BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY

During our recent Mission Trip to Cumberland, Kentucky, I joined several of the participants on a journey into Portal 31. We jumped on a converted mine cart and toured the mountain where generations of Kentuckians have mined for coal. We only went a few hundred yards from the surface, but the larger mine system extended for miles underground. It is hard to fathom just how deep those miners dug in search of coal.

That trip got me thinking about the depths towards which miners will dig for commodities that are even more precious. For instance, the Ashanti's Mponeng gold mine in South Africa is currently the deepest mine in the world at a depth of 3.9 km below the surface! The value of what is deposited beneath the surface determines the depth towards which people are willing to go.

Jesus talked about something similar in one of his shortest parables. Matthew 13:44 says, “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.” How deep and how far are you willing to go to experience the most precious treasure in all of the world? That is the theme that I want us as a church to consider as we move into the Fall. I want to invite you to Dig Deeper on Wednesday nights at Tabernacle this Fall. I am so excited to share with you some of the ways that we plan to make Wednesday nights a big night for our fellowship.

We want to Dig Deeper in Fellowship. We will be ramping up our Wednesday night meals by using fresher ingredients, lowering the cost, and expanding the time of service so that you can enjoy a night of great fellowship with family and friends. We are quadrupling the size of our meal budget to ensure that you and your family will have a nutritious and delicious meal every Wednesday night. Due to our increased investment in the Wednesday Night Meal ministry, we will be able to lower the price to $4 for adults and $2 for children. In addition, you will no longer have to register for the meal – just show up and bring a friend! We will begin serving at 4:45 and will serve until 6:30.

We also want to Dig Deeper in Discipleship. In addition to Pastor Mary Lou Grimmett leading our regular Wednesday Night Prayer Gathering in the chapel at 6:15, we will also have four additional Bible Study opportunities offered from 6:00 – 7:00 in the classrooms that adjoin the fellowship hall. Each course will be around 10-weeks long and will be available only by signing up. Space will be limited because we really want to create a sense of commitment and community among the participants so that we can dig deeper into God’s word. We will announce the other studies in the days ahead.

There is too much to mention than I have space for on this Newsletter! I have not even gotten to the ways that we will Dig Deeper in Music and Missions. We also have already begun Griefshare and DivorceCare classes for our church and community that meet in the TLC while all these other activities are going on! On Sunday, August 27, we are going to have a covered dish luncheon and Fall Kickoff where you can learn about these exciting opportunities and much more.

Imagine if there was just as many people in our facilities on Wednesday nights as there is on Sunday morning. Imagine if everyone at Tabernacle committed themselves to Digging Deeper into God’s Word and each other’s lives. Imagine a place so jam-packed with excitement that you could not help but invite others to come join in and experience the joyous treasure of the Christian life on full display. I do not just want to imagine that – I want to see it! Will you commit yourself to Digging Deeper this Fall?

Expecting His Best,
Stephen V. Allen, Senior Pastor
CHILDREN’S CORNER

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOMS
Babies - Room 107
Toddlers - Room 101
2’s - Room 106
3’s and 4’s - Room 120
K - 1st Grade - Room 319
2nd & 3rd Grade - Room 317
4th & 5th Grade - Room 307

Over the next few weeks, you will notice some construction going on in the first floor children’s area. During this time classes may have to relocate. Mrs. Crystal, at the check in desk, will have room numbers to assist you. Thank you for your flexibility during this time.

PRESCHOOL & GRADED MUSIC AND MISSIONS
Starts September 6
Kickoff - August 27
following the Worship Service
(More details to come.)
Register for a fun year of Music and Digging Deeper!!!

We have a wonderful opportunity for you! Our preschool age is growing! We are in need of volunteers to work during the worship service. If you are interested in loving on our children and would like to be added to our nursery or Children’s Worship rotation, please contact Julie Harris or Addie Scott. You will need to complete a background check before being added.

EXTENDED TEACHING CARE
Sunday, August 13, 2017
Team Leader:
Lauren Charles
Babies/Creepers (Room 107):
Jim Charles, Elaine Charles
Toddlers (Room 101):
Natalie Blanks, Jennifer Conner
2 Year Olds (Room 106):
Adrienne True
3 Year Olds (Room 120):
Albert & Julie Warren

STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

STUDENT SKY ZONE TRIP
Sunday, August 20
Cost: $20
Bus departs the TLC at 12:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL NEWS

The Weekday Preschool is hiring for the 2017-2018 school year. If you are interested, please contact us at 770-834-4611. A job application is available online at www.tabernacle.org.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE MEMORIAL SERVICE for Tam Tamukati (2-17-2017) Tezzo Tamukati (4-7-2017) Sunday, August 13, 2017 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel Family and friends will gather to share experiences they had with Tam and Tezzo.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRIEF SHARE & DIVORCE CARE
Wednesdays beginning August 9
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Grief Share (TLC Room 258)
Divorce Care (TLC Room 260)
All 13 classes stand alone: you are welcome to attend and begin at any class of the 13 topics.
Classes are free, but a workbook is required at a cost of $15.00.

