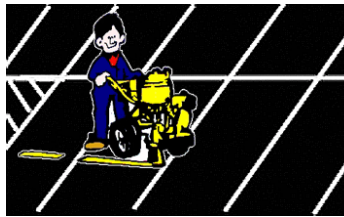


“The chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.”
 - Isaiah 53:5b (KJV)

As I look out my Nauvoo office window, I’m seeing something new. A company came in this week and repainted the lines on



the parking lot. The brightness of the yellow paint, and the richness of the blue paint, both stand in sharp contrast to the dull and fading lines that were there before. Some of the lines had completely faded away, leaving drivers to their own imagination as to where to park their vehicles. But now, the freshly diagrammed spaces leave no doubt as to where parking is expected. It is now a much safer, more expeditious means of lining up our vehicles.

“those stripes made all the difference”

I cannot get over how much better it all looks. The paint actually makes the concrete look better. Mind you, the concrete received no treatment at all. It’s just new paint ... new stripes. But the aesthetic outcome is amazing. It’s almost as if the whole neighborhood got some kind of an update. Clearly, those old, faded lines needed something. And the result has affected everything around.

The Prophet Isaiah, writing some 750 years prior to the coming of Christ, shared a word about the coming Messiah. In the 53rd chapter, he foresaw the suffering of God’s Anointed One. And he also saw the need for it all. He saw humanity’s need for redemption, due to our constant and consistent rebellion against God and His design for us. Our sinfulness and wickedness is appalling to God. He didn’t create us so that we could go off on our own kind of tangent. He made us to be in re-

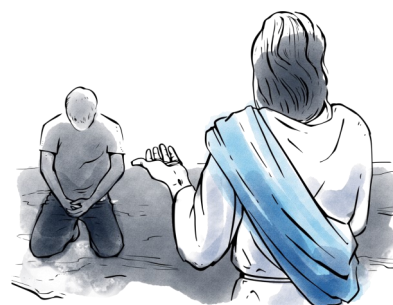
lationship with Him. But our sin separates us from Him. We needed a sacrifice to appease God’s wrath. Isaiah knew, so many years before, that Jesus would be that sacrifice. He knew that Jesus would carry the weight of the world’s sins and selfishness to the cross. He said of Jesus, “He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was pierced for our iniquities ... and by His stripes we are healed.”

When Isaiah spoke of his “stripes,” he was referring to the scourging Jesus would suffer at the hands of His executioners. The Bible teaches us that Jesus was scourged, whipped with a “Cat-O-Nine-Tails.” This particular piece of evil equipment was used to inflict much pain and cause much damage to the victim’s back and legs. Huge chunks of flesh were literally ripped out. Anyone who survived its use would indelibly be left with massive scars, or stripes.



But those stripes made all the difference. Those ugly scars on Jesus’ back are now the stripes which make us sinners clean and give us spiritual healing. They make us look good in God’s eyes. They cancel out our sin and evil behavior and give us a freshness that makes everything right. Only by giving your life to Christ can you experience this newness. Receive Him today!

Pastor Pete





Church Committee Meetings

It's important that all committee members be present at scheduled meetings. Be sure to contact the Chairperson if you are unable to attend.

Staff/Parish Relations Committee

Monday, ??? @ 7:00 PM

CHAIR: Cindy Hurley

Administrative Board

Monday, September 14 @ 6:30 PM

CHAIR: Tim Renn

Trustees

Monday, September 28 @ 6:00 PM

CHAIR: JR Holsinger



- 1 — Kenna Renn
- 2 — Sarah Livingston
- 5 — Kelsi Bricker
- 6 — Brooke Bauer
- 8 — April Skaggs
- 15 — John Hill
- 17 — Pat Coleman
- 19 — Sondi Conley
- 20 — Melissa Lucas
- 20 — Amber Dicus
- 21 — Anna Davis
- 23 — Emma Kingrey
- 24 — Kelsey Book
- 24 — Morgan Wartluft
- 24 — Brennan Bauer
- 28 — Grace Lucas
- 28 — Mitchell Irwin
- 28 — Bobbie Jo Bricker

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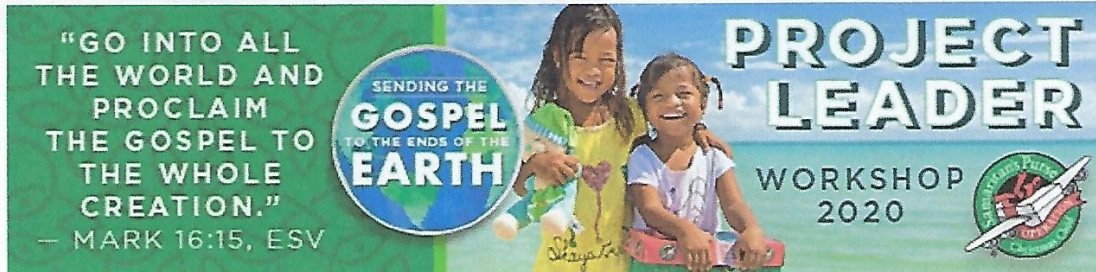


Thanks for your donation. We appreciate what you have done for them. Seven of our boys at House of Faith Orphanage are taking guitar lessons. We are hoping this year to graduate 8 of the older boys to another house to become independent of us after one year on their own. We will pay the rent and give them food. We need much prayer for these boys. May God continue to bless all of you.

