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**President’s Column . . . James Marek
What’s in Your Wallet?**

If you frequently watch television,
you have likely seen a commercial for
a large super regional
bank that uses the tag
line “What’s in your wal-
let”? This bank wants
prospective customers to
believe that by having
their credit card in their
wallets, they are properly
equipped to take advan-
tage of all that the world
has to offer.



While this is likely just another
marketing slogan, as believers we
would do well to reflect on a similar
question. What’s in our *spiritual*
wallets? Do we have the necessary
spiritual resources to face the daily
challenges and problems of this world?
One of God’s special gifts to us too
often goes under utilized. Too often
we allow our Bibles to sit idly by as
we try to face life and all of its
challenges by leaning on our own
understanding.

Several months ago during a Sun-
day School Assembly, the leader
shared scripture that his late mother

leaned on throughout her life. Wit-
nessing the strength and comfort that

his mom received from
the discipline of scrip-
ture memorization, he too
adopted the practice. The
assembly leader’s devo-
tional that morning pro-
vided an opportunity for
me to reflect on “what
was in my spiritual wallet”?

The following are a
few passages that came to mind when
I considered this question personally.

Isaiah 55:9 *“As the heavens are
higher than the earth, so My thoughts
are higher than your thoughts and
My ways your ways”.*

This scripture provides perspec-
tive for me. It reminds me that God’s
methods and thoughts are far beyond
mine. Consequently, I may not always
understand God’s ways, but I know
they are perfect. He is the one in
control and He really does not owe
me an explanation for everything that



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He does. I remember from my childhood an answer that my parents would sometimes give when I asked why I had to do something. They would simply reply "Because I said so." I knew that their decision was not up for discussion and they did not need to explain their motives for everything they asked me to do. It was enough that they told me what to do. This method accentuated their authority and the expectation that I trust them to decide what was best for me. While I think it is certainly ok to ask God "why", I believe it is His sole prerogative to decide when I am due an explanation.

Romans 8:28 *"And we know that in all things God works for good of those who love Him who have been called according to His purpose"*

It is a wonderful thing to know that God can bring good out of the worst things life may throw at me. Even when I make a mess of things, God can bring good out of my mistakes. It is also comforting to know that God is working with us to accomplish good when we work within His will.

Luke 12:48 *"...From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded"*.

These words are even more sobering when read with the verses before and after them, but the message is clear. With privilege comes responsibility. This scripture reminds us that God has blessed us and He expects us to use our blessings to His glory and for the benefit of others. The more we have, the more we are expected to do.

These passages are but a few of the many that God has given us in scripture. The Bible is full of wisdom, comfort, strength, and encouragement that God has given to us. It is up to us to regularly open the Bible, study it, and commit passages to memory that we may be properly equipped to not only face each day, but thrive in the opportunities and challenges God provides.

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“...For You Yourselfs Were Once Aliens”

– by Rhonda Johnson

For the past five years I served as the Marketing Director for the Turbomachinery Laboratory at Texas A&M University. My work included travel all around the world; however, many of my trips were to the Middle East. I worked a great deal in the Country of Qatar (pronounced by locals as North Americans would say: Cutter). I have befriended many people in various oil and gas and manufacturing companies including: Qatar Petroleum, Shell Oil, Exxon, etc.; however, I have become very close to two Arab women named Marwa and Maryam.

I confess, when I realized that my work was going to be concentrated in the Middle East I was less than enthusiastic. To be honest, I desperately did not want to be involved, much less be one of the lead contacts for planning events and marketing our efforts all around the Middle Eastern and Asian countries. God knew there were things I needed to learn that I could only learn by experiencing them; the Middle Eastern culture at the top of the list... right behind... trusting in Him. →

My coworkers and I began a rigorous "Cultural Emersion Class" at the main Texas A&M Campus in College Station (my home base at the time). However, nothing could prepare me for really knowing Muslim women and experiencing a friend living in oppression.

As I walked around in my hotel lobby I noticed how beautiful the Qatari women were under the covering of their custom dress, or Abayas. I couldn't help but look at them, their complexions were glowing and their long black gowns were flowing. They seemed like glamorous movie stars, with the exception of their countenances, which were bleak. Then I realized, when I would smile or say hello first, they would warmly receive me and would almost always at least say hello. Before my first trip ended I would boldly approach even the most stiffened looking ladies and ask if I could speak with them; with few exceptions, they were gracious and welcoming.

Some of the contemporary Arab men I worked with and befriended

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explained their customs to me in this way: They valued women greatly and said that there was nothing more sacred than a marriage relationship, and that the more a woman wanted to be holy or devout, the more she covered herself and only shared her beauty with her own husband. This speech gave me temporary relief from the worry I had been feeling as I witnessed women going about the desert in long black robes, while the men were in white or tan.

One afternoon I was at the local grocery market, the Carfour. I was in line to check out when a Muslim lady in full custom dress, with only her eyes visible, cut in front of me. Of course, I was shocked, I would never think of doing such a thing. Then I looked at the lady and my heart broke into pieces for her; there was absolute terror in her eyes. The only thing visible for me to discern of this lady's state of being were the windows to her soul, and I saw sheer terror. My indignation quickly departed and I began to internally weep and intercede for this lady. She did not wait for her change, she quickly grabbed her bag from the young lady sacking the grocery items and she fled as if she

had heard a shot behind her, almost running.

