

Fayetteville Brethren Church
Newsletter
JUNE 2009

June 7 – Soil & Stewardship Sunday

June 14 – Wesley Brethren Church Sausage & Sauerkraut lunch at the church

June 21 – Father's Day; Holy Communion

June 28 (Sun) – 11th Annual Church Celebration (lunch served at Ellinger C of C Hall)

July 9-11 (Thurs - Sat) - 63rd Unity Convention – Temple Brethren Church

Flowers, Communion Set-up: June – Sandra & Ray Stepan.

Memorials received – Memorials were made to the building fund last month in memory of Anna, Arque and Ello Elsik and George Miller. 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. Available online at <http://www.fayettevillebrethrenchurch.org/plate.htm>

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. Available online at <http://www.fayettevillebrethrenchurch.org/cookbook.htm>

The Christian Sisters' Society: The Christian Sisters' met Sunday, May 17 after the worship service with 7 members present. Items discussed were the silent auction and quilt show for the June Church Celebration and visiting the River Oaks Convalescent center sometime in July. Everyone received a Christian Sisters Handbook. A salad luncheon will be planned for August 22 to benefit Brazos valley Hospice in La Grange. Tickets will be available for \$6 – contact Pauline Ott for more information. The Progressive Dinner was set for December 12 and we will need 2 volunteers to open their homes to us.

Plans are being made for the retreat next year. It will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2010 and will be in our fellowship hall. Next year's rummage sale / bake sale / hot dogs and raffle will be held on March 27, 2010. Martha Dove gave a devotional. The next meeting will be August 16 after the worship service.

Our 11th Annual Church Celebration on June 28th: We will need everyone's help and support to make this a successful one. A catered meal of turkey, ham and dressing with all the trimmings will be served from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$7.50 to eat there or take out and are available now at Koehl's Portable Buildings, Town Square Realty or any church elder. Tickets will also be sold at the door. Providing entertainment during the meal will be Kovanda's Czech Band.

Auction items will be accepted at the church now and at the Chamber of Commerce Hall in Ellinger on Saturday, June 27 from 9 AM to noon and Sunday, June 28 from 8 AM to 1 PM. Please start thinking about auction items and home-made or home grown items for the Country Store. We will also need baked goods for the bake sale. All these events will be held at the C of C Community Center in Ellinger. Worksheets will be mailed later this month. If you do not receive one OR if you are not on the duty roster and would like to help, please let Liz Ripple know. Your support and donations are appreciated. All proceeds will benefit the Building Fund.

Christian Sisters Silent Auction & Quilt Show: will be held in conjunction with the church celebration on June 28. If you would like to donate an item to the silent auction or if you have a quilt that you would like to put in the quilt show, please contact Martha Dove. Any quilts – old, new, good condition or not. Please write out a little about the quilt, where you got it, who made it (if you know) etc. If you need the quilts to be picked up, we can do that. This is a major fundraiser for the Christian Sisters' that will help them fund local mission projects and also the Unity missions. Also for your viewing pleasure – Jerry Dove will have a collection of antique sewing machines and will be performing demonstrations with these wonderful machines. Thank you for your support!

63rd Convention of the Unity of the Brethren: The Pastor and Congregation of the Temple Brethren Church proudly invite us to the 63rd Convention, July 9-11. Registration and check-in begins July 9 at 4:30. Meals (catered) will be available at \$9.00 per plate. There will be a light complimentary breakfast Friday and Saturday.

At this year's Convention, we will celebrate the Bible as our "Guide for Life". Let us all bring our Bibles and be proud that we are able to have such a privilege to read and study this Holy Word in freedom and safety. If anyone would like to join the Choir for Friday evening, please contact Valeria Pittman 254-778-8759. Jerry Dove will be our representative at the convention. For a listing of lodging, please contact Liz Ripple.

Elders Report: The Elders invite everyone to the 11th Annual Church celebration on June 28. We will need everyone's help to make it a successful fundraiser for our church building fund. The Elders from Wesley, Nelsonville, Fayetteville and Industry met on May 20 to give reports and to begin making plans for the next 4 Church Fellowship that will be held in Wesley next year.

