From Our Pastor

As I was driving home from preaching a revival meeting last week I put a CD in my player that a man had given to me at the meeting. One of the last songs that played was a song by George Beverly Shea entitled, "I'd Rather Have Jesus." As I listened to that song my heart was so moved by the lyrics. I was confronted with the truth concerning my own heart. Would I rather have Jesus more than anything this world has to offer? Is He the love of my life? Does He have first place in my life? Is there anything that I love more than Him? Can I honestly say I'd rather have Him then silver or gold? If I was stripped down to nothing would I be satisfied and content with, just HIM?

These were some *hard core* questions and it was a time of great heart searching. Immediately, the steering wheel became my altar and I was consumed with coming clean with God. I have listened to that song many times since then and every time I do I am struck with a new wave of conviction concerning my love relationship with Jesus. I don't know about you but I need that fresh encounter quite often to keep my heart where it needs to be.

Recently, I have thought about the words that Paul wrote in Philippians 3:8. He states, "I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ." By gaining Christ and losing all that the world calls excellent, he gained Christ, and endless salvation through Him. When he came to that point of release, he recognized that the things that he called valuable had the worth of a pile of manure. He came to the realization that winning Christ outweighed any thing this world has to offer. He realized that you cannot cling to the *old life* and make the *new life* count. I believe the things that Paul surrendered were good things not evil things. "A good thing can become a bad thing if it keeps you from the best thing."

"I'd Rather Have Jesus" was written by Rhea F. Miller with the music written by George Beverly Shea. This poem was penned in 1922 and was left on a piano in the Shea home by Bev Shea who wanted her son to find it and change the trajectory of his life. The lyrics from the song inspired George so much and challenged him concerning his own goals and ambitions in life. He sat at the piano and began singing them with a tune that seemed to fit the words. Shea's mother heard him singing and requested him to sing it at church. George's life direction did change.

As Jim Elliot once said, "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." Paul understood the importance of suffering loss that he might gain something greater than what he gave up. *Cargo is good on a ship unless it is sinking*. Sometimes we must forfeit good things in order to gain some things more valuable than the things we are giving up.

How about you? Who has first place in your heart? Do you have times of intimacy and sweet communion in your relationship with Christ? Does He have center stage in your heart and life? Could you sing that song today with a clear conscience?

I'd rather have Jesus than silver of gold;
I'd rather be His than have riches untold;
I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands;
I'd rather be led by His nail-pierced hand;
Than to be the king of a vast domain
Or be held in sin's dread sway.
I'd rather have Jesus than anything this world affords today.

July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 6 pm Wish 6:30 pm Leadership	3 6:00 pm Praise Team Practice 6:45 pm Prayer Meeting/ Youth Prayer & Missions/JAM 7:45 pm Choir Practice	4	5	6
9:00 am Prayer Meeting 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Bible Study 7:15 pm Church Council	8	9	 10 5:45 pm Fellowship Dinner 6:00 pm Praise Team Practice 6:45 pm Regular Business	11	12	13
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Children's Church Workers

July 7	Carie Lloyd and Madilyn Moss
July 14	Karen Carlsen and Megan Blair
July 21	Lori and Caroline Doss
July 28	Randy and Cassie Gatewood

July Birthdays

3	Eileen Moore
3	Hunter Moss
4	Kristin Riddle
5	Heather Lankford
5	Joan Nuckols
6	Dickie Barbour
7	Judy Jones
8	Gina Bulloch
9	Kathryn Easley
11	Zack Henderson
11	Madilyn Moss
13	Elizabeth Conner
13	Betsy Eanes
14	L.J. Burgess
16	Ruth Aaron
16	Jonathan Smoot
18	Leslie Aaron
18	David Burgess
18	Leon Haynes
18	Debbie Sparks
19	Martha Crider
19	Wanda Gammon
21	Joshua Michael
21	Kerry Michael
21	Madison Nuckols
21	Bonnie Ragsdale
21	Roger Walden
22	Katelyn Gatewood
22	Michael Nuckols
26	Karle Byrd
26	Patsy Nuckols
29	Ginger Shelton

Nursery for July

Wed July 3, 2019

Roger and Emma Walden 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm

Sun July 7, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Becky Roberts, Mandi Dolan

(Toddler) Wendy and Karle Byrd, Sabrina Moore

5:45 pm - 7:00 pm Donnie and Peggy Moore

Wed July 10, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm **Linette Nuckols**

Sun July 14, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Randy and Cassie Gatewood, Cheryl Waller

