

The Connection

The Newsletter of Shiloh Church, UCC

July 2010

In light of some recent surgery and an anticipated extended recovery, Nellie Hoskins has decided to step aside from leading Shiloh's Prayer Chain. On behalf of the staff and leadership of Shiloh Church, I want to thank Nellie for the years of work that she put into the program. The Prayer Chain continues to be an important part of this congregation's care and concern ministry.

In a letter to me, Nellie wondered if the congregation should consider discontinuing the Prayer Chain, especially since prayers, concerns and joys are now openly shared on Sundays. While I appreciate the importance of the shared joys and concerns, there are times and circumstances that a Prayer Chain meets other needs. For instance, if a person has an

emergency procedure on Monday, let's say, to wait until the following Sunday to lift that person's need in prayer would be too late for the kind of support that Shiloh seeks to provide. There may also be needs or joys that people would prefer not be discussed publicly. And, since the bulk of our prayer requests are for persons outside the congregation, it seems wise to utilize the Prayer Chain for those concerns instead of raising them in the context of worship.

The Prayer Chain is an important part of the life of Shiloh Church. As the staff discussed the issue, its preference would be to take this occasion to expand the Prayer Chain instead of discontinuing it. There are currently ten persons listed on the telephone tree for Shiloh's Prayer Chain. Currently, persons either call the church office or the Prayer Chain facilitator to activate the telephone tree. Other communication about the need takes place through the most effective "word-of-mouth" program. The staff recommends that Shiloh expand the Prayer Chain by including an electronic means of communication. Alongside the telephone tree and word-of-mouth, a new mass email program would notify those within the congregation who care to receive such notification.

If Shiloh Church is going to expand its Prayer Chain by including an electronic means of distribution, and if it is going to continue the telephone tree, then the congregation has several needs. Firstly, Shiloh needs a person or persons to step in, in Nellie's absence, to reorganize the telephone tree and continue the word-of-mouth prayer concerns. Secondly, Shiloh needs a person or persons to organize, implement and maintain an electronic means of communicating prayer concerns. That might entail the tasks of figuring out who from the congregation would appreciate receiving emailed prayer concerns, formulating a list of those interested, organizing how the email list is to be used, and maintaining both the program and the list.

F R O M T H E



PASTOR

Then, when Nellie returns to the task of running the telephone portion of Shiloh's Prayer Chain, the electronic portion will be up and running. Who in the congregation might be up to the challenge of designing, implementing, and running Shiloh's electronic Prayer Chain (perhaps called the "E-Chain?").? Who will take over, in Nellie's sabbatical, to reorganize and continue Shiloh's telephone Prayer Chain? You may call me, Jay McMillen, Dick Van Tine or Ashley Pack if you are interested.

See You Sunday!

Honored Citizens for July

7/4 John Beymer
7/11 Doris Burton
7/18 Annette Clarkson
7/25 Inez Coons

Health Concerns

Martha Tollefson, Esther Tekamp, Nellie Hoskins, Linda Dimmick, Bill Kingery, Mary Francis Staadt, Scott Smith, Marcella & Richard Peterson, Heather Miller, Evelyne Holmes.

Sympathy

Marian Freeman, Ruth Wright and Charles Tyree.

REMINDER: When you, a family member or a Shiloh member is hospitalized, PLEASE contact the church office. The hospitals are not allowed to call the church for you. The Shiloh staff wants to know whenever one of our members is hospitalized so we can provide support. Thank you!

EMAILS SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE:

When submitting any electronic file for the newsletter or bulletin, please make the subject line of the email just a plain "Connection" or "Bulletin".

Omit all dates and information. This helps keep organization to a maximum. If you have questions about any of this, contact Ashley at the church office 277-8953 or AshleyPack@shiloh.org



JULY ACTIONEERS

Our Actioneers for this month are Heather and Shawn Miller. Shawn and Heather are very busy around the mission and ministry here at Shiloh. Their commitment to the growth of youth in this church is immense in every way. Here is a list of things they do just for youth. Teaching Sunday school lessons every Sunday in the morning and filling in for me if I need to be away for youth gatherings in the evenings, are just a few examples of their leadership. Sometimes they even fill in with our Children's church time. But they can always be counted on every year to help in leading our VBS program every year. Their enthusiasm also rolls over into other areas such as leading in our Discovery Time worship service each Sunday evening. And we all know about Shawn's expertise when it comes to building things, with the entire mission we do here at Shiloh Church and in the community. Through it all I've never heard the answer no come out of their mouths for anything. They continue to Live the Word by Serving the World in all they do with excitement and joy, for the gifts that they can share are many. Congrats to the two of you for leading by example in all you do.

