

## *An Epistle from Paul:*

**Are You Forgiven(ing)?!** – John D. Rockefeller built the Standard Oil Company. Not surprisingly, Rockefeller was a man who demanded the very best from his executives. One day, one of those executives made a two million dollar mistake. Word concerning this man’s enormous error quickly spread throughout the company. Afraid of Rockefeller’s reaction, the rest of the executives didn’t even want to see the Boss. One of these executives, however, didn’t have a choice since he already had an appointment with the Boss. So he straightened his shoulders and tightened his belt and walked into Rockefeller’s office. As he approached the oil monarch’s desk, Rockefeller looked up from a piece of paper on which he was writing.

“I guess you have heard about the two million dollar mistake our friend made,” he said.

“Yes,” the executive responded, expecting at any moment to hear the wrath of Rockefeller.

“Well, I’ve been sitting here listing all of our friend’s good qualities on this sheet of paper, and I have discovered that in the past he has made us many more times the amount he lost for us today by his one mistake. His good points far outweigh this one human error. So I think we ought to forgive him, don’t you?”

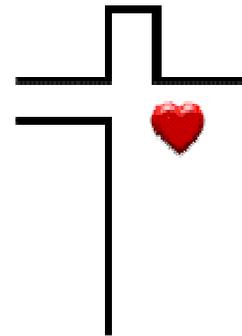
Let me use the above to help illustrate yet another vital Biblical principle. In Matthew 18:21-35 it is recorded that Peter asked the Lord how many times should a brother be forgiven. Jesus responded with a parable of a servant forgiven of his debt by a certain king. In turn, this man failed to forgive a fellow servant who owed far less. Eventually the king heard of the first servant’s lack of mercy. The king handed him over to torturers until he repaid all that he owed 18:35 says, “*So shall My heavenly Father also do to you, if each of you does not forgive his brother from your heart.*” The point is clear. We who have been forgiven by the grace of God had better be sure we practice like mercy – we need to forgive our brothers and sisters who have done us wrong as well. May God help each of us be not only *forgiven* but also *forgiving* people!!

In His Marvelous Love, *Paul*



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## *The Timely Word*

*Proverbs 15:23 “... How delightful is a timely word.”*

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### *Come Worship and Serve Him With Us!*

Bible School .....9:30 a.m. Morning Worship .....10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study .....10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

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### *VBS for 2012 is Coming!*

The dates are set for this year’s Vacation Bible School effort. July 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> are those dates and we will be gathering each evening of those days from 6 PM to 8:15 PM. There will be a short meeting following morning worship this coming Sunday to make sure everyone is on the same page concerning their role in this. If you haven’t already let it be known you are interested in helping let Jon and/or Missy Rieger know your desire along these lines... More than anything please be getting the word out to all young people... and be in prayer that this year’s effort will meet and exceed any expectations we all may have... This year’s theme is as follows: *Adventures on Promise Island*. What a great theme to develop!!!



## Here's the Count!

May 27, 2012.....\$1,281.11  
 June 3, 2012.....\$2,085.00

## Men's Banquet!

You've been hearing about this. Our men will be blessed with an effort from our ladies. Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, here at the church building at 6 PM all men (younger and older) are urged to come and "get connected" with some of the best food around. We will be blessed with some solid entertainment. All of our men and any guests they would like to invite are urged to sign up and come!!!



## Barry Thornton to Give Update of College!

We as a congregation have been supporters of Central Christian College of the Bible, Moberly, MO for a number of years. Lloyd Pelfrey, former preacher here, was one of the founders of this school. Your present preacher, his wife and both of their children are graduates of this school... To this day it remains one of few faithful Bible Colleges remaining. Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, Barry Thornton will give an update of the College, as well as, preach that morning. We pray you'll be present to hear about this Bible College and hear the Word preached then!!



(by no means an exhaustive list)

**All Military Personnel:** Adam Wentzell, Christopher Drew, Ben Shelley, Zachary Polsini, Cody Vance, Bud Reed, Courtney Reed, Austin Brasher, and Stephen Watts (if other please let us know...)

**Recovering and Other Matters:** Doris Childers, Betty Teater, Ruby Rieger, Florence & Jeanie Laubauch, Emma Grace Mills, Reva Cole, Dan Swihart, Monte Rieger, Dottie Campbell, Kathy Romeo, Kay Stafford, Tim Ketchem, Janice Worley, Neil Snow, Pam Kauslick, Emily Shank, Dalene McIntire, Jerry Spicer, Wanda Lee, Dave Mills, Aneta Means, Greg Moore, John Hackenbracht, Janet Synder, Greg Moore, Juanita McCreary...

**Dealing With Cancer:** Pam Cole, Mary Lou Kidwell, A.T. Rogers, Judy Bell, Ron Hornsby, Terry Liming, Rita Culp...



We continue to call upon the church family to keep in prayer concerning the land located just behind the church building. Pray that the present owner will be open to a reasonable offer and that he be of a different mindset than he has been in the past. If we are committed to remaining in this locale, we'll need several acres for the future or we will be right where we were with the building on Baron Street – land locked... Be a prayer warrior and petition God with us about this!!

## The Very Hub of Faith!

The very core of our faith in Christ centers around the fact He is risen, alive and coming again...! We make no apology for emphasizing this aspect of our core beliefs. Remove this historical fact, and we are the most to be pitied... May we be used of God in the remainder of our lives to seek out those willing to hear of this risen Savior and Lord!

