



Valley Baptist Church Newsletter June 2008

From the Pastor's

Dear Church Family,

June is an exciting month. Summer is here, the flowers are beautiful, and it is time to enjoy the great outdoors of beautiful Oregon. And there is another reason that June is important to me.

June marks the 18th anniversary of my marriage to Kathy and the 15th birthday of my oldest child. Two life-changing events occurred in my life in June. I gained the privilege of being Kathy's husband and I entered into fatherhood with many other children to follow.

If you would have asked me 20 years ago I might have thought that after 18 years of marriage and 15 years of parenting I would have it down pat. I have certainly blown that misconception out of the water! I am still learning everyday. Once again, God has been better to me than I deserve. Thank you, God, for precious Kathy and the wonderful children you have given me.

This summer we will have six Sundays of discipleship training. There will be two Sunday afternoons for Dads, two for Moms, and two for young people (parents welcome). Let's join together to pray toward a church culture that constantly strengthens and supports marriages and homes.

Don't forget our weekly fellowship meals following our Sunday morning worship services. The idea is to bring simple foods (it looks like a crock-pot convention) so that moms don't get overwhelmed (I can hear the moms saying, "Sure, Pastor, you show me how simple the crock-pot meal is to plan, prepare, and bring"!) Some of you may want to come each week, some twice each month, some only once, and some cannot attend at all. When possible, come enjoy the fellowship.

Blessed to be your pastor,

Ronny

* Look for discipleship training classes coming in the fall. Some possibilities include: financial freedom, marriage, parenting, etc. Please let the church staff know the areas in which you would like help.

❖ **VBC Family & Music**

I came across this article last week when I was doing some reading and thought it might be a help to some of you as you seek to teach your children. God bless you as you seek to bring up your children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Let's pray for each other as we seek to be Godly parents. I'm just beginning my journey as a parent and I know I have much to learn.

Where can I learn how to bring up my children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord?

The book of Proverbs is a wonderful, intensely practical guide that contains much wisdom you can impart to your children as you train them in godly living. For your benefit, we've compiled ten lessons from Proverbs you should teach to your children. We're convinced that, in the process of teaching those ten lessons, you'll unearth many more principles from Proverbs that will serve your children well their entire lives.

Teach your children:

1. To have a healthy fear of God (1:7; 9:10; 10:27; 14:26-27; 15:16; 16:6; 19:23)
2. To guard their minds (4:23; 23:7)
3. To obey you (1:8; 4:1-4; 6:20-23; 30:17)
4. To carefully select their companions (1:11-18; 2:10-15; 13:20)
5. To control their sinful desires (2:16-19; 5:3-5; 6:23-33; 7:6-27)
6. To enjoy sexual fidelity (5:15-20)
7. To watch their words (4:24; 10:11, 19-21, 32; 12:18, 22; 15:1-2, 7; 16:23; 20:15)
8. To pursue their work (6:6-11; 10:4-5; 22:29)
9. To manage their money (3:9-10; 11:24-26; 19:17; 22:9)
10. To love their neighbors (3:27-29; 25:21-22)

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Fellowship Meal

Sunday's 12:00 noon

Worship & Prayer

Thursday Mornings 10:30 am
At the church

Bobby

❖ **Women's Ministries**

Last month we collected items for a "Welcome Home" package for the Brownfields who are serving as missionaries in Africa. Along with basic necessities, your generous donations also included a \$100 gift card. Following is a thank you note I received after the packages arrived:

Thanks so much for the boxes. The first arrived the day we arrived, and the second came on Friday. It took us a few days to sort out internet access but we're connected now and wanted to be sure and let you know! The items your women's ministry sent had us in stitches... the soft toilet paper especially! What a nice welcome! and the gift card really gave us a boost as we had some immediate purchases like new unmentionables, ahem. :-)

For now we are not scheduled to be in the northwest except for Alaska. My husband Bob and our last child Daniel will be headed to Alaska for a month in late June. I don't think they are routing through Seattle, though, or making a detour would definitely be an option. We would love to meet you sweet folks and thank you in person for remembering us as we adjust back to the US. If something changes in our schedule, we'll plan on coming to McMinnville.

Pam and Bob Brownfield

Baby Shower honoring Amy Coburn

On Thursday, June 12th, we will be celebrating the coming arrival of a new daughter in the Coburn family. Mark this date on your calendar and join us at the home of Kathy Cooksey. Look for more details in the bulletin next week.

Carrol Bowerman

Comments from the Librarian

It is very exciting to have a number of new library users recently and I thought it would be a good time to review expectations to serve as a reminder for all of us.

The library is kept locked except during the open times before Sunday school, between church and Sunday school and until about 12:15 after church. I do need to be leaving the church about 12:20, so if you want to check items from the library, please plan on coming when it is open. Adults who are in the building during the week are certainly welcome in the library, however, it is not a place to drop off children or leave them unsupervised.

