

Coming Activities

- **Saturday, January 2**
Youth Group
6-9 pm
Children's Castle Educare
- **Wednesday, January 6**
Men's Time of Prayer
6-7 am
Church Office
- **Sunday, January 10**
Leadership Team Meeting
1-2:30 pm
Church Office
- **Sunday, January 17**
Men's Winter Retreat
Registration Deadline
- **Monday, January 18**
DCCC Elders Meeting
6:30-9 pm
Church Office
- **Sunday, January 24**
C.L.A.S.S. 101
1-5 pm
Church Office
- **Fri-Sat, January 29-30**
Men's Winter Retreat
6 pm - 3 pm
Camp Otyokwah
- **Sunday, January 31**
5th Sunday Family Communion
Service
10 am
Hilliard Senior Center

January *Rely On God* Verse

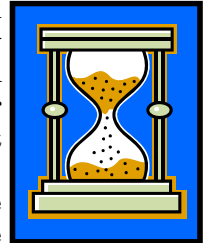
The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23 (ESV)

Hope for the Second Half

By Pastor Greg Burlile

When you flip the calendar over to a new year, sometimes you start thinking about the years gone by. Unfortunately, many times our thoughts turn to failures and mistakes we've made. A significant number of people in our church are either entering or have been in the second half of their life. Different words might characterize the feelings people have during their second half. Doubt, crisis, aimless, and second career might be a few of those words. But what about the word "hope"? Would hope have come to your mind?



God's Word gives us hope in all kinds of situations and especially when it comes to having hope for the years to come. I can think of a couple of examples in the Scriptures that we can look to for encouragement.

The first example that comes to mind is Caleb. Caleb was doing great things for God in his later years. We see this in Joshua chapter fourteen.

10 "And now, behold, the LORD has kept me alive, just as he said, these forty-five years since the time that the LORD spoke this word to Moses, while Israel walked in the wilderness. And now, behold, I am this day eighty-five years old." 11 "I am still as strong today as I was in the day that Moses sent me; my strength now is as my strength was then, for war and for going and coming." 12 "So now give me this hill country of which the LORD spoke on that day, for you heard on that day how the Anakim were there, with great fortified cities. It may be that the LORD will be with me, and I shall drive them out just as the LORD said." – Joshua 14:10-12 (ESV)

Here is Caleb when he is 85 years old saying, "Give me the hill country." He wasn't looking for an easy assignment. The hill country was full of walled cities and men who were rumored to be giants. These are words of hope for anyone in their second half of life. God can use you mightily. He wants to use you for his kingdom purposes no matter your age. For many, the second half of their life could be the half of greatest impact for the Kingdom of God.



What about Eli? There is a guy who experienced some major failure as a father and as a spiritual leader of Israel. Even after all of that mess, God used him in a mighty way. The Lord used him to mentor the young boy named Samuel. If you don't remember, Samuel grew up to be one of the greatest prophets in all of Israel. You can read about all this in the book of first Samuel. Isn't this encouraging though? No matter what's happened in the first half of your life or even last year, the Lord can and wants to use you for His Kingdom purposes if you are willing. Be encouraged! There is hope for your second half and for your new year!



From the Pastor's Desk: You Asked For It!!!

This past fall our Small Groups went through the book "What is a Healthy Church Member?" which corresponded to the sermon series I was teaching. One of the chapters of the book seemed to resonate with quite a few people: "A Healthy Church Member is an Expository Listener". On page 22 of the book it says, "Several days before the sermon is preached, ask the pastor what passage of Scripture he plans to preach the following Sunday. Encourage him by letting him know that you'll be praying for his preparation and preparing to listen to the sermon. Outline the text in your own daily devotions and use it to inform your prayer life." This quote was an application of the book's challenge to church members to meditate on the sermon passage during their quiet times before the sermon is preached.

Well, I had several people ask me if it would be possible to let them know what passages I would be preaching so they could follow the book's advice on this. In response to that request, here are the passages I will be teaching during the month of January and February:

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| Jan 3 – 2 Corinthians 6:3-13 | Feb 7 – 2 Corinthians 9:1-15 |
| Jan 10 – 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1 | Feb 14 – 2 Corinthians 10:1-18 |
| Jan 17 – 2 Corinthians 7:2-16 | Feb 21 – 2 Corinthians 11:1-15 |
| Jan 24 – 2 Corinthians 8:1-15 | Feb 28 – 2 Corinthians 11:16-33 |
| Jan 31 – 2 Corinthians 8:16-24 | |

Pastor Greg Burlile

DCCC Financial Snapshot

For the period starting 9/1/09 and ending 11/30/09:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Income From Offerings:	\$ 65,654.69	\$ 62,850.00
Expenses:	\$ 58,018.12	\$ 62,800.44
	\$ 7,636.57	\$ 49.56
 Operating Fund:	 \$ 52,934.28	

