

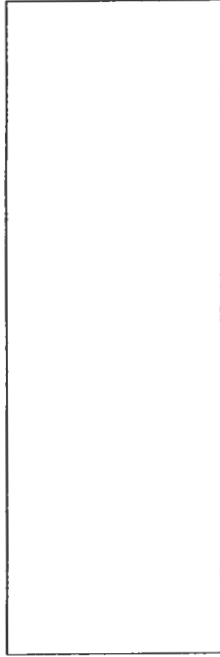
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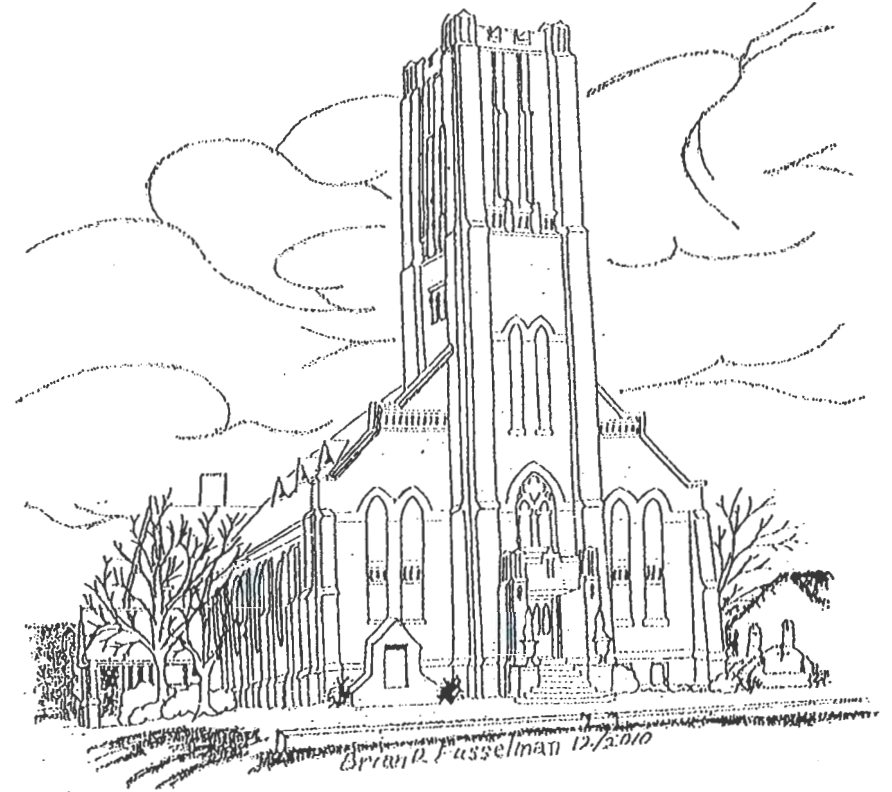
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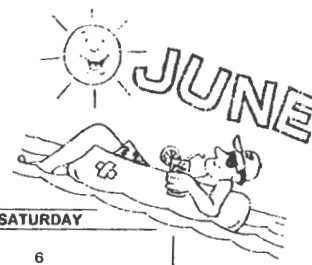
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# JUNE 2015



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 9:30-11:30 am Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm Healing Prayer Ministry 7:30 pm Church Board Meeting	3 6:00:645 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00 pm Mid-week Bible Study	4 Combined Youth Group Open Gym 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	5 Wedding Rehearsal	6 Church Wedding
7 9:00 am Adult Class meets in Parlor 9:00 am Adult Class meets in Kitchen 9:00 am Youth SS ends 9:00 am Conf. Class ends 10:15 am Blended Worship Service 10:15 am Revive Ministries in A.C. VBS Workshop right after worship 11:30 am Joint Time of Fellowship in Activity Center	8	9 9:30-11:30 am Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm Healing Prayer Ministry 7:00 pm Elders Meeting	10 6:00:645 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00 pm Mid-week Bible Study	11 Youth serve at Kempton Fair 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	12 Youth serve at Kempton Fair	13 Youth serve at Kempton Fair
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**Purpose:** To keep the members and friends of Jacob's Church informed of the ministries and happenings at our church and in the surrounding community and to be "The Church on a Hill, Shining Forth for Jesus Christ."

