

Family Life

Bulletin of the Church of Christ in Falls Church, Virginia

Volume 46, Number 26

June 26, 2011



Tune's Notes

In the late 70's, some Chicago ministers began talking about a new effort to bring Christians together to reach urban communities with the gospel. They believed if an effort could be big enough and

comprehensive enough to capture the hearts and imaginations of Christians, it could not help but achieve positive results for Christ.

The planning resulted in an organization known as the National Crusade for Christ – what would become the giant of all Gospel Meetings (also known as “revivals”). The first one was held in Chicago in 1979 and over 3,000 people attended each evening. Since then, these have been held in San Francisco, New Orleans, Detroit, Los Angeles, Indianapolis, Dallas, and two years ago, Kansas City.

At the end of August this year, the National Crusade will be coming to Washington D.C.

The Crusade leadership has always wanted to come to our nation's capital, but frankly, the logistics have made the idea more than a little daunting. But four years ago, through the visionary leadership of the Elders and Minister at the Suitland Road congregation in Maryland, efforts were begun to make it a reality this year. Eighteen months ago, the leadership of the National Crusade was convinced it could be done – and should be.

Churches from all over Maryland, Delaware and Virginia will be participating to make this event a success – including us. But it's not *just* these areas. Christians will be convening from all over the United States to go door to door in the District, inviting people to the revival each evening.

I am convinced that any time the gospel is preached, good things will happen. I hope you will mark your calendars now for the week of August 28 - September 1. There will be places for you to serve and I will mention those next week. In the meantime, you can go to <http://www.cofccrusade.org/> on the web for more information, or talk with me personally.

Love you all
Mike



Story

Stories are important. We read, watch, listen to and live stories. That's right, each one of us is living out a story. Our stories shape the way we view the world around us. Our stories shape how we see ourselves

and how we live. Do you see your life story as one of failure or one of success? Do you see your life story one where you are in control or do you see yourself as at the mercy of bad luck? Do you see your self as the hero of your story or the villain?

Over the next few articles I want to explore the idea of story. As I reflected on this idea, it appears there are two main plots to the story you can choose to live.

First there is the LORD's Story. You could also think of this as a Holy Story or the Lamb's Story. It is a story whose plot line runs right thru the writings we find in the Bible all the way to our lives today. It is a story that centers around the fact that we are created, and this time we are in now is not all there is, but more is to come. Now is preparing us for the glorious future to come.

The second story can be thought of as an Unholy Story, the Beast's Story or a Satanic Story. This plot line is also seen in the Bible and we also find it playing out today. This is the counter story that tells us that we are accidents that just evolved. It tells us the lie that the here and now is all we get so you had better grab and take all you can because there is nothing else to come.

You choose the story you live. It may not be easy but you can change your story. You can't change the past of your story but the future is up to you. The challenge from the book of Revelation is still true today- are you going to live the Beast's story or the Lamb's story?

GRACE + PEACE
John B. L.

VBS Volunteer Meeting Set for June 26

A **VBS Volunteer Meeting** is set for next Sunday, June 26, at 5 pm in R. 121. This is for ALL volunteers - those who have already signed up and those who have been “thinking” about it!

The purpose of the meeting is for all volunteers to receive further information about VBS and the role each person has been assigned.

For further details, talk to creative and energetic organizer **Amanda Venkatesan**.



Magazine Collection Continues

Isaac Mills is collecting “previously read” magazines as part of a Cub Scout project for an American Legion Veterans Remembrance Patch. **All of the magazines will be donated to a veterans hospital.**

The collection will continue through the end of this month.

“An Evening in Song” Planned by Agape Group 3 on July 16

An Evening in Song to glorify God, enrich our hearts and encourage one another is planned by Agape Group 3 for Saturday, July 16 here at the building. The singing will run from 7 to 8:30 pm, followed by a dessert reception from 8:30 to 9:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.



