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Elder Gary Harvey with his wife, Becky, and sons, John and Seth.

Pastor's Letter

Elder Glenn Blanchard

We have just finished our Annual Meeting with Elder Gary Harvey as our guest minister. What fabulous preaching he did!

The Lord blessed Elder Harvey abundantly and beyond any measure of our worthiness. He brought his precious family with him, Sister Becky, Brothers Seth and John. On Friday and Saturday nights they performed some of their Blue Grass Music for a number of us who stayed to hear them. They are truly a talented and blessed family of God. All of our members remarked over and over again how much they enjoyed them. On Friday night we were also blessed to have Brother Isaac Taylor and his banjo with us. Brother Isaac is a professional musician and really added to the festivities.

Elder Harvey started off his messages on Friday night with Moses's statement in the book of Hebrews 11:24-25, "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures

of sin for a season."...What a choice Moses made! And this choice should be made by each of us every day of our lives; make the choice to suffer affliction for His sake than to enjoy the pleasures of this World. Amen!

We also enjoyed a deacon ordination on Saturday afternoon. Brothers Roy Alan Miles and Rodney Roberts were ordained to the office they have been filling for quite some time.

Special thanks to Elders Buddy Abernathy, Charles Dennis and Chris Taylor for helping us

to celebrate our Annual Meeting.

Also within the past month, we have been able to put a considerable amount toward the debt of our building, for which we are thankful. Truly, the Lord's word is faithful when he says in Malachi 3:10, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour out you a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Here at Winter Garden Church we have experienced these words over and over.

We pray all our readers will have a safe and happy summer in the Lord.

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Worship Service Sunday at 10:30am Bible Study Wednesday at 7:30pm

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Partial Information

Pilate is standing on the porch of the Judgment Hall with a mob of Jews looking up at him. Off to the side stands a bound Jesus, and a short distance away sits Barabas in a jail cell. Can you picture the scene? (Matthew 27:19-26).

Pilate asks the crowd, "Whom shall I release?" The crowd shouts, "Barabas!" Barabas doesn't hear the question, but hears the crowd roar his name. Pointing to Jesus, Pilate asks the crowd, "What shall I do with this man?" The crowd shouts, "Crucify Him!" Again, Barabas doesn't hear the question, but hears the crowd roar. Can you empathize with Barabas?

The legal arrangements were complete. Barabas was a free man, he just didn't know

he was free. But partial information caused Barabas more concern than no information as he heard guards walk down that stone corridor. Amen?

And that's how it is with many of our family, friends, and neighbors who don't know they have been ruled free. Those with partial information often worry about whether they have believed enough, have repented enough, or persevered enough. My friends, we can be like the guards who opened Barabas's cell door and spoke the words, "You may go. You're free." There's tremendous power in those words. May the Lord bless us with the opportunity and the courage to share that good news. —Copied from the Moriah Newsletter, Volume 7, Issue: Mar 2010, Elder Dolph Painter, pastor of Moriah

Announcements

2nd Annual Coastal Georgia PBC Fellowship Meeting -Zion PBC, Brunswick, GA

July 9-11, 2010 - 2nd annual Coastal Georgia Primitive Baptist Fellowship Meeting. Friday, July 9 - services starts at 7:00PM Saturday, July 10, Services start at 10:30 AM with afternoon services following lunch.

Sunday, July 11, Services start at 10:30 AM with communion following lunch.

We will preach the ministry that comes to be with us.

Plan a vacation in the Golden Isles with fun, sun and worship with God's people.

2195 Old Jessup Road, Brunswick, GA 31525 - Elder Christ Folsom, Pastor - 912-674-5679

Harmony Valley Singing School

A Harmony Valley singing school reunion will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2010. Singing and fellowship will begin at 10:30 at Bethany PBC, near Ecru, Mississippi. This will be followed by a covered dish lunch. All previous students, teachers, helpers in other ways, and any other attendees are invited to come. The following week (July 19-23) Harmony Valley Singing School will be held on the grounds of Bethany PBC. For more information contact Jerry Wise @ (662) 419-8075.



We were especially pleased to have family of Roy Miles and June White join us for our Annual Meeting.
Left: Hazel and Charles Kitchens.
Below: David Kitchens, Charles Kitchens, Hazel Kitchens, June White, Louise Hanson and Rebecca Simpson.



