherhood, to have a home. As a matter of fact, that is the Bible definition of a mother: "the bond of the home". We might extend the thought to the "heart" of the home.

According to the examples that we find in scripture, there is more to being a mother than having a baby. From the examples of Hannah, Eunice, Lois, and Moses' mother, we find the mother to be many things. But one that stands out above all others is that of being a teacher of good things. These mothers taught their children about the Lord. And what an impact it had upon their lives. If you trace the footsteps of Samuel, Moses and Timothy, you will

find God's promise to be true: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" – Proverbs 22:6.

History can not erase the indelible impressions that godly mothers have had upon families; towns; societies and countries. Abraham Lincoln's mother died when he was nine. But in the short time he had with his mother, she had a powerful influence upon his life. In his later years he said, "All I am, or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother. I can remember her prayers, and they have always followed me." In just nine years, a mother can accomplish much.

Mothers not only have an impact upon the lives of their children, but upon all of society as well. Wm. Ross Wallace wrote, "They say that man is mighty, he governs land and sea, He wields a mighty scepter O'er lesser powers that be; but a mightier power and stronger man from his throne has hurled, for the hand that rocks the cradle, is the hand that rules the world." The godly mother is a blessing to all of humanity. God knew what he was doing when he placed her in the heart of the home.

Indeed, the call of motherhood is great. It is a life of sacrifice that yields a bountiful reward. As we consider our mothers, let us consider the unselfish sacrifice of every part of her:

"The heart of her, that beat against my own, The love of her, out-breathed in every tone. The eyes of her, that saw my smallest grief, The feet of her, that flew to my relief. The hands of her, that mind and body fed, The voice of her, that soothed and comforted. The ears of her, that heard my childish plaint, The face of her, with halo like a saint. The lips of her, that smiled her motherhood, The mind of her, my own that understood. The prayers of her – Oh, I would worthy be Of all my mother was, and is, to me."

-Ida Scott Taylor Lord, we thank thee for godly mothers!



Special visitors, Elder Ben Cordes and his wife Hillary from Montgomery, AL were enjoyed by all.

We were privileged to welcome the Mosley family from MD. Elder Asa III and Karla with children, Laura, Charlotte, Elaina, Koote, and Asa IV.





Wednesday night **Bible Study** brought visitors **Bruce Mandalfo** from Las Vegas and Joe Davis from Oklahoma City.

We enjoyed

Elder Gary and Sonya Brinson

from Spencer, IL

Elder Brinson

delivered a joyous message as well.

Meeting Notices

Annual Meeting, Little Union PBC, Lithia, FL

Annual July Meeting -7/17/2014 - 7/20/2014Invited Ministers: Elders Joe Holder, Mike Roberts and J.C. Stanaland

Thursday – 7 PM Worship Friday – 7 PM Worship, 5:45 PM Fish Fry Saturday – 10 AM Worship, lunch, 5:45 PM Supper, Communion at 7 PM Sunday – 10:30 AM Worship, lunch

50th Anniversary Meeting Tidewater PBC, Norfolk, VA

Please make plans to join us in worship.

The Tidewater Primitive Baptist Church located at 5848 Bartee Street in Norfolk, VA, would like to announce her 50th anniversary meeting over the 5th weekend in June, 2014. The dates will be June 27, 28, and 29. Friday night will begin

> with a carry-in dinner at 6:00 pm followed by services at 7:00 pm. The Saturday morning service will begin at 10:30 am followed by lunch and an afternoon service following lunch. The Sunday service will begin at 10:30 am with lunch to follow. The Lord willing,

Elder Chris Crouse from Florida, Elder Ronnie

Loudermilk from Georgia, and Elder Ed Kirkpatrick from Texas have agreed to come for the meeting. We would like to invite all who can to come and worship with us during these services. For further information, please contact Elder Tommy Sarber at 757-510-5300 or by email at tws1@mail.com. There are several homes for brethren to stay in as well as many motels in this area.

2014 Nebraska Fellowship Meeting, Zion PBC, Cozad, NE

The 2014 Nebraska Fellowship Meeting will be held at Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church in Cozad, Nebraska June 5, 6, 7, & 8. Schedule of services will be as follows:

Thursday at 7:30 PM: Singing & Prayer Friday at 10:00 AM; 1:30 PM & 7:30 PM Saturday at 10:00 AM; 1:30 PM & 7:30 PM Sunday at 10:00 AM

[Lunch will be served Friday, Saturday and Sunday following morning services; Supper will be served Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 6:00 PM prior to evening services.]

