

LAKE SHORELINES

July 4, 2007

Capital Area Food Bank



Lake Shore learned last week that we have been approved as a Capital Area Food Bank partner. This means that we can order food from Austin and it will be delivered to the Waco distribution site, Church of the Open Door, on Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. We are looking for strong volunteers who will pick up our order and bring it to the church.

A few weeks ago five Lake Shore members visited the CAFB to gather information about becoming a partner agency. We were thrilled that our tour guide was Kate Smallwood, who works in the development office at CAFB. The food bank currently provides food and grocery products to 370 Partner Agencies, including churches with food

pantries, in 21 Central Texas counties. Last year the food bank distributed more than 16 million pounds of food. Capital Area Food Bank research shows that 82% of Food Bank Partner Agency recipients are food insecure, and 49% of recipients experience outright hunger. The distribution of food follows a careful process:

- The Capital Area Food Bank (CAFB) receives food from state, regional, and industry sources.
- The food is inspected and stored in a 60,000 square foot Distribution Center.
- A shopping list of available products is provided to all CAFB Partner Agencies. Partner Agencies place their order online or by fax.
- CAFB staff and volunteers pick, sort and pack each individual order.
- Some Partner Agencies in regional areas of the 21 Central Texas counties served get their food delivered.
- All Partner Agencies maintain their own food pantries or on-site feeding programs. They distribute the groceries or prepared meals to individuals and families in their service area.



In September we are planning a seminar detailing more of the food bank's work and a one-day mission trip to Austin to participate in food distribution. Call Annette or Sharlande if you can help pick up food.



Worship at Lake Shore The Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 8, 2007

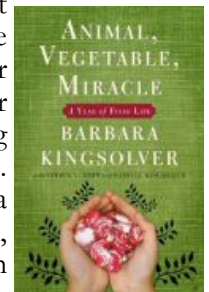
The Sermon
Sharlande Sledge

The Scripture
II Kings 5.1-14
Psalms 30

Mission Trip Blessing for
Annette Brister and Sarah Francis

Animal, Vegetable, Mineral Wednesday, July 11 Adult Seminar

On Wednesday, July 11th, Emily Fau will lead our seminar discussion about Barbara Kingsolver's newest non-fiction work, *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle*, at 6:30. We look forward to a lively discussion as we ponder the reality of what it means to be connected to our food. Join us for this time of sharing and conversation. If you still need a copy of the book, check one out from the church library.



Garage Sale

Saturday, July 7
7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

From Our Associate Pastor . . .

“Be yourself. All the other jobs are already taken.”

—Oscar Wilde

We may not end up writing like Bonhoeffer, but at least living like he says in *Life Together* and writing like ourselves. I'd be happy with that.

—Jenny Petersen, Collegetown, Minnesota

Two weeks ago right now, 3:30 p.m. on Monday afternoon, I was sworn to silence. At least thirty minutes of silence. Could I last without succumbing to nervous jitters? But Teri and Peter had survived their half-hours and didn't seem too much worse for the wear. Maybe I would make it to the other side of 4:00.

My job at that moment, as a participant in the Collegetown Institute in Minnesota was to keep silent while the rest of the writers commented on my writing – five newsletter columns I'd sent in a few weeks earlier. The rules for the afternoon writing workshop meant that as the one whose work was on the table, I could take notes, but I could not immediately respond. Meanwhile, everyone else could affirm, critique, suggest, question, applaud, evaluate, appreciate, ponder, and debate. I could not say “What I was trying to say . . .” or “The reason I chose that word . . .” I could not say, defend, or explain anything until the timekeeper said “stop.”

At first I focused on the name cards in front of each person at the table and tried to match names and faces: Victor, an African-American Baptist pastor from Nashville; JoAnn, a Lutheran pastor from Connecticut; Harry, a Greek Orthodox priest from New York; Jenny, an Anglican priest from England by way of Australia; Wendy, a Lutheran associate from Wisconsin; Arthur, a Mennonite from Indiana; Cathy, an Episcopal priest from Boston; Rachel, Peter, and Teri – three Presbyterian ministers – from Arizona, Oregon, and Indiana. That was about all I could keep straight about my colleagues.

