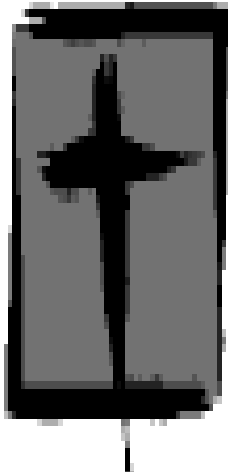


# The Belle

"All over the world this gospel is bearing fruit and growing..." - Col 1:6

July/August 2001



## Missions Team Challenges You to Change the Color of Your Circle

What does that mean? Read on

As time passes, language tends to dilute the meaning of words. The English word "missions" is a case in point. Every business (thanks to the Total Quality Management movement) has a "mission" statement. Spouses everywhere are sent on a "mission" to the grocery or hardware store. And, any use of the word in its original spirit requires the suffix "impossible" to inform us that the actor is faced with more than the garden-variety assignment.

In Christian circles we have the contemporary proverb, "Everyone is either a missionary or a mission field." While this paradigm helps us take our individual roles in the church more seriously, I think it also gives us a narrow view of the impor-

ance of our work. The book of the Acts of the Apostles shows us that not everyone in the New Testament church was consumed with missions. For example, Paul and Baranabas were missionaries, but Peter and John were not. Paul had a very clear mission statement - to bring the gospel to Gentiles, while Barnabas - as far as we can tell - did not. In spite of Jesus' Great Commission to go and make disciples of all nations (Matt. 28:19), the early church did not have missions on its agenda. (One could argue that Luke wrote Acts interpreting the work of the Holy Spirit as a call to mission -- just as he wrote his gospel

interpreting the work of Christ as a call to salvation - so that the lovers of God would make missions a priority.)

In our church life, some Christians will take on missionary roles; others will not. Some missionaries will have a clear mission statement; others will not. Not every goal of our mission statement will be a "mission", and we will often find ourselves consumed with "missions" that were never in our mission statement. So how can we tell what, of the many things we encourage people to do here at Bellefield,

**Only the Holy Ghost can make our circles begin to grow out of the green zone.**

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## READY, SET, GROW!

Jan Van Dyke

There are few experiences in life more isolating than going to a church where no one talks to you! YOU can make a difference to a visitor at Bellefield!

### READY...

So, on Sunday morning, you just spotted someone in the

crowd that you have never seen before. You think to yourself, "Hummm, new face." The Outreach Team applauds that thought! We encourage your next thought to be, "...that might be someone looking to connect with someone."

The Outreach Team aims to capitalize on that kind of thinking! The perfect time to move from thinking to action is directly following your recognition of the stranger in your midst! "Action?" you say. "But I can't talk to a stranger

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Pastor Dave supports Session in Confession

## General Assembly Reopens the Fidelity/Chastity Case

Dear Bellefield family,

“It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.” Those opening words to Charles’ Dickens’ classic: A Tale of Two Cities might sum up the paradox of being “Presbyterian” today. Our recent General Assembly held in Louisville, Kentucky, while including many actions all of us can affirm, included some embarrassing disappointments. You’ve probably read the newspaper articles about the Assembly’s reluctance to clearly reaffirm belief in Jesus Christ as the only way of salvation and it’s recommendation to remove from the Book of Order the “fidelity/chastity requirement” (setting the standard for all ordained leadership to live either in fidelity within the covenant of marriage between a man and a woman or chastity in singleness). While voting to extend “the Year of the Child” for another ten years to “the Decade of the Child”, the Assembly refused to take action on overtures to live out biblical convictions toward unborn children.

Many Bellefield members have asked me to comment on these recent happenings. The issues are so complex that I’m reluctant to even try to deal with them in a brief article like this. But I will offer a couple thoughts...

