

# Amwell Echoes

REACHING OUT WITH LOVE AND COMPASSION SO OTHERS MAY KNOW CHRIST

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## From The Pastor's Pen . . .

by Robert DiSalvio, Pastor  
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## "In Times Like These ..."

Our lives whether we be young or old are constantly changing. The newborn so completely helpless and dependent upon mother gradually becomes increasingly independent.

As we mature to adulthood and old age we find ourselves increasingly dependent on others once again. These realities are heralded in scripture as Ecclesiastes 3:1 puts it: "To everything there is a season..." It's in our nature to be fearful of change. It's the whole business of "the unknown" and after all "not all change is good change".

### Personally:

- New relationships can be risky
  - The new job has the potential for failure
- In 2007 change is occurring rapidly

### Technology:

- Computer advances
- Cell phones that seem to come out of the pages of science fiction
- Global positioning systems replacing road maps
  - Cars that park themselves

### Society:

- What was taboo a few decades ago is new, embraced and celebrated
- What used to be labeled crude, rude, and vulgar is now the stuff of children's entertainment
- What was once good about America is now considered bad about America

Life has become more complex, fast paced and demanding leaving many to feel anxious, stressed and just plain worn out!

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## FAITH BY BLANCHE CARL

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

### HOW STRONG IS YOUR FAITH:

Closed the mouths of lions BY FAITH as David

Conquered BY FAITH as Gideon

Died BY FAITH as Stephen

Governed BY FAITH as Joshua

Lived BY FAITH as Abraham

Patient BY FAITH as Job

Served BY FAITH as David

Suffered BY FAITH as Paul

Walked BY FAITH as Enoch

Walked through fire BY FAITH as Three Hebrew Children

Worshiped BY FAITH as Abel

By faith they were patient in suffering, courageous in battle, made strong out of weakness, and were victorious in defeat. They were more than conquerors by faith

IF YOUR FAITH WON'T GET YOU TO CHURCH, WHAT MAKES YOU  
THINK IT WILL GET YOU TO HEAVEN?



A HUGE thank you to Sisters Estelle, Barbara R. and Margaret for helping out! The Adult Sunday School Class was in need for substitute teachers and these ladies helped out when called. Your assistance is invaluable!



# The Art of The Gospel

By George Thomas

*CBN News*

**SONG ZHUANG, China - People all over China are embracing Christianity like never before.**

**A recent survey found that nearly 40 million Chinese profess to be Christians.**

**One small farming village east of Beijing is witnessing an especially powerful move of God.**

**There's an old Chinese proverb that says, "The sky is high and the emperor is far away."**

**It means that the farther you are from the country's seat of power, in this case Beijing, the freer things become.**

**In the spring of 1994, it became clear to a small group of popular Chinese artists that freedom of expression could only be found outside the city walls.**

**That year, authorities in Beijing had unleashed a severe crackdown on all cultural and political dissent. To escape the political turbulence, they moved out of the city and settled in Song Zhuang, a small village east of Beijing.**

**Zhu Jui Yang, a Song Zhuang artist, said, "They knew that if they wanted to do art, they had to move to some place small and remote."**

**Thirteen years later, Song Zhuang is the most famous and biggest community of artists in China.**

**"Song Zhuang has more than 1,000 artists," Yang explained. "We have some of the greatest artists in the country living in this village."**

**Yang is just one of the many professional painters who moved here several years ago. He joins other artists including sculptors, photographers and musicians.**

**Yang said, "Like other artists around the world, we wanted to live together in the same place and share ideas."**

**But shortly after moving to Song Zhuang in 2002, Yang discovered there was another reason that he moved here.**

**"I realized God had been guiding my steps all along. It wasn't an accident that I had moved to Song Zhuang," he said.**

**Having just become a Christian the year before, Yang says he felt a calling from God to begin a ministry to his fellow artists.**

*If you have any news to share....your joys and your tears...if you have a change of address or you wish announce a change in email or phones numbers, let us know! We can print them in the newsletter and inform the congregation easily!*

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*Don't forget the important ministry of cards and calls.*

*When a lonely or hurting person receives a card or call, all sorts of wonderful things can happen!*

*Participate and feel great!*

## THE DEAD CAT

Read Romans 12:1 TLB

A girl's cat died. Her mother, trying to comfort her said, "Don't cry, dear. Fluffy's up in heaven with God."

"But, mommy," she asked, "what in the world does God want with a dead cat?"

How true! And God doesn't want a dead sacrifice. The Bible says, "Present your bodies to God. Let them be a living sacrifice."

When should you do this? Now!

