

ROSS BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

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FROM THE HEART OF BROTHER BILL:

"CHRISTIAN FAITH"

Does anyone like a liar? I doubt it. We like and even expect that people will tell us the truth. We should be able to depend on what others say. If a promise is made, we want to know that the person making the promise will come through. Yet, we all know that there are those in whom we can have no confidence. Unfortunately, we experience this all the time. For instance, we may invite people to come to church with us. They tell us they will, but then don't show up. Maybe they didn't really lie to us. Perhaps, some obstacle kept them from coming; they just did not come through. However, there are those people that when they give us their word, we know that it is true. If they make a promise, they do it. To these people, their promise has value. We all appreciate people like this, and we should all seek to be people like this.

However, the truth is that people will always let us down. Even when they have the best intentions, people don't always fulfill their promises. It is tragic but true. Unfortunately, we can become skeptical. This may lead us to stop believing in what other tells us; we may even believe that no one is trustworthy. This is unfortunate because there is truth to be shared, and there is One upon whom we can depend. His name is Jesus. We can rely upon His promises. His word is true. This is the very essence of what it means to have faith: faith in what He has said, faith in what He has promised. As Christians, we live our lives in faith, not just in what we have received or achieved but in what He has promised.

We are sometimes asked, "But how can you know His promises are true?" The answer is simple. He is the truth. In fact, some of His promises and prophecies have already been fulfilled. Since we know that He has fulfilled His promises in the past, then we can believe Him and in what He says He will do in the future. So the question is, "Do I have faith for those future promises?"

What are those promises? Jesus said He would give me eternal life. Do I believe Him? He promised to be with me. Do I believe Him? He said that one day when I die I would be in heaven with Him. Do I believe Him? He said that He would take care of me and I need not worry. Do I believe Him? Faith is the product of believing the words of one in whom we have confidence. Jesus has shown Himself worthy of our trust. A Christian life of faith is living a life of action and trusting in the promises given to us by our Lord. Our faith is shown when we live for Him and our fellow man.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 9/1- Labor Day Picnic 1pm
- 9/13- Brotherhood Mtg. at 9am,
- 9/14- Deacon Mtg. at 5pm
- 9/21- Business Mtg. at 7pm
- 9/22- Senior Luncheon
- 9/24- See You at the Pole
- 9/27- Church Bonfire



OUR PURPOSE
 We will seek to impact the culture with Jesus Christ that through Him; lives, families & our community might be changed.

SERVICES

Sunday

9:45am Sunday School

10:45am Sunday

Service

Monday

6:00pm Visitation

Wednesday

7:00pm Adult Bible

Study

7:00pm Team Kids

7:00pm Teen Kids

Please call the church if you need a ride.

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CHRISTMAS
STORE

We are collecting NEW and GENTLY USED toys for the Christmas Store in December.

Please take these items to Pam Galinis's room. This is a great outreach that we do as a church for our community during the holidays.

Please take the time to donate and help with this event!

HAPPY LABOR DAY!
PICNIC AT 1PM AT THE CHURCH.
BRING A DISH AND A DESSERT.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/7 Megan Mitchell

9/13 Alicia Schoon

9/15 Jeff Jelinek

9/16 Tom Schoon

9/17 Tim Bryan

9/17 Jim White

9/18 Frank Arambula III

9/22 Pam Galinis

9/26 Donnie Evans

9/26 Robert Crocker

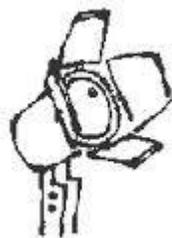
9/30 Melissa Janowski

9/30 Joan Rhone

9/30 Courtney Tinsley

MEDITATION

Psalms 11: 24—O ne man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty.



THE ROSS SPOTLIGHT

September has found Pam Lloyd in the Ross Spotlight. Pam is another of our church family who was born right here in Northwest Indiana. She was born in East Chicago and grew up with her family in Hessville. Pam attended Morton High School in her teen years. After graduation, she attended Sawyer Business College and became a certified EMT. Pam has now worked at Community Hospital in Munster for 27 years. During her growing up years, she spent many summers in Fordsville, Kentucky, where her family had lived before moving to Indiana. Pam has three older brothers and loves her family. They have a wonderful Christian heritage. Her grandfather was an ordained Baptist preacher, and she is happy to show you his ordination certificate.

Pam came to Ross in April of 2006 and joined the church by baptism on July 2nd of that same year. Since that time, she has worked in Children's Church and VBS. She currently teaches the 1st and 2nd Grade Sunday School Class with Shawna Schoon. She also sings in the choir.

Pam enjoys traveling to Virginia to see her family and to Chicago for the Air and Water Show. She also loves to watch Griffith High School football. Her favorite food is cornbread and beans, and her favorite color is blue (same as mine). How blessed we are to have folks like Pam who loves Ross Baptist Church and Jesus.