God Bless,
Pastor Jay

WHEELCHAIR FOUNDATION

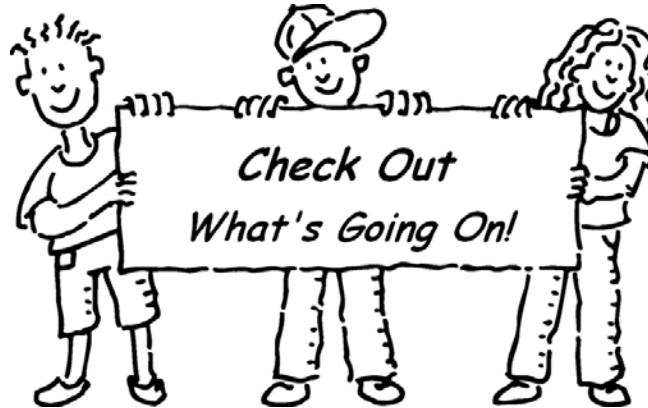
As you pass through the Copper Room, you may have wondered about pictures of people who are sitting in wheelchairs. Let us explain. Each of them represents one of 800,000 children or adults who were given chairs by the Wheelchair Foundation which is supported by individuals, by small groups and by philanthropic organizations. Our Shiloh Adult Bible Study Class is one of those small groups.

Each Sunday, members who wish place their \$1 bills in a small basket, designated WHEELCHAIRS. The cost of these sturdy, no-nonsense chairs is \$150. WE are proud to say that presently we are about to contribute our 17th wheelchair.

The smiling and grateful folks you see on the Copper Room walls may have received one of our chairs. They may come from anywhere in the world, including the U.S. They are ones who are lacking in mobility and in resources to obtain help. Our class is happy that we can do a small bit that may make someone's life a bit more comfortable and productive. We invite you to join us at 10:00 on Sunday morning as we learn more about The Word and how we can serve others in bringing God's kingdom to earth.

To find out more about the Wheelchair Foundation, you may want to Google it on your computer.

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH SHILOH YOUTH!



July

July 4- No Youth (Celebrate Independence Day)

July 6-8- Youth Spiritual Mission Fun Trip

July 11- **Car Wash (12-2 PM)**

July 18- Friendship Village Youth recycling 3 PM

July 25- **Car Wash (12-2 PM)**

August

August 1- NO YOUTH

August 7- Saturday Cincinnati Zoo More info to come

August 8- **Car Wash (12-2 PM)**

August 15- Friendship Village Youth Recycling

August 22- Youth Gathering (Back to School Where do I fit In)

August 29- Youth Gathering (How do I Give)

Any questions about the upcoming schedule please call (470-8993) or email me at JayMcMillen@shiloh.org. Remember any youth in grades 3-12 are welcome to join us each Sunday and for any other youth activities. We want to grow our group

CHAOS!!!!!!!!!!!!

Christians **H**aving **A**n **O**utreach **S**ervice

God Bless,
Pastor Jay

AN INVITATION FROM THE HOSPITALITY TEAM...

Have you been enjoying the parking lot greeters? Our feedback suggests you really do.

Now we don't want to be selfish and keep all the fun to our little group of faithful helpers. So we are offering an outstanding opportunity for you to get a chance to share the joy.

Time requirement: one Sunday every couple months. 10 to 10:35, 11:30 to 11:45

Qualifications: a big smile

Benefits: lots of vitamin D getting to know your fellow Shilohians and maybe some neighbors starting your week feeling really happy

Being an usher, in the choir or avid golfer do not rule you out. We can be very adaptable.

Just pick a date and call Glenna at 771-3383. We will hook you up with one or more trained greeters to launch you on this wonderful adventure in service. You're gonna love it.

