

Please PRAY for...

Betty Carson – (Howard's mother) heart will not stay in rhythm; has been monitored
Thomas Marcum – (Tom's uncle) stroke
Lew Surber – returned home from surgery
Mary Armstrong – (Naomi Shield's mother) health and encouragement
Naomi Shields – health
Don Clasby – had stem cell transfusion for leukemia confined in Portland, Oregon hospital
Zane Haught – hospitalized for possible heart attack
Max Dillie – (friend of Bowen's) recovering, but is cancer free!
Sydne Lister – feeling bad from infection
Betty Kincaid – (Edith Zinkiewicz's sister) in recovery from pneumonia
Amanda O'Dell – (student at Brookville H.S.) diagnosed with leukemia; is now able to have her treatments done at home and can attend school for a couple hours a day; continued prayers are requested, but she thanks everyone for their prayers and support thus far!
Betsy Thurow – (Karen William's niece) cyst found on brain; going to OSU hospital
Mattie England – recently hospitalized with pneumonia and a urinary tract infection; having issues with swallowing and she's not walking any; now at Liberty Retirement Community (7200 McEwen Rd off 725) for therapy
Brad Taylor – (Ted Taylor's nephew) has been on blood thinner for a clot found in 2008 between his groin and ankle; problem was thought to have been resolved, but the clot is now back
Karen & Tiffany Williams – both having a lot of leg pain; Karen's due to her RSD, and Tiffany's due to her rheumatoid arthritis and also experiencing pain and swelling in fingers
Lesla Broyles – (recent visitor, friend of Karen Williams) recent surgery to have tumors taken out of neck; also, prayers for her son to find a job so he can support his family
Jean Rayburg – not feeling well
Sandy Hogston – teeth pulled, not feeling well; doctor found knot on arm; also prayers for her brother, who's leg is black and blue
Edith Zinkiewicz – back trouble
Vivian Patterson – eye surgery
Linda Ning – fractured back
Bill McClain – having injections to improve his blood count

Ministry Contacts

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Please call an elder if you'd like to schedule a meeting.

Deacons

Shane Bowen Outreach/Missions
Bill Pittman Bldg. & Grounds

Minister

Tom Marcum

Minister's Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9:30a.m. to 3:30p.m.
Other times, by appointment only.

Prayer Requests

info@belmontchurch.org

Assignments – May 16th

Toddler Room – Nancy Clasby
Booth – Kevin Nichols

May Greeters

Dougans & Surbers

May Communion Trays

The McClains

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Secretary's Office Hours

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Sunday sermons may be heard on our website.

Did You Know?

Help is available to Seniors from the Area Agency on Aging at 223-HELP (223-4357).

This agency funded by the State of Ohio offers a wide variety of free information and services. Additional programs are available to low income individuals and families. If you have a particular need, call them about your options. Even if they do not provide it, they are a good source of information about services available elsewhere. If you have access to the internet, you can get more information at www.info4seniors.org.



Belmont church of Christ

*A Family of Faith,
Glorifying God
by Reaching Out to Others,
Sharing the Good News*

To Our Visitors: Welcome! You are our honored guests! Please fill out a visitor's card located on the back of the pews and place it in the collection plate.

Before the worship service, please check your cellular phones and other electronic devices to ensure they will not disrupt our time of worship.

Class Schedule – 9:30am

Sunday Morning

Youth (*downstairs*)

Kristy Bowen – Toddlers

Wayne Hampton – Grades 1 – 4

Cheryl & Sam Dougan – Grades 5 – 8 Girls

Ron Cooper – Jr. & Sr. High Boys

Adult (*main auditorium*)

Howard Carson

Sunday Evening – 6:00pm

Tom Marcum

Wednesday Evening – 6:30pm

Youth (*Carpenter's Kids Chapel*)

Wayne Hampton

Adult Class

Tom Marcum

Assignments Today

Greeters – Dougans & Surbers

Toddler Room – Yin-Fong Greenwood

Booth – Sam Dougan

Belmont Youth Calendar

Schedules and other information are posted on the youth activity board.

Today's Worship – 10:30am

121 – Come, Let Us All Unite
to Sing (1)

Welcome/Opening Prayer

639 – Rescue the Perishing (1,4)

652 – We Have Heard the Joyful
Sound (1,2)

837 – I Need Thee Every Hour (1,2)

Prayer

315 – When I Survey the Wondrous
Cross (1,4)

Lord's Supper

(*Release Carpenter's Kids*)

324 – Alas! And Did My Savior
Bleed (1,4)

Offering

Scripture Reading – John 9:35-38

650 – Send the Light (1,2,4)

Sermon – “The Mission and Vision
of the Church – Part 2”
– Tom Marcum

940 – Only a Step (1-3)

1015 – Jesus Loves the Little
Children (1)

Closing Prayer

Happy Mother's Day

May 9, 2010

Family News & Announcements

Coat Rack – Please check in, on and around the coat rack for any items that you may have lost. We will be finding a new home for all of these things in one week if they are not reclaimed.

