

# Love Notes

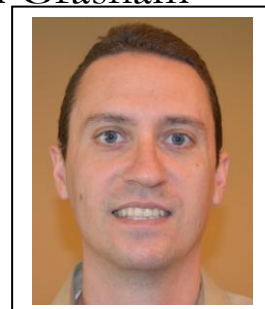


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## Tim's Tidbits

By Tim Grasham



Susan and I recently had dinner with another couple. We were discussing their upcoming wedding ceremony when a couple of different songs played through the house speakers.

Interestingly enough, the first song to catch my attention was "Cat's in the Cradle". What a depressing song, right?? A dad ignores opportunities to spend time with his son until it's too late and eventually the roles become reversed.

The second song that caught my attention was "All You Need Is Love" by The Beatles. What a great, fun song! You're probably making the brass instrument sounds just thinking about it.

Why bring up these two songs randomly played in a local restaurant? When love rules our lives, our priorities become much more clear and defined. When love guides our steps, guides our actions, there is no need to look back on life with regret.

Many Christians claim to love God, but often struggle to love their neighbor. John wrote in his first letter that the love of God does not live in us if we do not love out brother, our neighbor.

If you want to boil Christianity down to a very few words, try these: Love God. Love others. That's it. Love God. Love others. Love is all you need.

See you Sunday!

In His steps,

Tim

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Community Christian Church exists to invite people to experience a real life of joy, freedom, and grace through a real faith in God through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, and lived out in a real community with the love, support, and encouragement of others on life's journey.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

February

**1-Faith Family Church  
hosting No Regrets  
Men's Conference**

**2-Empty Chair Small  
Group**

**4-Women's Bible Study -  
weekly @ 7:00 p.m.**

**8 - Men's Breakfast -  
Deano's Family  
Restaurant-7:30 a.m.**

**8-Senior Citizen Dinner  
& Entertainment -  
sponsored by the  
Women's Ministry**

**9- Dunham Small Group  
- 6:00 p.m.**

**10-WCEA/CIMF Men's  
Meeting**

**12-CCC Men's Bowling  
Night - Revolutions.  
6:00 - 8:30 p.m. - \$6**

**16 - SOUPER Game Day  
after BIGS**

**16-Empty chair Bible  
Study - 6:00 p.m.**

**21-22 Hanging Rock  
Men's Retreat I AM  
FIRST**

**23-Dunham Small  
Group -6:00 p.m.**

**28, March 1 & 2  
Kid's Quest - Let the  
Good Times Roll**

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## Elderly Expressions By Charlie Dunham



### LOVE BUG

According to Hallmark, February is the love month! Well at least they sell a lot of cards and the such for that occasion.

1John 2:24-3:3 says "behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!"

For years, this lady named Sarah had low-back pain that continued to worsen. The doctor had given her 25 stretches to do every day. The pain lessened but not completely. So the doctor ordered x-rays and sent her to another therapist, who instructed her to discontinue the therapist's stretches and do only one simple stretch a day as needed. Surprisingly, the one simple stretch worked the best. Sometimes the simplest truths are the best.

When asked to summarize in one sentence his whole life's work in theology, Karl Barth responded: "Jesus loves me!" Some say he added, "This I know, for the Bible tells me so."

God's love for us is evident. He gave His Son to rescue us from ourselves. Christ died on the cross, taking our burden of sin. Then He rose again, giving us new life in Him Amazing love! As John tell us: "Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!" (1 John 3:1)

Jesus' love for us is not just a Band-Aid or a cure-all for all of life's problems, of course. But it is the one truth we can always depend on to give us purpose to life and peace with God.

Aren't we glad that our Father in heaven  
Tells of His love in the Book He has given;  
Wonderful things in the Bible I see  
This is the dearest, that Jesus loves me (Bliss)

Always in Christ  
Charles



### BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE

The building committee is still waiting on the Farmers Bank for a response to what our monthly payments might be before moving forward. Since the start of this building project many things have been changing in relationship to our congregation's family budgets, such as healthcare cost and other factors. With the banks really being more tight on loan requirements and the possibility of a monthly loan payment for our size of project being high, we want to make sure we are making the right decisions at this point for our church. We do not want to get in a position where we have a nice addition to the building, but be struggling with the monthly payment.