Multiple song leaders from area churches, including Falls Church song leaders Marty Sims & Clayton Tune, will lead singing in this program for all ages. Please note to ALL ARE INVITED, not just Group 3.

Please RSVP to **Rachel Bowles** at mba2005@rachelbowles.com or call 703-828-4408 to let the organizers know you are coming in order to ensure sufficient desserts. Additional assistance with the reception will be GREATLY appreciated as well!!! You do not have to be a member of Group 3 to help!

Clothing Drive for Victims of Alabama Tornadoes

Clean, gently used clothing - plus NEW AND UNOPENED PACKAGES OF UNDERWEAR - are being collected for the survivors of the recent tornadoes in Alabama. Please bring in clothing - all sizes - and sort the items into the three boxes in the lobby, for men, women or children.

Catherine and Janice McDaniel and **Clark Richardson** are directing this collection. Clark will work with his brother in Alabama to deliver the supplies. The collection began June 19 and will continue through July 17.

Classes Announced for Adults for Summer Quarter Sunday Classes - Start July 3

Topic	Class/Age Group	Teacher	Room
Identity	Adults	Jim Shoenhard	FH

This class asks the question, “Do you know who God says you are?” It uses DVD’s of sermons of Rick Atchley of The Hills Church of Christ, North Richland Hills, TX, to explore different ways believers are described in the New Testament

King David, Pt. 1	Young Adults/Young Professionals	Clayton Tune/Clark Richardson	123
--------------------------	---	--------------------------------------	------------

Subtitle is “Looking for a Leader.” Betrayal, romance, murder, deception, injustice, dorcery, war & insanity were some of the obsessions at a time when people were desperate for a Godly King. The class (geared to 35 & under) will explore the account of David as written in Samuel, to examine both the qualities that people should seek - and the qualities God wants - in a leader.

Jesus (NOOMA)	College Class (continued)	Clark Richardson/Kevin Amores	121
----------------------	----------------------------------	--------------------------------------	------------

Jesus encouraged his listeners to search, question and wrestle with the implications of His words. He inspired, challenged, provoked and comforted wherever he went. The film series NOOMA explores our world from a perspective of Jesus.

Wednesday Class - Starts July 6

Training For Holiness	All Adults	Various Speakers	FH
------------------------------	-------------------	-------------------------	-----------

God commands us to be “Holy,” but how do we accomplish that? Is it possible to be “obedient” but still not be “holy”? We will explore certain practices that, if performed, would help us follow God more closely and imitate Jesus more nearly.

5th Annual Church Picnic, Complete With Softball Game and Dessert Cook Off, Set for July 2 at Bluemont Park

Our **5th Annual Church Picnic** is coming up next Saturday, July 2, at Bluemont Park, located off North Manchester St. just north of Rt. 50 (Arlington Blvd.).

Bluemont Park has a picnic pavilion, multiple fields for various sports, lots of trees and a creek (see photos below).



Barry & Susan Smith, longtime picnic stalwarts, are in charge again this year.

The day starts with the **Softball Game at 9:30 am.** (PLEASE add your name to the signup sheet in the lobby.) **Amanda & Beni Venkatesan are in charge of this event.**

Everyone else - who isn't already at the park - **should be there WITH FOOD by 11 am.** (See below)

Entries for the **"Dessert Cook Off"** must be submitted **no later than 11:15 am.** (Make sure your name is affixed to the **BOTTOM** of your plate.) Also bring your recipe. There will be 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention groups for three categories, 1)

Cupcakes (patriotic); 2) cookies; 3) bar cookies, i.e., lemon bars or brownies. Awards will be judged on creativity, overall appeal and, naturally, **TASTE!** Contact **Heather Jones** if you wish to judge.

Games will start at 1 pm!

As in previous years, the **AGAPE Groups** are asked to bring specific items, as noted below:

Group 1 (Fairview Park Woods) should bring desserts.

Group 2 (Potomac Heights) is responsible for hot dog and hamburger BUNS, tossed salad with dressing, potato salad and any other picnic salad.