Don't wait to give God your age but your youth; not your poverty but your wealth; not your sickness but your health; not your days but your years.

In doing this now, you'll have joy unspeakable!

Prayer: Heavenly Father, we present ourselves to Thee. Give us Thy strength for our bodies, Thy wisdom for our minds, and Thy grace for our hearts. Make us profitable to Thee and to every one we meet: through Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

# FAVORITE RECIPES

## FROM Christian Chefs Fellowship

### **EASY CHEESY MEXICAN DIP**

- **ingredients**

1 16-ounce can chili

1 package (block) of Philadelphia cream cheese

1 package (8 ounces) of pre-shredded cheddar or Monterey Jack/Cheddar blend

- **preparation**

Preheat oven to 350°F. Spread cream cheese evenly on the bottom of casserole dish. Layer chili on top of the cream cheese. Distribute grated cheese evenly over the top.

Bake in oven until cheese melts, approximately 12 to 15 minutes. Serve warm with tortilla chips.

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### **WATERCRESS, MELON AND ALMOND SALAD**

- **ingredients**

3 tablespoons fresh lime juice

1 teaspoon sugar

1 teaspoon minced peeled fresh ginger

1/4 cup vegetable oil

2 large bunches watercress (about 10 ounces total), tough ends trimmed, sprigs torn in half

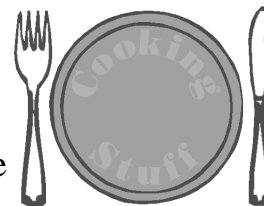
2 1/2 cups 1/2-inch pieces watermelon

2 1/2 cups 1/2-inch pieces cantaloupe

1/3 cup sliced almonds, toasted

- **preparation**

Whisk lime juice, sugar, and ginger in large bowl to blend. Gradually whisk in oil. Season dressing with salt and pepper. Add watercress, watermelon, and cantaloupe to dressing and toss to coat. Transfer salad to plates. Sprinkle with sliced almonds and serve immediately.



Whisk these together and pour over the veggies. Chill the salad at least two hours and stir before serving.

## MUSIC MINISTRY GROWING ...and LOOKING FOR YOU!!!!



This is a great time to reflect on the Music Ministry at Amwell. We have been honored with loads of talent in our congregation. When these accomplished people come forward and Praise the Lord with their voices, instruments and words, God is acknowledged and we are blessed beyond measure!

The Music Ministry will grow and change even more in 2007! Lauren Frankevich, chair of the ministry, wishes to coordinate with the talented of our congregation to broaden our approach to honoring The Lord in song. Lauren aspires to have special and inspirational music at each Sunday's service. We have been touched beyond measure with the offerings of Tim and Chris DiSalvio, Dave Hall, Scott Affleck, Tanya Drake, Dorothy Kamaras, Tiffany Mazeika, Stacia and David Palmer, Bertha Umstead and a host of others. If you have a special song to share, please do. You have a unique place in our Church family. Music is a wonderful way to Praise the Lord and we read:

[2 Chronicles 5:13](#)

It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever

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PLEASE SHARE!

Our web site recently celebrated its 17,200 web visit. Our web site not only has the weekly sermons preserved, but there are plenty of pictures of our changing and growing congregation! This is a great and easy way to show off YOUR children to grandparents, uncles and aunts and family friends! We are reaching caring arms to the community and the world.

[www.amwell.org](http://www.amwell.org)

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Please support our church's effort to aid the FLEMINGTON FOOD PANTRY. They are in desperate need of non-perishable household staples. See any Busy Bee with your contribution.

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Don't forget our Child of Compassion Vitoria Ingrid de Paula Nobre. We need your help in order to help her grow in the Lord and have a better life.

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**PLEASE see Barbara Waldron or any BUSY BEE to help the Rhineharts. They are missionaries to Italy and are in need of small toys and other gifts and treats for the children they minister to.**



## MISSIONARY UPDATE (1)

Over the past few months, you have been praying with us for Panama. I have made several trips to ensure everything was in place with our well-trained group of counselors for the Franklin Graham Festival. In spite of some - difficulties, more than 7,000 people came to know Christ.

Currently I am on my way to Guatemala. I will meet up with Evie, who flew from Atlanta this morning. We will head to Huehuetenango for the missions conference I requested prayer for. David Andersen and his group from Michigan will join us. We are expecting more than 100 pastors and leaders. The last day of the conference, we are expecting many churches in the area to join us for the great challenge.