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Our desire is to accommodate as many of our guests in our homes as we can. There are two motels in Cozad. The two motels in Cozad offer a discount for the Fellowship meeting. Please be sure and ask for the discount when you make your reservation. Also, more motels are located in nearby Lexington and Gothenburg.

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308-784-2297

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We also have some camper hook-ups available at the church.

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Coastal Georgia Fellowship Meeting, Zion PBC, Brunswick, GA

The Coastal Georgia Fellowship meeting will be held at Zion Primitive Baptist Church in Brunswick, Ga. on July 11, 12, 13, 2014.

The church is located at

2195 Old Jesup Road

Brunswick, GA 31548

Elder Chris Folsom, pastor - 912-674-5679 cell

Brother Raymond Phillips, deacon - 912-242-7620 cell

Brother Art Suber, deacon - 912-674-3163 cell

July 11 - Friday night 7:00

July 12 - Saturday - 7:00-9:00 am Breakfast served at Church building

July 12 - Saturday - 10:00 am Morning Worship Service begins

July 12 - Saturday - 12 noon'ish Dinner on the Grounds

July 12 - Saturday - 1:30 pm Afternoon Service begins (No night service)

July 13 - Sunday - 10:00 am Morning Worship Service begins

July 13 - Sunday - 12 noon'ish Dinner of the Grounds

Make plans to come and be with us. Please be in prayer for this meeting.

Brother Chris Folsom

Special Meeting, Little Zion PBC, Davenport, FL

Lord willing, Little Zion will host a special meeting beginning on Friday, June 20th, continuing through Sunday, June 22nd. We invite you to attend this meeting and worship with us.

Friday June 20th 7:30 pm

Saturday June 21st 10:30 am, lunch, and 2:00 pm service

Sunday June 22nd 10:30 am, lunch

We have invited Elder Danny Ferrell of Kentucky and Elder Chris McCool of Alabama to be with us for this meeting.

We hope that you will mark your calendar and plan to come worship with us. We also ask that you pray for this special time, that the Lord's name will be honored and glorified and that we will be blessed to worship Him in spirit and truth.

3333 N. County Rd 547, Davenport, FL 33837

Antioch PBC Annual Meeting, Vero Beach, FL

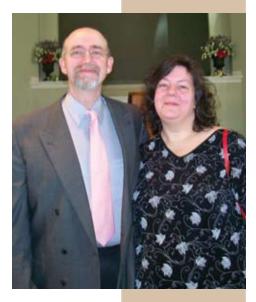
Friday, May 9 7:30 PM Saturday May 10 10:30am Lunch and Fellowship Noon Preaching and Communion Service 2:00 PM

Sunday May 11 10:30am Elder Ronald Lawrence is the invited speaker.

For more information call Elder Chris Taylor,

772-201-1244

Antioch is located at 1210 Old Dixie Hwy, Vero Beach, FL 32960



Elder Ken and Kerry Jackson joined us for worship from Calhoun, GA. Elder Ken was blessed to

preach.

Winter Garden PBC **Annual Meeting, Winter** Garden, FL

We have invited Elder Carl Staten to preach our Annual Meeting. We hope and pray that you will join us in celebration of another year serving our Lord in his kingdom. You will notice that the day after the close of our Annual Meeting is Memorial Day.

May 23 Friday 7:30 Worship Service May 24 Saturday 10:30 Worship Service & Lunch, 1:30 Worship Service, 5:30 Supper, 6:30 Communion

May 25 Sunday 10:30 Worship Service & Lunch

> May 26 Monday Memorial Day



Beautiful baby, Ashley Park, makes a grand appearance each Sunday with her family, Jeong Park and Karen Kwon and big brother, Joshua.



We welcomed Neil Barrett from East Orlando.

Members, Eddra and Blaine

Patterson shared

the day with

Loriann and Lisa, visiting from

London.

A Blood Issue

By Elder Dolph Painter

A woman, who suffered twelve years from a blood issue, approached Jesus Christ. The woman did not seek Jesus' attention, but touched Jesus' garment from His blind side. She was healed despite her non-traditional approach — Mark 5:25-34

To fully appreciate this woman's sorrow let us consider her burden, including the Old Testament Law to which she was subject – Leviticus 15:19-

27.

- · Physically, she had been weakened; 12 years of an energy draining illness.
- Mentally, she had to be weak; 12 years causes one to grow tired of being tired.
- Financially, she had been weakened; 12 years of doctors depleting here assets.