Group 3 (Westfield Woods) will be responsible for loads of ice, diet and regular sodas, water, etc. and should bring desserts.

Group 4 (River Town Mews) will be responsible for using church money to purchase meat for grilling – hot dogs, hamburgers, turkey burgers and veggie burgers plus cheese slices & any picnic sides.

Group 5 (Burke Spring Lakes) will bring baked beans, condiments (mustard, ketchup, relish, barbeque sauce, mayo, etc.) and "trimmings" like lettuce, tomato, onions (sliced & chopped), pickles, pickle relish (or burger/dog condiment of your fondest dreams).

Group 6 (Potomac Acres) will be responsible for chips of all kinds and varieties (potato, nacho, tortilla, Doritos, corn, sweet potato, low fat, low salt), dip and fruit (including possibly watermelon on ice).

Spanish - traditional Spanish picnic dishes.

4th Annual Fellowship and Fireworks Set for July 3 & 4

"Victory in the Lord" is the theme for the 2011 Fellowship and Fireworks coming up July 3 and 4. This theme will emphasize the unique talents and gifts of the individual, and the way in which God develops, strengthens and uses those gifts for His kingdom.

The program is **free** and includes food, lodging and transportation to the fireworks. And it is open to all college or college-age youth - including rising college freshmen - from the Mid-Atlantic region. This is a great opportunity for young people to use their growing intellects to delve more deeply into God's word, to foster Christian friendships and a sense of community, and to enjoy the unrivaled fireworks of the Independence Day celebration in our nation's capital.

Guest speakers are **Josh Grim**, the campus minister at the University of Virginia, overseen by the

Rugby Ave. Church of Christ in Charlottesville, and **Frank Sullivan**, the campus minister for Virginia Tech and the pulpit minister for the oversight congregation, the Blacksburg Church of Christ.



Habtu Zemech, who is in charge of domestic missions for the Missions Committee, is directing this effort, with the active help of **Kevin Amores** and **Clark Richardson**. In addition, all help from the Falls Church congregation will be gratefully accepted. It is a big effort to accommodate a crowd!

Participants will attend Bible Class and Worship here before beginning the program Sunday afternoon.

So Long to Tom, Charissa & Ethan Coate

When **Tom, Charissa & Ethan Coate** placed membership here July 5, 2009, they thought they would be here for four years.

Alas, that wasn't to be, and today is the last Sunday for this delightful family.

Tom & Charissa are moving to Los Angeles, and Ethan is in boot camp at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, AL. Next fall he will resume studies at the University of Tuscaloosa.

Tom is a major in the U. S. Air Force, and has multiple degrees, a bachelors in Physical Science and another in Biology, plus two masters degrees, one in Human Resources Management from Troy Univeristy and the other in Military Operation Art and Science from Air Command and Staff College.



Charissa began college at Freed-Hardeman University but completed her bachelors in business at Faulker University in Montgomery. She also holds a masters degree from Webster University in Los Angeles, and works in finance.

Both are natives of Alabama, and both are avid runners. They also prefer "outdoor" activities, and Tom has been coaching for Arlington Youth Football League.

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Lauren Miller** for placing 2nd in the 10 years and under division of the Springfield Days 5K run/walk. Also a BIG THANK YOU to her running coach Staci Shannon.

Another So Long

Today also is the last Sunday for a distinguished young man, **Phillip Morris**, has been attending here for a long time.

Philip has received his masters degree from Georgetown University and has been offered a job in the San Francisco Bay area, effective July 5.

We want him to know that we have enjoyed getting to know him, and we pray God Speed for him as he heads to the West Coast and a new career.

BIG Thank You!

To Our Family at Falls Church,

Thank you from both of us for the cards, visits and prayers during and after my surgery. You will never know how much it meant to Tom and me! THANKS!