First, nothing has changed in our Confessions or Constitution. Presbyterian beliefs are still based on the Scriptures as interpreted by our historic confessions (which *still* clearly teach that Jesus Christ alone is Lord of all and the only way of salvation!). And our Book of Order continues to set the highest standard for biblical morality for all ordained leaders. General Assemblies can recommend, but only a majority vote of all our presbyteries can change the standard. In 1997, the Fidelity/Chastity requirement was approved by a 60% vote of our presbyteries. In 1999, a similar attempt to remove the Fidelity/Chastity requirement was defeated by an even larger 2/3 majority vote. And I expect our 173 presbyteries to reaffirm our standards by their votes in the coming year. I’m proud of Bellefield’s leadership in addressing these

issues. Just prior to this year’s General Assembly, your Session voted to join the emerging Presbyterian Confessing Church Movement which now includes 520 Presbyterian Churches (with more than 180,000 members). Because of the doctrinal and moral confusion found in many places in our denomination, the Bellefield Session joins with other believers throughout the Church in confessing:

- That Jesus Christ alone is Lord of all and the way of salvation.
- That holy Scripture is the triune God’s revealed Word, the Church’s only infallible rule of faith and life.
- That God’s people are called to holiness in all aspects of life. This includes honoring the sanctity of marriage between a man and a woman, the only relationship within which sexual activity is appropriate.

And we urge denominational entities and agencies to affirm these confessions and declare that we will not ordain, install or employ in any ministry position any person who will not affirm them.

Second, your Bellefield Session will actively support two key organizations which are working for the renewal of the Presbyterian denomination: The Presbyterian Coalition ([www.presbycoaliton.org](http://www.presbycoaliton.org)) and Presbyterians for Renewal ([www.pfrenewal.org](http://www.pfrenewal.org)). I encourage you to check out their websites. And if you wish to support these efforts, your Session encourages you to make an extracommitment contribution (check to Bellefield Presbyterian, designated for PFR or PCoalition).

These are challenging, exciting, faith-stretching times to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world as we serve Jesus Christ in this imperfect but beloved body of Christ.

For the Kingdom,  
Pastor Dave



**For more Presbyterian resources...** go to the Presbyterian Church (USA) official website at [www.pcusa.com](http://www.pcusa.com). Here you’ll find notes from the General Assembly meetings and all kinds of current news. Another valuable Christian resource can be found at [www.pghpresbytery.org](http://www.pghpresbytery.org). In addition to a local events calendar and missions information, you’ll find the North Side’s greatest Presbyterian resource: **Pittsburgh Presbytery Resource Center** ( at 801 Union Place).. Find everything from Sunday School class ideas, books, videos, and audio cassette series all under one roof. It’s worth a visit!

# Old Testament Images Evoke Stimulating Worship

Dr. Robert Gagnon

When we come to worship God as a community on Sunday mornings, what (if any) Old Testament images of worship come to our minds that might inspire our worship experience together? The following are my personal favorites.

(1) The **awesome manifestations of God** to the generation of Moses. Here I have in mind especially two stories. The first is the parting of the sea, which elicits the Song of the Sea in Exodus 15: "I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously..." Remembering God's concrete work in the flux of our community history and in our individual lives is a vital part of my worship experience. The second is the visitation of God on



Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind...  
~Exodus 14:21

Mount Sinai, accompanied as it was by "thunder and lightning, as well as a thick cloud on the mountain, and a blast of a trumpet so loud that all the people who were in the camp trembled... the Lord descended upon [Sinai] in fire; the smoke went up like the smoke of a kiln, while the whole mountain shook violently" (Exod 19:16, 18). Here God announces his presence by bending the most terrifying forces of nature to his own will: thunder, lightning, fire, earthquake. Such imagery calls to mind the holy and earth-shattering transcendence of this God who graciously comes into our lives. It wakes me up from the weekly doldrums of mundane life.

In connection with this Sinai theophany was the preparation of the people, their "consecration" or

keeping themselves pure and holy as they anticipated meeting the holy God "on the third day" (Exod 19:10-11, 14-15). I find that I need to be conscious about the importance of anticipation--anticipating God's actual arrival in our midst in a special way.

