

# Shepherd Tuesday Happenings



Shepherd Church of the Nazarene

May 26, 2009

## Annual Church Meeting

# Reports State That Shepherd Looking Good

All areas of Shepherd gave positive reports for the past year and for the year to come during the Annual Church Meeting on Sunday, May 24. Worship attendance and Sunday School are up; **Pastor Coleman** reported our current membership at 40. There have been several new members this year. **Van Coleman** reported that we did well with missions, meeting our goal on giving and reading books. **Chad Branham** reported that we have begun youth activities and will be doing more in the near future. **Janet Ellisor** thanked all for their involvement in the Praise Team, solos and music. **Clarence Coleman** gave a glowing report on nursing home visitation. **Larry Ellisor** told of the advances in the audio/visual booth. Thanks to some gifts, we now have a second projector, a new computer and a CD player. Board Secretary **John Frierson**



Pastor Coleman Gives His Annual Report

reported that we have a new computer in the office with Nazarene Treasury System software installed. Shepherdians will have received more than 50 Continuing Lay Training (CLT) credits for the past church year.

Following the meeting, the congregation adjourned to the Fellowship Hall for some home-churned ice cream and other sweets.

Sunday morning, veterans and active service personnel were recognized. The morning message was presented by Mr. Bill Coleman of Gideon's International.

### Last Sunday

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| Sunday School   | 42 |
| Morning Worship | 49 |
| Evening Worship | 22 |

### This Week at Shepherd:

- Wednesday 7 pm Bible Study
- Sunday 9 am Sunday School
- Sunday 10 am Morning Worship
- Sunday 4:30 pm Praise Team Practice
- Sunday 5 pm Evening Worship

### **Baptism Service is Scheduled for June 14**

Pastor Coleman has announced that there will be a Baptism service at Shepherd Church on the morning of June 14.



We will have a portable baptismal pool (heated) for the service. Baptism is one of the two sacraments observed by the Church of the Nazarene.

If you have not been baptized, or wish to be re-baptized, please contact Pastor Coleman soon, for information and instructions.



Florida greets us with liquid sunshine

**Just Thinking** -- From the 1930's into the 1970's there was a newspaper cartoon by Al Capp called Li'l (Little) Abner. It was also made into a movie a couple of times. Anyhow, one of the minor characters was a little man that was followed by a rain cloud, wherever he went. Bad luck would follow Joe Btfsplk (that's how it was spelled; don't ask how it was pronounced.).

Last week, I felt like Joe Btfsplk, Savon and I went on a Florida vacation with Jim, Cindy and granddaughter, Kristina, in "sunny" Florida; only someone forgot to tell the sun. It rained the entire time we were there.

Now we could have prayed for beautiful weather, but the locals had drought conditions and really needed the rain; so we would be putting God on the spot with such a request.

Sort of like the baseball game last week in the SEC championship; LSU was playing the Gamecocks; I graduated from both schools, who should I root for? I was on a spot, should I put God on the spot too, by praying for either team?

Often we do just that, instead of praying for God's will to be done; we pray for our personally desired outcome. We pray for that loved one to be healed, when perhaps God has other plans. It may not be our ideal plan, but in the end we should love Him, worship Him, and above all accept His will. The Lord gave us the pattern for our prayers, often we forget the important part, "Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." (Matthew 6:10 NIV)

However, for the record, it quit raining right after we got back into Georgia. Just call me Joe Btfsplk.

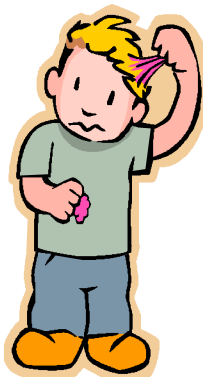
## Family Camp Coming the Week of June 14th Through June 21

Family Camp will be the week of Sunday, June 14th through Sunday, June 21. We will have a service and baptism at Shepherd the morning of June 14, then the evening service, and Wednesday night services will meet at the campground in Batesburg. This year will be different

from the past, as the last service will be on Sunday morning. This will allow those going to the General Assembly in Orlando an early start



**Special Treat for Shepherdians that attend the camp service on Thursday night, June 18; Pastor Coleman has offered to buy each of you a hot dog and soda, after the service. Ya'll come and lets sit together.**



### Finally — Seems Like You Get Back What You Put In

A man and his young son went to church, and when they came out the father was complaining that the service was too long, the preacher was no good, and the singing was off-key.

Finally the little boy said, "Daddy, I thought it was pretty good for a dollar."

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See you in Church and Sunday School. — jtf

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