The work on tombstones in the church cemetery continues with Chad Henneke doing a very fine job. If anyone has any concerns about a tombstone, please contact cemetery manager, Liz Ripple. Trimming trees around the church was discussed. Scott Marshall was also elected to be the Sunday School Superintendent. As always, if you have any comments or concerns please let the Elders know.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>View or download this calendar on the Unity website: unityofthebrethren.org Click on "calendar" and then "DPC".</i></p> <p><i>Subscribe at: dailypraycal@hotmail.com</i></p>	<p>1 Yesterday was the day of Pentecost, 50 days after Easter & 40 days before the Unity Convention. Pentecost celebrates outpouring of Holy Spirit on the apostles & founding of the church. Pray this for the Unity.</p>	<p>2 I ask You Lord to restore my ability to use all of my senses to discern Your mind, heart and Your will. I claim my spiritual birthright that I have been given the Spirit of God who reveals wisdom to me.</p>	<p>3 Lord, Jesus, remind us that we need to lift up one another. Inspire me to be an encourager of my fellow brethren in the Body of Christ. Help us clearly see that we are all a valuable part of Your precious family.</p>	<p>4 Dear Father, oh how we need You to help us see through the darkness that has settled over our land. Evil forces are at work and have drawn in many. They even seek to dull the vision of the Body of Christ. Eyes to see.</p>	<p>5 Lord Jesus, I don't want to go another day not knowing what I missed by not giving you my all. I want to live with the power of Your presence in my life. Let my strength rise as I wait upon You.</p>	<p>6 Alpha Camp. ages 9 & 10 tomorrow thru the 9th. Pray that these youth will make a significant step in their journey of faith. Pray that they make progress in grasping how high and how deep is God's love for them.</p>
<p>7 Lord Jesus, You arose from the dead to breathe God's very life into us. We pray for your radiantly alive presence among us as we worship today. Holy Spirit, breathe Your life into us.</p>	<p>8 Father, I declare that I am fearfully and wonderfully made and that You will lead me in the way everlasting. I declare that all Your works are wonderful. Dwell within me.</p>	<p>9 Lord, You have given folks within Your church different gifts. There are those who have the gift of teaching Your Word who have refused it. Stir passion within their hearts for that gift.</p>	<p>10 Pray for that person reading this who feels alone and out of sync because of past hurts. Lord, we pray they regain their trust in you and that they connect with a caring person in the church.</p>	<p>11 The gift we pray for today is that we might see ourselves within the church consciously a body or a fellowship of persons inextricably bound together as brothers and sisters in Christ.</p>	<p>12 If you have a deep concern for someone close to you because of choices that will affect their life in the future, pray for them. Lord, I pray that my countenance will influence them.</p>	<p>13 Pioneer Camp, ages 11 & 12 tomorrow thru the 19th. Our Lord knows the needs of these youth. Pray that the counselors help them make breakthroughs in their spiritual growth</p>
<p>14 Oh that we might have the capacity to respond to Your grace, dear Lord. Restore within our hearts an attitude of worship and passion to reach out to You.</p>	<p>15 Pray for those folks who are living through a financial famine because of lost jobs or other economic hardships. Gen. 26 tells us Isaac planted in time of famine and received great increase.</p>	<p>16 Jesus, I offer myself to You today to live through me the way you choose. If You want to say something to someone, my mouth is Yours to use as You please.</p>	<p>17 Lord, if You desire my feet to go somewhere on Your behalf, I'm ready to do just that. My abilities are Yours as well to use as You please. Keep me sensitive to the guidance of Your Spirit.</p>	<p>18 Father, help me to obey You, to be more holy, more joyful and more loving. Help me to serve for it is Your will that I serve You by loving my neighbor, my family ministering to their needs.</p>	<p>19 Lord, make us sensitive to people in our church family and others who may be going through some sort of hardship or trial. Pray for abundance of God's grace to persevere.</p>	<p>20 Discovery Camp, ages 13 & 14 tomorrow thru the 26th. Pray for the planting of foundations for their role as members of the body of Christ. Pray wisdom and direction for their leaders.</p>
<p>21 Thank God that we are truly able to praise Him for His reign no matter what are our circumstances. No matter what may be happening to us today, our hope is in the One who is, who was and is to come!</p>	<p>22 Someone praying with us is going through hard times. Lord help us to stay focused upon You. When we are challenged, give us faith to seek Your wisdom. Recorded encouragement in Your written Word.</p>	<p>23 Lord Jesus, I have fallen far short of how you taught we should live. I'm truly ashamed and sorry about this. In my mind I come now to Calvary and bow before Your cross in humble prayer.</p>	<p>24 Like moms and dads who must teach their kids to want and ask for the right things, God teaches to pray for the right things in line with His will. Lord help us focus our prayers on how we can better do Your will.</p>	<p>25 May we pray for our leadership and their ability to discern God's vision for our church and the Unity of the Brethren. Pray that latent prayer intercessors will discover their gift and be drawn into prayer ministry.</p>	<p>26 Pray that God enables you to see new things that will help you tear down those things that can hinder you from receiving the fullness of the abundant life that God has for you. Declare His power into your life.</p>	<p>27 Senior High Camp, ages 15 thru senior high. Pray that these youth begin to see their spiritual gifts with more clarity. Ask the Lord to guide them in building a passionate prayer relationship with Him.</p>
<p>28 As we worship today, touch us by Your Holy Spirit and create within us a passionate desire to know You more fully. Create a desire to study Your Word come to understand Your desire for our heart worship.</p>	<p>29 John 3:35 tells us of the Father's love for the Son. Love lies at the center of our imitation of God. Pray for vision of what might happen if we truly love the people in our church and all around us.</p>	<p>30 Pray for the coming Unity Convention. Pray the delegates will bathe every plan and action in prayer. Pray that the delegates are sensitive to those things that He confirms to them thru faithful prayers.</p>	<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>PRAYER FOCUS</p> <p>The Course of Joy, ODE 7</p> <p><i>Let the singers sing the grace of the Lord Most High, and let them offer their songs. And let →</i></p>	<p><i>their heart be like the day, And their gentle voices like the Majestic beauty of the Lord. And let there not be any person That is without knowledge or voice. He gave to →</i></p>	<p><i>His creation a mouth; To open the voice of the mouth towards Him. Praise His power and declare His grace. Hallelujah.</i></p> <p>(Translation by James Charlesworth-May 2009 Worship Leader)</p>