

Shepherd Tuesday Happenings



Shepherd Church of the Nazarene

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We Are Back.....

We are back for a while after a very active 3 weeks. Let's get caught up on what's been happening in the life of the church.

We had a **Baptismal Service** on June 14th, when three people received the sacrament in our sanctuary. They were (1 to r) CheyAnna Peterson, Jeff Miller, and Troy Whitaker.



Shepherdians at Camp - (Front row, 1 to r) Bob Sprossel, Bob Coleman, Suzy Coleman (2nd row) Clarence Coleman, Van Coleman, Loraine Coleman, Larry Ellisor (Standing) DeeDee Crabb, Pastor Coleman, John Frierson, Savon Frierson, Janet Ellisor. Not Pictured - Tem Frierson

Family Camp at Batesburg. If you missed any or all of the services, they were quite a blessing with the ministry of Dr. Harold Graves, Dr. Norman Moore and the music and antics of the Rev. Marcus Whitworth. Then there was hot dog night, when Pastor Coleman bought hot dogs and drinks for all Shepherdians and many took advantage. There was the reunion of all of the IMPACT Teams and a whole lot of good fellowship. Plan now to attend next year.

General Assembly - After a quick break to wash clothes, it was off to the General Assembly in Orlando. For the non-Nazarenes, this is our international governing body, which meets every 4 years. Pastor Coleman was a delegate; John & Savon Frierson attended as observers. The assembly elected 3 new General Superintendents to replace those retiring. The newly elected leaders are Dr. Eugenio Duarte

(Dew-art), Dr. David Graves, and Dr. Stan Toler; Dr. Jerry Porter, Dr. James H. Diehl, and Dr. Jesse C. Midendorf round out the 6 member Board of General Superintendents.

Correction - In the last issue, the name of Rev. D.J. Joung's church was incorrectly listed from the Georgia website. DJ's church is the Shalom Church of the Nazarene

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



I Baptize Thee... - Pastor Coleman baptizes CheyAnna Peterson, as Ray Presnell assists.



Just Thinking – One morning during the recent family camp, I entered the tabernacle and the music had already started. (Okay, I was late.) The only one in the back of the building, was a little boy, two-foot something with curly red hair, and a bag in his hands.

As I started toward my seat, he rushed up to me, looked up and smiled. Taking a page out of the “Grandpa’s Manual”, I smiled back and said, “Hi”. He smiled more, reached into his bag and pulled out a single M & M or Skittle. From the colorful smears on his moist hand, I could tell he had pulled out several of these sweet treats. Also following page 16 of the “Grandpa’s Manual”, I took the

candy and said, “Thank you”.

He reached into the bag again, smiled, and gave me some more candy. After he had placed them in my hand, I said, “Thank you very much” (page 17). As I turned to get to my seat, he quickly uttered, “They may be sticky”. Indeed they were.

This child gave freely of what was his, with no prompting. Sort of like God gives to his children freely and lovingly.

When we accept God’s blessings, do we remember to thank Him? And, yes, by taking His gifts and following Him, things may get a little bit sticky, but the rewards are sweet. Remember the trials of Job; but afterward he prayed, accepted God’s blessings, and “*the LORD made him prosperous again and gave him twice as much as he had before.*” (Job 42:10 NIV) - jtf

Plan to Attend SC District Assembly & Conventions



Finally.....

There will be a meeting of the Board immediately after the service," announced the pastor.

After the close of the service, the Church Board gathered at the back of the auditorium for the announced meeting. But there was a stranger in their midst -- a visitor who had never attended their church before.

"My friend," said the pastor, "Didn't you understand that this is a meeting of the Board?"

"Yes," said the visitor, "and after today's sermon, I suppose I'm just about as bored as anyone else who came to this meeting."

Mark you calendars and plan to attend the South Carolina District Assembly and Conventions.

They will be held a Columbia First Church of the Nazarene starting Sunday evening, July 26 and run through the Ordination Service on Wednesday, July 29. All sessions are open to the public.

The evening services start at 7:30 p.m.

Board Elects Officers

The Church Board has elected its officers for the year 2009 - 2010. Lorrie Whitaker has been re-elected Church Treasurer and John Frierson was re-elected Secretary to the Board.

Larry & Janet Ellisor were named Stewards. Chad Branham, John Frierson & Troy Whitaker were named Trustees.

Contact information for church staff and board members will be published in the near future.



Camp Chow with Grandpa

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