We had a great and rewarding time in Agua Dulce with a short-term group from Washington that came during February. They were continuing the building on the medical clinic we have been working on to service the needy in the mountainous area of northwest Guatemala. The group put on a marvelous evangelistic service. The short-termers gave their testimonies in word and music. One of the leaders presented a clear gospel message to 150-200 villagers. Another local group shared as well, and at the end, a group of 40-50 people came forward, some of them receiving Christ for the first time. It was a moving moment.

Working to advance the Gospel,  
Edwin and Evie Martinez

Ministries Focused on Leadership Training  
and Church Multiplication

1. Participants in leadership training ministries: 191,729
2. Church leaders/lay leaders mentored: 3,578
3. Students trained in theological schools: 5,530
4. Churches assisted with growth goals: 1,500
5. Partnership relationships with other organizations: 346
6. OC field publications and Web sites: 17/27
7. Leaders receiving/using the above publications: 74,500  
or Web sites 580,300
8. New books/training videos produced: 73
9. Non-Western missionary agencies started: 12
10. Nationals interested in becoming missionaries: 704
11. New mission programs started in local churches: 38
12. Short-term teams/individuals sent or received: 89/878
13. Missionary children's schools served: 17
14. Number of students in the above schools: 4,544

## GREETINGS FROM THE DILLINGERS (2)

### ***Dani missionaries-***

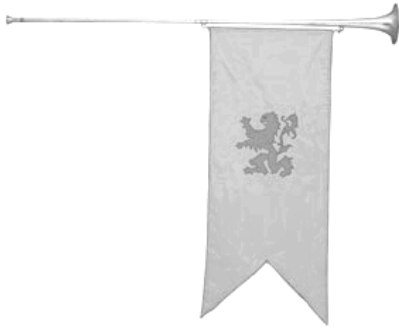
**We** enjoyed having Daritin, a Dani missionary to the Tause people at Derepos at Mulia for a couple of months. We helped with equipment for the next several years, especially a supply of medicines for the missionaries and people they serve. A young Korean linguistic couple is doing a survey of the Tause people. Please *pray* as to whether they will settle in Derepos or in the midst of another group of the same tribe located many miles away. They commented about Daritin, *“There is this nurse who gives medicine to the people. And she is teaching them to read and write.”* There are a few believers but we pray for a real harvest of souls among these people.

Two new unreached people groups offer a challenge to the Dani churches. In March and April, Pastors Arik and Din are leading a group of 11 to reach the Wamu people who have not before been reached with the Gospel. Another outreach involves the Kewu people.

**Medical hydro-electric** system-The turbine housing arrived last September. Hopefully it can be installed by Fenli, a national worker, this spring or summer. Thanks for praying.

**Family Challenges-**It has been two -years - since Neil has had a job in Austin. Please pray as we deal with him that we may have God's wisdom and love and that he ' will respond well. He has had no medical insurance for these two years and that is indeed frightening to us. We pray he will take advantage of a counseling opportunity, take positive steps, and make progress during the immediate future. We are pleased that he attends church services and small group fellowship. For older son Lee, we pray he may feel well enough to go to church and be in a fellowship of God's people. Lisa has been very involved with missions conferences and other activities sponsored by the missions committee. She is putting her overseas experience to good use. Thomas recovered from a fractured wrist and played a policeman raiding a **“Chinese House Church”** meeting during their conference-what a unique idea.

Praise the Lord with us for Leon's continuing health. His PSA remains as low as possible, and we are very grateful to the Lord that the medicine is still effective. In Austin we have once again had the privilege of teaching a one-week segment of Perspectives missions course on the subject, “How shall they hear?” and also took part in a five-day well-planned missions conference at a nearby church. If you want our monthly praise and prayer requests via email please let us know at: [leon.dillinger@crossworld.org](mailto:leon.dillinger@crossworld.org). Thank you so much for your encouragement in ministry challenges through financial and prayer support.



## Announcing ...

Youth Groups are taking a break for the summer. Watch for schedule announcements. Prepare for VBS!

Tuesday is Hagedorn Visitation. See Pastor or Sue Pierman if you have a desire to aid in this ministry.

There is space in the choir for you! Come join the fun!

Your Board of Trustees is committed to utilize Church funds for the furthering of Christ's Kingdom here on earth. They take their calling of responsibility seriously. **Unfortunately the budget is trimmed to the bone this year; offerings are not as expected.** The Trustees are asking you to prayerfully seek God's Guidance with your tithes and offerings.

See Estelle if you can lend a hand in the M.I.K.E. Cares ministry. Our growing outreach needs a boost once in a while. This act of love won't take much of your time but it means a lot to those who benefit. Can you make calls or send some cards? Estelle has a need for you!