June Update for the Year on Recycling

Total Weight of Paper Recycled for 2010

9.7 Tons of paper through May

Green Effect

29.10 cubic yards of landfill space saved

39,790 KWH of energy saved

Thanks to everyone for their support. Keep up the good work.

The Confirmation Class of 2010 Project: Communion Table





**Stewardship Connection is the *expression*
of our spiritual relationship with God.**

“It is everything I do after I say I believe.” Francis of Assisi

In a recent Bible Study we learned according to author M. Douglas Meeks in his book, *God the Economist* that there is an economic sphere in which we all reside. This sphere in which we reside is God’s household. The order of God’s household is reflective of God. God’s household has those living according to the house and that the order (of the house) is the economy of the household. That economy displays a universal welcome where the doors are always open and there is always room at the table and that everyone has a chore. The qualities of the household include equality, justice, kindness, mercy, forgiveness and love at least, where we live an alternative way of life reflecting the archetype of crucifixion/resurrection. Living this way gives us God’s household. It is all about what we do and what we do is called Stewardship. The steward makes living in the household tolerable. We as stewards make living in the household tolerable. The scope of God’s household is to dispense God by Spirituality in Stewardship. How do we dispense God and expand God’s household by expanding a way of life that reflects who God is? We spread God’s household by giving of our time, talents and treasures learning to speak the language of spirituality and not necessarily the language of “religion”.

Please comment on this article by going to the Stewardship Blog at:
<http://shilohstewardship.blogspot.com/>

Your Stewardship Team

PICNIC AND BOATING ON THE OHIO RIVER

Everyone is invited to join the FUNTASTICS for a picnic and boating at Keeler's log house in Manchester on the Ohio River, Saturday, July 10. Bring a dish to share, your own table service, drinks, and folding chairs. Meat will be provided.

Those wishing to caravan or car pool from the church will leave at 11 a.m. Travel time from church is approximately 2 1/2 hours.

Please call Bob and Mary Jean Keeler at 435-3670 with your reservations. Everyone is welcome.

True Spirit of Giving

Just recently we had an experience in our church office where someone wanted to give some treasure to Shiloh Church. He made a very generous gift and when we asked if we could take his name down or give him a receipt, his response was simple. God has called me to give this money to the church. Nothing more, nothing less. What an inspiration to us all as we witnessed a steward before us. As we approach opportunities in this world to be good stewards in God's kingdom, are we feeling compelled as this man was? To me he exemplified what the United Church of Christ motto is and that is that "God is Still Speaking." Maybe we can take something of this generous young man and listen to what God is speaking to us and act accordingly with our gifts in the future of what we are called to bring. We spend so much focusing on our time and talents in this world and how much more can we do with this type of generous living. May we continue to Live the Word by Serving the World in all that we do in our giving generously of ourselves through Jesus Christ our Lord.

God bless,
Pastor Jay

UPDATE: Since this article was submitted, this gentleman along with another neighbor of Shiloh Church has started giving weekly tithings.

The Quilters started at Shiloh in 1967 by Jane Schwenkel. We are now seeking new quilters for Tuesday at 6pm and/or Wednesday at 9am. We are willing to teach you also! IF you are interested in learning more, please call Lillian Smith or Eileen Michael.

Congratulations 2010 Graduates!

Daniel Ampleford, grandson of Shelby & Tom Parnell, graduated from the University of Kentucky with a degree in Chemical Engineering. He participated for one year in Co-op Center for Applied Energy Research and five years for the UK Hockey Team.

Jordan Belcher, grandson of Edna & Don Belcher and Pam & Dick Peacock, graduated from Tippecanoe High School. He participated on the tennis team. He plans on attending the University of Alabama to study engineering.

Daniel Bland, grandson of Margaret Bland, graduated from Worthington Kilbourne High School with an Honors Diploma and Celebration of Excellence Medal. He plans on attending The Ohio State University to major in engineering.

Julie Bland, granddaughter of Margaret Bland, graduated Magna Cum Laude from Bowling Green State University. Her plans are teaching as an Intervention Specialist - moderate to intensive.