We also do not wish to put ourselves in a hole financially where we would put ourselves in a position as to not be able to do other things we are used to doing (missions, VBS, meals etc.....). In short we just need to make sure we are making the best decision for our future. So hang in there with us and as soon as we have all our facts from the bank, we will make a combined decision with the Elders and the Church Board on the direction we should take. Thanks for your time and understanding in this matter.

Michael Brite  
Building Committee

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

**Brenda Kingsolver**



**KINGS KIDS, PINT SIZE PRAISES AND NURSERY SCHEDULE**

<b>February</b>	<b>King's Kids</b>	<b>Pint Size Praises</b>	<b>Nursery-Church</b>	<b>Nursery-Sunday School</b>
2	Alice Seward/Natalie	Deb & Skylar	Carrie Hackerd	Vicki Cleaver
9	Alice Seward/Natalie	Deb & Skylar	Mady Woods	Vicki Cleaver
16	Alice Seward/Natalie	Deb & Skylar	Ericka Kelly	Vicki Cleaver
23	Alice Seward/Natalie	Deb & Skylar	Kathy Brite	Vicki Cleaver

Skating on January 19th was fun time by all. No major accidents and we all had a great time skating and the pizza was good too! Thanks to everyone who helped make it a success! We had around 50 people in attendance.

**Upcoming events Kid's Quest**

Feb.28 from 6-8:30 p.m.

Mar. 1 from 6-8:30 p.m.

March 2 during worship service (Our HayDay closing celebration)

For everyone congregation and visitors.

The nice thing about this Quest the congregation will get to see a little bit more of the Quest and plus be a part of all the fun!

Sign up table will be up this Sunday for Pre-registration:

So please Sign up early.

HayDay is a 3 day Quest where kids will grow in friendship with Jesus! The kid's will explore and experience Jesus' unending love and the friendship Jesus offers them. Jesus will always Love us, and his friendship lasts forever!

After exploring how to grow in their own friendship with Jesus, it's time for your kid's to plow a new "field" in a powerful one-hour Sunday Celebration with Moo-sic and the last of program; plus a slide show of all the pictures for the weekend .

We also need helpers to make Kids Quest a success A sign-up sheet will be on our Sign up table by the Welcome center. If you want to have fun and feel like a kid again come and join the fun!

A great big Thank you to all who help out with the Children's Ministry. It is a blessing to have so many talented, loving, caring people to bless the children of our church.

In His Steps, Brenda Kingsolver

## Planning for KidsQuest



From Left Bottom Clockwise: Tim Grasham, Sandy Street, Sally Smith, Vicki Cleaver, and Brenda Kingsolver watch a video at the planning meeting.

## It Takes a Community

by Skip Davis

Brenda Kingsolver and the folks preparing for “Kids Quest – Let The Good Times Roll” have been working to insure another great Kids Quest event, February 28 through March 2. But it hasn’t all been smooth.

Brenda gave me my instruction manual for taking pictures before Christmas. And for someone who always requests information and materials early, I did the inevitable. **I lost the book.**

After making the usual contacts, the local Christian book store and an electronic book store on the internet, I finally believed what I was being told. That Hay Day manual was out of print and not available. During this process I was asking around, “Do you know of any church that used this program last summer?”

The one thing I had not done was ask God what to do. Once I did things began to move fast. I got on the internet and Goggled until I found a church in Ohio that had used the Hay Day program. I found their web page and called their office phone. I briefly explained the situation to the young woman on the other end of the line. I asked to talk to the person in charge of their VBS program. She laughed and said, “That’s me!” Her name is Staci Inskeep, Kids Pastor for Capitol City Church in Columbus, Ohio.

Staci felt sure it was in storage and she would immediately check and get back with me. Within a few minutes she called back with bad news, but with a promise. That manual was missing but she would check with a friend, Sara, who also used the book. To make a long story short, within about 30 hours, the book had been scanned and e-mailed to me. I immediately e-mailed a copy to Brenda Kingsolver.

Bottom line, had I gone to God first, this problem would not have taken so long to resolve. As for my procrastination, “I am forgiven”.



## SKATING PARTY



The Kelly girls getting ready.