The Building Fund Committee is tirelessly working to raise monies for our expansion efforts. They are offering Shop-Rite Grocery Store Gifts cards. See Barbara, Sue, Sherry or Tanya. Have any ideas for them? They are willing to listen!

## JUNE 2007

- TBA BUSY BEES
- June 5 VBS HELPERS MEETING @ 7:30 PM
- 8th BROWERS GOSPEL CONCERT 7 PM  
(Chowder supper at 6)
- \*\*\* FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT \*\*\* WATCH FOR DETAILS
- TBA TRUSTEES MEETING CANCELED FOR THIS MONTH
- 21st THURSDAY NOON GROUP
- 18th COS MEETING at 7PM
- 17th MISSION SUNDAY SCHEDULED
- MORNING STAR CRAFT GROUP EACH TUESDAY
- OLYMPIANS AND TEEN YOUTH AS ANNOUNCED
- WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY at 7 PM ...CHOIR AT 6:30 as announced



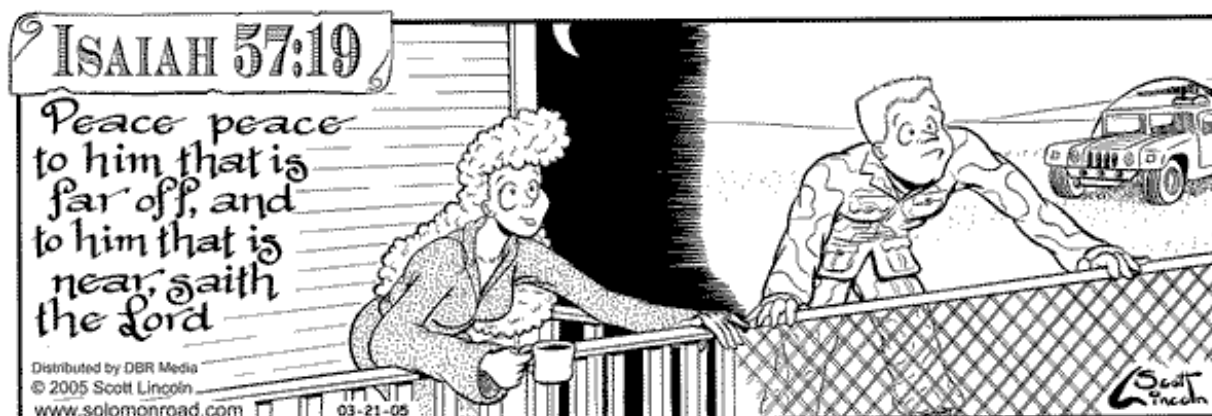
## JULY 2007

- VBS JULY 9-20
- JULY 1 after service: TRUSTEE BBQ. SIGN UP NOW!!!!
- JULY 7 VBS SETUp/CLEANUP 8 AM
- TBA BUSY BEES
- 15th TRUSTEES MEETING in the ANNEX
- TBA THURSDAY NOON GROUP
- TBA COS MEETING
- 17th MISSION SUNDAY SCHEDULED
- MORNING STAR CRAFT GROUP EACH TUESDAY
- OLYMPIANS AND TEEN YOUTH AS ANNOUNCED
- WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY AS ANNOUNCED



You are encouraged to pray daily for the men and women in the Armed Forces. Do not forget our allies.

Also prayer is needed for the families of our warriors. They have to let go of a precious commodity and trust God to keep their loved one safe until it is time to return home.



**ECUMENICAL CITATION RECIPIENTS ARE ANNOUNCED**  
(From the website [brethren.org](http://brethren.org))

(May 14, 2007) -- The Committee on Interchurch Relations has announced the 2007 recipients of its annual Ecumenical Citation. The committee carries a mandate from both the Church of the Brethren Annual Conference and the General Board, and met by telephone conference call on April 3.

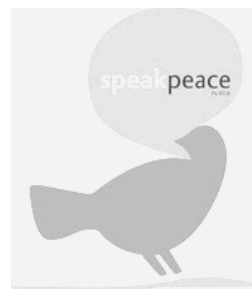
Anna K. Buckhalter has received the individual citation, for her work over many years showing compassion toward people regardless of faith tradition. Westminster (Md.) Church of the Brethren has received the congregational citation, for its expression of Christian compassion toward a Muslim fellowship.

The citations will be presented at the Ecumenical Luncheon at the Church of the Brethren Annual Conference, on Tuesday, July 4, in Cleveland, Ohio. At the luncheon the committee will highlight the recipients' creative, exemplary responses to Christ's call to show love for all people. The featured talk at the Ecumenical Luncheon is titled, "Living Among People of Other Faiths," and will be presented by Paul Numrich, a Church of the Brethren minister and educator.