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## THE PASTOR'S EPISTLE "TRUE WORSHIP"

**"God is a Spirit; and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth."  
John 4:24 K.J.V.**

**Pluralism – The existence in more than one part or form.**

**We live in a very pluralistic society. Traditional values and norms are being challenged in every corner of our life. For better or worse, welcome to "America!"**

**The word pluralism, by its very nature, means that different people with different ideas, likes and dislikes will come in contact with each other. I believe that we at Jacob's Church are both one in the Spirit and Pluralistic. I also believe that the greatest indication of this fact is most easily recognizable in our morning worship services.**

**I believe that every Christian Church must strive to worship God in Spirit and in Truth. True worship comes from the heart of a person who has a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. However, I believe that true worship can and does take on many forms. For example, our beautiful, creative and thought provoking confession of sin, which varies from week to week, I feel exemplifies what is best in our Reformed/Lutheran background. Our confession along with our hymns from the Hymnbook provides us with an orderly and meaningful format to worship (I Corinthians 14:40). I certainly would not feel fulfilled to do away with many of the traditional forms and symbols of our worship heritage.**

**On the other hand, I sense a new moving of the Spirit of God in the world today. This can be witnessed at Jacob's Church in our praise choruses, altar ministries, time of sharing prayers and testimonies, and in some individual expressions of worship.**

**I feel that we at Jacob's are a wonderful blend of the old and the new. Our orderly and biblically based tradition of worship is honored while at the same time we recognize that the Holy Spirit is still inspiring and leading us today. Our New "Revive" Service is an example of the beauty of both the old and the new!**

**Is it possible to be united and still be different in some ways? When the Holy, Divine Blood of Jesus Christ is the "tie that binds" I say "Yes Indeed!"**

**I hope that all of you are as excited about our pluralism as I am! In terms of our worship I would quote the age old saying "Make new friends but keep the old, one is silver and the other gold!"**

**Most of all my friends, strive to worship God with all your heart in Spirit and in Truth. Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is indeed worthy! Amen.**

**May the Lord Bless You!**

*Pastor Shay*  
Pastor Shay

**PLEASE NOTE: THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER WILL ONLY BE MAILED TO OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS. EVERYONE WHO HAS INTERNET CAN READ THE NEWSLETTER ON LINE. THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE INTERNET THERE WILL BE COPIES AT CHURCH IN THE PARLOR.**

**NEW WEBSITE AVAILABLE**

**[jacobschurch.org](http://jacobschurch.org)**

**SPECIAL JACOB'S CHURCH BOARD MEETING FOR CONTEMPORARY SERVICE – MARCH 23, 2015**

**Attendance:**

**Elders: Ralph Hill, Lou Schimpf, Dave Zoghby**  
**Deacons: Ron Belknap, Christine Morehouse, Richard Oswald, Gary Readnack, Paul Schick**

- 1. Pastor Shay opened the meeting with prayer.**
- 2. Paul Schick gave a report on putting the panels in the Activity Center for sound improvement. Men are planning March 28th as a work day. Paul will be setting up a work schedule. Paul presented information about a sound system for the Activity Center. A motion was made by Ralph Hill and seconded by Lou Schimpf to have Rick Hook purchase what is needed for the sound system for the Activity Center not to exceed \$4,000. Motion carried.**
- 3. The new service will be a ministry of Jacob's Church called Revive Ministries, Awake to a New Life in Christ.**
- 4. The Church Board discussed praise leaders at the new service. James Harvey will do (2) Sundays and bring his band. Paul is interviewing leaders for other (2) Sundays.**
- 5. Planning for Revive Ministries is in excellent shape.**
- 6. There was discussion regarding setting up and taking down the Activity Center for the new service.**
- 7. There also was a brief discussion about Ned Rauch-Mannino's suggestion for fellowship.**
- 8. The Church Board discussed times to have joint services with Revive Ministries. More information to come.**
- 9. Motion to close the meeting made by Christine Morehouse and seconded by Lou Schimpf at 9:30 pm. Motion carried.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Morehouse**

**JACOB'S CHURCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 7, 2015**

**Attendance:**

**Elders: Ralph Hill, Lou Schimpf, Dave Zoghby**  
**Deacons: Ron Belknap, Christine Morehouse, Richard Oswald, Paul Schick, Gary Readnack**  
**Pastor: Scott L. Shay**  
**Ministry Assistant: Jimmy Reppert**  
**Treasurer: David Follweiler**  
**Guest: Faye Foulk**  
**Excused Absence: Ned Rauch-Mannino**

- 1. Pastor Shay opened the meeting with prayer.**
- 2. Faye Foulk announced the Anniversary Books will be here on April 20th. She has (50) requests for the book. A motion was made by Lou Schimpf and seconded by Gary Readnack to charge \$30.00 per book. Motion carried.**

**MINUTES (CONTINUED)**

3. Planning for the Mother/Daughter Banquet continues to come along.
4. Web Site is up and running well.
5. Dave Zoghby continues to look at automatic bell ringers.
6. Work continues on the job description for the secretary.
7. Problems with the Fenstermaker House were discussed. Fuses are needed and the basement seems to be wet.
8. Paul Schick reported on the Revive Ministries that will start the Sunday after Easter. Sound proofing of Activity Center is complete. Sound equipment is coming Saturday evening and will have everything set up and ready to go for Sunday service.
9. The Church Board is planning a special meeting to focus on direction for the church. This will be a brainstorming session.
10. The Church Board discussed the upcoming presentation of support of the group called Christian Relief International.
11. Pastor Shay received a newsletter from the Evangelical Association and shared some with the Board. The rest will be available in the church.
12. The Church Board discussed our investments through Jenny Montgomery Scott. More information to come.
13. David Follweiler presented the treasurer's report.

