

THE POINTER

A publication of Stony Point Christian Church

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Morning Worship	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:50 a.m.

Attendance for Sunday, August 9, 2009:

Morning Worship 311
Sunday School 124

Offering for Sunday, August 9, 2009:

General Fund \$6,005.28
Other Funds \$2,254.82

THOSE BLESSED BY SERVING THE LORD ON SUNDAY, August 16, 2009:

ELDERS: 1st Troy Reed & David Delich

2nd Steve Heffley & John Jones

CHAPEL: 1st Steve Heffley 2nd John Jones

DEACONS:

1st Homer Collier, Steve Grinter, Jason Hill, Bob Bradwell, John Wareham, Dwight Welton, Steve Callahan, Charlie Stapleton

2nd John Cannon, Steve Herring, Jeremy Willey, Larry Fletcher, Tim Norris, Robert Manthei, Eldon Barnes, Jason Filbeck

DEACONESSES: Joy Matthews, Carol Hamman, Sharan Hamman, Anita Reach, Devon Heavner, Colleen Killion

VIDEO TECH: Daniel Edwards

GREETERS:

1st **Front:** Jim & JoAnn Brown

1st **Back:** Jack & Zee Jester

2nd **Front:** Susan & Kailan Kuzmic

NURSERY:

1st **Crib:** Rebecka Goins

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Lisa Jordan

2nd **Crib:** Debbie & Hannah Novogradic

WEE WORSHIP: Beverly Fletcher & Zachary Reed

TRANSPORTATION: Eldon Barnes

HOSPITALIZED: Rex McCord-Overland
Park Rehab

VISITORS: August 2: Rudia Williams of Utah; Chris & Janice Raymond of KCK
August 9: Rudia Williams of Utah; Cameron & Tiffany Butler of KCK

FAMILY FIELD TRIP PLANNED to Moon Marble in Bonner Springs! Come and join the fun playing marble games and watching marbles being created! Afterwards we will have games and a picnic lunch in the park. Food provided by the Sunday School staff. Please meet us on Saturday, August 15 at 9:30 a.m. in the lower parking lot behind the CAC. The cost for each person is \$6. Call Eldon Barnes at 913-244-2906 to reserve your spot today! All ages are welcome to attend-however those 5 and under are asked to be accompanied by an adult.

PROMOTION SUNDAY will be on August 30 during the Sunday School hour. All teachers should get perfect attendance information to Meredith Rosenbaum as soon as possible.

All students and parents are invited to attend an informational meeting on Sunday, August 16 after second service about the National Missionary Convention being held in Peoria, IL November 19-22.

Add to your calendar: Evangelism Meeting on Monday, August 31 at 6:00. All are invited to attend.

Bill's View

Looks Like Heaven

Ray Boltz, a Christian singer from my era, had a song that meant a lot to me. The song was called *Thank You For Giving To The Lord*. The song proposes a scene in heaven where, "one by one they came, far as the eye could see; each one somehow touched by your generosity." It is a nice song that tries to contemplate what heaven might be. I think last night, if there is any truth to the song at all, I caught a glimpse of heaven.

I was honored and humbled to be at the center of the celebration of ministry. Frankly, it is a place that I like to avoid. Last night's celebration, though, was incredibly meaningful for me. The chance to hear what you have meant in the lives of the people you love and care about is a remarkable opportunity that not everyone gets. I am so appreciative of those who made that possible for me. I was moved by all those who spoke, came and put together the entire evening. There are a few things that I thought I would share in this last column that I observed from last night.

First, you may not always recognize that what you are doing or saying is having any impact. I was struck by quite a few of the things said about my ministry here. I did not know, at the time, how important what I was saying or doing really was. It is good scriptural advice to "make the most of every opportunity" and be ready to share with others the things that matter.

Second, I was reminded of how important it is to lead by example. I didn't always realize it, but there were people watching what I did and, more importantly, wanting to follow my example. All of us, as Christians, cannot take lightly the challenge to be authentic in our walk and not compromise what we believe by how we act.

Third, invest yourself into God's work and people. It is an investment that pays rich dividends. I would not trade for anything the feelings and joy of last night. It was worth more to me than wealth or possessions. The greatest gift that I received last night was the joy in knowing that the investment of myself in others mattered. All those who pour themselves into the Lord and into people will not be disappointed.

Well, it is time to close, this column and this chapter in life. Thank you for reading each week. I have certainly enjoyed writing. God loves you. Heaven is real and Jesus died and rose again so you can go there. Remember these things. I won't say "goodbye." This is simply, "Until we meet again." God bless you.

Stony Point Christian School is now accepting enrollments for the 2009-2010 school year for ages 3 through 5th grade. **Class size is limited.** Please call 299-4821 or 299-1873 for more info. *Back to school night is on Tuesday, August 18 6:30 to 7:30.

**EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN
CONFERENCE**

August 28-29 at the First Baptist Church in Raytown, Mo. Tickets are \$69 per person or \$59 with ten or more. If you need a pick me up, recharge type weekend, this is for you! Please contact Beth Zans at 816-278-6742 for more info or go to www.ewomen.com. Tickets need to be ordered by August 14!!

Craig Delich's new Bible study on "Timothy and Titus: Do As You Have Heard" will begin at 5:00 on August 16. All are welcome to attend.

Yes Trudy: You are a gardening angel! Each blossom is a blessing from God. Powell Gardens were full of those. Thank you!

*Sincerely,
Louise Metsker*

Attention Ladies: The monthly ladies luncheon will be held on its regularly scheduled date, August 20 (always the third Thursday of each month). Please meet at the church at 11:30 a.m. to ride the bus to the Country Buffet. Any questions or concerns, please call JoAnn Brown at 596-1287.

L.I.G.H.T. will begin meeting again on Monday, August 31 at 6:30 in the lounge. We will be planning this years activities. All ladies are invited to attend!

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**SIGHT & SOUND THEATERS
OF BRANSON**

presents

MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS

A trip is being planned to Branson on November 14-15 to see the presentation of "*Miracle of Christmas*".

*Cost for the trip: Adults \$60

Teens \$35

Children (3-12) \$26

*This cost includes ticket to show and transportation cost.

Motel cost: \$75 (2 adults and 2 children)

Reservations must be made by September 1, 2009

Contact Eldon Barnes at 913-244-2906 to reserve your tickets now. Limited number of tickets available!

Thank You

The program and reception last night were wonderful. It was great to visit with folks that I haven't seen for years and to share stories of things that happened years ago. I was truly humbled to be honored in such a way. I would like to thank all who came out and who gave cards and gifts. I also want to thank those who helped make everything possible. Vikki Ham, Patti Golden, Becky Manthei, Troy Reed, Jan Brunner, Melissa Underwood, Marilyn Kent, Trudy Barnes, Jenny Golden, Al Schuweiler, Zach Chalberg, Michelle Wiesing, Jenna and Fallon Reynolds, Claudia Underwood, Mark Ham and Ken Parton and a host of others who volunteered and did what was necessary to create such a good time. I will always cherish the memories of working here and with so many incredible people. I am blessed.

Bill Thomas

Our Mission:

IN GOD'S LOVE...

*To win the lost

*To make disciples

*To strengthen believers

*To promote holiness in our community