I shared this experience with my friends; they looked embarrassed and ashamed. Marwa has been married for over 15 years to a kind man, she says. Maryam has not yet married and is frightened to marry for fear that she will be treated badly. They both agreed that the lady in the grocery market was probably married to a man who would beat her, or her children in her place, to punish her if she was late. I will never forget the look on the lady's face as she went in front of me, she may have been in fear for her life.

Recently I was in Houston, Texas, with my dad at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. There are many different cultures and people from all around the world who travel there for cancer treatment. That day there was an Arab lady sitting close to my dad and me. As I caught her glance, I smiled. She did not reciprocate. The next time our eyes met, I smiled again. This time she continued to look at me in a puzzled way for a moment, but then looked away. I thought to myself, "That's ok; I know you saw my effort, I only wanted to welcome you." I feel that God is calling Christians to a

place of security and self-assuredness (in Him, of course) so that we can be at least mildly rejected and still have the drive and sense of importance to persist to minister to those who do not receive the first message we send. Jesus spoke of this when He said, "Turn the Other cheek". This foreign lady was in no way persecuting me, but her lack of reception may have been enough to deter me before my experience in the Middle East. She is a foreigner, in a strange land (to her), and I wanted her to feel accepted, even if I do not accept her way of life or her religion. God has since placed in me the understanding that ALL rejection regarding my witness or any goodness that is rejected by others is to be counted as a privilege, and in minute ways I am being counted with those who were truly persecuted for the cause of Christ Jesus. God trusts me enough to allow me to be slightly rejected, and He knows that I can take it; that has been an awesome step for me.

In Exodus 22:21 the Lord says, "Do not mistreat an alien, for you yourselves were once aliens." The religions of the world are coming to us, America. We may not know what

suffering or what fallacies other religions are enduring, but our hospitality and our warmth can minister to the spiritually deceived and even the tortured. Our gentleness, kindness, and love are what will set us apart from those who do not believe in redemption. Our love for strangers and for those who are really just strange to us will be what causes those from "the barren heights" to question their way of life and the incorrect teachings of their governments.

Matthew 28:19 tells us to "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." "Go" may only mean for you get to your local Wal-Mart and be sweet to the foreigners who are unaccustomed to our 3 feet of personal space American culture (a personal challenge for me). I still believe that we are a Christian nation, and if we are going to be light and salt to the world, we absolutely are required to not only "not mistreat the aliens" in our pathway, but to minister to them at every opportunity we are given.

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HUS SCHOOL 2012

The students of the Hus School Class of 2012 were Erin Brinkley, Taylor Brinkley, Donald Lancaster, Shelby Lancaster, and Zachary Fojtasek. Ian Zamorsky joined as a class visitor for the final week. We give a special thank you to each person who served as a dorm monitor: Anna Wotipka, Jim Baletka, Maurice Janac, John Brinkley, JP Chervenka, and Stanley Zamorsky, and to our nurse, Mrs. Connie Janac.

Hus School took on a new format this year, and many pastors, lay leaders, and missionaries were able to speak with the students and lead sessions. Although each leader came to present on different topics, one theme seemed to present itself with each session: Know what you believe and why you believe so that you can give an account and be used by God while here on earth. We would like to express our appreciation to each of our Session Leaders and Speakers. Hus School could not have happened without your volunteer efforts.

1. Rev. Mark Labaj – History of Protestantism, Jan Hus, the Brethren, and witnessing.

2. Mr. Marvin and Mrs. Alice Chlapek – History of Hus School and the Encampment, leadership.

3. Rev. Mike Groseclose – Wesley Brethren Church; earliest Brethren ancestors.

4. Ms. Margaret Haisler – tour of the Caldwell Czech Museum.

5. Ms. Joyce Baletka, Mrs. Chlapek on piano, Rev. Milton Maly, and Mr. Chlapek – *Hoj Verni Boj*.

6. Pastor Pavel and Stana Kozac and Ron Winsman – Czech Mission Field.

7. Rev. Lawrence and Mrs. Barbara Junek – Unity missions and missionaries.

8. Rev. Mark Sebek – Prayer.

9. Rev. Linda Chandler – Spiritual formation, the Holy Spirit, and the fruits of the Spirit.

10. Rev. Vanessa Mitchell – led worship over Job; Bible study methods; homiletics, and each student was responsible for writing and sharing their own sermon.

11. Rev. Josph Polasek – Snook Worship and the Apostle’s Creed.

12. Rev. Jimmy Hejl – Heaven and Hell.

13. Rev. Tommy Tallas – Challenges to our faith; science and religion: remembering that science leads us to a greater understanding of God and greater appreciation for all He has done.

14. Rev. Tommy Tallas – Elements and styles of worship.

15. Jennifer Chervenka – the Trinity, Brethren Essentials, Purposes of the Church, Financial Planning, a walk through the Bible from the beginning to the birth of Christ.

16. And to each student for their evening devotions that helped us see how we are to live, act, and continue to grow in Christ.

Although much study was done, the Hus School students were also able to experience hands-on ministry. They baked treats for hospice Patients and for Ronald McDonald House. They delivered goodies to and toured Ronald McDonald House. They also made Czech desserts for the Temple worship service. They worked at Churches Touching Lives for Christ, a food and clothing ministry in East Bell County, aiding over 150 families that morning. They also visited the Caldwell Nursing Home and delivered gifts and played Dominoes. A special friend was made with Mr. Alfred Schoeneman, who led a discussion on the Depression. They were also able to make several improvements at the Encampment. They cleaned out and organized the walk-through areas in the main building, the cabinets in the office, and the closet on the stage. They were also able to repaint the entry way to the camp (*front cover photo: Sept. 2012*).