Tom & Kim Land

New Baby

Congratulations to former members **Andrew & Katrina Kincaid** on the safe arrival of their first child, **James Peter Rankin Kincaid**, who was born June 19 - Father's Day. He weighed 9 lbs., 7 oz., and was 21" tall. **Jamey**, as he will be known, is the first grandchild for **Bill & Mary Ann Kincaid** and the first nephew for **Brian Kincaid**.



Falls Church Plans Outreach Trip to Torrington, CT

All Falls Church members are invited to join a congregational outreach trip to the congregation in Torrington, CT, July 13-17. Housing will be provided at the homes of Torrington members.

This is the third trip that Falls Church (see photo at right from 2007) will make to this beautiful New England town. In previous years, our members have helped conduct VBS in addition to classes for teens and adults, plus a service project, and similar events will highlight this trip.

Falls Church has helped support the Torrington congregation since its establishment in 2003 by

longtime missionaries **Steve and Maryann Bastin**. The Bastins retired in 2009, when the work was assumed by **Don and Esther Roarabaugh**, who were baptized by Steve Bastin 27 years ago at the Mid-Hudson congregation in Poughkeepsie, NY.



Prayer Reminders:

Blanca Alvarez, Dot & Haldon Arnold, Ken Beard, Crystal & Tre Berry, Antonio Carroll, Lee Cassetty, Ruth Ditto, Eloise Fishback, Winnie & Desiree Flint, Randall & Ann Ford, Jody Freeman, Joe & Zula Garrett, Larry Goodrich, Frances & Ed Harris, Joshua & Dawn McKay, Alma Milligan, Augustino & Natalina Olango, Lee, Mariko & Elena Price, Bess Smith, Ellie & Don Thie, Barbara & Harry Thompson, Erica Walker-Chenevert, Roxie Weese, Susan Weese, Peggy Williams, Lois Woods, Ken & Lesya Yeatman.



We extend our sympathy to the family of former member **Ben Barker**, who passed away June 23 after an extended illness. He is survived by his wife **Janice**; by two sons **Daniel** and **David**; and by a daughter **Denise Griffin**.



Funeral arrangements were incomplete at the time of this publication.

Good News:

Kim Land is now recuperating at home after a second surgery. We pray that she will make steady progress in eliminating chronic pain. [See her note on p. 4.]

We are happy to report that **Rachel Adams**, the sister of former member **Erin Adams**, is finally experiencing pain relief after recent shoulder surgery. Rachel has been in chronic pain since a serious car accident.

Prayer Requests:

Sean, a friend of **Richard Bowles**, has been doing better but now is experiencing increased pain.

Erin Adams, a former member, asks prayers for her mother, **Sue Adams**, who has been diagnosed with two types of cancer and expects to undergo major surgery.

Joseph Marrero asks for prayers for his friend **Peter Buzzanell** who is in Virginia Hospital Center with a stroke.

Ethel Thomas requests prayers for her sister **Marian Tucker** who is in critical care in Columbus, OH. Marian suffered a heart attack while undergoing knee replacement surgery.

Continuing Concerns

NOTE: To keep this list current, names will be published for three weeks then removed unless office is requested to continue.

All those dealing with the aftermath of tornadoes and other storms across the south and midwest (6/19);

All those who need employment or have been affected by economic pressures, (6/19);

All who have been affected by the earthquake & tsunami in Japan (6/19);

Anneliese Alderman, dementia (mother of **Rob Alderman**, 6/26);

Sandra Arevalo, chemotherapy (sister of **Jose Arevalo**, 6/19);

Ray Bedford, serious health issues (former member, 6/12);

David Benson, recovering from accident (grandson of **Frances Harris**, 6/12);

George Boike, another hospitalization, and **Ann Boike**, dealing with severe pain (father & sister respectively of **Bobbi Moffett**, 6/19);

Sean (Richard Bowles' friend), showing progress in his health battle (6/5);

Kimmy Campbell, completed radiation treatment and preparing for surgery (friend of **Patti French**, 6/19);

Carrie Coenan, has had surgery and may have radiation treatment (friend of **Ferm Husteen**, 6/19);