Socially, she was ostracized; unable to hug her children, sleep next to her husband, or sit in the same pew with another.

The woman was made whole as soon as she touched Jesus' garment. Her healing was instantaneous. Jesus knew it, and so did the woman. But Jesus made the woman tell all that happened, not for His benefit, but for the disciple's benefit. Jesus had the information, but the disciples needed to know.

Afterwards, Jesus said, "Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague" – v. 34. Jesus said she was whole (completed action) and be whole (future action). She was healed and regained her strength. What wholeness lay ahead?

A case could be made to interpret Jesus' saying as; to sin no more. But I interpret Jesus' saying as; go embrace your husband, kiss your children, and don't worry about brushing against another ever again. Jesus' healing was complete: physically, mentally, financially, and socially. Let us not forget, Jesus is the same today and for ever.

God's Design for Man and Woman

Elder Budddy Abernathy March 11, 2011

Jesus was one with His Father in creation (John 1:3) and taught that, "he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, and said, for this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh." (Matt. 19:4-6). Obviously, homosexuality is a perversion of His order in creation. Natural law is not affected by the transition from the Old Testament to the New Testament. In declaring that He was one with the Father (John 3:10), Jesus endorses the natural laws of God in the Old Testament. God described homosexual behavior as an abomination (Lev. 18:22) and in the following verse refers to beastiality as another departure from His natural laws (Lev. 18:23). Today, the average person views beastiality as sexual

deviance of the worst kind. However, fifty years ago "gay marriage" was looked upon with the same disdain. Moral decay is a very slow but steady process. History verifies this principle. It is not hateful or even disrespectful to condemn homosexuality. As a matter of fact, we are disrespecting human beings when we speak favorably of a lifestyle which is a violation of God's order in creation. As Christians we simply try to view creation in a way that is consistent with God's design. Human beings are created in God's image and, therefore, designed to live within the parameters of His natural laws.

Answers to This Month's Quiz

1. Church, IThes. 1:1 2. love, IThes. 4:9 3. pray, IThes. 5:17 4. letter

5. praise, Heb. 13:15

7. sin, I Jn. 1:8 8. world, I Jn. 2:15 9. idols, I Jn. 5:21

6. angels, Heb. 13:2

Contributions

Larry Jones Elder Roger and Barbara Parker

Philippines Report

Elders Darrel Chambers, Don Farris, Donnie Halbgewachs, Gus Harter and Kenny Venable visited the Primitive Baptist Churches in the Philippines from February 24 – March 7, 2014. They found that evangelism is alive and well in our churches there. In Manila there were over 200 seated in the church building and many standing around the perimeter leaning against the wall. Many other meetings were held around the islands and the Spirit of the Lord was present.

The ministers were able to visit churches that were destroyed in the Typhoon that recently passed through the islands. The financial help from our Primitive Baptist churches in America was of great value to our churches there and gave them hope in the midst of utter chaos.

A special visit was made to the Beauty for Ashes facility for young children. This was established by Sister Betty Jo Harter and has been a blessing to the children of the Philippines.

Much more could be said. Suffice it to say that the work in the Philippines has been blessed by God to grow and prosper. May the Lord be praised. Eld. G. Blanchard



Nathan and Lorianne Lawrence make friends with visitor, **Harmony Jackson** (and Minnie).

New Title by Elder Joseph Holder

Sovereign Grace publications is pleased to announce the availability of Volume 1 of "Romans: Theological Masterpiece" by Elder Joseph Holder. This volume covers Romans 1-8 and is available in both paperback and hardbound editions.

Letters

Dear Brother & Sister Blanchard, We feel blessed to have the newsletter, we enjoy it very much.

The winter has been snowy and very cold. We are doing O. K., hope you all are doing good, I'm sure it is a lot warmer in Florida.

> With love in Christ, Elder Roger & Barbara Parker Crown Point, Indiana

Church News

New Member at Antioch PBC, Vero Beach, FL

On February 2, 2014, Miss Gracie Kate Boesch came forward to ask for a home in the church at Antioch Primitive Baptist Church in Vero Beach, Florida. She was warmly and unanimously welcomed to membership. Being a shy child she had quietly been in conversation with Elder Chris Taylor and satisfied his mind as to her sincerity and understanding of what

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she was desiring. When asked if there was anything she wanted to say to the church, Gracie replied, "I love Jesus." Does that not summarize the whole thing? Out of the mouths of babes...

following a brief song service the same day. (See photos on right)



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