Rain prevented many of our outdoor activities, but students were still

treated to fellowship and sports. We played sporting events such as pillow polo, foam baseball, beach ball volleyball, and ping pong; played numerous board and trivia games; watched movies; and, of course, had a shaving cream fight. Off campus, we enjoyed swimming and a cookout at the Chervenka’s home; a play day at Lion’s Junction Waterpark in Temple, and fireworks in Caldwell and on the A&M Campus. We also enjoyed crafting pillowcases, wood burnt crosses and frames, and scrapbooking.

The Hus School class of 2012 was small in number but great in heart. We began with a focus on the essential that we are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ and ended with the same focus. Our purpose while here on earth is to share God’s love through Jesus with all of those around us. Erin taught us that as we gain the fruits of the Spirit, we should no longer hold onto ‘bad fruits’, but should use good fruits in relationships with others. Shelby reminded us that we should have no shame in sharing about Christ because He is perfect. Taylor taught us to not to feel joy when our enemies suffer. Zachary taught us to try to resolve conflict, but if resolution isn’t reached, that we should love our enemies and treat them with kindness as Christ would. Donald taught us that we can do all of this through Christ, who gives us strength. *We are* witnesses for the one who saves us, and as Donald would say, “Jesus is our awesome hero!” In order to be leaders, we must be Christian servants, believing in this with all our hearts and having everything we do be a reflection of our hero. ➔



*Hus Class of 2012
Left to Right: Taylor
Brinkley; Donald Lancaster;
Erin Brinkley; Zachary
Fojtasek; Shelby Lancaster*

In Christ's Love . . . from the Mission Field

From Carolyn Groseclose...

(Editor's Note: Carolyn, a member of the Ocker Brethren Church, is working as a teacher at the New Day Orphanage in Zambia, Africa. For more information about New Day Orphanage and how you can help, please check out their website at www.newdayorphanage.org.)

September 2012

A Typical School Day at NDO

The school day begins at 7:45 a.m. with 17 children in attendance. A Bible story is read to the children, followed by prayer. The children then go into one of four groups and school begins. The Stars (three, four, and five year olds) are taught by Teacher Diana and Teacher Hildah. Teacher Diana teaches Phonics and Teacher Hildah teaches Math and Chtonga. The Sunshines (kindergarten) are taught by Teacher Abby and Teacher Carolyn. Teacher Abby teaches Math and Handwriting and Teacher Carolyn teaches Reading, Language Skills, and Phonics Skills. The Stars and the Sunshines have class from 8:10-10:10

a.m. In the meantime, the Moonlights and Rainbows are having Life Skills, Music, Drama, Art, Religion, and PE classes. These classes are taught by different staff members at NDO.

At 10:10, the children come together for snack time. At 10:30, the classes switch. The Stars and Sunshines have the extra-curricular classes while the Moonlights and Rainbows have regular classes. The Moonlights (first grade) are taught by Teacher Diana and Teacher Hildah. Again, Teacher Diana teaches Reading, Language Skills, and Phonics, while Teacher Hildah teaches Math and Chtonga.



The Rainbows (second grade) are taught by teacher Abby and Teacher Carolyn. Teacher Abby teaches Math and Handwriting and Teacher Carolyn teaches Reading, Language skills, and Phonics Skills. Classes are dismissed for lunch at 12:30.

At 2:00 p.m., the Sunshines and Moonlights are combined for Science and/or Social Development class while the Rainbows have the same classes. Teacher Hildah teaches science to the Sunshines and Moonlights on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Teacher Carolyn teaches Science to the Rainbows on Mondays and Wednesdays. Teacher Abby teaches Social Development Studies to the Sunshines and Moonlights on Mondays and Wednesdays. She then teaches the same subject to the Rainbows on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Classes are dismissed for the



day at 3:00 p.m. The children have Friday afternoons free.

The children in the Stars class are Axer, Cason, Christina, Joseph, and Phillip. Christina and Phillip have been at NDO for about a month, and Joseph has been at NDO for about 3 weeks. The children in the Sunshine



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class are Kelita, Misheck, Muchoni, Francis, and Cynthia. The children in the Moonlight class are Ben, Cambree, Laurie, Purity, and Sibasiso. The children in the Rainbow class are Caedmon and Machila.

The school year is from January to December, with April, August, and December being school holidays. There are three months of school and one month holiday per semester.

Teacher Carolyn, or Teacher Ca'yn as young Cason Tidwell calls her, can't believe this school year is almost over. There is only one semester left. Time does fly when one is having fun, and this teacher is having fun teaching these beautiful children at NDO.

From the Raifords . . .

September 5, 2012

Dear friends,

We are back in Oaxaca after two months in the US and Canada. Anne and the kids have been at school for two weeks now. Today, Harold and I are taking off for a one-week long road trip to Guerrero, the next state over, where the Mixtecs we work with

live. On this trip we will try to visit

- The Andersons, a young couple in Tlaxiaco doing church planting and health development.

- Alejandro, a northern Mexican missionary heading up a team of over ten people who reach Mixtecs in the Tlaxiaco region.

- Alonzo, a small businessman and carpenter in Tlaxiaco, with whom I share stories of the Gospel and share ideas about work.

- Lamberto (Mixtec) and Gabriel (supports himself through carpentry), leaders of a small house church in Ometepec, reaching into their own community caring for elderly and children according to their capacity.

- Carmelo, a carpenter in Las Vigas, who loves God and follows Jesus within the Catholic context.

