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YOU'RE PRE-FORGIVEN

Like most of you, I get a lot of junk mail. Catalogs from places I never heard of, political flyers, newsletters, cable TV promotions, satellite TV promotions, membership applications for organizations I don't qualify for, health insurance offers, credit card offers, loan offers, the list of things is seemingly endless. Frequently they have "You're Pre-Approved!" emblazoned across the envelope in gigantic red letters. Normally they're happy to let me know that their intensive research into my credit scores indicates that I qualify for their offer. This makes me suspicious of their offer immediately, because I don't think my credit rating is that spectacular.

Last week I got an offer from an auto insurance outfit that caught my eye. Instead of saying I was "Pre-Approved," it said that I was "Pre-Forgiven." Intrigued by the phrase, I took a few moments to read their letter. By "pre-forgiven" they meant that, if I would insure my car with them, they would forgive my first accident and not increase my rates no matter how bad it was.

I went ahead and dropped their ad in the trash with the rest of the junk mail, but the word "pre-forgiven" stuck with me. I'm pre-forgiven! Really? Well...hmmm. Jesus died so that my sins could be forgiven, that's true. So in that sense, yes, I guess you could say I was pre-forgiven...but wait...that word just bothers me...pre-forgiven. It gives the impression that the forgiveness is absolute. That's how the auto insurance forgiveness worked, I was forgiven and I hadn't even had an accident yet. And Jesus forgiveness doesn't have any qualifications....

Oh, wait, there's a catch! To get their forgiveness, you have to purchase an auto insurance policy from their company! If you don't buy the policy, there's no forgiveness.

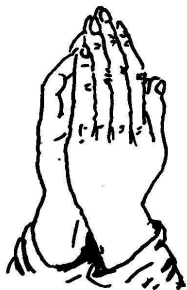
There's a catch with the forgiveness Jesus offers also. You have to accept his offer of forgiveness...some folks jokingly refer to it as "fire insurance," insuring you'll be going to Heaven and not the other place. To get it there are certain requirements, just like any other insurance policy. See Acts 2 for full policy details.

But the word "pre-forgiven" STILL bothers me. If you take out car insurance I'm sure there's a clause somewhere that says if you intentionally wreck your car you're not covered regardless of what they told you. In Hebrews 10:26 the writer indicates that once we've accepted forgiveness of sin, going out and willfully sinning voids your policy. There remains no forgiveness of sin.

So am I pre-forgiven? I guess the answer is "Yes," but in the fine print there's the stipulation that "offer is void where prohibited by scripture."

Al Graff

Please Pray For...



Lacie Rodriguez (25 years old, friend of Becky (Miller) Butcher) has been in critical condition waiting for a small intestine transplant. Lacie, her husband Jose, and her mother Laura have been struggling for months in many different areas and need our prayers and help.

Lowell Brown, Peggy Hollback's brother in Nashville, was in a motorcycle accident 8 weeks ago. He is now out of the hospital, but has a long recovery ahead of him.

Kayleigh Justice (known to Holly Hayward) 3 years old, is in stage 4 cancer, undergoing chemotherapy.

Marzelle Gardner (Julie Miller's grandmother) is hospitalized with congestive heart problems.

Ron Miller (local UPS driver, retired) suffered a massive stroke and is in OSU Hospital.

Jack Jennings was hospitalized this week for blood loss somewhere in the gastro-intestinal tract. Cancer has been ruled out but more tests are coming.

Linda Smith (Mary Collins mother) suffered a stroke on Wednesday and was life-flighted to Columbus. She is now having some short term memory problems. Prayers are requested.

Phyllis Stevens had a heart catheterization on Friday at Holzer in Gallipolis. No stents were placed, bypass surgery was not recommended.

Flu Shot Date Changed

We have been announcing an October 25 date for flu and pneumonia shots here at the building. However, that date has been moved forward to September 27 (next Sunday) due to a request from SOMC. In accordance, flu vaccines will be offered at Sunshine on Sunday, September 27 starting at 9 a.m. (with a break for our worship services at 10 a.m.) and after services. Pneumonia vaccines will also be available for at those at risk who have not had one in the past 5 years. All vaccines are ordered in adult dosages. It is important to note that BOTH the seasonal flu vaccine and the H1N1 vaccine are currently being recommended by the Centers for Disease Control. It is anticipated that H1N1 vaccines will be available in our community in October, however, it is unlikely that we will be able to offer them at the church. The cost of the seasonal flu vaccine is \$15.00 and pneumonia vaccine is \$30.00. Medicare part B is billable through SOMC and requires no money up front. (We cannot bill Medicaid.) Please remember that hand washing is of the utmost importance in fighting the spread of any illness, and the flu is no exception!! **Nurses & Health Ministry Team - We need you!! Be there a few minutes before 9. Please let Kristi or Aaron know if you will be able to help.**

Up On the Roof

The house which the church owns at 7330 S.R. 335 is in critical need of a new roof. Friday, September 25, in the evening we tear the old roof off. Saturday, September 26, starting at 8 am, we put the new roof on. If you can help at either of these times, see Don Coriell or Terry Sullivan to get the details. We can use men or women from age 10-100. This project is "weather-permitting."