Balance at March 2015 Meeting		\$21,241.48
Income	\$30,209.49	
Expenses	\$31,490.49	
Balance at April 2015 Meeting		\$19,960.48

A motion to accept the report was made by Ralph Hill and seconded by Richard Oswald. Motion carried.

14. Jimmy Reppert gave information about Children's Church and VBS. The Board of Christian Education will have VBS based on Proverbs. Jane Wessner has the kit to be used for VBS and will have a meeting for all interested church members.
15. Minutes from March 9, 2015 Church Board Meeting with correction were approved by a motion from Lou Schimpf and seconded by Ron Belknap. Motion carried.
16. Motion to close the meeting was made by Ralph Hill and seconded by Richard Oswald. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Morehouse

**AT OUR DECEMBER 7, 2014 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** we voted to contribute \$4,796.00 per week in order to meet our 2015 budget. The following tithes and offerings were collected over the last two months:

March 1	\$5,074.00	April 3	\$ 515.00 -- Good Friday
March 8	\$3,621.00	April 5	\$6,096.00 -- Easter Sunday
March 15	\$3,516.00	April 12	\$3,894.00
March 22	\$3,121.00	April 19	\$2,829.00
March 29	\$4,443.15	April 26	\$2,742.00

Budgeted Tithes and Offerings for January-April	\$81,532.00
Actual Tithes and Offerings for January-April	\$60,975.46
Deficit for January-April	\$20,556.54

**ORGAN ENHANCEMENT FUND** - Your donations to this fund will be used for additional pipes required to complete families of tone in conjunction with fine organ design and building. This money is in addition to the \$65,505.00 voted on at the December 1, 1996 meeting to restore our organ and prepare for the additions. All donations should be sent to:

Jacob's Church Treasurer  
c/o Mr. David R. Follweiler  
6893 Whitetail Court

**MILLER-KEYSTONE 12/01/2014 – 12/31/2014**

Group's Annual Donation Goal:		20
Number of Donations as of:	End of Previous Month in 2014	35
Number of Donations for:	12/01/2014 – 12/31/2014	2
Number of Donations Year to Date:	01/01/2014 – 12/31/2014	37
Number of Donations to Reach Goal:		0

(If you donate blood please use the church code #1515)

**LADIES BIBLE STUDY** – The “SISTERS OF ESTHER” (ladies Bible Study) meets every Tuesday from 9:30 – 11:30 A.M. in the Activity Center’s meeting room. **We are doing a new study entitled “Right Believing” by Joseph Prince** We would like to give an invitation to all ladies in the congregation or in the community to come and join us on Tuesday mornings! You are welcome to come to every meeting OR maybe you’re only able to come once a month OR 3 times a year!! Maybe you find you are in need of spiritual uplifting. We are a group of between 10-15 ladies and lots of times we laugh together, sometimes we cry together, we always lift up one another during difficult times. Drop in for a visit if you like. We will welcome you in the love of Jesus Christ. He is our Savior, our light and our life. Come join us!! For more information contact Eileen Myers at (610) 767-8970.

**GREETERS FOR JUNE**

June 7	Foulk Family
June 14	Church Board
June 21	Don and Eileen Myers
June 28	



**PLEASE NOTE: Greeters should be at Church by 9:45 AM**

**FLOWER PRESENTATIONS FOR JUNE**

June 7	Altar Vases	
June 14	Altar Vases	Robert and Kay Greenawalt
June 21	Altar Vases	Lester and Linda Lutz
June 28	Altar Vases	



**ACOLYTE FOR JUNE – OWEN SNYDER**

**SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Any Jacob’s Church member who will be attending college in the fall is encouraged to obtain the current guidelines and 2015 outline (contains easy questions) to apply for a portion of the Jacob’s Church Scholarship Fund. You can pick up these forms from Curtis Dietrich, Donna Smith or Pastor Shay. The deadline for applying is June 1, 2015.



