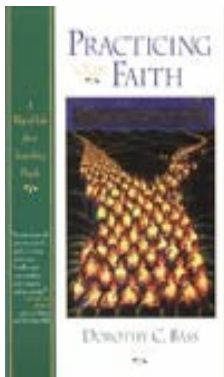


LAKE SHORELINES

May 17, 2006

Practicing Our Faith "Community"

Chris and Katie Brennan Homiak
Adult Seminar
Wednesday, May 24



"Speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love." — Ephesians 4:15-16

How would you describe "Christian community"? When have you experienced it? What are some practical community-building habits? Next Wednesday night, Chris and Katie will facilitate a group conversation centered on these questions.

Although Chris & Katie consider themselves "beginners" in community, their experiment in intentional community with Mike and Rachel Sciretti this last year has served as an intensive learning adventure. After Pentecost last year, the Scirettis and Brennan Homiaks discerned shared values (Sabbath, sharing, service, and simplicity) and covenanted to strive to live out practices based on those values. Over the summer they remodeled the Scirettis' garage and moved in together. As part of the experiment, Chris briefly researched the history of intentional community. He discovered that "what we're doing isn't all that new, nor is it really all that radical – intentional Christian community has long been about resisting individualism and materialism, choosing sharing, Sabbath, service, and simplicity. . . and it's usually been more extreme than what we've tried to do."

This semester, Chris interned with CrossTies Ecumenical Fellowship, a radical community that serves the Kate Ross neighborhood through the Gospel Café, Servant Leadership School, Talitha Koum, and silent retreats. These immersions in community have awakened a continued desire for radical Christian community; Chris and Katie will spend their summer volunteering at Jubilee Partners, a communal refugee ministry near Atlanta, Georgia.

Worship at Lake Shore

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 21, 2006

The Sermon

"The Greatest of These Is . . ."

Dorisanne Cooper

The Scripture

John 15.9-17

You're Invited
to

A Baby Shower
honoring

Andy and Michelle
Powell

Saturday, May 20

3:00-4:30 p.m.

at the home of
Barb & Barry Francis
107 North Bend Ct.

They are registered at
Target and BabiesRus.com.
Diapers will work, too!

Directions: 84 West toward McGregor.
Left at Old Lorena Rd. Right on River
View. First right on North Bend Court;
107 is the second house on the right.

A Prayer for God's Presence in Our Lives

*God, join with us as we worship today,
as we look into the night sky that is our faith.
Sometimes we can look, and we can see the constellations.
We can pick out Leo or Pisces or Cassiopeia,
and we all see them so clearly.
Sometimes we look and we can see the stars,
but they don't seem to form a pattern.
Sometimes we look and the night has grown cloudy,
and we see no stars at all.
Help us to know that whether we see the stars or not,
we can know that they are there.
And whether we feel your presence or not,
we can know that you're there.
And help us to know that your presence and your love
and your caring for us does not depend
on our ability to see you or to understand you.
Help us through the times that we don't see you
to feel your presence. Amen.*

Steve Fontaine offered this prayer as an invocation on April 30, 2006.

Prayer Concerns

Our prayers are with Pat and Nathan Stone in the loss of their son and stepson, Alex Ware, who died on Monday. Services for Alex will be at Lake Shore on Thursday at 4:00 with Dorisanne and Nathan officiating.

Continued prayers for Ron and Hope Rouse.

Staff Update

Sharlande is in Atlanta at the Festival of Homiletics for a week of continuing education and then will take some vacation time with her family. She will return to the office on June 1.

Kim Pearson Retires from Teaching Sunday School

Kim Pearson has faithfully and cheerfully taught Sunday School to the first, second, and third graders of Lake Shore for nine years. Whether there was one child or ten, Kim was prepared to help children understand the Bible and how they can apply it to their own lives.

All Kim's children especially loved their field trips to Shipley's donuts and remember the Sunday School lesson going through the car wash. It is with sad, but grateful hearts that we say "good-bye" to Kim as she has retired from teaching Sunday School.

Her daughter, Katy, graduates from Crawford High School this month and her son, Bridger, is a seventh grader. Thank you, Kim!

GOT STUFF?

It's the time of year that Lake Shore offers you the opportunity to clean out your closets, drawers, garages, and storage sheds and donate your stuff for a good cause. On Saturday, June 10, the youth will hold their annual garage sale. Proceeds will be used to help the youth attending Passport Youth Camp in July. The youth will spend part of their time working with recovery efforts from last year's hurricanes that devastated the Gulf Coast. Due to limited storage space, please hang on to your things until the week of the sale. Contact Mike, Elizabeth Dell (776-6928), or Pam Allen (753-5537) for information.



Welcome, Patty Field

We warmly welcome Patty Field into our midst. Coming from another faith tradition, she learned of Lake Shore through word of mouth, and most recently through her niece, Paula Unger. She has lived in the Waco area all her life and has many connections here.