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Sunday Services 10:00 am in the Hilliard Senior Center
 3810 Veterans Memorial Drive in the Hilliard Municipal Park

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Board of Elders

Greg Burlile, Charley Charlton, Skip Nitz, Doug Cornelius & Chris Heminger

Our Mission

*To bring people to Jesus and **membership** in His family, develop them to Christ-like **maturity**, and equip them for their **ministry** in the church and life **mission** in the world, in order to **magnify** God.*

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Update
 as of
 12/27/09

T2B Commitment Total
 \$273,467.41



T2B Contributions
 11/07-11/09 \$257,238.88
December 2009 \$ 4,042.40
 Contribution Total \$261,281.28



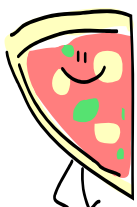
Building Fund
Account Balance
 \$347,874.45

DCCC Youth Group Bowling

January 23, 2010, 3:30-5:30pm
Plain City Lanes, 325 Jefferson Ave., Plain City

Invite your friends and join us for a fun night of bowling, pizza & pop.

Only \$12! Includes all of the pizza, pop and bowling you can fit into 2 hours (shoe rental included). Please turn your sign-up form, payment and permission slip by Sunday, January 10th.



Permission slips are available at Youth Group, at Sunday Service or at www.darbycreek.org.

C.L.A.S.S. 101

Discovering Darby Creek Membership



Sunday, January 24, 1-5 pm
Church Office

Are you new to Darby Creek or just never been able to attend C.L.A.S.S. 101? Then sign-up for C.L.A.S.S. 101 to be held on January 24th at the Church Office.

The 101 class covers salvation, baptism, communion, along with the purposes, strategy, structure, and affiliations of our church. Membership requirements, benefits, and responsibilities are explained.

The other classes in the series will be scheduled in 2010.
C.L.A.S.S. 201 - Discovering Spiritual Maturity
C.L.A.S.S. 301 - Discovering My Ministry
C.L.A.S.S. 401 - Discovering My Mission

This basic discovery series will help you discover and develop your relationship with God. We believe that as you complete each class, you will grow in your understanding of God's will and wonderful plan for your life.

To register:

Note your interest on the flyer at Sunday Service or contact the Church Office.



Looking for a way to read the Bible each day? Go to <http://www.scriptureunion.org/subscribe.php?devotional=encounter> and sign-up for the Encounter With God Daily Email. You will be emailed a daily Bible reading - complete with commentary and application discussions. At www.scriptureunion.org, you can order the devotional in paper format to be sent to your home each quarter. Also, check out the SU website for other Bible reading and study resources.

Darby Creek Small Groups



Join a DCCC Small Group for warm fellowship and good study!

Groups are kicking off a new year of meetings during the month of January. Give the Group Leader a call for complete details and meeting locations.

Questions?

Give the Church Office a call at 614-777-6322.

Darby Creek Co-Ed Group		
B.A.S.I.C. Training Group (Brothers And Sisters In Christ)	Every other Friday, 7-9pm	Skip Nitz 614-777-4090
Darby Creek Men's Groups		
M.I.T. (Men In Training)	Every other Sunday, 6-8pm	Kyle Koppenhoefer 614-274-4331
H.O.G.S. Men's Group (Helping Others Grow Spiritually)	1st & 3rd Saturdays, 8-9:30am	Doug Dowd 614-876-1477
Darby Creek Women's Groups		
Connections	Every other Sunday, 6-8pm	Linda Burlile 614-529-8754
W3 in the Word	2nd & 4th Thursdays, from 7-9pm	Vickie Comer 614-771-8390
W.O.W. (Women Of Worship)	Every other Thursday, 10-12noon	Dawn Dowd 614-876-1477
Family Bible Study		
Creation Bible Study	Thursdays, 6-8pm	Andrea Allardice 614-746-9090



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Men's Winter Retreat

6 pm Friday, January 29th to
3 pm Saturday, January 30th
Camp Otyokwah
Butler, Ohio
Cost: \$38

Cost includes a bunk in a heated cabin,
breakfast & lunch on Saturday, & drinks.

Come join the Darby Creek men as they get away to be renewed, refreshed and refocused. Our retreat this year does not have any planned teachings, but we are planning times for worship, spending individual time with God, sharing what God is doing in our lives, and praying for one another. We invite you to come and get away from the daily grind. See you there!

Brochures with complete information will be available on January 3rd.

Registration Deadline
January 17th



January Building Update

Since our last update, we have held off applying for a loan with the Christian credit union previously mentioned. The reason is that we have been referred to another Columbus area bank and have applied for a loan there first. We should get an answer back by the second week in January.

*There is a time for
everything, and a season
for every activity
under heaven.*
Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV)

