

## *An Epistle from Paul:*

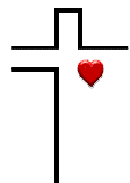
**The Lord is My Strength** – Years ago a Mrs. Monroe lived in Darlington, Maryland. She was the mother of eight children and with the exception of a few events, she was just like any other mother across the land. The following, however is one of those exceptional events. It will help illustrate another Biblical principle.

She came home one day from the store. Everything in the house looked normal, but was too quiet. She looked in the living room and five of her kids were sitting in a circle. Again, they were doing something but were way too quiet. Well, as their mother approached she saw the following: her little “darlings” were playing with five of the cutest skunks one can imagine. This mother was instantly terrified. She yelled, “Run, children!” Each kid grabbed a skunk and ran in five different directions. The mother yelled louder. It so scared the kids that each one squeezed their skunk and as we all know, skunks don’t like to be squeezed...

Here is my point. Who amongst us doesn’t have fear(s) in our life? What we let that fear do to our lives is what determines whether that fear is a problem or even a sin. Do you let your fears dominate and dictate your life? Do you recognize fear often is the absence of trust and confidence in the Lord? Do you let fear paralyze you in your worship and service to the Lord? David, the inspired writer of Psalm 27:1 writes, “*The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom then shall I fear?*” David goes on to advise us in the last verse of this Psalm, “...*Be strong, and let your heart take courage; yes, wait for the Lord.*” Dear brother and sister, may we rely on the Lord for our strength and courage especially when (note not if) fears come our direction. Let the Lord be our strength!

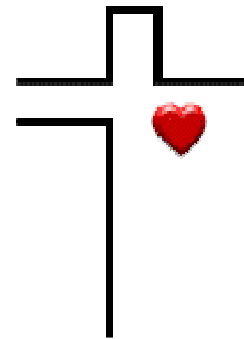
**Postscript** – What a joy to welcome Elizabeth (Betty) Ballinger into the worship/service of the church here... Busy times ahead!!!

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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### *Betty Ballinger Identifies With Us!*

It was our privilege and joy to witness yet another person wanting to identify with the worship and service of our Lord’s church here. Betty Ballinger stepped forward Sunday during invitation/decision time as an already immersed believer in Christ. She let it be known that she wanted to identify with us here and become a part of this church family in her worship and service to our Lord. Betty lives very close to the church building and has been visiting with us for the past few months. It is our joy to welcome sister Betty with us!!

### *B.I.G. (Bring In Guests) Sunday Nears!*

Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> is the date. We as a church family will be making a special effort to Bring In Guests (family, friends and neighbors) giving them a bird’s eye view of what we do in worship each first day of the week here... Come and help us pack the building to the rafters!



## Here's the Count!



September 9, 2012 .....\$2,100.50

September 16, 2012 .....\$1,884.50

## Get Signed Up!

Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> here at the church building we will be gathering for a special meal and then some serious leadership training from the Bible. We urge and invite our men (and wives if married) to come and involve themselves in this training session. The meal will be at 6 PM and then immediately following will be two intense period of training. We will be finished by no later than 9 PM. How we urge our men and their wives (if married) to come and be a part of this intense Biblical training in leadership!



## New Class Coming!



This new class will begin Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. Chris and Tonya Woods will be leading out in this effort. Both of them have a heart to see that more young people be won to the Lord and brought up in the fear and admonition of the Lord. This class will be meeting in the Southwest classroom of the building. The curriculum will be taking our older youth through the Bible in a three year plan. These young people will come out of this class with a solid understanding of God's Word. They will understand the Bible to be their sole source of authority in matters of faith and practice. As was said two Sundays ago, the one thing the rest of the church family can do to help this class be successful is to be sure young people are coming and being brought (if necessary) to consistently be here!!!

(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/Cronley Teater, Ruby Rieger, Florence & Jeanie Laubauch, Emma Grace Mills, Reva Cole, Dan Swihart, Monte Rieger, Dottie Campbell, Kay Stafford, Tim Ketchem, Neil Snow, Pam Kauslick, Jerry Spicer, Wanda Lee, Greg Moore, John Hackenbracht, Greg Moore, Juanita McCreary, Eddie Johnson, George and Barb Collins, Jack Rowell, Danny Means...

**Dealing With Cancer:** Pam Cole, Emily Shank, Mary Kidwell, A.T. Rogers, Judy Bell, Dalene McIntire, Terry Liming, Rita Culp.



## Bonfire at Watt's



Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 8:30 we'll be gathering at the Watt's farm (4062 US 35 West) for our annual bonfire. Geared for young people (but we older ones enjoy this as well), this makes for a grand gathering. Get the word out and plan to be present with the rest of us that evening for some solid fellowship!!!

## The Truth Project

This is the title to the new dvd series we will be having at PM Wednesday Bible Study. This dvd series will be taking us on a tour or world views in light of what Scripture says. It is an outstanding series and will challenge all who come and avail themselves of this opportunity. Do bring your Bibles as we will be taken to numerous passages of Scripture each lesson. Although this will be *interesting*, it will also be challenging. Come with your Bible and your thinking cap in place!