During The Long Silence, my eyes moved away from the name cards and concentrated on the notes I was taking about my writing (“there's a lightness to it, not in the l-i-t-e sense,” “guard against moving toward sentimentality,” “it's gospel.”) As I listened, the voices across the table came to life: Wendy's – glass-clear,

peaceful; Harry's – respectful, full of blessing, kind; Jenny's – quick, British slants on church life and being fifty-five that kept me in stitches and put me at ease; Jo Ann's – strong, confident, inviting, and exactly like her fellow Iowan, Nancy Banks at Impress Printers in Waco. If I stop and listen, I can hear them now.

Centering on one “take away” lesson from my road trip to Minnesota and the conversations around the table at Collegetown would be as difficult as trying to find a baseball in the cornfields of Iowa. But the word that keeps moving from my heart to my fingers as I type is “voice.”

We never had a seminar session named “Finding Your Voice as a Writer” or “Using Your Voice and Not Piggy-backing on Anyone Else's to Say What Only You Can Say,” but the word “voice” kept springing up in our conversation. Voice, in literary terms, is the writer's style, the quality that makes the writing personal; it conveys the writer's attitude, personality, or character. In our setting, Victor's voice was Victor's, and Rachel's was Rachel's. No confusion about that, just as Anne Lamott's writing is hers alone, never to be confused with Mark Twain's, or duplicated by any Anne Lamott “wannabe.”

Each afternoon, as we took turns sitting in the “listening chair,” our voices grew stronger, the conversation more authentic. The more we sounded like ourselves – whether writing or talking or living out of who God created us to be – the more we became a community. Nancy Mairs, in her book *Voice Lessons*, gives hints about how this happens:

This is what we can all do to nourish
and strengthen one another:
listen to one another very hard,
ask hard questions, too,
send one another away
to work again,
and laugh in all the right places.

That sounds a lot like the writing, pastoral community I knew in Minnesota. It also sounds a lot like a church I know in Waco. And it will forever remind me of my task to write – and live – like me.



Vaya Con Dios

On July 13, Annette Brister and Sarah Francis will go with Waco Habitat for Humanity to San Vicente, El Salvador. They will be taking part in the Habitat Global Village trip, building homes for those living there.

Annette's Habitat expertise and Sarah's Spanish-speaking skills will surely serve them well as they serve with others from the Waco area during this week-long trip. Please keep Annette and Sarah in your thoughts and prayers next week. We will bless their travel in worship Sunday morning and look forward to hearing about their experiences.

Lake Shore Receives CBF Grant

Lake Shore has been named a recipient of a \$10,000 grant from the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship through Kelly Baker's internship here. Following is a letter from Dr. Bo Prosser, Coordinator of Congregational Life at CBF, to Sharlande as Kelly's onsite supervisor.

Dear Sharlande and Church Leadership,

The staff of the Congregational Life initiative of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is pleased to award your church a grant. The grant is part of a larger award shared with CBF from the Christ is our Savior Foundation.

The grant comes as a result of the work of Kelly Baker during her internship with you. The award is to help Lake Shore strengthen its hunger and poverty related ministries. Please use this in ways that will further benefit your work.

We are grateful for the continued ministry partnerships with Lake Shore, the Baylor School of Social Work, and our initiative. God continues to bless us in ways we have never imagined.

Blessings,
Dr. Bo Prosser
Coordinator of Congregational Life

In the upcoming weeks the Missions Committee will explore avenues of how best to use this grant to address our hunger and poverty issues, both locally and globally.

Traveling This Summer?

- Wouldn't you like to receive your copy of *Shorelines* while you're on the road? You can easily receive your edition of the newsletter via email, and you won't miss a bit of information or intrigue. Perhaps you enjoy our weekly newsletter via email as well as snail-mail. Sign up to get the newsletter only by email, and you'll help save trees and postage dollars. We've had a good response to our on-line newsletter and want to remind you that you'll get the latest edition fast and free over the internet. Please add your name to the "email only" list for *Shorelines* by calling the office (772-2910) or emailing us (lbaptistchurch@hotmail.com).
- Staying in a hotel or motel? Don't forget to bring your little bottles of shampoo and little bars of soap to church! The clients in our food pantry appreciate these toiletries. You may drop off your unopened bottles and bars in the office.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Saturday, July 8, 10.00am. 2700 Glendale



We encourage you to join us for this time of fellowship and prayer; no needle experience necessary. Call Pattie Field (254-876-2817) or Judy Prather (723-

Prayers for...