The committee reviewed an excellent set of nominees for the annual citation, said committee member Robert C. Johansen in his report from the meeting. This year the citation was given for individuals and congregations to share their experiences in ecumenical interfaith peacebuilding. "At a time when tensions have risen between different religious traditions around the world, the Committee has been seeking out those who are bridging the gap between different groups, aiming to be the embodiment of Christ amidst hatred and misunderstanding," Johansen said.

In other business the committee laid plans (without incurring any budgetary expenditure) for sending greetings and, in most cases, a representative of the Church of the Brethren to these other Brethren denominations: Old Brethren, Old German Baptist Brethren, Dunkard Brethren, Conservative Grace Brethren, Fellowship of Grace Brethren, and the Brethren Church. The group also discussed the decision by the General Board to approve the committee's recommendation that the Church of the Brethren join Christian Churches Together in the USA, and received a report that the Church of the Brethren who participated in a recent meeting of the new organization found it to be an inspiring discussion of evangelism and best practices among diverse Christians.

In general secretary Stan Noffsinger's report to the committee, he described extensive activity in peace education and advocacy including the planning for a conference of the historic peace churches, to be held in Asia. The planning group includes Merv Keeney of the General Board staff and Don Miller and Scott Holland of Bethany Theological Seminary. The purpose is to engage church leaders in the region to study and discuss what it means to be a living peace church in today's world, where religious conflict may lead quickly to intolerance and bloodshed.



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## What to Do?



Without playing ‘armchair psychiatrist’ may I suggest “you stop”, “slowdown” or

better yet listen to the words of The Lord:

- Psalm 46:10 “Be still and know that I am God ...”
- 1 Samuel 9:27 “Samuel said to Saul ... but stand thou still for a while that I may show thee the word of God”
- Mark 4:39 “And he (Jesus) arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, peace be still. And the wind ceased and there was a great calm”

When Jesus became crowded in by life and its demands he got away to the sea, the wilderness or the mountains – He paused to experience God’s unchanging hand in creation and in His Word.

In times like these maybe we need to put out schedule on pause once in a while. We need to stand still, speak to God and listen as He speaks to us as we meditate on His Word.



Just take a breath to remember your purpose as a follower of Jesus Christ:

“Only one life will soon be past; only what’s done for Christ will last.”

## **AMWELL CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN COMMUNICATION SERVICES**



Carrying the Gospel as far as the World can Receive It

**We are on the Internet at:**  
[www.amwell.org](http://www.amwell.org)

**The Church of the Brethren Website:**

[www.brethren.org](http://www.brethren.org)

**We also broadcast sermons on:**

WDVR 89.7  
Each Sunday at 7:30 A.M.

We encourage your listening of the Ravi Zacharias radio programs:

**“Let My People Think”**

and

**“Adventures in Odyssey”**

YOUTH UPDATES:

The Youth Groups are taking a summer hiatus. Watch for announcements for Fall Start-up.

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wednesday night bible study will be put on hold for the summer. however there are plans for special speakers, movies and other side trips through the blessed words of God. watch for announcements and details



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WE ARE COLLECTING NEW AND GENTLY USED DVDS AND CDS TO DISTRIBUTE AMONG MILITARY SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN. MORALE IS BOOSTED WHEN THESE FIGHTERS AND PROTECTORS ARE REMEMBERED FROM HOME. PLEASE SEE PATSY FOR MORE INFORMATION. THERE IS A COLLECTION BOX IN THE ANNEX FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE. WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!



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ON HOLD!!! FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT! ON HOLD!!



Started October, the first Friday of each month will be Family Movie Night here at Amwell. Look for announcements. Scheduling conflicts DO occur and changes are often necessary.

Wholesome, classic and inspirational will be the theme every month.



Feel free to invite as many friends as you can! If you need transportation just give a holler to Pastor, Susie, or Barbara. They will see you are chauffeured in comfort from your door to church and back!

# 'TIL WE EAT AGAIN!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE UPCOMING  
FUND-RAISING/EATING EVENTS AT AMWELL



TRUSTEE BBQ LUNCHEON  
after services on sunday JULY 1  
see STEVE for tickets/sign up/sandwich choice  
\$10 adults \$5 Children

CHOWDER WITH THE BROWDERS  
Come for soup and fellowship BEFORE this  
amazing gospel concert  
6 PM for Chowder  
7 PM The BROWDERS IN CONCERT

CAN YOU PROVIDE A NUTRITIOUS SNACK FOR VBS?  
PLEASE SEE BARBARA WALDRON ASAP!!!

