

Shepherd Tuesday Happenings



Shepherd Church of the Nazarene

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Rev. Widener urges us to call on the promise and pray for revival.

Sights & Sounds of Revival

Still time to get in on the blessings; services on **Tuesday and Wednesday nights at 7 pm.**



Karen Coleman Gause played for the Monday night service.



Mike Sanders and his group of young people provided the music on Sunday night



The Milligan Family, (l to r) Elaine, Steve and Stephanie, from Florence did a great job singing in the Monday service.



Last Sunday

Sunday School	36
Morning Worship	58
Evening Worship	57

This Week at Shepherd:

- Tuesday 7 pm - Revival Service
- Wednesday 7 pm - Revival Service
- Sunday 9 am Sunday School
- Sunday 10 am Morning Worship
- Sunday 5 pm Evening Worship



Mike Sanders sang solos in the Sunday morning and evening services.



Kids Revival Time - Taylor, Jacob and Porter sing "This Little Light of Mine" during Kids Time Sunday Morning

Just Thinking -- We are at the mid-point of our revival. Rev. Widener is doing great and God is blessing us in the services.

Over our pastoral years, we experienced many memorable revivals; back in the day when they lasted a week or longer. One church we pastored was located about a block from the railroad track. Before we arrived there, the legend was told of the evangelist that was scheduled to catch the train that came through right after the service on Sunday night. Well the Spirit got hold of him, as well as the congregation, and he was going strong when the train whistle sounded in the distance. One brother told him, "Reverend, you're going to miss your train." The evangelist didn't miss a beat and declared, "That's all right, there'll be another one tomorrow."



We had one evangelist at our church in Alabama, who after spending a hard week in revival, stayed a couple of extra days, so the young parsonage couple could have a night out alone, while he baby sat the children. Another one at that same church, after the revival, stayed an extra week repairing the plumbing and other needs in the old parsonage; also accompanying me on visitation. That fellow never met a cat that he did not like.

In Louisiana, one evangelist could only talk about veal and "barnyard fertilizer" at the dinner table; to this day, I cannot eat veal. Then another brought his wife with him; she spent the days hunting snakes in our yard; if they went down a hole, she would take a hoe and go after them.

Revivals are a time of refreshing our Christian experience, whether the services last a day or several weeks; but we have to open our hearts to let the Spirit in. How about you, have you made room for the Spirit during these services? Our prayer is like that of the psalmist, "Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me." (Psalms 51:10 NIV)

See you in Revival Services tonight and tomorrow; then Sunday School and Church.



Feel Like Someone Is Watching You?

Have you felt like someone has been watching over your shoulder in Church the last few weeks. Well they really may have been true since the Church received a gift of an internal video system. For years

we have tried to figure out how someone tending the nursery would not miss services or over-flow for at weddings and funerals. The video system has been installed with monitors in the nursery and the fellowship hall where live video and audio is fed from the sanctuary. We hope to soon be able to provide DVD recordings of the services for sick and shut-ins.

Mark Your Calendars

March 30 - Supper and Bible Study resumes. Gospel of John, Pt. 2; study John 17.

April 3 - Spaghetti luncheon and Easter Egg hunt, 12 noon.

April 10 - Yard Sale, meet the neighbors.

Finally -- "Were you a good girl in Church today?" a grandmother asked her granddaughter.

"Oh yes," the girl replied. "When a nice man offered me a plate full of money, I said 'No thank you.'"



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