

The Shiloh Visitor

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DOWN MEMORY LANE

In October 1952, Miss Louise Allensworth and Miss Marjorie Grigsby were appointed as a committee to rearrange and catalogue the church library.

In November 1995, the Church voted to organize a Media Library through the efforts of Sunday School Director, Lorene Sherman. In 1996, the Media Library reported that a laptop computer, printer, and church media program was donated and was awaiting books. By 1998, Jackie Wheeler reported 110 new books had been acquired; 20 to 22 were donated.

In 2005, Diana Moore reported the library was in need of volunteers, and a training session would be set up for those interested in helping with this ministry. Barbara Yancey and Diana Moore went to the Green Valley Book Fair near Harrisonburg and purchased several new releases in books, audio books, and DVDs for all

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From the Pastor's Heart

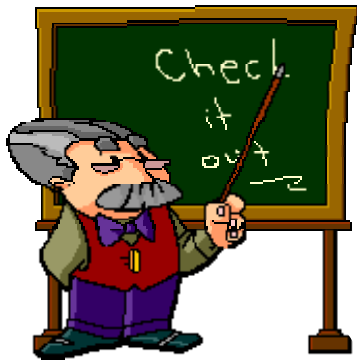
While attending the Kube family reunion on August 8, 2009, my 90-year-old great aunt Arlene gave me an envelope with my name on it. She explained that she was cleaning/clearing some things out and thought I might like what she had in the envelope. The envelope contained my ordination paper that I prepared to the ordination council of the Shiloh Baptist Association. It was fifteen pages long (.5 inch width all around) with an additional three pages of footnotes.

When we left to drive home, I "let" my wife drive while I read this "ancient" document. I don't know if I was smarter then, but my vocabulary was certainly different. I can't remember the last time I used words like "postcritical orthodoxy," "heterodoxies," or even "garrulous and grandiloquent savoir faire!" (I can't even pronounce "grandiloquent.") It made for both a humorous and interesting read.

The paper was divided into three parts. The third part was on a particular topic: cooperation. I was to give them a statement concerning cooperation with the larger Baptist family, specifically the national denomination, the state association, the local association, and the larger Christian family. When I read my response to the ordination council, I was surprised how some issues seem to never go away. Things are always changing and staying the same. It reminded me of the preacher man who said that there was nothing new under the sun (Ecclesiastes).

I would like to share the last paragraph of the paper, without any footnotes. I apologize if anybody is offended by the language, but I was trying to use a biblical allusion in my analysis. I wrote: "Some Baptists, whoring with our American society of relativism like Israel whored with Baal, have combined Martine Luther's biblical idea of "priesthood of the believer" with E.Y. Mullins biblical idea of "soul competency" to mean that a Baptist can believe anything that he wants to believe. Pilate's question, "What is truth" becomes the battle cry and the individual replaces the Bible as authoritative. This radical individualism can destroy the community. Other Baptists, in

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From the Church Library by Diana Moore

The Church Media Library is now located behind the Sanctuary in Room 209. The new location is more accessible, larger, and lighter. Please come in to check it out and to check out a book, audio book, DVD, CD, video, or other resource while you are there. There will be a special treat for those who visit. Ed and Henrietta Hastings are sharing one of their amazing miniatures. It's an exact replica of "Grandma and Grandpa's Home". You can view it from both sides – the charming front porch on one side and Grandma's kitchen on the other. Don't miss this opportunity to see a great work of art!

We want to thank everyone who made the move possible. The Building and Grounds Team (Butch Maples, Glen Moore, Bobby Bowen, Kenneth Lee, Ruth Titsworth, and Bobby Lumpkin) painted, replaced the windows, and finished the floors. The Youth and their sponsors (Mark Morgan and Dan Cordes) moved everything from the basement. Rob Dean and Chris Chalkley installed the new computer system. The following also contributed time, talent and/or resources for the library: Pam Brinklow, Carlton Middlebrook, David Yancey, David Headley, Jane Heath, Theresa Tubbs, the Busic family, Barbara Wilks, and the Morgan girls (Terry, Alexandra, Brook, and AshLynn). Please forgive us if we forgot anyone. So many have helped in so many ways.

The Library recently received two very special donations. Calvin and Beverley Coates donated several boxes of books from the library of Dutch and Lillian Clare. Rod Meade donated his father Rev. James Meade's extensive video collection.

The Library Team is searching for volunteers to assist with checking books in and out, processing new books, planning promotional activities, and reviewing books for the Shiloh newsletter. Tell Barb Yancey or Diana Moore, if interested in helping with any of the above. You can work at home or in the library for as little or as many hours as you want. If you love books, this is the perfect opportunity for you to share your time and talents.

A listing of the resources available in the library is posted on the Shiloh website at www.kgshiloh.org. This list is growing as new resources are added all the time. Barbara and Diana both live near the church and are available to meet anyone wanting to check something out of the library. Our phone numbers are in the Sunday bulletin each week. We plan to be open whenever there is a church-wide activity. This includes Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings plus other events where it would be appropriate. ☩

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their quest for a pure church, have defined the Faith in such a narrow way that they have forgotten the problem of sin and the effect it can have in distorting one's theology. Both of these groups violate and compromise my understanding of the Faith and my Baptist tradition. I have the freedom to disassociate with both groups when they are in power, but I can't help but believe that I am part of the (silent?) majority of Southern Baptists and that a spirit of cooperation is a central part of that majority. And so I wait, but I suffer."