Directory Updated and Revised

Deadline is next Sunday to update or revise the fellowship directory posted on the window in the foyer. Please check your information. Edit it in any way necessary. If you would like to be included, add your name and address, phone, etc. This is not a list of Christians or members of the Sunshine church; it is a list of people who attend Sunshine on a regular or semi-regular basis.

Spirit Club Tonight

This evening at 6 pm. We will be reviewing our three verses for this month.

4th Sunday PM Preaching

Sunday evening, September 27, **Eric McLaughlin** will be speaking for us. Classes from Jr. High through Adult will meet in the auditorium.

Kingdom Growth

This past week, 3 were added to the Kingdom of God. **Jonas and Kristie Thacker** were baptized into Christ on Monday evening. Wednesday, **Ben Amato** confessed Christ and was baptized in His name.

We are thrilled to see these souls responding to the invitation of Christ. Give them all a big Sunshine welcome this morning. Add these names and addresses to your directories: Thacker, Jonas & Kristie; Deagan and Ava. 33 Coriell Road, Portsmouth, OH 45662 876-9617; Amato, Ben & Adrienne; Megan and Livie; 14389 S.R. 139, Minford, OH 45653 820-5114.

Mission Possibility in Ontario

Sunday, September 27, after morning services, Caleb Miller would like to meet for 10-15 minutes with those who may be interested in helping with a mission work project at Strawberry Point Christian Youth Camp in Ontario. Strawberry Point is located on Manitoulin Island (largest freshwater island in the world) in Lake Huron. The camp is supported by Christians in Canada and those Christians are working hard to improve the camp facilities. Caleb, Jacob and Meaghan Miller worked at the camp for a week this past summer and are up-to-date on the needs of the camp. Questions, see Caleb.

Sunshine Girls News

This evening at 5:30 pm at Wayne and Irmalee's barn.

Fort Hill Camp Ground Breaking

The ground-breaking ceremony for the new building is scheduled for Saturday, September 26, 2009. Lunch will be served at no cost to those who attend. Please reserve lunch with Bob Manasco 1-937-588-2026 or 588-2266 or email manasco@dragonbbs.com or write: FHCCYC, 13500 Fort Hill Road, Hillsboro, OH 45133. **Deadline to reserve your lunch is September 21.** More information about the new building is contained in the July issue of the camp newsletter. Copies are on the table in the foyer.

Children's Bible Time Reorganizing

Kristin Riley and Julie Miller are in the process of reorganizing CBT for 2010. Ideally we would like for each leader/teacher to sign up for a 2 month span. Several have done that, but some have opted for a one month span. We can also use people who might be able to team up with another person to cover a month or two. Some of us work every 2nd and 4th Sunday's; others work every 1st and 3rd Sunday's. Obviously, if the two collaborated, a full month could be covered. If you are one of these people and would be willing to team up, see Kristin or Julie. We'll try to find your partner and cover all Sunday's in the month. A curriculum is in place so you can see what the lessons should be about along with ideas about how to do it or you can create your own lesson plan to teach the lesson. We have openings for both the 3-5 age group and the 6-8 age group. Many hands makes light work. The more people we get involved here, the easier it is for each one of us. CBT parents, please consider taking at least one month being of service to your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Roundlake Men's Retreat

October 2 and 3 (Friday evening and Saturday till about 2 pm). Cost is \$48/person. Theme is *Godly Men Make a Difference*. Driving time to Roundlake is about 3 hours one way. This is one of the best men's retreats in the State of Ohio. Several of us have gone to this retreat in the past. Information and sign up sheet are on the bulletin board in the foyer. Also on Friday there is a golf outing throughout the day that many from the Retreat participate in. See Jamie Riley for details on that.

Men, please note we will not be having a men's retreat at Fort Hill this year. We are recommending the Roundlake Retreat in lieu of our own retreat. Next year we will be able to use the new multipurpose building at Fort Hill which is under construction. Our date will be moved to a weekend that fits us better.

Sunshine In the News

Please note the new bulletin board in the foyer, **Sunshine In the News**. Anytime one of our people, regardless of age, are mentioned in the newspaper or other media, we would like to post that information on the News bulletin board. Give any items to Ruth Miller. If it's a newspaper picture/article, do not cut it out. Give her the whole page, please. The other bulletin board in the foyer is being converted to a board which will introduce **New Members** at Sunshine to the rest of the congregation.