Community Yard Sale – The Focus Group, with approval from the elders, felt that a great outreach opportunity to the neighborhood would be to host a community yard sale right here in our parking lot on Saturday, June 5th from 9am – 1pm. If you would like to participate, each seller receives 100% of their sales (the church will **not** profit from anyone’s sales), use of **one** of the church’s long tables (tables must be reserved in advance), and the option to load anything that isn’t sold onto a charity truck at the end of the day. Set up will begin the morning of the sale at 8am. This sale is open to sellers AND buyers in the public, so if you know of anyone that would like to participate, please let them know and have them reserve a table. To reserve a table and/or help post flyers, please talk to one of the elders, or Cheryl or Samantha Dougan.

Acappella – In Concert! – The singing group, Acappella, will be performing at Cincinnati Christian University on Saturday, May 22nd at 6pm. Tickets are \$6 for youth up to age 17, and \$14 for adults. For every 10 tickets purchased, you receive one free! You can view videos of some of the featured groups on YouTube at www.acappellacincinnati.com or call/email to request a complimentary listening CD. To purchase tickets, call 859-802-3922 or you can purchase online at www.acappellacincinnati.eventbrite.com. There is a flyer on the bulletin board with more information.

Mike Greenwood Update – We’re thankful to God that Michael’s latest PET scan shows that he is free of cancer. He got a boost of lymphocytes from his elder brother this past Thursday and returned home to Ohio Friday. He feels fine and has been going to the gym regularly. He has also been working via his work laptop. He will visit Houston regularly for checkups while his Dayton oncologist will see him every two weeks for blood tests.

Thank you for your support in every way.

Blessings,
Yin-Fong, on behalf of the Greenwood family

WEEKLY FEAST

I had occasion recently to read a classic piece of Russian literature called The Death of Ivan Ilych. If you haven’t read it, perhaps you owe it to yourself. But don’t read it on a rainy, dark day when your spirits are low. It is a tragic piece from the pen of Leo Tolstoy about a man who dies in a conspiracy of lies, truth withheld, and demoralizing pretence.

The reason I was reading this piece of literature was to discuss with a group of students the issue of truth-telling and respect for human beings. In case you don’t know the story, it is the fictional account of a man whose illness is clearly taking him to the grave. But his wife enters a conspiracy with his physician to keep the truth from him. They tell him, “Oh, you are looking better today” – when he clearly is not. They say, “The treatment is working” – when they know it is not. They pretend that he cannot know the obvious about himself.

So Ivan Ilych dies with great anger toward those who should have given him the greatest comfort. He felt alienated and alone when he most needed the assurance of closeness and love. He had to suffer without comfort from the physicians he needed to trust and the family whose love he craved.

Okay. Enough of the literature survey! Let’s turn to the reality of life as you and I must live it every day. Whether it is bad news from the doctor, rejection by a friend, or one’s fragile job status at work, the truth is a fundamental right.

Maybe some don’t want to tell a painful truth for the sake of genuine compassion that recoils from causing upset and anguish of heart. That is fully understandable. But what happens when the truth does come? From a stranger? That they will discover you knew all along? Then the pain is even greater.

Truth-telling need not be confused with truth-dumping. There is a way to tell the truth that honors compassion and concern. Yet the ethical duty of giving me the truth to which I am entitled entails the risk that putting it in my possession will indeed cause pain. Just stand there. Or sit with me. Or walk through it with me. Ethics and compassion, truth and love – they should never be strangers.

Perhaps the bottom-line issue with telling the truth is always respect for the other person. The Golden Rule, after all, is about treating the other person as you would want them to treat you. Correct? So perhaps the question is not always whether but how to communicate the truth – lovingly, prayerfully, kindly.

As Ivan Ilych realized, it is better to be loved in the context of painful truth than to be treated with such disrespect that no one can be trusted.

Colossians 3:9 (NIV) ⁹Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices.

In Him,
Tom Marcum, II MS MDiv

Please PRAY for...

Bettie Taylor – recent hip replacement surgery; doing well
Robert Holley – (Betty McDowell’s brother) heart problems
Jack Sage – (friend of Karen Williams) lung cancer
Marilyn Mott – continuing to do well after knee replacement surgery
Benita Lambert – (Sydne Lister’s sister) recent brain surgery
Adrian Rose – (friend of Ron Cooper) injured leg; trouble with mobility and standing
Donald Broyles – health problems, in his back down to his hips and knees
Amanda Curdette – (recent visitor) asked for prayers of guidance and strength for her family
Marsha Barnett – (Jean Rayburg’s daughter) surgery and possible heart trouble
Celina Linville – (daughter of a co-worker of Dorsey’s) 42 yrs. old; diabetic; losing eyesight

Expecting – Amanda Nichols (Aug.)

Seeking Employment – Pam Hormick, Tammy Paxton, John Wood, Paul Johnson, Rebecca Dye, Gary Thurow, Kenny Yancey, Eric Paxton

Please continue to remember... Belinda Miller, Jo Pugh, Tim Miller, Mark Crist, Don Sottoway, Lou Copeland, Edith Lloyd, Richard King, Frances Stroop, Norman Parker, Betty Kincaid, Glenda Thomas (Ursula’s daughter-in-law), Betty Pittman

Our Shut-ins – Mattie England, John Miller, Ursula Thomas

Birthdays & Anniversaries

No birthdays or anniversaries this week