Trenton Tarkington, Grant Woods, and Triston Tarkington take a rest from the action.



Everyone had a great time!



Hey, Tim. Who is going the wrong way???

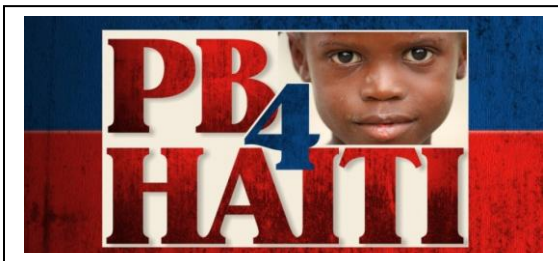


The Grasham's strike a pose!



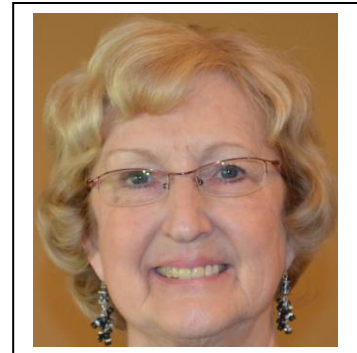
### ***Family Fellowship***

**IT'S SOUPER GAME DAY:** Yes, you read correctly!!! Of course, Peyton Manning or Russell Wilson won't be here. However, if they did show up we would welcome them with open arms and hot soup!! On Sunday, February 16, Family Fellowship is sponsoring a SOUPER Game Day. Plan on staying after BIGS for a SOUPER meal provided by Family Fellowship. We will have several varieties of soup and ask that you bring a dessert, salad, or sandwiches to round out the meal. After the meal is over, stay for a SOUPER afternoon of games and fellowship. If you have a favorite game, bring it with you! We are looking forward to having a SOUPER time and hope you are too!



### **Missions**

**PEANUT BUTTER DRIVE  
TO START MARCH 1**



For more than 30 years Lifeline Christian Mission has been working to meet the physical and spiritual needs of people around the world while involving people from the United States and Canada in the ministry work of fulfilling the Great Commission. Founded in 1980 by Bob and Gretchen DeVoe, Lifeline began serving in Haiti and today it's ministry extends to at least 8 countries or people groups, ministering to tens of thousands of people on any given day and engaging thousands of people in Great Commission work weekly.

Lifeline Christian Mission is doctrinally aligned with non-denominational independent Christian Churches and Churches of Christ. We believe that by the grace of God, having heard and obeyed the Word, man can have salvation. One must repent, confess, accept Christ as Lord and Savior, and be immersed into Christ, receiving the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, and continue to live in accordance with Christ's teaching. We believe the Bible is the inspired and inerrant word of God.

Lifeline Christian Mission relies heavily on the peanut butter they receive from the annual drive for nourishment for the area. Why Peanut Butter? It is high in protein. Six tablespoons is equivalent to a 3 ounce pork chop in protein. Protein is lacking in the diet of most Haitians. It is rich in vitamins and minerals like vitamin B & E. Malnourished children and pregnant women are given a jar weekly. Start looking for sales to stock up now. If we all brought in just 2 jars each it would really add up. Thanks in advance for helping with this important drive.

**We don't have to go to Haiti to have a positive impact on others lives!**

### **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

**Robert Lane**

As I am writing this update for the men, young and old I am so blessed to have a planning team that fought the elements of the extreme cold and snow. (Bill Cleaver, Mike Brite, Danny Street, Brad Knipp, were in

attendance). That's right we had our planning meeting on January 21st to plan for some exciting events for 2014.

In February we have an abundance of events planned. So here we go.

**SATURDAY- FEBRUARY 1st:** No Regrets Men's Conference at Faith Family Church 508 W. Green St. Frankfort, IN 46041. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. Conference Starts at 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Cost at the door \$10.00 ( Lunch included)

**SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 8th:** Community Christian Men's Group Breakfast and Devotional Time 7:30a.m. to 8:30 a.m.( 9:00 if needed) Deano's Family Restaurant, 55 N. Jackson St. Frankfort, IN 46041