Carlos Gandolfo, cancer and other serious health problems (friend of **Levenie Hughes**, 6/12);

Joe Gantt, undergoing tests (brother of **Martha Ashley**, 6/26);

Nadine Grigsby, recovering from stroke (mother of **Susan Smith**, 6/26);

Jameson Hudgins, 7-mo-old recovering from stroke (son of **Suzette Martian & Sam Hudgins**, friends of **Jessi Alvarez Arevalo**, 6/12);

Lynn Huff, stroke (mother of **Billie Bohannon & Sylvia Sartori**, 6/26);

Nancy Kolodner, recovering from cancer surgery prior to additional treatment (friend of **Martha Ashley**, 6/12);

James McCollum, slowly recuperating (friend of **Mary Jo Allmond**, 6/26);

Glenn Olbricht, still seriously ill (friend of **Kim & Tom Land**, 6/26);

Lenora Pong, doing well with chemotherapy (secretary at Silver Spring and close friend to many here (6/12);

Gilbert "Bud" Richardson, serious health issues (former member, 6/12);

Joe Stafford, stroke and other issues (grandfather of **Michelle Freeman**, 6/19);

Bertha Sullivan, health issues (grandmother of **Jean Doran**, 6/26);

Jency Taliaferro, worsening condition in her fight with cancer (former members, 6/12)

Linda Weatherby, cancer (friend of **Anna Souza**, 6/19);

Laurie Whiteman, recovering from surgery (friend of **Scott & Susan Rosen**, 6/19);

Karin Yeatman, recovering from surgery (mother of **Ken Yeatman**, 6/26);

Zevia, in remission from leukemia (daughter of **Abby Smith & Mandy Smith's friend Lauren**, 6/19).

We pray for the safety of our members, friends and relatives serving in dangerous locations. ♦**Shevon Boykins-Saide & Christiana Porter** are in Afghanistan; ♦**Jack Harwood** and **Byron Zaharias**, friend & brother respectively of **Michelle Freeman**, are in Afghanistan; ♦**Chuck Kerry** is working for a contractor in Afghanistan; we also pray for his wife and daughter, **Becki (May) Kerry & Addison**, in his absence; ♦**Joseph Mendoza** is back in Afghanistan; he is married to **Yvonne May's niece Michelle**. **Jay Stewart**, brother of **Karen Patrick**, is serving in Iraq; **Justin Cauthen**, **Tom Land's** nephew, is serving overseas.

General Information

For Children:

❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room -- located adjacent to the Assembly Center -- are available during our assembly.

❖ For ages 2 through pre-kindergarten year, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 and 221. Children are dismissed after communion.

Recordings: Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our web site after about four days. Recordings also are available in CD format for \$5.00 and may be ordered by completing a CD order envelope located in the foyer.

Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes 9:30 am
Morning Assembly 10:30 am
Evening Assembly 6:00 pm

Tuesday - Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am
(October through April)

Wednesday Bible Classes 7:30 pm

Office Hours 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Contact Information

6149 Leesburg Pike
P. O. Box 1036
Falls Church, VA 22041
Office Phone: 703-820-1346
Fax: 703-820-1348
Email: office@fallschurchcoc.org
Website: www.fallschurchcoc.org

Elders

Joe Bryan Steve Dasher
Wayne Doran Bill Kincaid
Jim Lane Oliver McDaniel
Kevin Rachel Joseph Tucker

Deacons

Roberto Alvarez Jose Arevalo
Matt Benskys Ben Bohannon
Ignacio Espinoza Perry May
Joshua McKay Scott Mills
Saul Reyes Kevin Thie
John Waterston Ken Yeatman
Habtu Zemech

Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI
Pedro & Mireya Batres - Nicaragua
Clarence & Pam Campbell - South County, RI
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez - Nicaragua
Gene & Janice Luna - WBI/Guatemala
Deanna Meredith - Concepcion, Chile
Omar & Tana Palafox - Leon, Mexico
Recardo & Monica Reyes - Cuernavaca, Mex.
Don & Esther Roarabaugh - Torrington, CT

Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*
Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*
Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

Statistics

Sunday, June 19, 2011

Bible Study 202
Morning Assembly 342
Evening Assembly 117
Contribution \$10,565
YTD Average \$11,515
Budget Goal \$11,577

Wednesday, June 22, 2011

Classes & Online No Count

Wednesday, June 29
Song Leader - Robert Spiess
Prayer - Geosh Saxton

Nursery Attendants

June 26, 2011

Morning
Ida Goetzinger
Jennifer Smith

Evening
Agnes Jones

July 3, 2011

Morning
Ruth Benskys
Joanne Carter

Evening
Denise Rachel

Children's Worship

June 26, 2011

2/3 Karen Beck, Heather Roelke
P-K Gayla Keller, TBA

July 3, 2011

2/3 Gina Tune, Abby Smith
P-K A. Venkatesan, Misty Marshall

Worship Today, June 26, 2011

<i>Hymn #874</i>	<i>Walking Alone at Eve</i>
<i>Hymn #881</i>	<i>Mansion over the Hilltop</i>
<i>Hymn #96</i>	<i>I Stand in Awe</i>
Prayer	Kevin Rachel
<i>Hymn #924</i>	<i>Just As I Am</i>
<i>Hymn #186</i>	<i>Christ, We Do All Adore Thee</i>
Communion/Collection	Caleb Shoenhard
<i>Hymn #3</i>	<i>Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah</i>
<i>(Children ages 2 through pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship)</i>	
Bible Reading (<i>Revelation 6</i>)	Jay Atkinson
Bible Lesson	Mike Tune
<i>Hymn #548</i>	<i>The Lily of the Valley</i>
Announcements	Steve Dasher
Introduction of Visitors	Jim Shoenhard
Prayer	Jim Shoenhard
❖❖❖❖❖❖❖❖	
Song Leader	Clayton Tune
Ushers	Perry May, Scott Mills

John Waterston will lead singing this evening;
Kevin Thie and Mark Shannon will lead opening and closing prayers.

June servers: Ryan Bates, Joe Bohannon, Mark Dawson, Richard Gunselman, Beni Venkatesan & Randy Woods, Jr.

July 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Psalms 116-118	2 Psalms 119-122 <i>Church Picnic @ 11 am ; Softball @ 9:30 am, Bluemont Park Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
3 Psalms 123-126 <i>Fellowship & Fireworks</i> <i>VBS Online Registration Starts</i>	4 Psalms 127-129 <i>Independence Day Holiday; Office Closed</i>	5 Psalms 130-132	6 Psalms 133-135	7 Psalms 136-138 <i>Slurpee Thursday</i>	8 Psalms 139-141	9 Psalms 142-145 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
10 Psalms 146-149	11 Psalms 150 Proverbs 2	12 Proverbs 3-5	13 Proverbs 6-8 <i>Outreach Trip to</i>	14 Proverbs 9-11 <i>Slurpee Thursday</i> <i>Torrington, CT</i>	15 Proverbs 12-14	16 Proverbs 15-18 <i>Area-Wide Sing & Dessert, 5 pm</i> <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
17 Proverbs 19-22 <i>Return From CT</i> <i>VBS In Person Registration Starts</i>	18 Proverbs 23-25	19 Proverbs 26-28	20 Proverbs 29-31	21 Eccl. 1-3	22 Eccl. 4-6	23 Eccl. 7-11 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
24 Eccl. 12 - Song of Solomon 2 <i>Adult Education Ministry Meeting @ Noon</i> <i>VBS Workday, 1 to 5 pm; Meeting @ 5 pm</i>	25 Song of Solomon 3-5	26 Song of Solomon 6-8	27 Isaiah 1-3	28 Isaiah 4-6 <i>Slurpee Thursday</i>	29 Isaiah 7-9	30 Isaiah 10-13 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
31 Isaiah 14-17						