(Toddler) Lori and Caroline Doss, Cheryelle Easley

5:45 pm – 7:00 pm James and Sylvia Lumpkins

Wed July 17, 2019

6:30 pm - 7:45 pm Donnie and Peggy Moore

Sun July 21, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Elizabeth Reynolds, Ben Ferris, Heather Bray

(Toddler) Donnie and Peggy Moore, Chuck Easley

5:45 pm – 7:00 pm Donnie and Peggy Moore

Wed July 24, 2019

6:30 pm - 7:45 pm Sylvia and James Lumpkins

Sun July 28, 2019

10:45 am – 12:15 pm (Infant) Stephanie and Sara Weiss, Erin Ball

(Toddler) Sylvia and James Lumpkins, Shelly Lewis

5:45 pm - 7:00 pm Sylvia and James Lumpkins

Wed July 31, 2019

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Holly St. John

Greeters

July 7	Judy Reynolds, Melody Collins, Debra Reynolds, Chuck Easley
July 14	Shirley Fisher, Julie Ragsdale, Melody Collins, Lynita Falls
July 21	Paige Conner, Mary Moss, Jetty Burgess, Christina Falls
July 28	Bonnie Ragsdale, Joan Nuckols, Faye Shropshire, Dorothy Fowlkes

July 7	Adam Burgess*, Adam Lumpkins, Justin Matherly, Tommy Jefferson
July 14	Karle Byrd*, Larry Weiss, Dale McFaddin, Chuck Easley
July 21	Chris Falls*, Randy Gatewood, Jared St. John, James Lumpkins

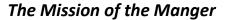
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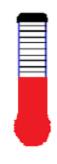
July 28 Donnie Moore*, Gary Matherly, Bryan Lewis, Terry Moore

2019 Lottie Moon Offering: Update

As a church, you have set a pledge goal of \$18,465.00, for the 2019 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. As of June 30, 2019, the church has collected \$8,699.25.







2019 Lottie Moon Goal \$18,465.00



Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. — Matthew 28:19-20

Opportunities For Service



Beginning July 14 we will be collecting school supplies. These supplies will be gifted to local teachers to use in their classrooms and will be given to students identified as in need by the Department of Social Services.

Supplies for children identified by Social Services are being collected along with other churches and we have been asked to focus on construction paper, #2 pencils, and mechanical pencils.

Supplies for teachers will be distributed in early August to show our appreciation for our local teachers. We are asking for donations of general school supplies for our teacher appreciation donation. Items for both collections can be placed in the boxes in the foyer. Please see Julie if you have any questions. We request that all donations be submitted by August 4.



For those of you collecting along with us at home, July's focus is clothing. Stay tuned for information about tie dyeing and pillowcase dress craft days coming soon!





We will be having our Regular Business Meeting on July 10, at 6:45 pm. We need at least 30 members present to vote on usage guidelines for our new building and a report from our nominating committee. Nachos will be served before the meeting starting at 5:45 pm. Come join us for a time of food and fellowship, then stay as we discuss this important business!



Pastor will be holding membership orientation classes during Sunday School for those who would like to join the church. Classes will be held on July 7, 14, and 21, and August 4, 11, and 18. If you would like to attend one of these classes please sign up in the foyer.



We're looking for a few good men and women to teach Sunday School! No experience is required, all you need is a willing heart. If you think that you might be interested in teaching Sunday School, please contact Lori Matherly or Heather Lankford.

We'd love to have you join us!



Join us on Sundays this summer for Youth Sunday Summer Screenings. We'll be watching great Christian movies, having delicious snacks, and enjoying fellowship with friends. We'll me meeting Sunday evenings at 6 pm. If you have any questions, please see Hal Lloyd.



On July 29 our Youth will be setting out for Student Life Summer Camp. There will be a meeting for the parents of those going to Student Life Camp on July 14, immediately following the morning worship service. Permission slips for this trip need to be notarized. We have someone available at this meeting to notarize your permission slips. Additional information concerning camp will be given to the parents and there will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. We will be leaving the church at 8:30 am on July 29.

Thank you!

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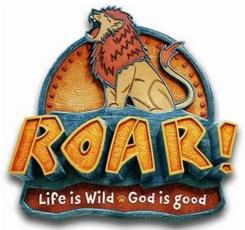
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Thank you so much for the graduation gift. It means so much but it cannot compare to the countless life lessons, knowledge, and memories the Church has given me over the years. Words cant express how thankful I am.

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Thank you all so much for the kindness,
Support prayers, and wise words during
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For all our teachers, crew leaders, and volunteers, we thank you for helping us make ROAR a Roaring success! We couldn't have done it without you! Life is wild, God is GOOD!































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