

"The members should have the same care one for another..." 1 Corinthians 12:25

"See that ye love one another with pure heart fervently..." 1 Peter 1:22

HEART TO HEART

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Chile Relief Effort

Dear family,

Well, Ray Joyner and I made it back from Chile. It was a long 9 hour ride from Santiago to Atlanta. It didn't afford for much sleep. We got on the aircraft about 9:20 pm and arrived in Atlanta at 5:40 am the next morning (there was a time zone change).

Basically here is what we accomplished during the trip:

1. We made contact with brethren in Santiago who were an IMMENSE help. They worked all day long and then into the night until 1:00 am.

2. We transported enough food for 100 families for 1 week to go to Concepcion, Corneal, and Lota, Chile.

3. We gave one family money to put up a temporary "garage" where they could live for the time being.

4. We made contact with the local mayor's office in Lota about bringing a medical team. We were WELL received, and the door was open to help two little barrios (New August, and La Vega) where 250 families live amid the rubble and destruction on one of the hardest hit portions of Lota.

5. We coordinated with members of the church in Lota who will be working with us to receive two containers full of relief supplies in the near future.

That has concluded Phase 1. Now we are in Phase 2. Here is what Phase 2 consists of:

Help 250 families in New August & La Vega

Raise funds for this "Forgotten Disaster"

Recruit workers for May Teams

Immediately send first container with Winter Clothing, Diapers (babies & seniors), Blankets, Tents, Rolls of Plastic, Used Luggage (storage)

We currently are looking at the 3rd week of May as a possible target date. That date might move some, but we are trying to go as soon as possible to prove they need help NOW before those folks suffer more!

Phase three will be as follows:

Second Container

Take Teams to Lota Chile:

Medical Team: Doctors, Dentists, Pharmacists, Nurses, helpers

Evangelistic Team: Conduct Bible studies

Benevolent Team: Clothing, Food

Construction Team: Construct "Garages" to live in.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Send MONEY!!! We will need to pay for the containers that we ship down, plus buy other necessary things to go on the containers; purchase medicine, buy construction materials for MANY "Garages" (Cost is \$400.00 each).

Come and participate on the campaign.

Pray for the results

When the campaign is over, we need to leave behind a TRAINED preacher. We need a congregation or congregations to help place them there for a minimum of five years. Also, we will need to initially rent a place for the church to meet, and then later on build a permanent location.

There is much to do. WE NEED YOUR HELP. Please contact us and let us know how you can help.

God bless.

Panama Jack



MEN TO SERVE

March 28, 2010

Elders Request You Wear A Coat and Tie When Serving.

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|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Deacon In Charge: | John Renfro |
| April 4 | Albert Smith |
| Presiding: | Drew Daugherty |
| Table: | Jayson Crum |
| Josh Copeland | Quinton Carter |
| Chris Hale | Dylan Greer |
| Matt McCoy | Zac Strackbein |
| Dylan Cruz | Will Leonard |
| Evan McCoy | Ethan Baker |
| Bret Cruz | Dalton Swilley |
| Michael Toms | Braydon Cope |
| Logan Hutchinson | Doug Jones |
| Announcements: | Doug Jones |
| Responses: | Taylor Bosch |
| Opening Prayer AM: | Dillon Swilley |
| Closing Prayer AM: | Sky Hardin |
| Opening Prayer PM: | Donnie Allbritton |
| Closing Prayer PM: | |

Lead Singing:

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| Sunday AM: | John Renfro |
| Sunday PM: | Don Garner |

Scripture: John Ganas

Cards/Cups: Eli Joyner Dale Naylor
Britton Davis Andrew Renfro

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

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| Invitation: | Rickey Lightsey |
| Opening Prayer: | David Wilkinson |
| Closing Prayer: | Jerry Williams |
| Song Leader | Corey Jones |

PA System: John Renfro

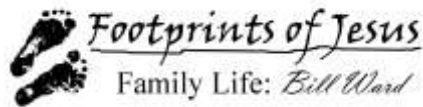
Prepare Communion:

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| March 28 | Gaye & Heather Lightsey |
| April 4 | Kate Leverett |

Visitor Center Vernell Howard

The Record

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| Bible Study: | | 352 |
| Worship: | A.M. 436 | P.M. 311 |
| Wednesday: | 3/17/10 | 293 |



Monday Night for the Master

We had 61 cards that were taken by Tuesday morning which is a very good amount of work. I believe there were over 30 present for visitation. A couple of Bible Studies were set up in the work done Monday. There is a place for you to come visit. We have many opportunities to encourage. Come and see this Monday at 6:00.

Family Care Groups

JoAnn Allbritton has suggested this name for our old Brothers Keepers groups and I really like it. We had our second meeting of group leaders Sunday and had an excellent turnout. We are going to start the new groups April 1st. We will have the groups out at the visitors center in a few days. We have 375 adults at Forrest Park who we are going to be encouraging, ministering unto, and working together to go to heaven.

Chile Report and Challenge

Sunday night Jack Farber gave us a report on the devastation to the areas of New August and La Vega, Chile. Jack and Ray were the first to go to these two small communities near Concepcion. We are presently taking up **Winter Clothing, Tents, Rolls of Plastic, Used Luggage, Blankets, Diapers (adults & children)** for a container shipment ASAP.

Contributions of money are also needed.

An exciting thing to me was the fact that a medical and evangelistic campaign and construction team is being planned for the end of May. Money is needed for this, too. The gospel is needed in these two towns as well as physical aid. Let us ALL GIVE SOMETHING IN THE COMING DAYS!

A Friendly Congregation?!