- Mario, a carpenter in Ometepec, who struggles with his Jehovah Witness faith.

- Jose Manuel, a businessman in Ometepec resourcing the carpentry industry, who is interested in the Gospel.

- Rogelio, a Mixtec church leader in Ometepec who has helped get a few churches going in the outlying regions.

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- Alfonso, a northern Mexican missionary living in Yolo, a Mixtec town, where he has helped get a small church going, and who supports himself through carpentry and media.

- The Weathers in Tlapa, who have been translating the Bible into the Mephaa language for 30 years.

- The Hillmans in Yuvinani, who have been translating the Bible into the Mixtec we learned for 25 years.

- Carol and Lynn in Tlapa, who have been translating the Bible into a similar variant of Mixtec for 25 years.

- Pablo, a pastor in Tlapa, who supports himself by carpentry, and reaches out into the surrounding Mixtec area.

- Isaul, a Mixtec pastor of a mixed church in Tlapa, who is also responsible for several churches in the Metla Mixtec region and is searching for ways to support himself.

- Modesto, one of the pastors in the Mixtec town, Yuvinani, who supports himself through carpentry.

- Nicolas, a leader in another church in Yuvinani.

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**This must be done well in advance.*

You can see that there are several kinds of visits with different activities. There are a number of other individuals and churches that I end up visiting. One of the less visible results of my involvement in such a wide network of relationships is an “interconnecting” as each individual part comes to know more about the others (and sometimes can even visit each other), something that probably wouldn't happen otherwise. I have come to believe over the years that this is an important role that a missionary can play in bringing God's Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

Harold is also at a transition point in his ministry, after four years of apprenticing five hours out of Oaxaca City with a focus on another indigenous group, the Chatinos. He is searching for where God will lead him next, and on this trip we will process this quite a bit.

Please pray for us, for the friends we will visit, and Harold's next steps.

Blessings, Robert

From the Woo's...

August 19, 2012

Dear Partners,

We have been back in the States now for 2 months, but to me it seems that we still have not settled down into a restful life. We have enjoyed time in Boston, New Hampshire, Washington DC, Winston-Salem, Colorado, Texas, and Laurel Ridge camp. With the boys starting local school in the next week, we look forward to staying put in North Carolina. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit would sweep through the Shan Dai people.

October is pray for the Shan month

Would you be a point person for your congregation and mobilize them to pray for the Shan during the month of October? We will send you prayer requests throughout the month. You could pray as a congregation for the Shan every time you are together. You

can encourage people to fast on Tuesday's for the Shan. You could have a special prayer group each week to meet and pray for the Shan. In the past years we have done this and have seen great results, and even some breakthroughs. You can be a part of the Great Commission by praying the Shan into the Kingdom of God! Let us know if you want to be a part of this. Email us at mcswoo@psmail.net

May

We called May last week. She says she has not done much in the past months about going out to share. We are not paying May to go out and evangelize. We just pray that the Lord motivates her and that she can find free time to do it, just like all of us should be doing. She is still struggling with her husband and marriage.

✠ **Lord please fill May with passion for the lost that need you. Give her**

energy and time to share and teach others. Bless her husband with a deep relationship with you. Heal their marriage and help them to love each other.

Lisa

Lisa's husband has died of a drug overdose. We found this out a few weeks ago. As you may remember, Michael and May, Lisa, Brad, and another sister had gone to find him last August in Burma. At that time they were able to share with him and pray with him about the love of Jesus. He did receive the Lord then, but we have not seen him since then.

✠ **Lord, we praise you for the opportunity to share with Lisa's husband and we rejoice that he is now with You, free from his addictions. Lord continue to protect Lisa. Thank you that she is still working at our teammate's home. Grow her in Christ for Your glory! Protect her from the enemy.**

Serving together,
Michael, Caroline, Samuel,
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Minutes from the 46th Christian Sisters Convention Snook Brethren Church

The 46th Christian Sisters Convention was held Saturday, April 28th at the Snook Brethren Church. The theme was "God is God, and we are not." The scripture was Psalm 100:3, "Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us and we are His people, the sheep of His pasture." The song was, "I Am His and He is Mine."

The morning worship was led by Rev. Joseph Polasek. Ann Sebesta served as the organist for the convention. Alice Chalpek served as the pianist. Georgia Kovar, president of the Snook Christian Sisters, welcomed all attending, and Delores Kubala, president of the Christian Sisters' Union, gave a response. The convention speaker was Dr. Larry Koslovsky, pastor of the Crosby Brethren Church. The message was based on the theme. He stressed that we should lean on God by: (1) praying and asking, (2) listening, and (3) obeying. The communion service was led by Rev. Polasek and Dr. Koslovsky.

After a short break, the first session opened with greetings from Carolyn Groseclose, of Africa, brought by her mother, Roseanne Groseclose, and James Marek, the President of the Synodical Committee.

The roll call indicated 25 delegates, 5 members of the executive committee, 4 pastors, and 29 visitors. The total offering was \$488, with half going to the Snook Brethren Christian Sisters and the other half to the Christian Sisters' Union.

Reading of the last convention minutes was dispensed, except for

the motions. Dorothy Schulze moved and Linda Planka seconded the motion. Motion passed. The motions from the last convention were read.

A motion was made by Carolyn Beseda and seconded by Marie Ann Ripple to accept the reports of the executive committee. Motion passed.