Patty is retired from keeping the books at Field Business Forms, the business she owned with her husband, Willie. She and Willie will celebrate their fortieth wedding anniversary this summer. She spends her time now mothering and grandmothering her five children and fourteen grandchildren. She seeks creative ways to nurture relationships with her grandchildren by taking them shopping and having them spend the night on their birthdays.

She loves tending to her animals (chickens, sheep, horses, mallards, dogs, cats, and guineas) on their forty acres in Mart. In addition, she keeps a garden of flowers, knits, and quilts. Patty is Treasurer of the Quilting Guild and on the Planned Parenthood Board.

Patty, it is evident that we will grow from your presence here. We are delighted to be a part of your life and to have you as a part of ours.

Good News

Daniel Gardner received his Master of Fine Arts from the University of Indiana. This summer he will be the Artist in Residence at the University of Manitoba.

Congratulations to Lloyd Rose who graduated from UT and will begin Medical Research school in the fall.

Welcome back, Bill. Bill Bellinger returns home this week from his semester in Atlanta. We look forward to hearing about his adventures abroad.



Rubbing elbows with royalty—former President Jimmy Carter and former First Lady Rosalyn Carter were thrilled to be pictured with Bill.

From the Dickey Orphanage

After our Palm Sunday Soup Bowl Supper Katie Brennan Homiak wrote the following to our friends at the Dickey Orphanage in Lhasa, Tibet:

Dear friends,

We just had our fundraiser supper for Dickey Orphanage on April 9th. We will be sending the donations soon. (It is approximately \$1700 US dollars). We have artists in our church who sculpted bowls that we sold for the dinner.

We ate Tibetan noodle soup and Tibetan vegetable soup. We learned about Tibet and I shared stories about your orphanage. Everyone was happy to help the beautiful children at Dickey.

I [have] included a photo of our young children at the church. They had a special night to learn about children in Tibet and they wanted you to see their picture. As I said, the money should be sent within the next few weeks.

Peace, Katie

Katie forwarded this letter that she received in return:

Dear friends,

Thank you so much for the great supports you are doing for our orphanage. And also for these wonderful pictures.

I have shown pictures to the children on the screen since we don't have the photo printer. They all felt great to see what you all are doing for their sake.

Here in Lhasa, all the children are doing great and weather is also becoming warmer ever, everywhere around Lhasa turned so green again. Thank you so much again for everything,

Dickey Orphanage, Lhasa, Tibet

Children's Corner

Li'l Helping Hands

Summer Family Missions

Experiences for

Preschoolers & their Parents

Each Wednesday night of summer 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

T-shirts \$8 Adults, \$5 children ~ Sign up in the hall!

Bridge Builders: 4th - 6th gr.

Mon.-Wed. June 5-7

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

\$15 for lunch & t-shirt

Sign up in the hall by Wednesday, May 31.

Helping Hands: 1st–3rd gr.

Mon.-Wed.– June 12-14

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

\$15 for lunch & t-shirt

Sign up in the hall by Wednesday, May 31.

Our Church Staff

Richard Aslanian, Music Director
Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor
Aaron Garcia, Organist
Pattie Herbert, Custodian
Caryl Miller-Reynolds, Administrative Secretary
Heather Robards, Director, Lake Shore
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Mike Sciretti, Minister to Youth
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 21

9:30-Sunday School
10:45-Worship

Monday, May 22

No Beginner Yoga

Tuesday, May 23

5:30-Intermediate Yoga

Wednesday, May 24

8:30-Staff Meeting
5:30-Supper
6:10-Children & Youth
Activities
7:30-Choir Rehearsal

Looking Ahead:

5/25-Vanguard Awards
6/4-Ice Cream Social
6/5-6/7-Bridge Builders
6/11-BFW Offering of Letters
6/12-6/14-Helping Hands

Wednesday Night Supper May 24



Lasagna
Green Salad
Dessert

Extended Care Sunday, May 21

Infants: Carolyn Rodabough
Louise Clark
Toddlers Sarah Hatch
Preschoolers: The Morin
Family

Keys

We are missing several keys from the key box in the office. Please check pockets and purses for church keys and return them if you find anything. We'll be thrilled to get them back. Thanks.

Youth News

Sunday Morning:

Breakfast: SoRelles

Sunday School: Karen Matkin & Craig Thornton – Game on the Book of Jonah

Parents Meeting: Meet with Mike in the Teen House to discuss the summer.

Sunday Night:

Dinner: Raymond

Journey to Adulthood: Concerns & Celebrations starts at **4:30**. Please show up then for this important time of sharing and being together before we break up into our support groups.

Amigos: Sunday night find out who your “amigo” is for the summer and next school year.

Wednesday Night:

Youth Sunday Planning

Coming Up:

May 24 – Youth Sunday Planning

May 28 – Youth Sunday and End of School Party

June 7 – Begin Garage Sale Prep

June 10 – Garage Sale

June 11 – Project Prime 2 Begins!

Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions to our budget help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for 2006 are \$7,865.17. Receipts last week were \$2,999.00.

<u>Year to date needs</u>	<u>Year to date received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$ 157,303.46	\$ 136,537.81	(\$ 20,765.64)