**PLEASE NOTE: YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL END FOR THE SUMMER ON SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH. THEY WILL SING A FEW SONGS DURING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE THAT SUNDAY. SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL RESUME IN THE FALL.**

**THANK YOU**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for your gift to this year's Baby Bottle Boomerang. This fundraiser is not only one of our three major fundraisers but also provides an opportunity for individuals and families to come together to reflect on "life" and how all life is God created.

"Psalm 139:13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb."

Your support as the Body of Christ is very appreciated. Thank You.

In His Service

Brenda Bauer, Executive Director

Jacob's Church,

The family of Carl Hamm would like to thank everyone for their cards, thoughts, and prayers. Special thanks to Pastor Shay and the members of Jacob's who organized the luncheon which followed Carl's funeral service.

Jean Hamm and Karen Ziegler

Jacob's Church,

The family of F. Lee Shrawder wishes to thank everyone from the congregation for their prayers, visits, cards, flowers, and other concerns expressed to them during Lee's illness and for the love and support extended to them during their recent loss. A special thank you to Pastor Shay for his words of comfort, love and compassion during this most difficult time. Also thank you to the Women of the Church for arranging and serving the luncheon following Lee's memorial service.

Russell Henry expresses his sincere thanks to everyone who remembered him with their prayers, cards, flowers, phone calls, and other concerns during his hospitalization and recuperation. Special thanks to Pastor Shay for his visits and prayers. Virginia also expresses her thanks to everyone for their love, support and deeds of kindness.

Dear friend and partner:

Your donation of \$1,000.00 is prayerfully and gratefully accepted on behalf of PERSECUTED BODY OF CHRIST in Pakistan. 100% of your donations go to our fellow believers.

With God's bountiful blessings.....Your partner in His service  
Zia Mahmood

Dear Jacob's Church,

Thank you for compiling the history of your ancestry, and for continuing the heritage of ministering through God's Word in your lovely community!

Tricia Hansen  
3616 E. Brenan Drive  
Nampa, ID 83686

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

HOSPITAL VISITS & HOME VISITS

Russell Henry	At Home
Tony Herschitz	Lehigh Valley Hospital
Ray Moyer	Lehigh Valley Hospital
Lee Shrawder	At Home
Ralph Follweiler	Lehigh Valley Hospital
Paul Womer	" " "
Betty Hermany	" " "
Slade Hermany	" " "
Madeline Seidel	" " "



OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF CARL HARTMAN, F. LEE SHRAWDER, RUTH C. NESTER, AND RALPH MOYER, JR.

Carl Hartman from North Carolina recently passed away. He was a brother to our dear sister in Christ, Ruth Kaley, a member of our Jacob's Church Family.

F. Lee Shrawder, husband of Janice L. (Tipsord) Shrawder went home to be with the Lord on April 25, 2015. His memorial service was held in Jacob's Church on April 28, 2015 with Pastor Scott L. Shay officiating the service. Interment in Jacobs Union Cemetery.

Ruth C. (Dreibelbis) Nester, wife of Paul D. Nester passed away on May 9, 2015. Her funeral was held in Jacob's Church on May 15, 2015 with Pastor Scott L. Shay officiating. Interment in Jacobs Union Cemetery.

Ralph Moyer, Jr. recently passed away. He was the father to Susan Sukanick, a member of our Jacob's Church Family. Pastor Scott L. Shay officiated at the service on May 11, 2015.

INFANT DEDICATION

Quincy Grace Rauch-Mannino, born on February 15, 2015 was dedicated to the glory of God in Jacob's Church on May 17, 2015 by Pastor Scott L. Shay. She is the daughter of Ned and Stephanie (Beitler) Rauch-Mannino from Allentown. Quincy has two sisters, Noelle age 4 and Alexandria age 2. Her sponsors are Sharon Aguilar and Scott M. Shay. We praise God for our wonderful children and their potential to serve Jesus Christ and His Church!!

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO THE FOLLOWING COUPLES CELEBRATING THEIR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IN JUNE:

Duane and Rebecca Bertsch	Steven and Kristen Kunkel
Robert and Cheryl Boyer	John and Rhonda Lindahl
Jeremy and Sheena Crone	Perry and Liz Long
Justin and Jade Dahlquist	Lester and Linda Lutz
Aaron Howard and Ronee Lee Foulk	Allen and Judy Newhard
Robert and Kay Greenawalt	Jeff and Cathy Peter
Ryan and Gail Hamm	Christopher and Kerry Phillips
Adam and Kelly Krick	Michael and Sheila Sacks





## **JACOB'S CHURCH**

*"THE CHURCH ON A HILL, SHINING FORTH FOR JESUS CHRIST"*

### **ACTIVITY CENTER REPORT**

*May 12, 2015*

*Listed are the activities that were held in the Activity Center during the month of April 2015.*