Correspondence: The Austin Christian Sisters thanked everyone for the free-will collection at the 2010 Christian Sisters' Convention for the cemetery headstone for Alice Stone; inquiry from Jane Sachamuk regarding whether the Christian Sisters' organization provided scholarships to students of Czech heritage; thank you from the Mutual Aid Society for the memorial contributions given for the college scholarship program.

Marvin Chlapek reported that the church extension fund has helped support the Cade Lake Ministry. The attendance at Cade Lake has increased from 40 to 50.

The Mission report included a discussion of the Missionary Gift Fund. It was stated that sending agencies do not forward financial gifts to the missionaries, and that the best approach would be that Christian Sisters' locals would increase contributions for Foreign Missions and monies be sent to the Unity Financial secretary, Marvin Chlapek.

Following a meal, a Memorial Service was held for 45 deceased members.

Reports from Locals

Ocker supplies plants and flowers for the new pavilion being built.

Temple announced that they will hold a luncheon with speaker on May 5, inviting all locals to attend. Also, they will host the Kozak family on July 8.

Seaton reported making 50 fleece blankets for Scott & White Children's Hospital.

Rev. Polasek announced that May is Mutual Aid Society Month. He asked that we support this organization. Katherine Laza was the first recipient of a \$3,000 scholarship given by the Mutual Aid Society.

Steve Marx, son of Samuel Marx, former mission aviation pilot in Honduras, will be in Caldwell Sunday, May 6.

Convention Committee Reports

Auditing Committee – found the books in great order.

Budget Committee – submitted for 2012-2014 is \$6,975.

Carolyn Beseda moved that Foreign Missions and Home Missions be

prorated to 60-40 percent. Janet Pomykal seconded the motion. *Motion passed.* The budget was accepted as changed.

Christian Sisters' Union Budget 2012-2014

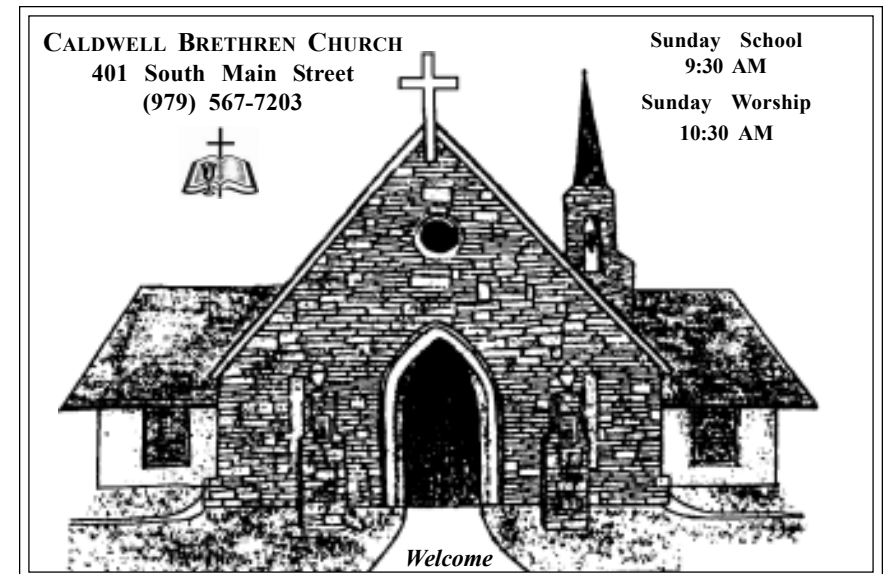
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| American Bible Society | \$ 100 |
| The Brethren Journal | \$ 200 |
| Hus School Bldg. & Imp. | \$1100 |
| Hus School Cleaning | \$2200 |
| Hus School Operating Fund | \$1100 |
| Missions 60/40 | \$ 900 |
| Administrative Board | \$1375 |
| TOTAL | \$6975 |

Motions Committee

A. That membership dues be increased from \$6.00 to \$8.00 per member to increase the budget. *Motion passed 28 for and 0 against.*

B. **By-Laws Article VI 3**, second sentence to read:

She is chairman of mission projects and automatically serves as Christian Sisters' Representative to the Unity



of the Brethren Board of Foreign Missions. *Motion passed.*

C. **Article VI, #7**, Representatives to the Board of Missions. This section is to be omitted. *Motion passed.*

D. Motion that the Christian Sisters' Union discontinues the Foreign Missionary Gift Fund and simply encourages locals to give such extra funds directly to Foreign Missions. *Motion passed.*

E. **Courtesy Resolutions** – Reported by Marie Ann Ripple, seconded by Linda Flens. *Motion passed.*

Resolutions

Thanks to God for the Blessings He bestows on the Unity of the Brethren and at this time for the Snook Brethren Christian Sisters and church for hosting the 46th Christian Sisters' Convention.

Thanks to God for the beautiful rains we have had this spring and for more rain to come.

Thankful for the Pastors present: Milton Maly, Joseph Polasek, Henry Beseda, Larry Koslovsky, and President of the Synodical Committee – James Marek.

Thankful for the message by Dr. Larry Koslovsky.

Thankful to the executive committee for their dedication during the past 2 years.

Thankful for the ordination of new ministers in the Unity of the Brethren: Vanessa Mitchell, Denise Mikeska, Larry Zabcik, Mark Sebek, and for Ministerial student – Ben Kruse.

Praises to the Lord for the many years of service by Rev. Milton Maly as Editor of *The Brethren Journal*.

Thankful for our military troops for service to our country.

Thanks to the local Christian Sisters for their generous contributions and financial support to the Hus School programs.