The library represents a sizeable investment by the church. It is a specialized library in that the bulk of our books and media have been purchased by the church for the purpose of having Christian books and media available to be borrowed.

Making use of the library should be a money saver to a person that likes to read or can use some of the other resources like DVD's and CD's. The library patron needs to remember to treat the borrowed items with care and try to return the items in the same condition that they left the library. DVD's are a particular problem needing special care to avoid scratching and/or getting fingerprints on the recorded side. It would be preferable that young children not be allowed to handle these.

The library 'check out' system is for the purpose of accountability. By using the check out system, I, as the librarian, can send out a reminder if an item fails to come back to the library. Frequently, the person has simply forgotten about checking out the item and the reminder jogs their memory. Generally, I try to send out a reminder once an item is two weeks overdue. An exception to this might be if a particular item is in high demand, I might send out a reminder as it becomes overdue. If you have a special situation where you need to use an item for an extended length of time (like taking a book or two on your vacation) let me know and I can work with you on when you are able to get the item back. As an aside, the library software only allows checking out items to an individual, not a family, so each individual that wants to patronize the library should sign up.

Once a patron has an item that is overdue, he should not check out any more items until the overdue item has been returned or arrangements made to replace the lost or damaged item.

If parents wish their children under the age of 14 to be able to check out library media, then they do need to register that information with librarian by signing a library use permission card. At that point the youngster can check out items, but it is still the responsibility of the parent to supervise and guide what is being checked out. Parents are highly variable on what age they allow their kids to check out items on their own.

Items that are checked out are for the use of the immediate family. If another church family wishes to borrow an item, it is better to return the item to the library first and then let the other family check it out for themselves. I would consider the person who checked out the item responsible for the item in the case of loss or damage.

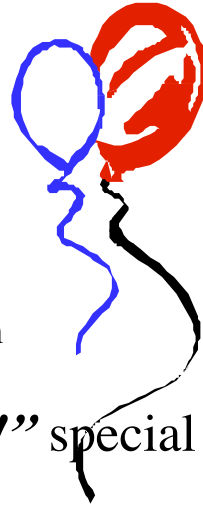
Items that are lost seem to surface eventually. Just let me know what is going on and we can work out a reasonable time to wait for the item to reappear. If it truly proves to be lost or an item is damaged then I would expect the patron to pay for replacement.

There are a broad range of materials available, so stop the library and check it out if you haven't been by in a while.

Nancy Snow, librarian

June Birthday's and Anniversaries

June 5th Onan & Wanda Hill
June 9th Ronny & Kathy Cooksey
Tarlton & Wanda Taylor
June 10th Naomi Sweet
June 13th Micah Cooksey
June 16th Mark & Kelly Menne
June 20th Matt & Jeanette Sweet
June 23rd Tammy Bailey
June 29th Jerry & Joanne Williamson
June 30th Skyler Rodgers



Have a GREAT “*Jesus Loves You!*” special day!!!

Upcoming Events

June 2nd Quilting - 6:30 pm
June 4th Business Meeting - 6:30pm
June 8th Fathers Discipleship - 1:30 pm
June 12th Baby Shower for Amy Coburn
June 15th Father's Day
June 16th Quilting - 6:30 pm
June 20th Game Night at the Church
June 22nd Mother's Discipleship – 1:30 pm
June 29th Lord's Supper
B-B-Q Fellowship Meal - 12:00 noon

Sunday School Classes & Teachers

- Babies – 3 years old, Rhonda Ingram & Judi McDaniel
- 4 years old – Kindergarten, Linda Reed & Wanda Hill
- Elementary, Kathy & Hannah Cooksey
- Family and Youth, Mark Menne
- Young Adult, Bobby Johnson
- Adult 2, Richard Reed
- Senior Adult, Tom Snow
- Ladies Class, Joanne Williamson
- Life Care, Tarlton & Wanda Taylor

TODAY'S
SERMON
"THE
CHURCH,
YOUR
EXTENDED
FAMILY"



TELL YOUR DAD NO, THIS DOESN'T MEAN
I'LL HELP PAY FOR YOUR COLLEGE.



THAT'S A SURE SIGN OF A CHRISTIAN WHO HAS IT
TOGETHER: A BIBLE THAT'S FALLING APART

www.macvaueybaptist.org or www.macvalleybaptist.com

If we have omitted anyone, please let us know, so that we may recognize your birthday and/or anniversary in future newsletters. If you are a newcomer, please let the church office know, so that we can be sure to recognize your birthday and/or anniversary as well.



**Has your home address, phone number, or
your e-mail address changed?
PLEASE keep us posted!**