Dottie Buchanan and her family following Buck's death on Friday. The funeral will be Saturday, July 7, at 2:00 p.m. at Oakcrest Funeral Home, following a visitation at 1:00.

Faith & Dave Kopplin whose grandson, Miles of Mt. Shasta CA, is hospitalized in San Francisco. The Kopplins left Tuesday to be with Miles and his family.

Evan and Marvin Holcomb who were married at the Church Under the Bridge on Sunday. Evan is Jo Pendleton's daughter and Jonathan's birth mother.

Mike Sciretti's grandmother, who is seriously ill in Louisiana.

Heather Robards as she moves to Houston. Blessings on her journey.

Kelly Baker, who completed her internship at Lake Shore. We bless her ministry here and wherever she serves in the future.

Jap Barrett, who is a friend of Beverly Johnston, is undergoing medical tests.

Bridges Out of Poverty

On Saturday, August 18, from, 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., Crestview Church of Christ will host a seminar entitled "Bridges out of Poverty: Strategies for Professionals and Communities."

This workshop is based on the book of the same name by author and educator Ruby Payne. Jodi Pfarr, a Catholic Charities program consultant will lead the session. Participants will review poverty research, examine a theory of change, and analyze poverty through the prism of hidden rules of class, resources, family structure, and language.

This one-day workshop is free of charge, and spots are filling up quickly. Please get your reservation in today! Contact Sharlande or Annette for more information. Or visit www.crestview-church.org.

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Children's Corner

Summer Wednesday Nights

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••••• July 4: No activities
••••• July 11: Mountainview Splash
••••• Park
••••• July 18: Children's Camp
••••• Car Wash
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••••• **SWBCCA**
••••• **Children's Camp**
••••• **Camper/Parent Meeting**
••••• July 15, after worship
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Our Church Staff

Richard Aslanian, Music Director
Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor
Aaron Garcia, Organist
Pattie Herbert, Custodian
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, July 8

9:30 – Sunday school
10:45 – Worship
5:00 – Deacons' Meeting

Monday, June 9

5:30 – Yoga

Tuesday, June 10

5:30 – Yoga

Wednesday, July 11

5:30 – Supper
6:30 – Seminar
7:30 – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, July 12

10:00 – Food Pantry Open

Looking Ahead

7/16-21 – Youth Camp
7/23-27 – Children's Camp

Wednesday Night Supper July 11



Chicken & Rice Salad
Fruit
Dessert
Church Staff

Extended Care/ Visitor Cards/Offering Sunday, July 8

Infants: Kay Neugebauer
Toddlers: Robert/Jeanette Denton
Preschool/K: Donovan & Monica McNeil

Visitor Cards: Devin Seibel,
Travis Burt

Offering: Gary & Beth Miller
Doug & Robin McDurham

Youth News

Sunday Morning:

Sunday School – Charles Conkin

Sunday Evening:

TBA Dinner by McDurham/Salvesen

Thursday Morning:

Mike and Charles at Barnes & Noble from 3:30-4:40

Next Sunday:

No evening activity so get some rest for the long trip to Passport.

Coming Up:

7/7 – Garage Sale!!!
7/11 – Destination Unknown
7/15 – No Sunday Night Activity
7/16-21 – Passport New Orleans
8/1-3 – Mission trip to Austin
8/26 – Back-to-School Party

Health Care Equipment Needed

The Health Care Equipment Loan Ministry, sponsored by the Waco Regional Baptist Network Senior Adult Council, has need of more wheelchairs, hospital beds, lift chairs, and bath/shower chairs. They have a "waiting list" on those items. If you have those items to donate, please call the WRBN office at 753-2408.

Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions to our budget help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for our 2007 budget of \$435,456 are \$8,374.15. This week we received \$11,883.00

Year to date needs	Year to date received	Difference
\$ 217,728.00	\$ 181,4332.85	\$ (36,295.15)