Sara Elizabeth Elish, granddaughter of Marilyn Schmidt, graduated with a high school diploma from Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow.

Andrew Ferguson, son of Janet & Larry Ferguson, grandson of Jean & Jim Sollenberger, graduated from The Ohio State University with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering. He participated in the Men's Glee Club for five years and was the president of Men's Glee Club this school year. He has accepted a position with Owens Illinois in Toledo.

Nicholas Harlow, son of Susan & Doug Harlow, grandson of Glenna Phipps, graduated from Northmont High School. His activities included H.S. Chorus, football, karate, baseball, drama and Encore. He plans to attend college for biomedical engineering.

Morgan Henry, granddaughter of Jane Pingle, graduated from Northmont High School.

Nia Holt, daughter of Diana Holt, graduated from Dayton Christian High School. She participated in mentoring students with special needs and mission trips to Caribbean Christian Centre for the Deaf. She plans on attending University of Dayton for clinical psychology.

Sky Ingram, brother of Heaven Smock, graduated from Northmont High School. He plans on going to school for motorcycle maintenance technician.

Lawrence Jones III, son of Marilyn & Larry Jones, graduated from Northmont High School with Honors. He plans on continuing his education with computer training.

Nathan Brian Kundtz, grandson of Minnette Kundtz, graduated from Duke University with a Ph.D. in Physics. He is moving for employment in Seattle, Washington.

Ashton Miller, daughter of Dawn Miller & Heather & Shawn Miller, graduated from Northmont High School. She plans on attending Sinclair Community College for Criminal Psychology.

Travis Miller, son of Barbara Richardson, grandson of Mona Hobson, graduated from Covington High School and UVJVS. His activities included Muse Machine, Golf and FCCLA, where he won many competitions in culinary arts. He plans to work for experience before continuing his education in culinary arts.

Michael James Patton, son of Terri & Tim Patton, grandson of Jeanette & Jim Patton and Jean Wachter, graduated from Northmont High School. His activities included marching band, winter percussion and show choir. He plans on attending Sinclair Community College.

Elizabeth Rabijs, daughter of Linda & John Rabijs, graduated from Wright State University with a B.A. in English. She is moving after graduation to Phoenix, Arizona.

Abigail Elizabeth Rapp, daughter of Patty & Richard Rapp, graduated from Northmont High School with a 3.8 GPA. She has attended Miami Valley Career Technology Center as a Graphics Arts Major and plans to attend Columbus College of Art and Design where she has received the President's Scholarship.

Emily Richardson, daughter of Sally & Mike Richardson and granddaughter of Freda & Lonnie Akers, graduated from Northmont High School.

Taylor Ross, granddaughter of Gene Olexio, graduated from Gahanna Lincoln High School. Her activities included being Captain of the Tennis Team. She plans on attending Miami University for psychology & prelaw.

Kayla Shelley, granddaughter of Cassie Shelley, graduated from C.J.. Her activities included NHS, Key Club, Environmental Club, Soccer and Mission Trips. She plans on attending John Carroll University.

Nicholas Summers, grandson of Esther & Foster Brown, graduated from Northmont High School with Honors. He plans on attending Ohio Northern for Pharmacy.

Alyx Taylor, grandson of Carol & Jim Taylor, graduated from Mason High School. He plans on attending Raymond Walters(U.C.).

Eric Taylor, grandson of Carol & Jim Taylor, graduated from Tipp City School. He plans on working for PAE.

Jack Toscano, grandson of Gene Olexio, graduated from St. Charles High School. He was Captain of the Tennis Team. He plans on attending Notre Dame for Business.

Mallory Wachter, daughter of Kim & Gary Wachter and granddaughter of Jean Wachter, graduated from Northmont High School.

Erica Jean Williams, granddaughter of Carol Billips, graduated from Purdue University with a B.A. of Art History in English Literature. She participated in Art History Student Organization, National Society for Collegiate Scholars and was on the Honor Roll for four years.