Love, "Mom" Barb Richter

- 2 — Jim & Barb Richter
- 6 — Brock & Jennie Entler
- 9 — Chris & Laura Lyon
- 10 — Mark & Rhonda Hammond
- 10 — Bobby & Emily Kingrey
- 20 — Brandon & Jennifer Entler
- 26 — Mike & Barb Warner
- 29 — Tim & Angie Renn

Our Sympathy To The Friends and Family of:
Martha Perry, Aunt of Kima Lauder and Brock Entler



You are invited to attend an

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*Saturday, September 12, 2020
Time 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.*

*Option #1 in person at
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1410 Fifth Street, West Portsmouth, Ohio 45663*

Option # 2

However, if you don't feel comfortable attending the workshop in person

*There will be a virtual Project Leader Workshop through Zoom at
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pre-register for either option. Please contact Deidra Libby at
740-418-2082 or dlibby84@outlook.com with either
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Administrative Board Highlights for Monday, August 10, 2020

Attendance: (10) Tim Renn, Pastor Pete Shaffer, Paul & Sonni Conley, Jennie Entler, JR Holsinger, Linda Horner, Sharon Wessel, Linny Livingston, and Rhonda Hammond.

Tim Renn called the meeting to order and Pastor Pete said the opening prayer. Paul Conley made a motion to accept the July Board Meeting Minutes, Sonni Conley seconded, approved by all.

Prayer requests were made for Carol Bauer (Jennie's sister-in-law), Carmen Rayburn, Annalise's friend, who is grandmother to 4 month old twins went to get them up from their nap and the little boy had passed away, and Daphne Bauer (Jennie's sister-in-law).

TREASURER REPORT: Jennie Entler

Beginning Balance	\$14,810.70
Offerings	\$11,552.97
Expenses	<u>\$11,290.26</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$15,073.41</u>

TRUSTEES met on July 27, 2020

It was a working meeting. Changed filters and light bulbs throughout the church.

Parking lot striping estimates were received. Got one for \$575, told them to go ahead.

Going to paint the Men's Restroom.

Air conditioning was checked out by Jeff Malone, he said everything looked fine. Thought it was probably just where we had such a hot spell that the air couldn't keep up with it.

Trustees keep talking about the Baptistry, need to get something done, just haven't decided what. Jennie did talk to the people from Hot Springs that service her pool and they said they would look at it and give advice and estimate. However, this is there busy time of the year and asked to wait until fall. She told them that would be fine.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Sonni Conley

She has been making treat bags to pass out to the kids.

OLD BUSINESS

Rhonda is still collecting information about the prayer chains. However, as of this time she has not received any feedback. (Since the meeting I have received 2 forms from people)

Valley UMC wants to start meeting inside again, starting mid-September. If so, then Drive-In Church will have to be moved to a start time of 11:00 AM again. We, at Nauvoo UMC, have decided to continue Drive-In Church and check the number of cases there are around the start time of Valley UMC.

NEW BUSINESS

Pete got a call from Rev. Tom Knauff for a program called the Prison Initiative. Information is showing that from 3 prisons, in our surrounding area, there are to be 49 inmates released back into Scioto county over the next 12 months. This program is asking churches in our area to sponsor the inmates so they can go through this program to get them ready to go back into the community. If sponsored, the inmate will go through a program at the prison before they are released giving them information about what to expect when they go home and they will be told that the church has a care package waiting for them. Care Package has to contain personal hygiene items, size appropriate clothes, and snacks. Additional items, if the church wants to, could include travel vouchers and 3 month prepaid phones. Pete told him that he would talk to the Ad Board and so far they have only gotten 1 church in the area to sign-up for this program (Bear Creek).

Discussion included the fact that we need someone to agree to head up this program and with things so up in the air because of Covid and funds are limited, do we feel like we could take on this endeavor? Will they continue to come back to the church wanting more help i.e. rent money, money to pay the electric bill, gas, etc? Pete did say that one of the things they were to be told before they left the prison was that they shouldn't go back to the church that helped them to get the aforementioned things.

A suggestion was made to ask Oldtown, Friendship, and Bethel if they would like to go together with us to take on this project. Pastor Pete said that he would call them and ask. Decision will be made after we get feedback from the other churches.

Tim closed the meeting. Paul said the prayer.

Next meeting will be August 14th at 6:30 PM. Minutes submitted by Rhonda Hammond

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