Thanks to the Christian Sisters and congregations for their support to the church extension program and Cade Lake project.

Regrets

Loss of 45 members during the past 2 years.

Loss of Rev. John Baletka.

Regrets that delegates from Houston, Granger, Dime Box, and Westheimer Christian Sisters were unable to be present.

We express our concerns and cares for members who are dealing with

family health issues and loss of loved ones.

Nominating Committee: Jean Kotrla, chairman

Place 1 – 2010-2014: Dorothy Hinson, Houston

Place 2 – 2010-2014: Paula Ketterl of Austin, 2 year unexpired term.

Place 3 – 2010-2014: Lydia Faust, Snook.

Place 4 – 2012-2016: Dorothy Milberger, Nelsonville.

Place 5 – 2012-2016: Alice Kocurek, Rosenberg.

Motion passed

New Officers for 2012-2014

President: Delores Kubala, Taylor

Vice President: Ann Sebesta, Snook

Secretary: Kimberly Kennard, Ocker

Fin. Sec.: Carol Miller, New Tabor

Treasurer: Mary Kokes, Taylor

Linda Planka moved to accept report, Kris Janes seconded. *Motion passed.*

There were no invitations given for the next Christian Sisters Convention.

Rev. Polasek installed the new officers and led in a closing prayer.

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Invitations

From Ocker Brethren Church...

You are invited to the Annual Harvest Supper at Ocker Brethren Church on Wednesday, October 10, at 6:30 p.m. A covered-dish dinner will be served and a free-will offering will be collected to benefit the church and its ministries. For more information, contact Jennifer Chervenka at email: jennchervenka@farm-market.net or call (254) 913-1244.

From Seaton Brethren Church...

The Christian Sisters of Seaton Brethren Church are hosting a bake sale and quilt show on Saturday, November 3rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the church, located at 12561 State Highway 53, Temple (Seaton community).

Featured items in the sale will be kolaches, cakes, pies, cookies, bread, and jellies, as well as craft items and home-made canned goods. A re-sale/rummage shop will be opened. Sandwiches and home-made soup will be available to purchase for lunch. Quilts will be on display in the sanctuary.

A hand-made quilt, \$75 gift card from Wal-Mart, \$50 gift card from Wal-Mart, and a \$50 gift card from Lowe's will be given away for a love donation of \$1.00 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.00.

The proceeds from the fund-raiser benefit the many projects the Sisters' support. The sale is open to the public with free admission.

For more information, contact Helen Haisler at (254) 718-5356.

18th Annual Primetimers' Retreat Notice

Plans are being completed for the October 12-14, 2012, Primetimers' Retreat. This is an activity for adults of all ages in the Unity of the Brethren and their friends.

Some like to arrive Friday evening to get settled in and enjoy an early time of fellowship, various games (dominoes, chickenfoot, trivia, etc.), and snacks. Others arrive in time for breakfast around 8 a.m. Saturday.

The retreat theme is "Staying Connected with Jesus". We will have a Bible Study related to the theme on Saturday. Also, there will be a special program, "I AM", A dramatization of the "I am" phrases by Jesus. Two ladies will bring the presentation. Other Saturday activities will include devotional, icebreakers, and singing. Good food, time for visiting and fellowship, and an early vesper service are all part of Saturday's schedule.

Many participants enjoy spending all day Saturday and Sunday until after lunch. On Sunday there is a worship service with the Lord's Supper. If, however, you can come only for Saturday, you will find the experience rewarding by seeing old friends, making new ones, and being spiritually blessed.

Registrations have been sent to all congregations. Information is also available on the Unity website. The cost remains \$45 person for the weekend and \$30 for Saturday only. The deadline for registration is Friday, October 5, 2012. Send your registrations to: Rev. Lawrence and Barbara Juneck, 3316 Lyle Ave., Waco, TX 76708. **See you at the retreat!!**

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Youth Ministry Positions Available

Community Christian Church of Rosenberg has openings available in our Youth Ministry. The primary position is Youth Leader for a small group. This part-time position requires Wednesday evenings 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday mornings 8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The church is located at 5220 Reading Road in Rosenberg.

We also have a position available with the younger children on Sunday mornings from 8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The youth director provides the curriculum needed.

These positions will require an interview and a background check. Please contact Carla Butcher at 281-381-4408 for more information or to apply for either or both positions.

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I have set my rainbow
in the clouds, and it will
be the sign of the
covenant between me
and the earth.

Genesis 9:13

Sunday School Helper



This scene outside my own door inspired this month's lessons – A beautiful full rainbow. Although I was unable to capture its full beauty, it is a great reminder of God's love, provision, and everlasting care.

How Rainbows Are Made

Materials

Pan with low sides
Vegetable oil

Water
Eye dropper

Directions

1. Fill the pan with water almost to the top.
2. Put the pan near to a spot that is in the sun's direct path.
3. Have children move their heads slowly around the sides of the pan until they reach the angle where the sun is beaming at them.
4. Have them stop right there, observing the water.
5. Put in an eyedropper of vegetable oil. Watch as the colors appear to move to the far side of the pan.
6. Have them blow on the water next. Watch as the colors swirl and bend.

Explanation

While oil and water don't mix, they do work well together. Water will absorb the sun's rays, but it won't separate them. Oil absorbs and then refracts or separates, and hence we can begin to see the colors. When blowing on the oil, the light rays have to bend, and this creates more color with more movement.