- *Senior High Youth group meetings were held on Monday April 6, 13, 20 and 27; beginning at 6:30pm and ending approximately at 8:30pm. .*
- *Junior High Youth group meetings were held on Thursday, April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; beginning at 6:30pm and ending approximately at 8:30pm.*
- *Kids For Christ Youth Group held meetings on Wednesday, April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29; beginning at 6:00pm and ending approximately at 7:45pm.*
- *Lehigh Valley Volcanoes Softball Team held practice on Tuesday, April 7 and staff meeting on Tuesday, April 21. The team is moving their practices outside.*
- *Private celebrations were held on Saturday, April 11, 18 and 25; and on Friday April 17.*
- *Property Committee reserved the gym on Saturday, April 4, Friday, April 10 and Saturday, April 18 to prepare for the new church service held in the activity center each Sunday morning.*
- *The Women's Prayer Group continues to use the meeting room on Tuesday mornings. The Men's Prayer Breakfast Group continues to use the meeting room on Wednesday mornings.*
- *Gatherings were held on Saturday, April 18 in memory of Carl Hamm; Sunday, April 19 in memory of Kelly Sue Kramer and Tuesday, April 28 in memory of F. Lee Shrawder.*

*God Bless You,*

*Faye M. Foulk*

## April Youth Report

As we long for spring to come, we also see the youth group season coming to an end. We have been so blessed this year with the attendance, excitement and spiritual growth of the students. We see a small decline in attendance because of sports but, it is minimal compared to other years. As I look back at this youth group season I ask myself where did it go? With that thought, it reminds me that we must number our days and realize that we must take advantage of every opportunity to share Christ with all the people God brings into our lives. We must not be ashamed of the truth and the power it has to change lives.

KFC has blessed my heart this year. When we started in September we had 10 regular students. God is so good. We saw KFC attendance growing all year. In January we were blessed with a big influx of students and we have been averaging over 25 students each night. What is really exciting is the responses to the messages this year. We have been learning about the miracles of Jesus. Not just the cool story but what is God really trying to tell us in these miracles. God's power is obvious but, each story has a way deeper meaning than even that. These miracles show God's mercy, compassion, love, patience and great concern for our spiritual health even more than our physical health. Because of KFC bringing so many new friends they got to go to Bounce U. It is a place that is full of bounce houses to entertain and exhaust the kids. Great job KFC for inviting so many friends. I am so proud of you.

Jr. And Sr. High youth groups had a work day. We took some of the money we raised at the wing night and went to the 5K run for Lifes Choices. We did the fun walk but I believe that the kids had a great time serving with their feet and supporting a great cause. When the walk was over we came back to wash the bus but the bus was in the garage so we hung out for a while and enjoyed pizza together as a group.

Coming Up:

Summer schedule:

Last normal Sr. High	May 18
Last normal Jr. High	May 21
KFC Camp	May 27-29

Sumer Schedule starts June 4 which is combined Jr. And Sr. High youth groups on Thursday Nights.

June 4	Open Gym
June 11	Serving at Kempton fair
June 18	Night at the Lake
June 25	Go to Candy's for ice cream
July 2	Movie night
July 6-10	VBS for students and helpers
July 12-18	Mission trip
July 23	Mini Golf

## April Ministry Assistant Report

With the launch of our outreach ministry on the verge, April was exciting and exhausting all together. I had meetings with board members, worship leaders, people who wanted to serve in the ministry and finish putting the final pieces together. Getting the sound proofing finished was top on the list along with getting the sound system put together. Getting all the little details together turned out to be the harder task. By God's grace the opening service was great. I started with a series titled "God desires more than a Tweet." The whole series came full circle about the need for a relationship with God that is genuine and what it takes to have that relationship with Him. Also showed what He did in order to have that relationship with us.

With the website up and running it takes time to keep it current. Each month I spend some of my time each week looking at it and making the correct adjustments to keep it accurate.

I have been meeting with Jane Wessner about VBS preparation. We have been meeting to go through different scenarios and brainstorming on different ideas on how to get the most out of the week.

I am almost done with my Old Testament college class. I have been charged by the truths that I am learning in the class. I am being empowered by the heart of God that I see in the Old Testament books. We do truly serve a merciful, gracious and promise keeping God.

### **Leviticus 26:3-5**

#### **New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>3</sup> "If you follow my decrees and are careful to obey my commands, <sup>4</sup> I will send you rain in its season, and the ground will yield its crops and the trees their fruit.

<sup>5</sup> Your threshing will continue until grape harvest and the grape harvest will continue until planting, and you will eat all the food you want and live in safety in your land.

**Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> · 5-8:30 PM · RAIN OR SHINE!**



Jacob's Church  
**Community Day**

JACOB'S CHURCH, 8373 KING'S HWY, NEW TRIPOLI  
NEXT TO LEASER LAKE

**Free Activities & Games**

**Dunk Tank & Moon Walk**

**Tractor Show**  
AWARDS PROVIDED

**Food Available for Purchase**

HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS, FRESH CUT FRIES,  
HOMEMADE ICE CREAM,  
FUNNEL CAKES, FRIED OREO COOKIES



**GRILL OFF COMPETITION**

\$275 IN PRIZES, NO ENTRY FEE  
Registration required, Call Jim at 610-698-6637

To all VBS Volunteers



Come to our Camp Kilimanjaro VBS workshop on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> right after church in the church basement.

This will be an opportunity to see the curriculum, get your teaching guide and meet everyone that will be serving. If you haven't signed up yet, but would like to help out or think you will, please come to this workshop event. I believe everyone will love the curriculum. It's from Answers in Genesis and has many real life exciting things that we will be teaching.

We will be providing a light lunch and serving some of the tasty treats from Camp Kilimanjaro Snack guide. The workshop will last an hour to hour and a half.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

La asante (Thanks), Jane

# Camp Kilimanjaro VBS

**When:** July 6 - July 10, 2015 9 am - 11:30 am everyday

**Where:** Jacob's Church, New Tripoli

**Ages:** 3 - 12 yrs. Old

**Theme:** Through the book of Proverbs and lessons that King Solomon had during his reign, trekkers will learn about the importance of knowing God's wisdom to help them make good choices.

Our mornings will be action packed with Singing, Drama, High Adventure Lesson Time, Safari Science and Crafts, Grassland Games and of course great Summit Snacks. Don't miss it!



**To register:** Complete the attached registration form and mail to: Jane Wessner, 5057 Irvin Road, Slatington, PA 18080 or online registration at: Jacobschurch.org website, then click on Services & Events, then Special Events and VBS 2015, scroll down and select VBS Online Registration. After submitting you should get a confirmation. Any questions please call (610)760-1714.

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Register me for Camp Kilimanjaro VBS!

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: Male Female      Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_      Grade completed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Work phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of home church \_\_\_\_\_

Food allergies Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_

List \_\_\_\_\_

Medical concerns Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_

Explain \_\_\_\_\_



## MISSION MOMENT

### An Iranian hearing the gospel

Sonya stood out as the only non-Chinese at the Chinese New Year party. A Chinese student, Sally, brought her. They are in the same cancer research program at Drexel. Although she wore no head covering, Sonya comes from a Muslim family in Iran.

As we made dumplings, I got to know Sonya and Sally (not their real names). I invited them to our home for dinner for an American meal.

Sonya was my (Katie) first Middle-Eastern friend. I had so many questions for her. I loved hearing about her family life, culture, food, and experiences in Iran. After dinner we moved into the living room and talked over tea and dessert. Sonya asked me how Dave and I met. The great thing about the story is that I can't tell it without talking about my faith. I know Muslims have great faith so I wasn't shy to mention God, even though we don't worship the same God. The story of Dave and I meeting includes so much of my journey of becoming a Christian in high school, but walking away from God in my first half of college. As I explained some of the background to the girls, Sonya asked me point blank, "How does someone become a Christian?"

I knew talking about Jesus with a Muslim could prove controversial, but Sonya opened the door. The only thing I could do was to walk through it in a

### Prayer Requests:

1. Continued blessings with St. Joe's international students. We are planning a trip to a local garden May 2nd. Pray for good conversations.
2. Pray for Sonya & Sally. Pray for Christians to continue to influence their thinking and lives.
3. I (Katie) have been able to lead a Bible study to the moms who accompany their kids to the Curtis Institute, one of the top music schools in the world. Pray that whole families would come to Christ together.

respectful, but honest way. I was in no way expecting such an opportunity, but I was thankful that God provided it.

Our conversation continued on about marriage; how to fight fairly, and how grace and forgiveness are essential in a good marriage. We shared how this grace only comes from Jesus.

At the end of our five hours together the girls both gave such encouraging exclamations. Sonya, from Iran, said how our family reminded her so much of her family. I am excited for more opportunities to share the beauty of Christ.