**MONDAY - FEBRUARY 10th: WCEA/CIMF Joint Men's Meeting**

Hanging Rock Christian Assembly 6988 S. State Road 263 West Lebanon, IN 47991

5:30 p.m. - Meal - 7:00 p.m. Meeting. Speaker: Kurt Flora ( New Hope Christian Church, Crawfordsville, IN ) Leading Worship: Larry Sims ( Field Manager/ Minister - I.D.E.S. )

**WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 12th:** Community Christian Men's Bowling Night.

Revolutions Bowling Center, East Wabash Street, Frankfort, IN 46041; Start at 6:00 p. m.- 8:30 p.m. Enjoy an evening of fellowship with us at Revolutions. Bowling Cost for two games and Shoes ( if needed ) only \$6.00. Don't bowl anymore? No problem come out and join us for a night of fun and fellowship. All men young and old are welcome.

**FRIDAY - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21st - 22nd : MEN'S RETREAT - I AM FIRST**

Hanging Rock Christian Assembly 6988 S. State Road 263 West Lebanon, IN 47991

Cost is \$40.00 per person before February 14th and \$50.00 per person after February 14th.

More information may be found on the MEN's group board at Church or contact Robert Lane.

As you can see we are giving you options to escape the cabin fever this month. I hope all of our Men will be able to take advantage of some of these opportunity's.

Looking forward to March we are planning to go on a road trip to eat some fish. Detail's to follow soon. Be sure to watch the Church Bulletin and the Love Notes for Details

Stay Safe, Stay Warm,

God Bless

Robert Lane

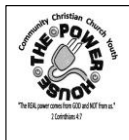
**OUTREACH**

**by Brad Knipp**

Due to the lovely weather that Indiana has been receiving, plans for 2014 have not yet been finalized. Keep Outreach in your prayers as we continue to plan events that show the love of Christ to our community.







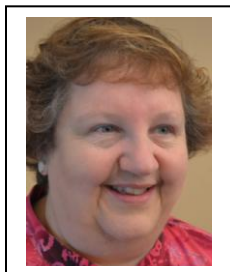
## POWER HOUSE TEEN MINISTRY

Mason Morrison



Hey teens, did you hear? There is going to be a SuperBowl party at the Grasham's from 5 p.m. to half-time. Bring a snack to share and come and cheer on your favorite team and enjoy some Christian fellowship.

Also, PLAN AHEAD....Winterfest Concert - March 22.



## THE CONNECTING POINT WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Sally Smith Co-coordinator

Women's Ministries



### Romans 12:10

Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.

This verse illustrates the great day the Women's Ministries had on Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. We held our first community scrapbooking day. It was a great time of fellowship and our proceeds will go to honor a local veteran by providing a trip to Washington D.C. for them to be honored as a veteran and one who served our country with honor. We will keep the donation envelope for Honor Flight out at the Welcome Center for the next two Sundays (Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> and Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>). Due to church being cancelled a lot recently, we will allow a couple more weeks for donations if anyone wants to be part of this expression of love to a veteran. The ladies who attended had a great time learning new scrapbooking techniques, and for those who had never scrapbooked, they learned a new hobby and with much enthusiasm created several really memorable projects with pictures and creativity. If you missed it, plans were made to have another one or to even have a scrapbooking club monthly to allow women time to meet together, fellowship and create and preserve memories through the art of scrapbooking. Thanks to all who prepared food or donated door prizes or were a part of this great day of fellowship and showing honor and God's love to others.

**Senior Saints Dinner: Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m.**

If you are age 60 or older, you are invited to a special dinner on Saturday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. There will be great food, fun fellowship and even entertainment. Due to church being cancelled recently due to weather, we need you to sign up this Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Welcome Center so that we can prepare food and know how many plan to attend. We hope you will mark your calendar and join us for a great evening.

**2014 Ladies Retreat (Turkey Run)**

Our retreat will be held November 21 and 22<sup>nd</sup>. There will be a sign up in the Welcome Center for the next few weeks just to get interest in attending the retreat. It will not commit you to attending and no money is due at this time. We just need to see how many would like to attend so that we can assure we have enough rooms blocked out for those who want to attend next Fall. I think all who attended this year's retreat walked away very blessed, so if you have never attended the retreat and you would like to attend, sign up and plan to join us. If you attended this year, we hope you will sign up to attend again. The retreat theme and details



will come later, but for now we just need to see how many might be interested in attending. Join us and be blessed!

