

NEWS for the AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Aug 3 & 17 – Faith Sharing – 7 PM

Sat., Aug 9 – Joint Brethren church fellowship – Nelsonville Brethren Church – 4:00 PM

Aug 10 – End of Summer; Holy Communion

Add to prayer list: Students and teachers returning to school this month

Lunch in August & September: We will not have a potluck fellowship lunch in August – please come to the joint Brethren church fellowship and ice cream social on August 9 at the Nelsonville Brethren pavilion. The next fellowship lunch will be on September 28.

Flowers, Communion Set-up: Lillie Mae Brightwell

Financial report from 9th Annual Church Celebration: The profit made from the church celebration totaled a little over \$8,000.00. This has helped our building fund tremendously. We are now looking forward to next year and our 11th Annual Church Celebration on June 28, 2009.

Memorials received – Memorials were made to the Building fund last month in memory of Anna, Arque and Ello Elsik and Frank & Frances Jasek Elsik and to the Perpetual Care fund in memory of Evelyn Martinek Meyer. If you would like to make a memorial for a friend or a loved one you may do so at any time. Please note it on your check.

Commemorative Church Plate – \$25 donation - ready for wrapping. If you would like to purchase one, please contact Liz Ripple. If you would like to have one shipped to you, please send \$25.00 plus \$5.00 for shipping and handling to FBC, PO Box 11, Fayetteville Texas 78940.

Church Sesquicentennial Cookbook: \$20.00 donation of which all proceeds go to the building fund. If you would like to have one shipped to you, please send \$20.00 plus \$2.00 for shipping and handling to FBC, P.O. Box 11, Fayetteville Texas 78940.

The Christian Sisters' Society: The Christian Sisters' met Sunday, July 27 after the worship service. The Progressive Christmas dinner will be held on December 13. Volunteers are needed – please contact Ginger Marshall. The retreat will be held at Camp Lone Star on January 30-31; please contact Nancy Vasut or Sandra Stepan if you are interested in attending. If you would like to join the Christian Sisters' Society, please contact Blaise McKinzie or Liz Ripple. Dues are \$20. You do not have to be a member of the church to join.

Board of Elders Report: The Elders want to remind the congregation of the Joint Brethren church ice cream social that will be held on August 9 at the Nelsonville Brethren pavilion. Please bring your favorite ice cream, cake or cookies. On July 13 a congregational meeting was held to re-organize our Local for the Mutual Aid Society. Ray Stepan was voted as President and Sandra Stepan as Secretary of our Local #5. Information to join the Mutual Aid is available – please contact Ray or Sandra. The Mutual Aid Convention was held at the Ocker Brethren Church on July 12. Liz & Joe