I learned much theology in hymns. I always sung the first verse of the hymn "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" after communion. I believe in that hymn. The unity of the Spirit within the bonds of peace was always more important than issues that were debatable, like church incorporation for example. But not all people share that spirit of love and cooperation. But, I can't help but believe that I am part of the (silent?) majority of church folk who believe that a spirit of cooperation is a central part of their theology. I am still waiting and still suffering. ☩

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ages. The library planned an open house for October 2005. Glen Moore reported for Diana Moore that a party would be held to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the church library.

By 2006, Diana Moore reported that the Church Media Library was online. Chris Chalkley had linked the accession list to the Shiloh Web site, making the library more accessible to members. The library was now able to catalogue acquisitions through the Library of Congress. She gave thanks to Todd Brinklow for running the lines for the phone and Internet, Rob Dean for installing the software, and Chris Chalkley for installing the Resource Mate software. During that same year, the Hastings had a miniature on display in the library and new books and CDs were purchased at the Women of Faith conference. ☩

Music Notes

by Sarah Snow, Music Program Director

Welcome To September! The best time of year! It seems to be a time for new beginnings...more so than January in some ways! This is the time that we make decisions of what activities to involve ourselves in and begin to prepare for winter!!!! Can you hear the Christmas bells in the distance???? Christmas will be here before we know it! In the music ministry of a church we begin to prepare for Christmas long before December.



What do you think about helping with the Christmas musical this year? Maybe you don't sing or play an instrument, but you would love to have a dramatic part in a play. Maybe the thought of being on stage at all makes you shiver but you have some time to help organize props for the play. Maybe you just love decorating the church for Christmas and can help prepare for the Hanging of the Green! Please contact Sarah Snow if you can help in any way. 540-469-4486

It used to be that Shiloh was known for the musical productions. Don West led the church in wonderful Christmas and Easter dramatic musicals. Our goal is to do that again. I am a "Broadway Baby" and have a real passion for the stage and for music. I hope to start this ministry again. We searched high and low to find the best musical for us this year. We are excited to introduce the Christmas Musical: *The Ornament* It is a story of a family facing Christmas after the death of the matriarch of the family. In their gathering together to support their dad, the children each discover spiritual insights never before faced.

There will be a drama workshop on Sunday September 13th after church!!! Elizabeth Lee will have a wonderful time introducing us to *The Ornament* and giving us some dramatic coaching! She really is gifted at this and the afternoon is sure to be a good one! Write it on your calendar and don't forget!!!!

Choir practice is on Wednesday nights!!! What's keeping you from joining us????? Come and sing! It is good for your health!!!! Encourage others that you know that would like to sing with the choir! Maybe you have a neighbor that sings really well!!!! It is never too late to come and sing with the choir! Ask about music for instruments too! We love to have instruments join us on the praise songs and hymns each week!

Happy September! Keep a song in your heart! ☺



Children & Youth

by Mark Morgan

Well, by the time you read this summer will basically be gone. Like the song lyrics "gone like a freight train, gone like yesterday." It is now time to start thinking about school. Kids your parents may not want to admit it, but they are excited!

It is also time to begin our Wonderful World on Wednesdays program—WWW. AWANA® will begin on September 9th and we have a special night planned that you will not want to miss! Check the calendar for times. Invite other children and parents to participate with us this year. We still need some adults to partner with us as we help children stand on a solid foundation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

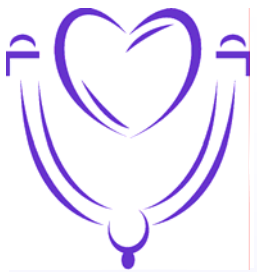
September 26—Awakening Fest: We will take students in grades 7-12. The cost is \$17. This is a family event and you, as a family, are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you would like me to purchase your tickets with our group, let me know. Check out the web site www.awakeningfest.com.

October 9-11—Jr High Leadership Conference: This is for students in grades 7-8th. If you are interested in being a female chaperone on this trip, please let me know.

October 31—Harvest Festival: This is an event for children up to 6th grade. We will need volunteers (adults and



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REACHING

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Town Hall Meeting—September 17 at 7 p.m.

We will be reviewing, discussing and answering questions regarding the agenda items for the upcoming Special Called Business Meeting.

Special Called Business Meeting—September 20

Agenda items will be published in the 9/6 and 9/13 bulletins.

Fun Bunch Outing—September 30

The next Fun Bunch outing is scheduled for September 30th. We will be going to see the Riverside Dinner Theater matinee performance of “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.” Twenty (20) tickets have been reserved for Shiloh and a sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the church office. Cost is \$44.15 per ticket which includes dinner, show, and all gratuities. We will carpool from the church and plan to leave at 10:30 a.m. Contact Gloria Tubbs by email at gloray@hughes.net or phone at 804-224-7040.

Silent Auction and Dinner—October 24

The Debt Reduction Committee is planning a Silent Auction for our next fundraiser event. Please note that the donations needed are NEW ITEMS. Please help us by checking with local businesses for donations.

On October 24th from 5-7p.m., along with our Silent Auction, we will enjoy a wonderful dinner with entertainment in the Family Life Center. Tickets will be on sale soon! Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. The menu is BBQ, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Chips, and Dessert. Mark you calendars and plan to attend!

Thank you, in advance, for your support of this fundraising effort! Contact Mildred Rollins at 540-775-3101 with any questions regarding donations for the Silent Auction or the dinner.

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