Little Union PBC, Lithia, FL

Little Union Church, located in Lithia, FL, will be hosting its July Meeting beginning on Thursday night, July 15th and concluding at noon on Sunday, July 18th. The Lord willing, Elder John Melvin from Atlanta, Georgia and Elder Kobee Trueblood from Missouri will be preaching, Services will be held on Thursday at 7:30pm, Friday at 10:30am and 7:30pm, Saturday at 10:30am and communion at 7:30pm, and Sunday at 10:30am. Lunch will be served on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Supper will be served at 6pm on Friday and Saturday. We have not yet determined if we will have any afternoon services. We hope many will plan to be with us at this time when school is out and many families are traveling on vacation. The church is located approximately 18 miles south of Plant City on Hwy 39. On your GPS, enter 15510 CR-39 South, Lithia, Florida. For more information contact one of the following brethren: Elder Buddy Abernathy, 863-797-6685, Donald Dixon, deacon, 813-737-4352; Matthew Johnson, deacon, 863-646-0757;

Randy Miller, deacon, 863-646-9230; Sonny Miller, deacon, 863-644-8596; Quintin Varnum, deacon 813-737-4536. —Sent by Brother Buddy Abernathy, Pastor.

Little River Association

This year the Little River Association will be held at Cross Roads PBC in Woodstock, Georgia, August 12th - 14th. The meeting begins Thursday evening at 6:00 PM with supper and service following. [It] continues on Friday with service starting at 10:00 AM, followed by lunch and an afternoon service. Supper will be at 6:00 PM and service to follow. On Saturday, the schedule is service at 10:00 AM, lunch and the closing service on Saturday afternoon. Directions to the church: [In Woodstock] turn off GA 5 in town on Arnold Mill Road, 3 and ½ miles to Trickum Road. Turn right 500 feet to church on the right. There will be homes available for visitors and the Best Western in Roswell is very handy (770-552-5599 or 800-784-8321). For more information: Elder Edward Cagle, 770-410-6862 or 770-403-9040.

Church News





Below: Sister Kasey Warren receiving her diploma from Mayor David Cadle. The graduation ceremony was held at Palm Bethel PBC in Crestview, FL, where Elder James Conley is the pastor. Kasey is the daughter of David and Kathy Warren.

Congratulations!!

We are pleased to share the graduations of Sister Mary Helen Still from college and Sister Kasey Warren from high school. May the Lord direct and bless you both in your futures.





Pictured with Elder Blanchard and Ray Blanchard is recent visitor, Raven Clabough. Right- Nieces Shirley Cox, Linda Peavey and Sister Gladys Bennett.



Answers to This Month's Quiz

 1. Clauda, Acts 27:16
 5. Coos, Acts 21:1

 2. Crete, Acts 27:13
 6. Rhodes, Acts 21:1

 3. Melita, Acts 28:1
 7. Kios, Acts 20:14-15

 4. Patmos, Rev. 1:9
 8. Sicily, Acts 28:12

Church News (cont.)

Winter Garden PBC

It was a wonderful weekend of fellowship and praise at our recent Annual Meeting. The Harvey Boys found time to bless us with their musical abilities. They are an amazingly talented family. Winter Garden used the meeting to ordain two new deacons, Roy Miles and Rodney Roberts. Serving in the process were Elders Glenn Blanchard, Elder Charles Dennis, and Elder Gary Harvey.



Contributions

Rita Renfroe Richard & Jayne Harvey





Wedding Bells

Winter Garden was blessed to host the marriage of Lauren Penfold and Michael Ulmer on May 15, 2010. Lauren is the daughter of Roy and Mona Miles and Michael is the son of Michael and Leanna Ulmer. It was a stunning event in sunflowers and gold and brown tones. The wedding was photographed by members, Jerry and Denise Winterstein. To see more pictures from the event go to www.photographybyjerryanddenise.com. Lauren will be starting nursing school in the fall and Michael has recently accepted a job as a fireman in a local fire department. We love this couple dearly and they are a great blessing to our church.

My Daily Prayer

As I walk upright at my work, Lord, let my heart be bowed In meditation and in prayer, In silence and aloud.

O may the spirit of prayer Be never far away, Though it be in the dark of night, Or in the light of day.

Lord, bless those near and dear to me, O bless them with Thy love; I cannot give this gift to them, It must come from above! Lord, bless Thy kingdom here on earth, Thy people everywhere; Thy servants who do preach Thy word, O keep them in Thy care.

O bless the little church, dear Lord, That gave to be a home; O may she in the old paths walk And from them never roam.

O keep her in Thy hand, dear Lord, And keep her 'neath Thy wing, And help her preach and practice, Lord, Thy truth in everything! —from *Bread Upon the Waters* by Sister Bessie Kennamer, deceased

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Paul was shipwrecked on this island.

John was exiled on this island.

When Paul left Ephesus, he sailed first to this island. Ś

The next day he sailed on to this island. 9

Paul sailed from Mitylene to this island.

Paul stayed in Syracuse, the capital city Although it is not named in the Bible, of this island. **∞**