(2) The "**still small voice**" of Elijah's Sinai experience (1 Kings 19:8-18). This story is almost the antithesis of the one above. Elijah goes to Mount Horeb (Sinai), fleeing persecution after the great contest with the Baal prophets (1 Kings 18). The text specifically states that the Lord, who was to pass by, was not in the wind or earthquake or fire. Instead God was in the "still small voice," or, alternatively translated, in "a calm thin whisper of sound." Here we have the other astounding side of God: a God who comes gently, the Almighty who is capable of making himself known in a delicate, barely perceptible sound for

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## 18th Annual Teacher Training Workshop

Saturday, September 22, 2001  
8:45 am—2:15 pm  
Westminster Presbyterian Church

### "Educating for a Spiritual Life"

Keynote speaker: Rev. John White  
Music: David Brewton

#### Sample Workshops:

Basic Teaching  
Making Disciples  
Spirituality of Children and Youth  
Walking the Labyrinth  
Summer Sunday School  
Games

Brochures available from the Presbytery Office

## A Prayer for You

A beautiful prayer by Soren Kierkegaard, the Christian Danish philosopher:

You have loved us first, O God, alas! We speak of it in terms of history as if You loved us first but a single time, rather than that without ceasing. You have loved us first many times and everyday our whole life through.

When we wake up in the morning and turn our soul toward You--You are there first--You have loved us first; if I rise at dawn and at that same second turn my soul toward you in prayer, You are there ahead of me, You have loved me first.

When I withdraw from the distractions of the day and turn my soul toward You, You are there first and thus forever. And we speak ungratefully as if You have loved us first only once.

## BJ Woodworth Uses Sabbatical to Recharge for Further Mission Work

After a Coalition for Christian Outreach (CCO) staff person completes his/her 7<sup>th</sup> year of ministry, the CCO permits a three-month sabbatical. I have just completed my ninth year with the CCO and Bellefield Church and am going to be on sabbatical from May 20 – August 20. This is a great gift that the CCO and all of you are granting me and I want you to know how appreciative and thankful I am for this precious offering!

My main goal for my sabbatical is to restore my spirit and my body after several years of uninterrupted hard work in ministry. I will spend time with my family and working on these house projects that I always say, "I'll get to that some day." Secondly, I will be



Has anyone seen this man?

studying, reading and reflecting on postmodernism and the role of the church in the postmodern culture; particularly reaching the postmodern generation. This goal will be accomplished through some specific books that I will read, and through visiting a few ministries that are doing some creative and innovative ministry to Gen Xers. I will also be meeting with Dave Van Dyke to discuss these issues and how they might apply to our situation at Bellefield. Finally, I would like to take personal time each week to exercise, play racquetball, read, relax and probably schedule two solitude retreats overnight or on a weekend.

I think this sabbatical will prepare me

for my next phase in ministry by refreshing me, rejuvenating me and restoring me. It will also provide me with some needed time of intentional reflection and study on how to more effectively reach the young adult and college aged generation we are called to reach as a church. This is also a vital time in our church for me to consider what my options are and how I might fit into the future plans and visions here at Bellefield. One option Dave, the Session and I have chatted about is starting a Saturday evening service that would be geared towards reaching Gen Xers. This service would have a strong outreach focus attempting to draw seekers into an authentic relationship with Christ and his family. This vision is very exciting and invigorating!!

Thanks again for supporting me through this time and please pray for my rest and study throughout the summer.

### Reading Room

## Prayer of Jabez: a Prayer or Mantra?

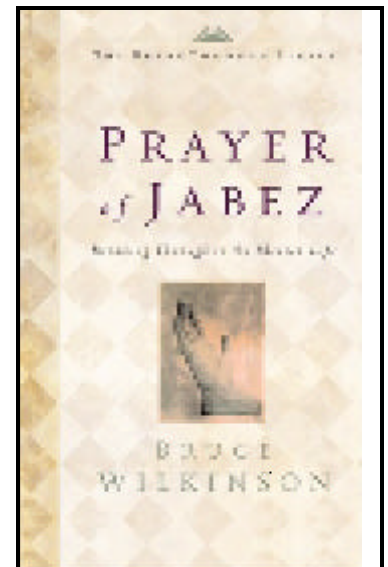
Every student entering or returning to the university in the fall wonders just what he or she might encounter in the classroom. One thing every student will find on the university campus (as elsewhere) is "New Age" spirituality. A best selling book, Bruce Wilkinson's The Prayer of Jabez, a brief meditation on an obscure prayer by Jabez - "Oh, that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory, and that Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, and that I may not cause pain" - is such an example of this spirituality, according to Damon Linker, Associate Editor of First Things.

