

Please PRAY for...

Vernon Craddock – (Claudia Lawrence's brother) recent surgery for an aneurysm in his aorta

Linda Ning – in MVH with pneumonia

Betty Carson – (Howard's mother) heart will not stay in rhythm; has been monitored

Lillian Null – in Oakwood Terrace Nursing Home in Kettering

Thomas Marcum – (Tom's uncle) recent stroke

Mary Armstrong – (Naomi Shield's mother) health and encouragement

Naomi Shields – knee pain

Don Clasby – released from the hospital in Portland, Oregon but must remain close by for daily blood tests

Zane Haught – home from the hospital

Betty Kincaid – (Edith Zinkiewicz's sister) in recovery from pneumonia

Amanda O'Dell – (student at Brookville H.S.) continued prayers are requested for her leukemia recovery

Betsy Thurow – (Karen William's niece) cyst found on brain; going to OSU hospital

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

Lesa 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

Bill McClain – blood count improving

Jack Sage – (friend of Karen Williams) lung cancer

Benita Lambert – (Sydne Lister's sister) recent brain surgery

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

Ministry Contacts

Elders

Gary Clasby 293-6290 (Home)

Wayne Hampton 429-9454 (Home)
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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 30th

Toddler Room – Amanda Nichols

Booth – Mike Gutwein

May Greeters

Dougans & Surbers

May Communion Trays

The McClains

FOCUS GROUP MEMBERS

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Secretary's Office Hours

Monday and Tuesday – 9a.m. to 1p.m.

www.belmontchurch.org

Sunday sermons may be heard on our website.

Belmont Ladies' Brunch

Sherie Marcum is hosting a Ladies' Brunch at the Marcum home on June 12th (unless the garage sale scheduled for June 5th is rained out and June 12th would be used for that).

Please get in touch with Sherie to let her know if you plan to come (either e-mail or phone).

This will be a good way for the ladies to get acquainted with Sherie. Our thanks to you, Sherie!

Marc Dougan's New Address

Marc has just traveled back out to Colorado, and his new address is:

945 Moraine Ave, Estes Park, CO 80517

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 – Myra Harmeling

Booth – Joe Hampton

Belmont Youth Calendar

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

Today's Worship – 10:30am

54 – We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise
(1, twice)

Welcome/Opening Prayer

18 – Faithful Love (1,2)

63 – I Will Call Upon the Lord (1)

71 – As the Deer (1,2)

Prayer

214 – Have You Seen Jesus My Lord?
(Ch., 1,3,4)

Lord's Supper

(*Release Carpenter's Kids*)

642 – Let the Lower Lights Be Burning
(1-3)

Offering

Scripture Reading – James 2:14-18

762 – Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord
(1,3,4)

Thy Word

Sermon – "God's Unmistakable Voice"
Part 2
– Tom Marcum

652 – We Have Heard the Joyful Sound
(1,3,4)

537 – Here We Are But Straying
Pilgrims (1,3)

Closing Prayer

Family News & Announcements

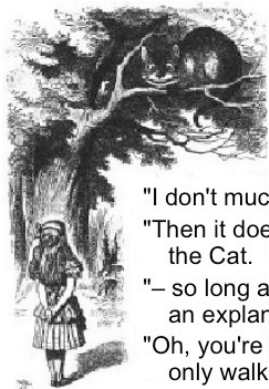
Carpenter's Kids Project – The Carpenter's Kids will be planting flowers the Sunday before Memorial Day. We are trying to get the lot flowered and mulched before the Community Yard Sale. To the Parents – we need to have them dressed in casual clothes that you don't mind getting a little dirty.

Community Yard Sale – As an outreach to our community we will be hosting a 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.

Ruth Hampton – Ruth's 90th birthday is coming up on June 3rd! If you would like to send her a card, her address is currently 56 Augusta, Abilene, TX 79606.

Church Camp – Applications are available in the foyer for our young people and their friends to consider spending a week in a Christian lifestyle at Northwestern Ohio Christian Youth Camp (NWOCYC). You can be assured that this could be a valuable experience for the future as has been demonstrated by many who have been there in the past years. There will be some of those from Belmont going again this year to the week managed by our former Minister Tim Nowlin. Please give this some consideration.

Why do we need a "vision"?



"... thought Alice, and she went on.
"Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?"
"That depends a good deal on where you want to get to," said the Cat.

"I don't much care where –" said Alice.
"Then it doesn't matter which way you go," said the Cat.
"– so long as I get *somewhere*," Alice added as an explanation.
"Oh, you're sure to do that," said the Cat, "if you only walk long enough."

WEEKLY FEAST

Rev. 18:4-8 ⁴Then I heard another voice from heaven say: "Come out of her, my people, so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues; ⁵for her sins are piled up to heaven, and God has remembered her crimes. ⁶Give back to her as she has given; pay her back double for what she has done. Mix her a double portion from her own cup. ⁷Give her as much torture and grief as the glory and luxury she gave herself. In her heart she boasts, I sit as queen; I am not a widow, and I will never mourn. ⁸Therefore in one day her plagues will overtake her: death, mourning and famine. She will be consumed by fire, for mighty is the Lord God who judges her.

I love the book of Revelation. Before I became a Christian I found this book to be scary and frustrating to understand, and I must admit that even today I still struggle with the meaning of some of the things John wrote. As I have grown in Christ, and even though I acknowledge my short-comings in the understanding, I find the book of Revelation to be one of the most comforting books in all of Scripture.

In chapter 18, the apostle John is given a vision of what will happen to the great harlot named Babylon. John is told that her ultimate end is that she will be burned up with fire. Many people will weep and mourn over her fate, while at the same time, everyone in Heaven will rejoice that God's righteous judgment is fully poured out upon her.

I believe Babylon the great harlot is symbolic of what the Bible refers to as "the world" and its value system. God tells His people they must come out of the world if they are to truly be His. This means the value system we once lived our lives by must be replaced by God's value system. In 1 John 2:15-17, the same apostle writes,

1 John 2:15-17 ¹⁵Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶For everything in the world—the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does—comes not from the Father but from the world. ¹⁷The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever.

It is impossible to be in the world and be pleasing to God. You can't have it both ways by being partly in the world and partly out. It is all or nothing, you are either in or out. If possessing the things of this world or the pleasures of this world is what is driving our life, we really have never left the world and are still caught in all its entanglements. God expects His people to come out of that value system and help others come out as well. We do not know the time when it will occur, but eventually, all of the things of this world will be gone, burned up with fire. Only those who have come out, will be the ones rejoicing with those in Heaven when God's judgment finally comes. Will you be there with them? Are you in or out?

Luke 21:33 *Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.*

Your Servant,
Tom Marcum, II MS MDiv

Please PRAY for...

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

CONGRATULATIONS!!

To Steve and Melanie Hubbs-McCoy, who were just married two Fridays ago, May 14th!



Cecelia Smith – Cecelia will be traveling through Ohio on a road trip through many other states with her boyfriend Rick. She will be in Ohio around June 1st and is going to try to visit with as many people as she can. Her cell phone is still 937-901-8264. She plans on being at Belmont Church of Christ on June 6th.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 26 – Steve McCoy

May 28 – Mike Greenwood

May 30 – Nancy Clasby