TABERNACLE WIFI
Tabernacle WIFI is now password protected.
Should you need to connect to the WIFI, the password is: TBC-wifi

OPEN HANDS NEEDS
Socks (men, women children), baby wipes, new reading glasses (Dollar Tree type)

ALICE’S HOUSE NEEDS
Paper Cups (Hot & Cold), Paper Napkins, Sponges

L-3 SUICIDE INTERVENTION WORKSHOP
Saturday, August 26
9:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the TLC
(Snacks and Lunch provided.)
Cost: $40.00
Trainer: Kenneth Koon, President, Armed Forces Mission
Listen Learn Lead (L3) Suicide Intervention is a one day workshop based on Kenneth Koon’s work with more than 25,000 soldiers and veterans. L3 principles will benefit individuals from all walks of life and offers applications in various life situations. 5CE credits available for mental health professionals, staff development for teachers and POST credit for law enforcement.
Please register for the workshop at www.tabernacle.org or by calling the church office.

Sunday, August 13
8:00 am Instrumental/Praise Band (Worship Center)
8:45 am Sunday Morning Prayer Time (Chapel)
9:15 am Bible Study for All Ages
10:15 am Children’s Worship (Third Floor)
10:30 am Worship Service (Worship Center)

Monday, August 14
9:00 am Open Gym Walking - until 2:00 pm (Gym)
9:30 am Staff Meeting (Room 206)

Tuesday, August 15
9:00 am Open Gym Walking - until 12:00 pm (Gym)
10:00 am Living Well with Diabetes (Rooms 260, 262)
12:00 pm Open Gym Basketball - until 2:00 pm (Gym)
1:00 pm Diabetes Education Empowerment Program (Rooms 260, 262)
5:30 pm Living Well with Diabetes (Cafè, Rooms 256, 258)
5:45 pm Zumba Class (Gym)
6:00 pm Deacon Administrative Committee Meeting (Room 206)
7:00 pm Deacons’ Meeting (TLC)

Wednesday, August 16
9:00 am Open Gym Walking - until 12:00 pm (Gym)
12:00 pm Open Gym Basketball - until 2:00 pm (Gym)
6:00 pm Connect (Gym)
6:00 pm Divorce Care (Rooms 260, 262)
6:00 pm Grief Share (Room 258)

Thursday, August 17
9:00 am Open Gym Walking - until 12:00 pm (Gym)
11:30 am Diabetes Maintenance Class (Room 256)
12:00 pm Open Gym Basketball - until 2:00 pm (Gym)
5:00 pm Lose It Class (Rooms 260, 262)
5:45 pm Zumba Class (Gym)

Friday, August 18
9:00 am Open Gym Walking - until 2:00 pm (Gym)

Saturday, August 19
9:00 am Open Gym Walking - until 10:30 am (Gym)
10:30 am Open Gym Basketball - until 12:00 pm (Gym)

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keep Carroll Beautiful Paint Recycling Event
Saturday, August 12 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Church Parking Lot
First 10 gallons FREE $3 per additional gallon
All other container sizes are FREE.
You may go through the express drop off line, or bring your family to enjoy our recycled paint sale, kids games, and paint activities.

Behind the Lens: The Photography of Ricky Stilley
August 10 - September 23
Carrollton Cultural Arts Center
The Galleria
Ricky is a member of Tabernacle Baptist Church.
Pastoral Team

Stephen Allen, Senior Pastor
Mark Barnes, Interim Associate for Music and Worship
Mary Lou Grimmett, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care
Wally Dedman, Interim Minister to Students
Julie Harris, Interim Children’s Minister

Stewardship Report  YTD (Fiscal Year: October-September)

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Balance of TLC Mortgage: $1,085,273.16

Sunday’s Report - August 6, 2017

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Online Giving

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MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

Sunday, August 6

General Church Budget in Memory of:
Mrs. Patricia Jackson Vaughn Mr. Ronnie Young

2020 Now in Memory of:
Mrs. Helen Perdue (Robert Perdue’s Mother)
Mrs. Dot Roberts Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shoppe
Mr. Sam Thomas (John and Peggy Ridley’s Grandson)
Mr. Joe Cooke Mr. Joe McGinnis
Mr. Don Watters

2020 Now in Honor of:
Mr. Max Stevens Ms. Rebecca Weems

Backpack Ministry in Memory of:
Mr. Joe McGinnis

Allene Starnes Memorial Scholarship in Memory of:
Mr. Sam Thomas (John and Peggy Ridley’s Grandson)

THIS WEEK: August 13

SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.

SERMON: “Refreshing Your Faith”

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 17:1-27

PREACHER: Dr. Stephen Allen, Senior Pastor

WORSHIP LED BY: Don Hall, Guest Music Leader

Tabernacle Choir

DEACONS OF THE WEEK: August 13 - August 19

Daniel Jackson, Stanley Moody, Joe Murrah