Friendship is like everything else, it can be improved with a little extra care and effort. Friendship has two basic directions it may take. First, it may direct itself toward the deepening of those close friendships that help sustain us in so many needs of life.

It may also take the direction where it reaches out to many. It is this second direction which enables a congregation to become known as "Friendly and Warm." Since a congregation wants more than a reputation, it works to develop genuine friendliness and warmth. These suggestions are shared in order that friendliness may grow:

1. Make it a point to greet visitors warmly and sit with them or have them sit with you.
2. Share the Bible, the songbook, help them find the passage, in other words, serve their needs.
3. Smile, open your heart. Friendliness is an attitude.
4. Park at a new place and meet and greet at least someone extra at every service.
5. Grow in the Lord and let others see "Christ in you."
6. Give someone this new "disease." I understand that friendliness is contagious!

----- Bill Keele -----



NEWS 'N NOTES

FROM AROUND FORREST PARK

Family Activities

Monday for the Master meets each week at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Tuesday for the Master Radio Program can be heard 6:00 PM, on 92.1

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class meets each week at 10:00 AM in the church library.

Young Adults meet each Thursday evening at 7:00 PM in the Youth Room for fellowship and devotional.

Thursday, March 25th, Young at Hearts (and Guys) will go to Adel Catfish House, Dutch Treat. Meet at 6:00 PM at the building to ride in the van. Return by 9:00 PM.

Sunday, March 28th, 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Very important meeting for everyone going to Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes Convention.

Sunday, April 11th, 3:30 – 5:00 PM, Shower Group 2 invites all ladies to a bridal shower for Caroline Gunn in the Fellowship Hall. She is registered at Lowes, Belks, Kohls, Target and Perfect Settings.

Our Sympathy To...

Onedia McKinnon and family in the recent passing of her nephew, Buddy Gibbs. The funeral was Saturday.

Florence James and family in the passing of her mother, Florence Orr. Florence and Alfred James have been visiting with us.

Responses

Vernell Howard responded Sunday requesting prayers for forgiveness and for her husband, Al's, health.

James Dowell responded requesting prayers on behalf of his wife, Betty as she underwent tests on Monday. The tests went well.

Chile Relief Effort

We are accepting donations for the Chile Relief. Needed are: warm clothing for all ages, used luggage, diapers (adult & children), blankets, tents and rolls of plastic. You may drop off items at the office during normal business hours. Monetary donations are also needed.

Cards

Dear Forrest Park,

Thank you to all the wonderful Christians at Forrest Park for all the cards, calls and visits from you after the loss of my dear sister, Wynell Bennett.

May the good Lord bless you each and every one.

In Christian Love,

Carolyn B. Johnson

Dear Forrest Park Church,

Thank you everyone at the Forrest Park Church for your cards and prayers for Travis Dinkins during these difficult times.

We appreciate the kindness and love shown. God bless you.

Love,

Jammy, Travis & Jim

More Prayers (Cont)

Don & Betty Wisenbaker, parents of Donnie, were in an auto accident Tuesday. She is recovering from surgery. Both are bruised and sore.

Roy Stallings, stepfather of Penny Dinkins and Angie Toms, is in the hospital in Douglasville.

August Miller, cousin of Shirley Arnold, is under hospice care.

Colby Warren, 9th Grader at LHS, is in SGMC, ICU, with head injuries following a dirt bike accident.

Ronnie Jackson, coworker of Lawanna and Daniel Batten, is in SGMC, ICU.

John Williams, elder at Lakeland, is in SGMC, MICU.

Ike Harrell, husband of our interior decorator, was diagnosed with cancer and will have surgery Thursday.

Philip Barr, husband of Peggy, biopsy results were benign.

Prayer List

Our Shut-Ins

Abbie Anderson, Margaret Berrien, Martha Boyd, Valdeese Brown, Robbie Bryson, Lee Clark, Peter Flintroyal, Mary Harrelson, Carolyn B. Johnson, Bess Jones, Lila Jones, Malloy Jones, Gerald & Nellie Leveille, Inez Lott, Mazella Nathan and Ruth Nicholson.

Our Sick

Jeanette Allen, Jane Carter, Beth Copeland, Tony Dasher, Georgia Ann Dykes, Gina Ganas, Betty Gillen, Bobby Glisson, Carolyn Griffin, Don Holler, Kathy Hutchinson, Jerry McKinnon, Pat Osheim, Rosa Parker, Effie Roberts, Wendell & Pansy Spearman Katie Garner, Trace & Aldyn Harrell, Mary Blake McLeod and Donnie Wisenbaker were out of services sick Sunday.

Lila Jones is in SGMC, room 455.

Inez Lott remains in the hospital in Nashville. No visitors, please.

Tony Sampson will have a procedure Thursday in Gainesville.

Rosa Parker will have eye surgery next Wednesday.

James Grace continues to undergo chemo treatments.

Please continue to remember Cynthia Council, Al Howard, Elizabeth Jackson, Merrill Tindall, Eunice Glisson, Ginger Daugherty, Claudette Williams, Inez Williams and Norman & Louise Sainz.

Special Prayer

Chris Pate is TDY to Haiti.

More Prayers

Willie Rose, grandfather of Reginald, is under hospice care.

Elizabeth McCutchen, mother of Beth McLeod, is now in a rehab center in Omaha with pneumonia.

Amber Kenyon, sister of April Milton, is back in the hospital due to complications from medication.

Stacia Grace, mother of James, remains in the hospital in Alabama.

Colbert Croft, uncle of Debbie Walker, is in ICU in Jacksonville.

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