

Shepherd Tuesday Happenings



Shepherd Church of the Nazarene

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Friend Day Gets “Wow” Response

“Wow!” sort of sums up the great response to Friend Day at Shepherd Church last Sunday. There were 121 members and friends packing the pews for the morning service. There were at least 69 people that made it for breakfast during the Sunday School hour and the parking lot was overflowing.



Pastor Coleman brought a message on salvation, based upon carving a pumpkin...first you get rid of the yucky stuff on the inside, then you can see, know, speak the Word and let your light shine through.

To all that came, “Thank you for being our friend at Shepherd.”



Missionaries In Malawi

Missionaries Hellen and Wellington Obotte shared their work on the African mission field with a capacity crowd from the Shepherd & Batesburg Churches in our Fellowship Hall, last Saturday.

The Obotte's, currently serve in Malawi, in east Africa. Originally from Kenya, they have worked on the mission field for 15 years. They told of their experiences as African missionaries to Africa.



Bob Coleman helps painting

House Remodeling Project Is Successful

The house remodeling project that the church sponsored was a success and the work finished early.

The home for a 77-year-old widow was repaired by volunteers last Saturday, thanks to some skilled volunteers.

While the church was not mentioned by name, video of the project was shown Saturday night on WLTX-TV.

Prime Timers be sure to vote for your choice for the outing on November 2, the choice-sheet is in the foyer.



Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat

Nov. 5 @ the Pastors House

Last Sunday

Sunday School	69
Morning Worship	121
Evening Worship	25

This Week at Shepherd:

- Monday 7:30 am Men's Ministry
- Tuesday 6:30 pm Young Adult Discipleship
- Wednesday 6:30 pm Supper for All
- Wednesday 7 pm Bible Study
- Sunday 9 am Sunday School
- Sunday 10 am Morning Worship
- Sunday 5 pm Evening Worship

Ms. Mary, One Of Shepherd's Special Friends

Mrs. Mary Harmon and many other residents of the Lexington Extended Care facility, faithfully attend the bi-monthly services conducted by Pastor Coleman.

Clarence and Van Coleman, the Pastor's parents have held services at LEC (formerly Rickard Nursing Home) for over 30 years.



Ms. Mary looks forward to the visits, like the one with Pastor Coleman seen on the left.

The services are on the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month. Volunteers are welcome to take part in this Outreach/Discipleship ministry.



Just Thinking -- Wouldn't it be fun to be pastor for a day? You could get all of the cool complements and "free" meals. After all, it is a cushy job; you only work 1 or 2 days a week.

Before you get in line to sign up, you may want to look at some of the other related task that comes with the title.

Now, I'm not talking about when Sister Rose is taken to the hospital and you go to be with the family; or when Brother Sam, who had not darkened the doors of the church in 30 years, passes and you have to publicly proclaim what a saint he might have been. I'm talking about some of the really weird stuff.

For instance, let's say that you are a bi-vocational pastor that has worked the night shift, gotten into bed about 2 am, and you get a phone call, just as you get into that sleepy, twilight zone. The church member on the phone wants to know what that red glow is in the sky...at 3:15 am. You go out on the porch, on a frigid January night, in your pajamas and bedroom shoes to check, so that you can report, "It's the burn-off flame from the oil refinery about 15 miles away that is reflecting on the low hanging clouds...no, no, Sister, you didn't wake me up." While you really want to add, "No, I had to get up and answer the phone anyhow."

Maybe it is the phone call around midnight, inquiring, "We are playing scrabble and wanted to know if "doth" is a real word?" As much as you may want to say, "Don't they sell dictionaries down at the store?" You whisper a prayer and say, "Why yes Brother, it certainly is; it's from the old English, as in the King James Version, and means 'does'." "No trouble at all, have a blessed evening."

Your sermons are either too long or too short; they are too deep or too shallow; or you are a theologian or a jack-leg preacher. You are a comforter, an arbitrator, a resource, a trivia expert, a theologian, an orator, and a confidant...or as Paul said, "*I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some.*" (1 Cor. 9:22 NIV) In any event you do it all to please God.

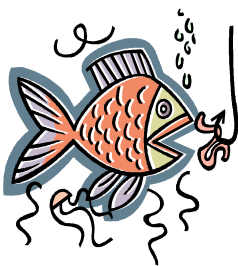
Still want to be the Pastor? Be careful what you wish for, your prayers may be answered. Hummm, the line seems to have suddenly gotten shorter!

That's part of the reason that we honor our pastors each October; of course, we should be doing it year round. In all fairness, I must add this disclaimer; while these examples are true, they were not from Pastor Coleman's ministry and the names have been changed to protect the innocent.

See you in Church and Sunday School.

Finally — Robby arrived at Sunday school late. Miss Corley, his teacher, knew that Robby was usually very punctual so she asked him if anything was wrong.

Robby replied no, that he had been going fishing but his dad told him that he needed to go to church.



Miss Corley was very impressed and asked the boy if his Dad had explained to him why it was more important to go to church than to go fishing?

Robby replied, "Yes he did. Dad said he didn't have enough bait for both of us."

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