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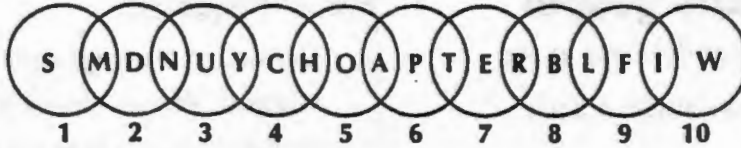
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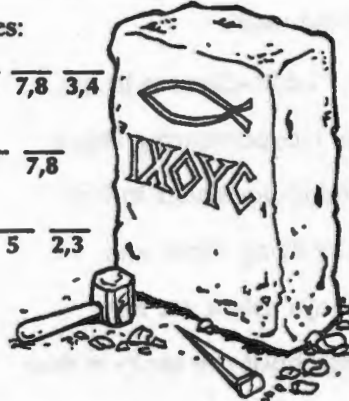
## Just for Kids

### What do you want to be when you grow up?

If you were a child in Bible times, you might answer that differently than you would today. Use the circles to find out what some jobs were. (There were many more, of course!) Ex.: 4,5 = H; 7 = E



1. one who cared for hair and beards:  $\frac{8}{8} \frac{5,6}{5,6} \frac{7,8}{7,8} \frac{8}{8} \frac{7}{7} \frac{7,8}{7,8}$
2. a worker with wood:  $\frac{4}{4} \frac{5,6}{5,6} \frac{7,8}{7,8} \frac{6}{6} \frac{7}{7} \frac{2,3}{2,3} \frac{6,7}{6,7} \frac{7}{7} \frac{7,8}{7,8}$
3. one who worked for Eastern rulers;  
tested food for poisoning:  $\frac{8}{8} \frac{3}{3} \frac{6,7}{6,7} \frac{8,9}{8,9} \frac{7}{7} \frac{7,8}{7,8}$
4. a preparer of drugs, oils, perfumes:  
 $\frac{5,6}{5,6} \frac{6}{6} \frac{5}{5} \frac{6,7}{6,7} \frac{4,5}{4,5} \frac{7}{7} \frac{4}{4} \frac{5,6}{5,6} \frac{7,8}{7,8} \frac{3,4}{3,4}$
5. one who dyed cloth:  $\frac{2}{2} \frac{3,4}{3,4} \frac{7}{7} \frac{7,8}{7,8}$
6. a worker in stone:  $\frac{1,2}{1,2} \frac{5,6}{5,6} \frac{1}{1} \frac{5}{5} \frac{2,3}{2,3}$
7. one who prepared cloth:  
 $\frac{9}{9} \frac{3}{3} \frac{8,9}{8,9} \frac{8,9}{8,9} \frac{7}{7} \frac{7,8}{7,8}$
8. a worker with clay:  $\frac{6}{6} \frac{5}{5} \frac{6,7}{6,7} \frac{6,7}{6,7} \frac{7}{7} \frac{7,8}{7,8}$
9. a manager of the household:  $\frac{1}{1} \frac{6,7}{6,7} \frac{7}{7} \frac{10}{10} \frac{5,6}{5,6} \frac{7,8}{7,8} \frac{2}{2}$



**Answers:**

barber, carpenter, butler, apothecary,  
dyer, mason, fuller, potter, steward



## Do married couples have to have a budget?

**Answer:** Here are some benefits you need to consider:

1. *A budget establishes a spending plan.* When a couple decides to go to a movie, it will come out of their entertainment fund—with no “guilt trip” attached. That’s because they’ll have decided in advance what to do.
2. *A budget encourages savings.* If a couple follows their budget, at the end of the month, they will have money for savings. Without a budget, that fund may not accumulate.
3. *A budget reduces stress.* With a budget, couples will understand how much money is available each month. When they respect the system, finance won’t be a primary focus of conflict.
4. *A budget allows for the unexpected.* Emergency expenses can be overwhelming. Setting aside funds for surprise expenditures helps reduce pressure. Emergencies are traumatic enough without the chaos that can result from not having a “rainy day” account.
5. *A budget encourages giving.* Having a budget can help couples honor God with what is already His, Jesus said. Budgeting that allows for generosity will help couples discover how giving to God promotes peace and joy and enhances their closeness to Him.
6. *A budget discourages debt.* Having a plan and sticking to it will keep couples from overcommitting themselves financially. Debt is a burden on any marriage. If you’re in

debt, formulating a plan to eliminate it could be a gift to your relationship.

7. *A budget can be flexible.* Many couples fear a budget will be a straightjacket. But financial freedom can be expanded by constantly evaluating the budget. Maybe there’s a better car insurance plan. Perhaps refinancing the mortgage to save interest is an option.
8. *A budget can encourage spouses to submit to the same authority—God.* To set up a budget, you have to set priorities. If a couple look to God and His Word for guidance, they won’t be competing to be in charge of each other’s spending habits.

(Adapted from *The First Five Years of Marriage*, general editors, Phillip J. Swihart & Wilford Wooten)

## TOUGH QUESTIONS FROM KIDS

### Answer:

Every day that passes is a day closer to Jesus’ return. However, rather than be concerned with *when* He will return, we should always live as though Jesus can return at any moment. In other words, we should always do what is right and tell others about God’s salvation.