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>THE DAILY PRAYER CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE BY MAIL OR EMAIL FOR A BULLETIN/NEWSLETTER Daily Prayer Calendar Editor 100 Calvin Drive Temple, TX 76501 or email the following to Subscribe: dailypraycal@hotmail.com</p>	<p>View or download this calendar on the Unity website: unityofthebrethren.org Click on "calendar" and then "DPC". Subscribe at: dailypraycal@hotmail.com</p>	<p>PRAYER FOCUS Pray that all Brethren will resist cultural drift and continue to accept God's Word (the Bible) as sole →</p>	<p>authority for our lives. Pray for renewed passion and love for our Lord, Jesus Christ. →</p>	<p>Pray for unity and passion to build up and disciple one another. Pray for repentance, cleansing, healing and anointing.</p>	<p>1 We are God's sons and daughters. He desires that we listen to Him for our directions just as Moses did. Seek and expect to hear His direction for your every action and ministry. Pray for strength and faith.</p>	<p>2 Pray that God will pour out His Spirit upon America to strengthen us for the challenges and battles we face. That He will empower us to counteract the waves of darkness encroaching upon the earth.</p>
<p>3 Lord, anoint us as we worship. Reveal to us the treasures of wisdom and knowledge hidden in Christ as we open our hearts and minds to You. Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty.</p>	<p>4 Lord, we pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit to help Your church to counteract the spirit of humanism and carnality that is swallowing up the West. Breathe Your life-giving spirit into us, Dear Lord.</p>	<p>5 Father God, there is a time for meekness and humility. This is not such a time. This is a time for boldness and faith in Your mighty power. A time to hear Your call to me to make Your name known in my community.</p>	<p>6 Oh God, You are the Master of all of Your creation. We renew our commitment to You, oh God. Help us to understand Your will for us as we serve You. Open our hearts and our minds to Your Spirit.</p>	<p>7 Jesus, we pray for supernatural wisdom, patience and love to bind us together as Brethren. Holy Spirit, enable us to do the incredible difficult job that Jesus has given us to do. Bind us together so we may do Your work</p>	<p>8 Father, You used Moses to make Your name be known to the pagans in Egypt. Let there be Brethren who allow themselves to be used like Moses...to make Your name known to the pagans around them.</p>	<p>9 As I prepare for worship tomorrow, I decree that a new wave of the Holy Spirit will overtake me. Help me to set aside all cares and concerns that I may worship in a new and fresh way.</p>
<p>10 Today, pray for an atmosphere in our churches that will draw us to encounter our Lord. Spiritual refreshment for the exhausted. Faith and hope for the hopeless. A vision of gladness of heart</p>	<p>11 Lord, do something today that will awaken me to the reality of Your presence. Help me to arise from the distractions that entomb me in lethargy and spiritual darkness.</p>	<p>12 Lord Jesus, I know there are many things that try to keep me from that place where I can touch You. There are times where I must press thru the crowd to touch the hem of Your garment.</p>	<p>13 Lord, this week, give me a spirit of wisdom and revelation to know You better. I will not allow worry, anger, lust and bitterness to hinder the flow of pure revelation into my life.</p>	<p>14 Lord, we pray for Your transformation and empowering of the church to awaken America to Your original destiny for us. We pray for anointing to remove the lukewarm, passive spirit in our cities.</p>	<p>15 Lord Jesus, we pray for Your presence leading all Unity missionaries. We pray that the seeds of truth they have planted in many parts of Your world will be watered and that they will grow to harvest.</p>	<p>16 Lord Jesus, I thank You for the many ways You take care of me and the many ways You bless me. Thank You for the many ways You make Your voice and will known to me.</p>
<p>17 Father, today we come to You seeking spiritual vision and the knowledge of Your power and presence among us. Renew us, transform us, that we might walk in victory and fruitfulness.</p>	<p>18 Pray that we will not become spiritually asleep as we wait for the return of the Lord. Let us not allow the enemy to dull our perception and blind our discernment. Help us to see and clearly hear.</p>	<p>19 Someone needs to hear this: When you were yet in your mother's womb, God's hand was upon you. You are precious to Him. He has a destiny & a plan for you. Ask Him about that.</p>	<p>20 Lord Jesus, forgive me when I get so focused on the things of this world that I don't clearly hear Your voice. Lord, give me the will and wisdom to refocus on You and fully yield myself to You.</p>	<p>21 There are so many pagans and lost people surrounding me; work, community, even relatives. Jesus, give me the wisdom, patience and love to say/do what will reach them</p>	<p>22 Jesus spoke to a tree that was unfruitful & the next day, it was dead. In the same way, He can remove the unfruitful things in our lives that hinder us. Lord, purge us of all that is unfruitful.</p>	<p>23 Lord Jesus, I recognize and submit to You today that I am a child of God. I humbly pray for wisdom and the ability to hear my Father's voice as I plan for a glorious future.</p>
<p>24 Lord, let us be able and willing to hear Your voice as we worship. Let us not just be spectators. 31 Lord, as we worship today, let us hear Your voice and worship in truth and in spirit.</p>	<p>25 Lord, You know and we know there are things that need to change in each of our lives. Help me transform and remove all that keeps me bound, inflexible and stagnant. Free me that I may grasp the fullness of Your spirit.</p>	<p>26 Pray about what 1 John 3:21-23 means to you: <i>"Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from →"</i></p>	<p>27 him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us."</p>	<p>28 At one point, the great prophet Elijah felt discouraged & that he was the only one left. (1 Kings 19:14) Today, I pray for all pastors and ministry leaders who feel that way. God's spiritual winds are still blowing!</p>	<p>29 Lord, people around us, even in the Body of Christ are bound, discouraged by lack of vision. Raise up Brethren with the prophetic vision to see and speak vision & courage for greater things into their lives.</p>	<p>30 Dear Lord Jesus, I do not understand Your amazing grace that saved a wretch like me. I only know that I am undeserving and I praise You and worship You! Lord of lords and King of kings! Of all creation!</p>

Ripple represented our church and Liz served on the Budget Committee. If you have any comments or concerns, please let the Elders know. Donations are being accepted for the restoration project. If you would like to make a donation, please make your check payable to "Fayetteville Brethren Building Fund."