"Despite its biblical trappings," Wilkinson's book "is a book of New Age spirituality - a gospel of personal empowerment. Mr. Wilkinson does not profess to offer rational reflection on the divine and its place in human life; he wants merely to make folks feel good about themselves... Thus Mr. Wilkin-

son and his legion of admirers [Wilkinson is an Atlanta-based evangelist] who apparently find nothing particularly inappropriate about treating God as a means to their worldly satisfaction, teach us something important about American Christianity today - and thus something essential about America itself."

What's the essence of the book? Recite this simple prayer once a day and God will promise prosperity. Linker's review, "Say a Little Prayer for Me," was published in the Wall Street Journal, May 25, 2001. To learn more about Jabez and this controversial best seller, attend Bellefield's 10 am worship services on Sunday mornings July 8-22 to hear Pastor Dave Van Dyke speak on Jabez's prayer.

-Richard Cox



## Missions (con't)

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qualifies as missions? It is the responsibility of the Missions Team, at least in part, to define missions. Although we allocate resources based on our *individual* understanding of Christian missions, I'm not sure we've ever created a true, working definition. So here's a reasonable first crack. (If the illustration sounds confusing, just ask a 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday school child to draw it out for you):

"Christian mission is the act of deliberately living out your walk with Christ in the presence of a people who are foreign to you and the gospel."

Imagine a small circle of your friends - people you like to work with and live among. Many of these people may already be Christians or, as they see how Christ works in your life, may eventually come to faith. There are lots of these circles - each believer has a circle - overlapping and accounting for about one third of the human race. Let's call this friendly circle the "green" zone. Most of us, if not for the Holy Spirit in our lives, would happily keep

our very small circles in the green zone. There is also a "red" zone, twice the size of the green zone. In the red zone are people who you don't like very much. You don't want to work with them. You don't want to live among them. As a church (if we're honest), we would rather not spend any of our resources on them - at least not until they become more like us. This is not an insult; it is a fact as cold and hard as the Council at Jerusalem (see Acts 15). The other cold, hard fact (also evident in Acts 15) is that God loves the people in the red zone! He desires to work with them. He wants to live among them. He is willing to pour out the resources of the kingdom of Heaven - including his Son's blood - on them. Moreover, he wants us to have the same attitude! Only the Holy Ghost can make our circles begin to grow out of the green zone. This happens to some degree for each of us, but a missionary intentionally moves his or her circle so that it barely touches the green zone, and is fully immersed in the red zone.

What we call Christian missions is the

process of moving more and more circles from green to red. This brings us back to Bellefield's Missions Team. Have we been doing enough to move your circle of friends out of the green zone? Probably not. For some of you, especially collegiate adults, we've contributed to situations where that sort of thing has happened. But, by and large, if you managed to keep your circle planted in the comfortable green zone through college, we really haven't done too much to nudge you to red after that.

So as a Missions Team we are beginning to ask ourselves what we can do to nudge us all forward to the loved-by-God red zone? We've tossed up some ideas for projects and got permission from the elders of Bellefield to start exploring new avenues. We are thinking of something that will require the participation, over a number of years, of many members. Hopefully in a few months we will have more specifics to offer, but for now, if you are interested in being part of the process, please leave us a note for Mark Meyer in our Missions box in the church office.

## Ready, Set, Grow! (con't)

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without feeling really uncomfortable."

### SET...

Even bona fide introverts can learn a few lines to use to welcome newcomers.

Here is a practical "connection" line to use for a significant contact with someone new: "Hi! My name is (insert your name here!)." Follow-up lines: "It is great to meet you. Do you come here often?" Practice these or develop your own "lines" in words *you* usually use.

Here's the critical juncture: if the person answers freely, continue the conversation! Keep a few follow-up lines in your head to pull out as you go, such as: "Do you live in the area? Are you

employed in Pittsburgh?" Exchange information about yourself as well.

If they are really open, consider exchanging phone numbers, or introduce them to someone else at Bellefield who shares their interest. Here's a hint: If someone trusts you enough to give you their number, they are looking for a friend! Be certain that you follow up with a phone contact within three days.