Coming Events

- 9/26 Ground Breaking at Fort Hill
- 9/27 Flu Shots at Sunshine
- 9/27 Ontario Mission Meeting
- 10/2-3 Round Lake Men's Retreat
- 10/24 Men's Super Saturday Breakfast
- 11/6-8 Ladies Gimme a Break Retreat

Super Saturday Men's Breakfast Meeting

Saturday, October 24, from 8-10 am, all of our men are invited to show up at the annex for breakfast and a time of fellowship together. No charge for the breakfast, donations accepted. The elders are wanting to improve fellowship and communication with the men of the church.

More on Gimme A Break

Ladies, things are happening, the excitement level is escalating...and the fun has almost begun. Don't miss out!!! Check the Retreat Info window for updates. Sign Up Information: 1) Please sign the yellow pad if you are going--either yes or maybe. 2) All Craft classes have a sign up deadline of October 4. Classes are limited--don't wait. **Remember to choose only one Craft Class.** 3) Room Assignment chart is up now. 4) Spiritual Class sign ups will be in October, once we finalize leaders. We are encouraging everyone to spend Friday night; however, if you choose not to sleep at the camp, we have adjusted your package to \$42 plus your class fee.

Specialty Classes Starting

There are some changes coming for our adult teaching program. We are beginning a series of specialty classes which will cover a wide range of topics. All are invited to be in the classes. They will meet in the Annex on Wednesday or Sunday evenings, depending on what fits the schedule the best. The first specialty class is based on a book by **Jimmy Jividen: Glossolalia--from God or from Man**. This is a study of tongue speaking in the NT and as it is practiced in modern times. The book is \$7. I need to know how many books to order. Class begins Wednesday, October 28. We will need to know who is in the class no later than Wednesday, October 14. Sign up on the pad in the foyer and I will order you a book. Pay for your book anytime you want to by placing \$7 in the offering box in the foyer. Honor system. Other classes we are considering offering: Wine in the Bible, Christian Evidences, Resurrection of Christ, Restoration History and Principles, How to Study the Bible, Marriage Enrichment, Raising Kids By the Book (the Bible), Money Management as well as some in-depth studies of I Corinthians and I Timothy. Gabe Coriell will probably be offering a class soon on I Timothy. We have had several ask about topical type studies. This is your chance to get involved. — Steve



Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

9/20 Hebrews 5-6
9/27 Preaching Service

Wednesday

9/23 1 Sam 4-7
9/30 1 Sam 8-11

Verses of the Month

Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 20:11 Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right.

Philippians 2:14 Do everything without complaining and arguing so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God.

Those Who Serve

<u>Sunday Morning</u>		<u>September 20</u>
Welcome & Prayer		Jon Coriell
Song Director		Scott Gamp
Scripture Reading		Jack Jennings
Prayer		Mike Gamp
L O R D S S U P P E R	Server 6	Zach Coriell
	Server 5	Derek Gamp
	Server 4	Chuck Allison
	Wine	Mark Villinger
	Bread	Aaron McCray
	Server 3	Mark Gamp
Server 2	Derrick Mooneyham	
Server 1	Lane Raiser	
Message	Steve Miller	
Closing Prayer	Tyler Jones	

<u>September 27</u>
Wayne Gamp
Shaun McCray
Aaron Kallner
Ira Coriell
Josh Coriell
Michael Dixon
David Gamp
John Berry
Shawn Gragg
Terry Grashel
Ike Hardin
Dale Kuhn
Steve Miller
Troy Gahm

Regular Service Times

Sunday
Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 p.m

Wednesday
Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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Deadline for each issue is 5 p.m. Friday. News items may be called to **Al Graff** or **Steve Miller** or e-mailed to:

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Sunday Evening

Song Director	Don Ramey	Gabe Coriell
Scripture Reading	Jacob Miller	Steve Williams
Lord's Supper	Dennis Ruch	Dewey Cordle
Assist	Matthew Hoskins	Greg Coriell
Prayer	Caleb Miller	Mike Coriell
<i>Bible Class</i>	<i>Hebrews 5-6</i>	<i>Preaching Service</i>

Wednesday Evening

Song Director	Rich Book	Spike Ferrell
Prayer	Jamie Riley	Gary Glispie
<i>Bible Class Text</i>	<i>1 Samuel 4-7</i>	<i>1 Samuel 8-11</i>

Children's Bible Time Schedule

September: <i>Our Place in God's Plan</i>	October: <i>Bible Buildings</i>
3/5: Kristine Coriell, Kathy Glispie, Regina Kuhn	3/5: Pam Coriell, Aaron Kallner, Jodi Kallner
6/8: Christy Veach, Jamie Veach	6/8: Kristin Riley, Jamie Riley, Don Coriell

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please contact Dewey Cordle at 820-4624

KID'S CORNER

I Saw An Angel!

1. The angel of the Lord found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness going to Shur.
2. This priest could not speak after being visited by the angel Gabriel.
3. An angel woke him from his sleep under a juniper tree.
4. He and his wife saw an angel ascending in the flame of their burnt offering.
5. An angel told this Roman centurion to send men to Joppa.



Answers at the bottom of page 2.