In Genesis 9:13 God showed a rainbow as a symbol to Noah after the Great Flood. The rainbow symbolized His promise that He would always be with mankind. When we see rainbows, we can let them serve as one of God's reminders that He is with us, no matter what "storms" are going on in our lives.

In this experiment, it's sort of like we're the water, God is the oil. When we put the two together, we see a rainbow, which is a symbol of God's love and presence. Without God, we're just clear and shallow and boring. With just one drop of God, we're colorful and dimensional—and fun to play with.

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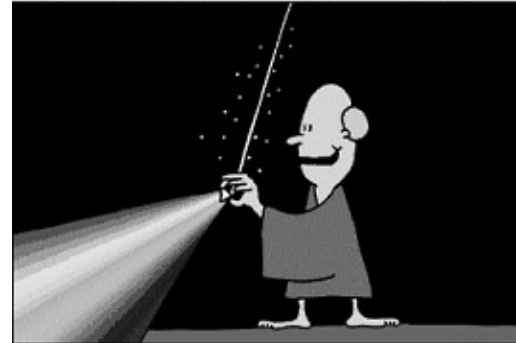
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(See Genesis 6-8)

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NOAH AND THE OTHERS ON THE ARK WERE
PRETTY EXCITED AFTER THE FLOOD WAS OVER
AND THEY FOUND THAT THEIR PRISM WASN'T
BUSTED AFTER ALL

Are you a Rainbow or a Cloud?

Do you focus on your best qualities or your failures?
Do you focus on your friends or the people who don't like you?
Do you focus on what you have or what you wish you had?

If you agreed with the first part of each question you are a rainbow. If you agreed with the last part of each question, then you are a cloud.

Haman, in the book of Esther, was a cloud. Instead of focusing on all the good things he had going for him, he focused on the one person he felt did not give him the respect he deserved. His entire focus was on this one cloud which blocked out all the good. This ultimately became his downfall. (Read the book of Esther for the whole story.)

What will you focus on? We all have things we would like to change, but we also have many things that are going well. It's okay to try to better the things we can change, but where we keep our focus will determine if we are a cloud or a rainbow.

DAILY BIBLE READING GUIDE

Daily Morsels for October 2012

Dorothy E. Kocian

1. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him. Ps. 37:5
2. Accept instruction from God's mouth and lay up His words in your heart. Job 22:22
3. I will send down showers in season; there will be showers of blessing. Ez. 34:26
4. God says, "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you. Ez. 37:26
5. Return to the Lord your God. Your sins have been your downfall! Hosea 14:1
6. Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people. Acts 6:8
7. The Most High does not live in houses made by human hands. Acts 7:48
8. Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him. Ps. 37:7a
9. Do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. Ps. 37:7b
10. A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. Prov. 15:1
11. The Lord says, "Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls." Jer. 6:16
12. This is what the Lord Almighty says: "Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live." Jer. 7:3
13. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the evil day comes, you will be able to stand your ground. Eph. 6:13
14. Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. Eph. 6:18
15. Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words will be given me so that I may fearlessly make known the gospel. Eph. 6:19
16. For us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came, and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 8:6
17. If you forgive anyone, I also forgive him in the sight of Christ for your sake. 2 Cor. 2:10
18. Carry each other's burden, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Gal. 6:2
19. And we urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone. 1 Thes. 5:14
20. To those whom God has called, Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God. Cor. 1:24
21. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 1 Cor. 1:18
22. Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love. Joel 2:13
23. "But I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt. You shall acknowledge no other God but Me, no Savior except Me." Hosea 13:4
24. "I am the Lord, and there is no other; apart from me, there is no God." Isa. 45:5
25. He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and He will reward him for what he has done. Prov. 19:17
26. The Lord is faithful to all His promises and loving to all He has made. Ps. 145:13
27. Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. Rom. 10:4
28. "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God," said the eunuch, and was baptized. Acts 8:37,38
29. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him. 1 Jn. 4:15
30. The testing of your faith produces patience. James 1:3
31. Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in humility that comes from wisdom. James 3:13

Schedule and Details of Upcoming Unity Activities

October 6: Fall Bake Sale and Crafts Event with a Quilt Drawing at the Temple Brethren Church, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the church fellowship hall, 2202 Birdcreek Dr., Temple, behind the Luby's. Admission is free; however, canned goods and non-perishable items will be accepted to donate to local charities. Love donations for the Quilt drawing is \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5. For more info, contact the church at (254) 778-8759 or tbc@hot.rr.com.

October 10: Annual Harvest Supper at Ocker Brethren Church at 6:30 p.m. A covered-dish dinner will be served and a free-will offering will be collected to benefit the church and its ministries.

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October 20: Fall Synodical Committee Meeting at the Hus Encampment, 9 a.m.; refreshments served at 8 a.m. A light lunch will be served at noon. The agenda will be sent out soon. Inquiries may be sent to Liz Ripple, Unity Secretary at lizripple@hotmail.com.

November 3: Bake Sale and Quilt Show at the Seaton Brethren Church, 12451 State Hwy 53, Temple (Seaton Community) from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free admission. Raffle tickets available for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. For more info, contact Helen Haisler at (254) 718-5356.

November 22: Thanksgiving.

Looking Ahead for 2013:

- January 1 - Registration Deadline for Winter Youth Retreat
- January 19-20 - Winter Youth Retreat: *Man vs. Wild*
- February 1 - Registration Deadline for State Children's Rally
- March 2 - State Children's Rally: *Grow With God*
- April 1 - Youth Fishing Retreat Deadline
- April 26-28 - Youth Fishing Retreat in Port O'Connor

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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERS RECEIVED

LEROY and JOAN MIKESKA, by re-affirmation of faith and baptism on September 9, 2012, into the fellowship of the Temple Brethren Church. Larry Zabcik, Pastor.