If possible, find points of connection such as job, kids, neighborhood, etc. that make it possible to steer them toward places in the church to "plug in" naturally. Ask them if they filled out a newcomer's card. If they haven't, encourage them to do so. If they decline, that's fine!



If they accept, take their card to the church office on your way out. The Bellefield staff will follow up with a letter of welcome and general church information.

### GROW!

Pastor Dave has designated the first five minutes after the close of worship as "outreach" time. As soon as the service is over, find the folks you DO NOT KNOW and USE YOUR LINES. Be friendly! You *will* be blessed, and so will the folks who made the effort to be strangers and come into church with the hope of finding a connection

### This just in from Pat Devine, a missionary with Wycliff Bible Translators in Togo, Africa

“I just wanted to let you know that we DID survive the ‘Jesus’ film recording sessions - by God’s grace and through your prayers!

I think the end result will be good. However, the process getting there wasn’t easy. I mentioned last time the need to change, mid-stream, the reader of the Jesus role. The second fellow, Kokou, read well, but there were other problems - mechanical, as well as miscommunication among some of the participants. I tell you: Our Enemy was working against this all the way! But our Lord is victorious! I especially thank God for the longsuffering and patience of the recording techni-

cians. They gave 110% of themselves. Our guys really enjoyed working with them.

So now what happens? The work is in the hands of the Orlando-based specialists who will complete the editing and dubbing process. Hopefully within a few months, a test version will arrive here for the review committee to evaluate. Then, if all goes well, maybe by the end of the year the ‘Jesus’ film will be ready for viewing! Thanks for your continued prayers.”

To find out more about the intriguing “Jesus” film, see [www.jesusfilm.org](http://www.jesusfilm.org)



## Charles Stanley’s Five Principles of Walking with the Spirit from The Wonderful Spirit-filled Life

*SI will be convinced that if God doesn't come through, my project is bound to fail.*  
*SI will view God as my only source for everything I need.*  
*SI will look for evidence of God's supernatural intervention.*  
*SI will not be stressed out.*  
*SI will spend more time thanking and praising God than requesting things from Him.*



## Session Considers Additional Worship Service and Other News

At June session meeting the major objective that we focussed on was to “Pursue Excellence in Worship” which is led by Debbie Liddle. Debbie welcomes your input on the changes that have been made to our worship service, and also welcomes your suggestions on changes you would like to see. The Worship Team has been discussing the possibility of adding another worship service and if so, what type of service. They are also looking at the importance of the physical environment in our sanctuary, as you may have already noticed with the banners that are up front. In order to make the area up front more usable, session passed a motion to have the organ removed and stored.

Session is required by our denomination to meet annually with the Board of Deacons to approve the work they are doing. While this is a requirement, it is an exciting one. It is a source of joy to examine the work that God is doing through the deacons in our church. One need that they brought to us was that due to our location, people are coming to our church with counseling needs that are beyond the scope of the current staff. Session passed a motion to grant approval to the Deacons to pursue the services of a professional counselor through partnership with Pittsburgh Pastoral Institute. This person will work out of the same office that the Pregnancy Care Center uses.

As you probably already know, the Christian Education Team has been looking to hire a half-time staff person, but has been unsuccessful. We are presently looking into the possibility of hiring a full-time person, and considering what areas of ministry they should be responsible to oversee.

While session seeks to give due time to each of the many areas of ministry of our church, we have been discovering that in order to do so our meetings have been very long. Our June meeting lasted four hours, and often we haven't

given sufficient time to matters that come at the end of the meeting. To address this problem, we have decided to add a special meeting once each quarter to receive reports from our major areas of ministry.

We consider serving you and the Lord an awesome responsibility and we ask that you keep us in your prayers so that we will lead the church in the direction our God is calling us.

A Love Supreme

### John Coltrane's Love Supreme

“During the year 1957, I experienced, by the grace of God, a spiritual awakening which was to lead me to a richer, fuller, more productive life. At that time, in gratitude, I humbly asked to be given the means and privilege to make others happy through music. I feel this has been granted through His grace. ALL PRAISE TO GOD.”