If you have any ideas that you would like our ladies to do in the coming months, be sure and share your ideas with us. We are open to ideas and new adventures! Stay warm and positive in the Lord's goodness as we continue to endure a long and trying winter. The weatherman is saying we may have a break with warmer temperatures and much less snow in a couple weeks. I think everyone is ready for spring and will rejoice when we can actually drive the speed limit on the roads and not have to shelter ourselves from the cold and poor roads. God is faithful to carry us through this time and will give us new beginnings and rebirth as we enter into spring and better weather. For now, stay warm and safe and enjoy the slower pace and lifestyle and continue to show His love to others.

In His love,

Sally Smith

### SMALL GROUP NEWS

**The Dunham Small Group** will be meeting the second and fourth Sunday at the Dunham home, 800 E. Armstrong St., Frankfort, IN. Dunham's will supply soup & crackers, please bring finger foods to go along with the meal. We will be viewing the video "40 Days of Community" What on Earth are We here For? by Rick Warren.

The "Empty Chair" is beginning a new study, led by Mike Brite. The first meeting will be Sunday evening February 2, 2014. We meet at the church at 6:00 p.m. The name of the study is "Not a Fan." The question is, "Are you a fan or a follower?" For our first gathering, soup, crackers, and drinks will be provided. If you would like to bring a dessert, that would be fine. The Empty Chair Small Group meets the first and third Sunday of the month at the church building.

**WOMAN'S BIBLE STUDY:** We are doing another Beth Moore series entitled "Breaking Free". Cost of the workbook is \$20. We will be meeting on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at the church starting January 14, 2014. I look forward to seeing you at the study. There is still time to sign up at the Welcome Center and we will order a book for you! If Frankfort school is canceled that day, no study that night.

### Communications Report

by Skip Davis

During the month of January there were two occasions when, due to weather concerns, Community's leadership deemed it necessary to cancel Sunday church activities. Many of our members and attendees were notified by our One Call Now system. However, some of you may not be in this system and therefore were not notified.

If you would like to be notified of any cancellations and other vital church information, please fill out one of the Communication Forms in the Welcome Center and place it in the offering basket or send your contact information, name, phone number(s) and e-mail address, to [ssdavis4@comcast.net](mailto:ssdavis4@comcast.net)



### REMINDERS

Do you have an e-mail address? If so, you can receive your Love Notes earlier and with pictures. It also saves the church the cost of printing and mailing your Love Notes to you. If interested, please contact Susan Davis at [hotdogfan1966@gmail.com](mailto:hotdogfan1966@gmail.com). Your e-mail address will not be shared.

**Birthdays & Anniversaries  
February**

7-Micah Larson  
7-Danny Street  
9-Eli Grasham  
11-Mike & Kathy Brite  
14-John & Lois Rohdy  
15-Dakota Toney  
17-Delroy McKinney  
21-Sandy Gable  
22-Jordan Meece  
25-Debi Michael  
26-Kelly Fine  
27-Mike Meece

***Friday, Fun, Fellowship, Food***

***February Friday, Fun, Fellowship and Food has been cancelled.  
Come and join us in March as we venture to Lafayette to  
O'Charleys .***

<b><i>February</i></b>	<b><i>CANCELLED</i></b>	<b><i>July</i></b>	<b><i>Outback</i></b>
<b><i>March</i></b>	<b><i>O'Charleys</i></b>	<b><i>August</i></b>	<b><i>Treeces</i></b>
<b><i>April</i></b>	<b><i>Mike's Pizza</i></b>	<b><i>September</i></b>	<b><i>Parkeys</i></b>
<b><i>May</i></b>	<b><i>Romano's Macaroni Grill</i></b>	<b><i>October</i></b>	<b><i>The Stone House</i></b>
<b><i>June</i></b>	<b><i>9 Irish Brothers</i></b>	<b><i>November</i></b>	<b><i>Spageddies</i></b>
		<b><i>December</i></b>	<b><i>Suggestions requested</i></b>

*We go out the third Friday of each month. Mark your calendars and come join us for an evening of adult Christian fellowship. Please let Joan Tarkington or Susan Davis know if you are planning on attending by the Sunday before so the proper number of reservations can be made.*

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