RECENT DEATHS

CHMELAR, GEORGE, age 90 and a member of the Caldwell Brethren Church, died on August 12, 2012, at his home near Caldwell. He was born on July 6, 1922, in Caldwell, and is survived by his wife, Lenora, and 2 sons, 4 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandsons. Services were on August 14th with Rev. Milton Maly and Chad Chmelar at the Strickland Funeral Home in Caldwell with interment in the Cooks Point Cemetery

PETERS, MARY BESSIE, age 88, of Caldwell passed away Thursday, August 30, 2012, at Burleson St. Joseph Manor in Caldwell. Mrs. Peters was born February 25, 1924, in Burleson County to George and Frances (Marek) Mynar. She was a homemaker and a

member of Caldwell Brethren Church and the Christian Sisters. She was preceded in death by her husband, Alfred Peters, her parents, and 9 siblings. Survivors include 2 sons and daughters-in-law, Mike and Becky Peters of Caldwell and Jerry and Linda Peters of Porter, 5 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren. Services were held on September 3, 2012, at Philips & Luckey Chapel, Caldwell, Texas, with burial at Masonic Cemetery, Caldwell. Minister: Rev. Jim Heckman.

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Worship at 11:00 AM.
– Rev. Linda Chandler

Bryan-College Station – worship at
9:00 AM every Sunday.
– Rev. Mark Sebek

Buckholts – worship at 9:00 AM every
Sunday except the 5th Sunday.
Holy Communion on 1st Sunday.
Guest speaker on 4th Sunday.
– Rev. John Kueker

Cade Lake Community Chapel – Sunday
School at 11:00 AM; Fellowship Lunch
at Noon; Worship at 1:00 PM.
– Rev. Jim Heckman

Caldwell – Sunday School at 9:30 AM,
worship at 10:30 AM every Sunday.
Bible Study on Tuesday at 10:30 AM.
– visiting ministers

Crosby – 9:00 AM: Worship
10:00 AM: Faith Adventure
– Dr. Larry Koslovsky

Cy-Fair Community Church – worship at
10:45 AM every Sunday.
1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays – Rev. Rick Chandler
2nd & 4th Sundays – Rev. Henry Beseda
– Rev. Henry Beseda

Dime Box – worship at 9:00 AM every
Sunday.
– Rev. Jim Heckman

Fayetteville – Sunday School at 9:45 AM,
worship at 10:45 AM every Sunday.
– Rev. Kay Polasek

Good News Fellowship Church of West
Palm Beaches – worship at 1:00 PM every
Sunday at First Presbyterian Church,
Boynton Springs, Florida.
– Rev. James Henry

Good Shepherd Moravian – worship at
11:30 AM and 6:30 PM every Sunday.
– Rev. Adolfo Gonzalez

Granger – worship services every Sunday at
9:00 AM; Sunday School at 10:15 AM.
– Rev. Whitney Amos and
Rev. Charles Amos

Houston – Sunday School at 9:15 AM;
Worship at 10:30 AM every Sunday.
– Dr. Jerry Terrill
Ben Kruse once a month

Industry – worship at 9:00 AM every
Sunday with Sunday School for all
ages following.
– Rev. Kay Polasek

Nelsonville – Sunday School at 9:00 AM
Worship at 10:15 AM
– Rev. Michael Groseclose

New Tabor – Sunday School at 9:30 AM &
Worship at 10:30 AM every Sunday,
"Tune Up" on Wednesdays, 7:30 PM.
– Rev. Dave Johnson

Ocker – worship at 10:15 AM every Sunday.
Sunday School at 9 AM every Sunday.
– Rev. Ron Winsman

Pasadena – Sunday School at 9:30 AM
and worship at 10:45 AM every Sunday.
Midweek Study twice per month on
Thursdays at 6:30 PM.
– Rev. Bill Rinderknecht

Community Christian Church of Rosenberg –
Sundays: Adult Bible Study and Sunday
School for children at 9:00 AM; worship
at 10:30 AM.
Wednesdays: 5:30 PM, Dinner; 6:30 PM,
Bible Study; 6:50 PM, Prayer Meeting.
– Bro. Larry Butcher

Seaton –
Sunday, 9:15 AM – Prayer Gathering;
9:30 AM – Sunday School, All Ages;
10:30 AM – Worship Celebration Service.
Wednesday, 6:30 PM – Kid's NITE Out
and Priority ONE Youth (BYF), Adult
Bible Study.
– Rev. Denise Mikeska
Pastor Steve Davis, Youth Pastor

Snook – Sunday School – 9:00 AM;
Worship – 10:15 AM.
– Rev. Joseph Polasek

Taylor – worship at 10:15 AM every Sunday.
– Rev. James Hejl

Temple – Sunday School at 9:30 AM.,
Worship at 10:45 AM.
– Rev. Larry Zabcik

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– Dr. Mark Labaj
5th Sunday – Visiting Ministers

Wall – Sunday School (for all ages) at 9:30
AM; worship at 10:45 AM every Sunday.
– Rev. Thomas Tallas

Wesley – worship at 9:00 AM every
Sunday. Sunday School follows.
– Rev. Michael Groseclose

West – Sunday School at 9:00 AM and
worship at 10:15 AM every Sunday.
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Westheimer Community – 9:30 AM, Christian
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