Tools & Blanket Contributions

Tools & Blanket Contributions in Memory of:

Loved ones by Betty Barnhiser
Joseph Carrell, Blanche Carrell, Thomas Belcher & Lutie Belcher by Edna & Don Belcher
Paul I. Bland & James E. Russell by Margaret Bland
Our fathers, Foster Brown & Walter Smith by Esther & Bud Brown
Paul B. Cyphers Sr. By Alicia Cyphers
Don Engel, Mark Rankin, Lowell Cushwa & Jim Cushwa by Jerry Engel & Dale Cushwa
Mr. & Mrs. E. J. Hawkes Sr. & Mr. & Mrs. Hobart Weaver Sr. by Betty & Jack Hawkes
Glenn Hines by Patti Hines
Frank C. and Blandena L. Cox by Roger, Sue, Brian, Wendy, Audrey, Julia, Chris and Sandy Cox
Robert D. Neef by his children & grandchildren
Our parents, Koneta & Howard Patton and Eleanore & Hugo Funk by Jeanette & Jim Patton
My grandparents, Elizabeth & Frank Camp and Rebecca & Harry Funk by Jeanette Patton
In memory of our parents Don & Joan Swank and John & Margaret Peterson by Jim & Linda Peterson
In memory of my grandparents Charles & Dorothy Sipe and Catherine & Riley Baker and Elva & Merle Swank by Linda Peterson
Robert K. Schmidt by Marilyn Schmidt
My father, Neal Zimmers by Elaine Zimmers Johnson

Tools & Blanket Contributions in Honor of:

Becky Cyphers by Alicia Cyphers
All great fathers who love their children by Nellie & Laymon Hoskins
William & Shirley Martin by Roger, Sue, Brian, Wendy, Audrey, Julia, Chris and Sandy Cox
Reverend Dick Van Tine by Women's Prayer Breakfast
All mothers and fathers by Frances Oliver

Tools & Blanket Contributions in Dedication of:

Michael men, Scott, Alan, Nick and Ben by Eileen & Al Michael
The best Daddy in the world – Brian Salata by Maggie & Lizzie Salata

Additional Contributions made by:

Shirley & Carl Bomboy	Mary & Carl Bernett
Jane Donahoo	Jean Hawkes
Zoe & Bob Hittner	Jean & Joe Hodson
Martha & David Hogg	Diana M. Holt
Barb Kochensparger	Megan & Randy Kreill
Carol Messler	Shelby Parnell
Karen Penfield	James Shepler & Judy Roeder
Nancy & Don Shroyer	Martha Tollefson
Ellen Schmidt	Shirley & William Martin
Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Neff	

Make a difference by Helping Students at Valerie

Help get the 2010-2011 Valerie School Year Off to a Great Start

Even though the last school year was recently completed, it is already time to begin making plans for the coming school year. In the past, Shiloh Church members have donated an estimated \$500 in school supplies each year for the benefit of Valerie's students. Beginning in July through late August, wish list items may be placed in the tubs marked for Valerie School in the Narthex. Thanks for your continuing generous support!

Wish List

Especially needed:

- Composition notebooks (black & white, 9- $\frac{3}{4}$ x 7- $\frac{1}{2}$, lined, 100 sheets)
- Pencils (#2 lead or larger for little ones)
- Markers (8-color standard)
- Crayons (boxes of 8 large size for kindergarten)
- Glue Sticks (large)
- Scissors
- Pens
- Protractors

Also needed:

- Rulers
- One-subject notebooks
- Notebook paper (lined, loose-leaf)
- Masking tape
- Baggies (large)
- Construction paper
- Boxes of tissue (Kleenex)
- Ream(500 pages) of copy paper for printers
- Large tag board
- Large poster board
- Colored Pencils

Cash is welcome if easier to give. Please mark envelopes for "Valerie Project" and place in the offering plate. Cash can be used for uniforms and other needed supplies.