DO YOU HAVE NEED FOR A NOTARY?

SISTER SUSIE APGAR IS A NEW JERSEY NOTARY  
AND IS OFFERING HER SERVICES TO THE  
MEMBERS  
OF THE CONGREGATION. SHE IS WILLING TO  
HELP YOU WHEN YOU HAVE A NEED!



## WET PANTS

Come with me to a third grade classroom..... There is a nine-year-old kid sitting at his desk and all of a sudden, there is a puddle between his feet and the front of his pants are wet. He thinks his heart is going to stop because he cannot possibly imagine how this has happened. It's never happened before, and he knows that when the boys find out he will never hear the end of it. When the girls find out, they'll never speak to him again as long as he lives.

The boy believes his heart is going to stop; he puts his head down and prays this prayer, “Dear God, this is an emergency! I need help now! Five minutes from now I'm dead meat.”



He looks up from his prayer and here comes the teacher with a look in her eyes that says he has been discovered.

As the teacher is walking toward him, a classmate named Susie is carrying a goldfish bowl that is filled with water. Susie trips in front of the teacher and inexplicably dumps the bowl of water in the boy's lap.

The boy pretends to be angry, but all the while is saying to himself, “Thank you, Lord! Thank you, Lord!”

Now all of a sudden, instead of being the object of ridicule, the boy is the object of sympathy. The teacher rushes him downstairs and gives him gym shorts to put on while his pants dry out. All the other children are on their hands and knees cleaning up around his desk. The sympathy is wonderful. But as life would have it, the ridicule that should have been his has been transferred to someone else - Susie.

She tries to help, but they tell her to get out. You've done enough, you klutz!“

Finally, at the end of the day, as they are waiting for the bus, the boy walks over to Susie and whispers, ”You did that on purpose, didn't you?“ Susie whispers back, ”I wet my pants once too.“

May God help us see the opportunities that are always around us to do good

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## The Funny Side of Parenting

One mom said, ”I have a daughter who, from the time she could talk, has tried her hand at negotiating with me. Even though my husband and I don't give in to her antics she still continues. She apparently believes that if she can just make me understand her position than I'll gladly change my mind. One day when she was just 2 1/2 years old, after a discipline time, she came to me and said, “Mommy, I've got an idea. How about you don't say no anymore and we'll all be happy.”



# ANNOUNCING VBS!!!

TAKE THE PLUNGE WITH JESUS

TWO WEEKS OF VBS FUN AWAITS  
CHILDREN AGES  
3 TO 18!

THE TRUTH OF JESUS IS TAUGHT  
LOVINGLY AND JOYOUSLY HERE AT  
AMWELL FROM:



**JULY 9-20 (NO WEEKENDS) 9 AM TO 11:45 AM**

TEACHERS AND HELPERS IN ALL AREAS ARE BEING PRAYERFULLY SOUGHT. **IF YOU HAVE ANY TIME TO SPARE, PLEASE SEARCH YOUR HEART AND VOLUNTEER TO BE A PART OF SHOWING JESUS TO CHILDREN.**

AMWELL PROVIDES A SAFE AND NURTURING ENVIRONMENT. THE CHILDREN ARE ENCOURAGED TO LAUGH, SING AND LEARN ABOUT THE LORD.

THIS YEAR'S THEME TAKE THE PLUNGE IS LOOKING TO BE A SILLY AND WET TIME IN THE LORD'S SIGHT.

**STUDENTS MUST BE PRE-ENROLLED.** DEADLINE FOR SIGN-UP IS JUNE 24TH. SEE BARBARA WALDRON FOR APPLICATIONS OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT **WWW.AMWELL.ORG**

**THE CLOSING PROGRAM IS ALWAYS STANDING ROOM ONLY AND PROVES TO BE ENTERTAINING AND ENLIGHTENING.**

**WE HOPE YOU WILL ACCEPT OUR INVITATION TO  
TAKE THE PLUNGE!!!**



## **MEALS ON WHEELS IN HUNTERDON**

“Would you like to do lunch? With Meals on Wheels, that is. Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon has provided “comfort food” to our recipients since 1973; now we'd like you to join us.

If you are over 60, homebound and/or have a disability, Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon can deliver a hot noontime meal Monday through Friday with weekend coverage if needed. Service can be short term until recovery or longer depending on individual needs.

Or - if you are able to - we invite you to join us at one of our Congregate Dining Nutrition Sites around Hunterdon County.