### Help Wanted

**Bellefield Outreach Team** seeking people with friendly smile and warm handshake to greet Sunday worshippers!

**How?** Sign up for a “month of Sundays” – Sign up at Thackeray street entrance.

**Job Description:**

1. Welcome each person with a smile, handshake, bulletin, “Survival Sheet”, or a kind word as appropriate
2. Seek out visitors, offering help or friendship as needed.
3. Pray for God to use this position for His glory.

**Bellefield Outreach Team** seeking people to join the follow-up team.

**What?** Visitors need to hear that we cherish their presence in our worship service.

**Job Description:**

1. Call visitors providing information about Bellefield and its ministries.
2. Ask the visitor how we can encourage their spiritual growth.

## Old Testament Imagery

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those who have ears to hear.



(3) David **bringing the ark up to Jerusalem** (2 Sam 6). Granted, this was not an everyday event. Still, the enthusiasm, pageantry, and awe associated with coming into God's presence is inspiring: all Israel "dancing with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals" and trumpets and "shouting"; the awesome holiness of God that led to Uzzah's demise when he touched the ark; David's own "leaping and dancing" with abandon, wearing only a linen ephod (a simple loincloth common to priests of the day); and the misplaced scorn of David's wife Michal, who despised David's uncouth behavior. Here is a form of worship that actualizes the first and greatest commandment to love God with all one's heart, soul, mind, and strength (Deut 6:5; Mark 12:30). Do we care more about how we look in worship to others or how we look to God? How often do we give our "all" in worship?



(4) The **revelation of God to Job** (Job 38:1-42:6). In contrast to the raucous worship in 2 Sam 6 we have the suffering Job rendered near speechless when he meets God "out of the whirlwind." Here Job is overwhelmed by the magnitude of the Creator God who determined the earth's measurements and boundaries and who had the power to calm or rouse the great seas with a word. Previ-

ously Job had only heard of God "by the hearing of the ear, but now my eyes see you" (42:5). This is the difference between mere acquiescence to propositional truth (I believe 'x' and 'y' about God) and a living encounter that penetrates to the heart (wow, it finally hit me: God is God). This too is not an everyday occurrence. Yet we get a glimpse here of something higher and greater on which we can fix our eyes of faith.



(5) The **Psalms**. It is hard to pick a single psalm. I am thinking more generally of the range represented therein: from the agonizing, brutally honest laments to God that bare all in the human condition, to the joyous strains of shouts of praise amidst a panoply of musical instruments (especially the final five praise psalms, 146-50). Worship as meeting God through the highs and lows of life, utterly transparent and genuine before the Holy One of Israel.

All of the above help me to train my mind and heart to enter into God's presence on Sunday mornings, and at other times throughout the week. In an issue to come I would like to talk about New Testament images. But before that I would like to hear from you. What Old Testament images come to mind for you? Which ones are particularly meaningful to you as means of centering yourself on God when you come to worship? Write me at gagnon@pts.edu or otherwise find a way to pass the information on to me and, if you're willing, I'd like to include it in the next issue of the Belle. Getting input from the richness of our community experience will be helpful to us all.