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Happy Father’s Day!

## Dads Are Different

BY GLENN STANTON

DADS ARE DIFFERENT FROM MOMS, AND THIS DIFFERENCE IS GOOD in many unexpected ways. Men don’t just *parent* their children; they *father* them.

One difference of fathering is that dads tend to be more dangerous, at least according to moms, who tend to be more protective. Mom’s way is best, right? It’s not that simple.

For example, when a child starts climbing things, Mom’s words are, “Be careful.” Meanwhile, Dad is saying, “Keep going! I’ll be right here.” Mom’s way promotes safety, obviously important. But Dad’s way promotes confidence and the ability to take calculated risks. The balance between Mom’s and Dad’s ways creates healthy, well-balanced kids.

Dads have a great deal to do with a child’s relational confidence and health. Girls who get plenty of safe and proper physical interaction from Dad are usually not girls who fall for the improper physical advances of boys later in life. And when a boy sees Dad treat his sisters and mother respectfully, he learns to do the same.

There are many important differences between mothering and fathering that benefit a child’s healthy development and maturity. When Mom and Dad embrace these differences, it not only does much for their children, but also for their marriage and the peacefulness of the family’s everyday life.

## TOUGH QUESTIONS FROM KIDS

Why hasn’t God told us when Jesus is coming back?

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## Keeping Tabs on my Kids' Emotions

As a dad, the only way I can detect unresolved emotional issues among my kids is to spend time with them. Some of the warning signs to look for include:

**Evasiveness.** One day I gave my 11-year-old a hug, and she pulled away. I broke a promise, and she reacted. Until I recognized the signal and dealt with the problem by addressing my blunder, our relationship suffered.

**Muttering.** I asked my son to help clean the house. He muttered and shuffled off to obey my request. We dads must recognize the reason for the anger. In my son's case, I had trampled on him by not taking into account that he was busy working on a special surprise for his younger brother.

**Yelling.** Our youngest daughter started screaming when she didn't get her way. We realized that in a house with several older children, she wasn't feeling heard. We addressed her volume problem and started taking care not

to ignore her little voice. Shouting may not be an act of war but a warning sign. Rather than simply disciplining the child who yells, sometimes we need to sit down and listen first.

Early detection prevents the most damage. Over the years, I've learned the importance of watching all my children for warning indicators so I can help them develop into God-honoring, responsible adults.

—Daniel Koren



## The Calm-Down Rug

When my son was 1½, I introduced the “calm-down rug.” If my son became upset or angry, he sat on the rug until he calmed down. He knew that he was not in trouble when on the rug; it was not a timeout, but rather a place for him to work through his feelings. Each time he sat on the rug, I told him, “It's OK to be angry or upset, but it's not OK to hit, kick or hurt someone else or yourself.”

When he calmed down, he was welcome to rejoin the rest of the family. This method helped our son learn to control his anger without being physically aggressive.

—Lindsey Bell

## Our Children Are Watching

I watch Holland, my 9-year-old daughter, take tentative steps around the house in my high heels, a favorite scarf of mine draped around her neck. Later, she helps her dad, Nick, in the kitchen, observing as he cleans sliced leeks in a bowl of water. Then she assumes the task.

Our every move seems to be an unintentional lesson in how to do things and how to behave toward one another—and no relationship influences Holland more than my marriage. She watches how Nick and I interact, and again and again notes, *So that's how it's done.*

So what are the relationship lessons we're teaching our kids? One of the most important behaviors we can model is showing how disagreements are OK, but disrespect is not.

In my home, some of the most heated arguments Nick and I have occur during the news. Reports spark lively conversation and, sometimes, more lively arguments. Holland observes, and I don't think that's bad. Someday she'll find herself disagreeing with someone. I want her to do this with respect and confidence. So we let Holland witness conflict to send the message that conflict is normal—it means that both people are *human*. What helps?

- Don't let your child pick a side.
- When an argument escalates, heading out of earshot is wise. But reappear for the resolution—model asking for and granting forgiveness.
- Avoid moralizing arguments that have nothing to do with morality. Kids see in black and white, so help them recognize that not every disagreement stems from right vs. wrong.
- Don't let your child equate resolution with one particular parent always getting his or her way. You wouldn't want to send the message that one of you is a pushover and the other is a bully, right?
- Be sincere. If you sulk and avoid eye contact after “making up,” what message does that send about the hollow nature of apologies and forgiveness?

Parents, our children are watching. Along with our shoes, they're picking up our attitudes and behaviors and trying them on for size. Consider what relationship lessons—good and bad—your kids are learning from *your* marriage.

—Sarah Hilgendorf