Delicious meals delivered and served by warm and caring volunteers - what could be better? If you or someone you know would benefit from the security and support of home delivered meals or congregate dining, contact Meals on Wheels today. Call (908) 733-8332 for more information”



## BUILDING FUND HEADS UP!

Lots of fun, tasty and important fellowships ahead!  
This is not a complete listing. Watch the Power Point presentations Sunday Morning for updates!

If you have ideas, thoughts or can be an extra pair of hands, please contact  
**Susie Apgar, Barbara Waldron, Sherry Ferello or Tanya Drake.**

Upcoming Events - watch for the dates:

**BUILDING FUND OUTING  
JUNE 16th 8 AM. (CARPOOLING!)  
HAINES & KIBBLEHOUSE TOUR  
ANTIQUE CAR AND TRUCK MUSEUM.  
MANICURED GARDENS TOUR and LUNCH  
\$10 ADULT \$8 CHILDREN 3-10 UNDER 2 FREE**

**WATCH THIS SPACE FOR RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL  
CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR BUS TRIP  
(DETAILS COMING SOON!)**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE CHANGE JAR. WE NEED YOUR SPARE  
CHANGE TO MAKE CHANGE TO OUR BUILDING!**

**The Building Fund Committee is working non-stop to raise important monies for the Church expansion and construction. Please be supportive! They can use your hands, ideas, thoughts and strengths in many ways!**

**SHOP RITE CARDS AVAILABLE FROM THE COMMITTEE!  
THEY MAKE HANDY GIFTS. HELP OUT A FRIEND AND HELP  
THE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE AT THE SAME TIME!**



## HELPING HANDS *A NEW MINISTRY*

Brother Jeff Kiskurno has volunteered to spearhead the latest ministry here at Amwell.  
**HELPING HANDS** is a group of able workers willing to give a helping hand to someone in need.

If you find yourself in a situation where you could use extra help...say you are sick or disabled and you need some light chores or light repairs done, Jeff and committee are the people who can be of service.

There is no need so small that you can not mention it. The most important idea behind this ministry is that all is done to the Glory of The Lord. The second most important idea is that people in need **must speak up!** Jeff and his workers are not mind readers. They are so very ready to help out but they must be informed of the need.

Contact Jeff if there are some chores in your life you can not tackle. God didn't mean for any of us to be alone and there are some hardworking members of the congregation ready to give YOU a **HELPING HAND**. Just ask.



BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE  
ON SUNDAY JUNE 3 (AFTER SERVICES) THERE WILL BE AN  
INFORMAL AND INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR INTERESTED  
MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION.

COME AND HEAR OF THE PLANS AND UPDATES FOR OUR  
BUILDING ENDEAVORS.

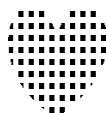
**ABSENCE MAKES THE HEART GROW FONDER**

Please give an update to these addresses

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610-269-7462



**OPAL SMITH**  
Rolling Hills North  
16 Cratetown Road  
Lebanon, NJ 08833



**Barbara Miller**  
Greenbrier Village  
56 Acorn Court. North  
Bath, PA 18014  
Phone: 610-837-8001

**Marge Landis**  
8106 Kensington Drive  
Rowlett, TX 75088



**Please remember those  
who are sick or away at  
college with a card or call!**

**Love from home can make  
a huge difference!**



**Tom & Carol Everett**  
912-920-5021



**CARY, ANN & GLENN PARKS**  
clparks@yahoo.com



**Missionary Outreach**



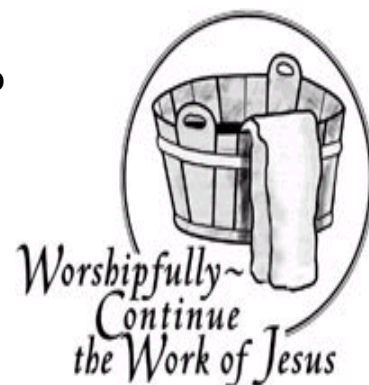
**Amwell Church of the Brethren** supports many Missionaries. Not only do these people and organizations count on our financial support they greatly depend on our prayers and encouragement.