The Missions and Social Concerns Committee

FLOWER DEDICATION PROCEDURE

Because Shiloh Church is trying to cut costs, and because the church receives the money for less than half of its flower dedications, we are changing the manner in which dedications are made and flowers placed. You can now find forms for flower dedications each month in the *Connection* and on the Green Table in the Narthex. Forms must be submitted at least one week in advance, with \$20.00 payment, in order to be placed in the bulletin and to place flowers in the Chancel. Those who are accustomed to being contacted by the church for flower dedications will want to take note that no such contact will now be made. Remember to mark on the dedication form whether you wish to take your flowers, or if you would like the Deacons to deliver them to those who are ill or shut in. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

DEDICATION FLOWERS ORDER FORM

DATE OF DEDICATION: _____

Placed by:

Telephone:

Will the family take the flowers or should they be delivered?

family will take deliver

Dedication should read:

OFFICE USE ONLY

Payment Included: YES NO	Amount:	Check # or Cash:
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WORSHIP WITH US!

July 4:

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Texts Galatians 6:7-10 Luke 10:1-11
Topic "Laborers for the Harvest"
Theme The Country needs more household laborers.

July 11:

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Texts Colossians 1:9-14 Luke 10:25-37
Topic "Good Samaritans!"
Theme The household is filled with good Samaritans.

July 18:

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

Texts Colossians 1:15-20 Luke 10:38-42
Topic "At-One-Ment"
Theme We are united by the grace of God in Christ!

July 25:

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Texts Colossians 2:16-19 Luke 11:9-13
Topic "Freely Given"
Theme The grace of God is a gift freely given.



Carole Burkett 7/1
Glenna Harmuth 7/2
Susan Menke 7/2
Lisa Robinson 7/3
Dawn Miller 7/4
David White 7/4
Anthony Ragan 7/7
Judy Smith 7/7
Mary Lou Stevenson 7/7
Lillian Smith 7/8
Pamela Carr 7/9
Doug Farinet 7/10
Lindsay Hofferberth 7/10
Patricia Farinet 7/11
Linda Leach 7/11
Kay Kelbley 7/12
Mary Bernett 7/13
Corrinne Applegate 7/14
Martha Tollefson 7/14
Sam Hagans 7/16
Charles Hunnell 7/16
Pat Reid 7/17
W. Darner 7/18
Shirley Hill 7/18
Dean Lindeman 7/18
Betty Brown 7/19
Inez Coons 7/19
Kathleen Dominguez 7/19
William Sharp 7/19

Sharon Freeze 7/20
Ted Patton 7/20
Bill Schmidt 7/20
Martha Kirkland 7/21
Larry Schnabel 7/21
Russell A. Worley 7/21
Eileen Folker 7/22
Celia King 7/22
Connie Neef 7/22
Robin Smith 7/22
Merrill (Rocky) Clay 7/23
Jack Hawkes 7/23
Mary Oldham 7/24
Kelli Dosh 7/25
Jerry Engel 7/25
David Kentner 7/25
Kathy Wall 7/25
Elizabeth Van Tine 7/27
Robert Kell 7/29
Melinda Hofstetter 7/30
Patricia Moore 7/31



July 2010 Kids Institute is here Monday—Friday 6a-6p

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10a Bible Study	2	3 7a Farmers Market 8a Front Porch Ministries
4 Independence Day 8:30a Prayer Service 9:15a CE Hour 10:30a Worship 7p Discovery Time	5 OFFICE CLOSED	6 6p Quilters 7p Bible Study	7 9a Shiloh Quilters 10a Staff Meeting 7p OA 7:15p Discovery Time Rehearsal	8 10a Bible Study	9 6p Willis/Freeman Rehearsal	10 7a Farmers Market 8a Front Porch Ministries 4:30p Willis/Freeman Wedding
11 8:30a Prayer Service 9:15a CE Hour 10:30a Worship 12-2p Youth Car Wash 7p Discovery Time	12	13 9:30a Women's Board 6p Quilters 7p Bible Study	14 9a Shiloh Quilters 10a Staff Meeting 12p Staff Luncheon 7p OA 7:15p Discovery Time Rehearsal	15 10a Bible Study	16	17 7a Farmers Market 8a Front Porch Ministries
18 Fellowship Sunday 8:30a Prayer Service 9:15a CE Hour 10:30a Worship 7p Discovery Time	19 10a The Ologists	20 6p Quilters 7p Bible Study	21 9a Shiloh Quilters 10a Staff Meeting 7p OA 7:15p Discovery Time Rehearsal	22 10a Bible Study	23	24 7a Farmers Market 8a Front Porch Ministries
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