**Worship shifts to 10:00-11:00 am beginning July 1—and no summer Sunday School**

### July

**July 1:** First Sunday (Communion & Prayer for Creation 2001 participants)

**July 8:** Prayer of Jabez #3: "BHAP"

**July 15:** Prayer of Jabez #4: "God-Sightings"

**July 22:** Prayer of Jabez #5: "Reversing Your Destiny"

**July 29:** Guest Speaker: Elder Dwight Fox

### August

**August 5:** First Sunday (Communion) Guest Speaker: Rev. Salim Ghubril (Director, Pittsburgh Project)

**August 12:** Guest Speaker: Elder Karl Williams

**August 19:** Guest Speaker: Dr. Robert Gagnon (New Testament Professor)

**August 26:** (Return to worship at 10:45 AM) Welcome new and returning students

# Bellefield Summer Calendar of Events

<b>July</b>	<b>August</b>	<b>September</b>
7/1 Summer Worship schedule begins – Communion – 10 am	8/2-8/25 DVD – Vacation	9/1 Arabic Bible Study
7/4 Independence Day – <i>office closed</i>	8/4 Arabic Bible Study	9/2 Communion
7/6 6:00 p.m. Erin Stehle Wedding	8/5 Communion	9/3 Labor Day – <i>office closed</i>
7/7 Arabic Bible Study – 5 pm	8/11 Sr. High Backpack Trip to Colorado – return	9/8, 22 Indonesian Christian Fellowship
7/11, 25 Cornerstone – 7:30 pm	8/11, 25 Indonesian Christian Fellowship – 6:30 pm	9/9 Sunday School program begins
7/14, 28 Indonesian Christian Fellowship – 6:30 pm	8/15 Session Meeting	9/19 Session Meeting
7/17 Parents Meeting for Youth Group – 7 pm <i>(remember to bring a dessert to share)</i>	8/17 Belle Deadline for September issue	9/21-23 Cornerstone Fall Retreat
7/18 Session Meeting	8/22 Trustee Meeting	9/21 Belle Deadline for October issue
7/25 Trustee Meeting	8/25 9-11:00 a.m. PRISM Garage Give-Away	9/22 18th Annual Teacher Training Workshop, Westminster Pres Church
7/27-8/11 Sr. High Backpack Trip to Colorado – departure	8/26 School-Year Worship schedule begins – 10:45 am – Students return	9/23 All-Church Picnic
7/27-29 DVD – Vacation	8/26 Food Pantry – Deacons	9/26 Trustee Meeting
7/29 Food Pantry – Deacons		9/30 Great Race – 10K
7/30-8/1 DVD Study leave		



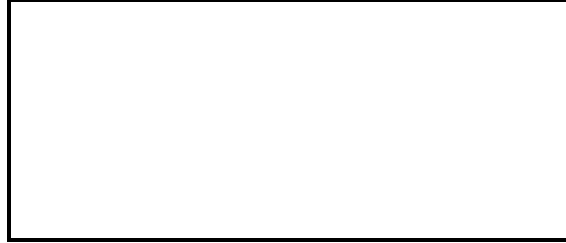
<b>July Birthdays</b>	<b>August Birthdays</b>
4 Sylvania Silva	2 Lauren Kunze
4 Melissa Clark	2 Nate Simon
7 Peter Williams	3 Andrew Bruns
7 Rosey Stein	5 Bonnie Budzowski
7 Adam Pruszynski	6 Harry Lydic, Jr.
8 Charlei George	8 Kristin Horner
14 Joshua Rogers	11 Diane Balliet
14 Mark Rogers	12 Judy Menosky
16 Matt Stehle	16 Sam Held
16 Sandra Kyles	16 Shannon Bolibruck
17 Jan Van Dyke	17 Dave Callen
19 Alexandra Durcik	21 Trevor Macpherson
19 Ann Redfoot	22 Sophia Carlin
20 Anna Emmons	24 Barry Balliet
23 Kyra Woodworth	24 Sue Smith
27 Tony Marino	25 Liz Zimmerman
28 Vic Norman	25 Marjorie Latta
29 Amanda Vernon	26 Matthew Kunze
29 Dan Hinchman	27 Charlie Fox
30 Cindy Gormley	27 Marilyn Long
	28 Clair Bryant

## Treasurer Tom's Corner

	Giving	Budget	Difference
Mar 2001	21,659	19,725	1,934
Apr 2001	22,957	19,725	3,232
May 2001	14,507	19,725	-5,218
Year-to-Date	98,295	98,625	-330

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WITNESSES OF CHRIST  
MAKING COMMITTED  
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### **Belle Mission Statement**

*Honoring God through faithful writings and artwork, the illuminating Gospel of Jesus Christ, and encouraging biblical principles in both print and production*

### **Bellefield Newcomer's Orientation**

Interested in learning more about Bellefield Presbyterian Church's vision and history? Meeting our church staff and other newcomers? Discovering what Presbyterian's believe?  
Joining this church family?

Pastor Dave and BJ Woodworth will be leading our Fall Newcomer's Orientation beginning this October.

The four-week series will meet Sundays after worship (lunch included). It's discussion-oriented and a great way to grow in your relationship with Christ and His followers.

Stay tuned for details...