**Please send them a card or letter to let them know you care.**

**Rev. Leon & Lorraine Dillinger**  
C/O UFM International  
Box 306  
Bala-Cynwyd, PA 19004

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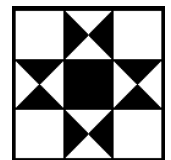
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## A PLEA FROM THE NEWSLETTER STAFF YOU ARE NEEDED

**WHO: YOU!**

**WHAT: CHURCH MINISTRIES**

**WHEN: NOW!**

**WHERE: AT AMWELL, AT HOME AND AT WORK**

**WHY: BECAUSE THE LORD INSTRUCTED YOU!**

**HOW: DIG IN! DO IT! ASK THE PASTOR or THE C.O.S.! OPEN YOUR BIBLE!  
GO TO GOD'S THRONE ON YOUR KNEES!**

You are encouraged to pray for your own family and your Church Family. Start with your Pastor, and include The Deacons, Trustees and COS MEMBERS. Don't forget each member of this congregation. There is much need in our little group... people need help with physical struggles, marital stress, mental and emotional growth. Finances can be overwhelming for some. Others may desire a friend or companion. Some may need a helping hand caring for a family member or a small child. Car or home repairs can be a source of pain for the ill-equipped. Lend a helping hand to your brother or sister. Most needs are never made known. Some people have a hard time bringing their burdens to light. We have a Christian duty to each other to make our needs known AND to be a source of help and inspiration to each other. Do what you can and do what you should!



Christianity asserts that every individual human being is going to live for ever, and this must be either true or false. Now there are a good many things which would not be worth bothering about if I were going to live only seventy years, but which I had better bother about very seriously if I am going to live for ever." --C.S LEWIS

"To be of a peaceable spirit brings peace along with it." --THOMAS WATSON

"In the rush and noise of life, as you have intervals, step home within yourselves and be still. Wait upon God, and feel His good presence; this will carry you evenly through your day's business." --WILLIAM PENN

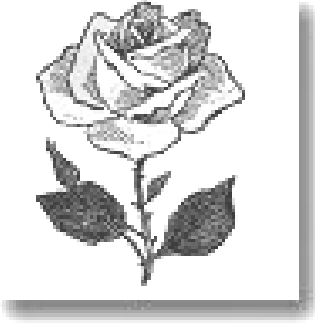


"Trees have their seasons at certain times of the year when they bring forth fruit; but a Christian is for all seasons." --RALPH BROWNING

## JUST A LAST MINUTE THOUGHT...

submitted by JEAN DISALVIO

### ROSE



The first day of school our professor introduced himself and challenged us to get to know someone we didn't already know. I stood up to look around when a gentle hand touched my shoulder.

I turned round to find a wrinkled, little old lady beaming up at me with a smile that lit up her entire being.

She said, "Hi handsome. My name is Rose.

I'm eighty-seven years old. Can I give you a hug?"

I laughed and enthusiastically responded, "Of course you may!" and she gave me a giant squeeze.

"Why are you in college at such a young, innocent age?" I asked.

She jokingly replied, "I'm here to meet a rich husband, get married, and have a couple of kids..."

"No seriously," I asked. I was curious what may have motivated her to be taking on this challenge at her age.

"I always dreamed of having a college education and now I'm getting one!" she told me.

After class we walked to the student union building and shared a chocolate milk shake.

We became instant friends. Every day for the next three months we would leave class together and talk nonstop I was always mesmerized listening to this "time machine" as she shared her wisdom and experience with me.

Over the course of the year, Rose became a campus icon and she easily made friends wherever she went.

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She loved to dress up and she reveled in the attention bestowed upon her from the other students. She was living it up.  
At the end of the semester we invited Rose to speak at our football banquet. I'll never forget what she taught us. She was introduced and stepped up to the podium. As she began to deliver her prepared speech, she dropped her three by five cards on the floor.

Frustrated and a little embarrassed she leaned into the microphone and simply said, "I'm sorry I'm so jittery. I gave up beer for Lent and this whiskey is killing me! I'll never get my speech back in order so let me just tell you what I know."

As we laughed she cleared her throat and began, "We do not stop playing because we are old; we grow old because we stop playing.

There are only four secrets to staying young, being happy, and achieving success. You have to laugh and find humor every day. You've got to have a dream. When you lose your dreams, you die.

We have so many people walking around who are dead and don't even know it!

There is a huge difference between growing older and growing up. If you are nineteen years old and lie in bed for one full year and don't do one productive thing, you will turn twenty years old. If I am eighty-seven years old and stay in bed for a year and never do anything I will turn eighty-eight.

Anybody can grow older. That doesn't take any talent or ability. The idea is to grow up by always finding opportunity in change. Have no regrets. The elderly usually don't have regrets for what we did, but rather for things we did not do. The only people who fear death are those with regrets."

She concluded her speech by courageously singing "The Rose."

She challenged each of us to study the lyrics and live them out in our daily lives.

At the year's end Rose finished the college degree she had begun all those years ago.

One week after graduation Rose died peacefully in her sleep. Over two thousand college students attended her funeral in tribute to the wonderful woman who taught by example that

it's never too late to be all you can possibly be .

