

Lighthouse of Iowa

August-September 2014

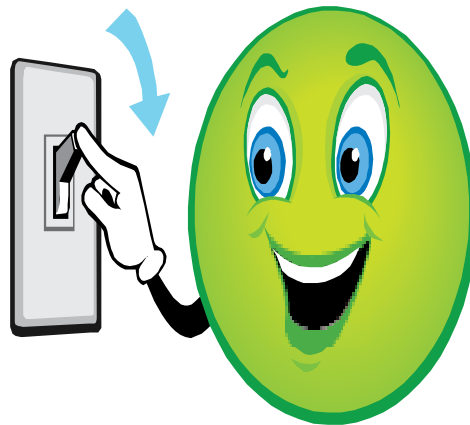
And as you would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.

Luke 6:31

It's easy to fret about people who hurt or fail us. But, oh, the kind and generous people God puts in our path to compensate. And what a joy it is to remember them. For instance, today, coming down to breakfast, I found George beaming as he hung up the phone. "I just called a guy who did me a favor years ago," he announced. And sitting down with his coffee, he explained.

This morning, turning on the lights in the hall, he was reminded of the man who installed them. "His mother was my patient. He claims I saved her life one time when she was ill. Anyway, he was very grateful, and when I needed these lights, he

insisted on doing the job for nothing. He was an excellent electrician, yet he refused to accept a cent. 'Please let me do



this for you, doc,' he said. 'It does my heart good.'

"So turning on the lights this morning, I thanked God for him, and wondered whatever became of him. Out of curiosity, I looked in the phone book and found his name. So I gave him a call. His son answered and seemed so glad to hear my name. He said his dad was in Florida. 'Just tell him I'm reminded of him when-

ever I turn on those beautiful lights.'" George's own face was shining. "Just letting him know does my heart good!"

"Mine, too," I told him. And into my mind drifted a lovely parade of people who'd done kind things for me. The professor in college who invented extra jobs so I could stay in school. A motherly landlady who sent little surprises of food to my room when I was lonely and almost broke. A cab driver that refused a reward for finding my wallet. If only I had their addresses. If only I knew how to reach any of them and let them know I never forgot.

Dear Father, for all those kind and generous folks, bless them, wherever they are. Let them know for me.

---Margery Holmes

Chariton

Meeting times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Location—15th & Roland, Chariton, Iowa
For information call—Albert Schreck, (641)535-2381

Norm Riekens had knee replacement surgery on July 21st and is recovering well at home.

Carl and Evelyn Bennett have a new great-grandson. Isaiah Carl Howard Beebout was born to Aaron and Renae Beebout on July 11th.

Brian, Tammy, and Ethan Schreck were able to attend the two-week meeting and very much appreciated the efforts of all the teachers and the Pleasant Hill congregation.

September Birthday

29 – Carol Smead 

September Annisersary


6 – Brian & Tammy Schreck

Dean Avenue

Meeting times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.
Location—2907 Dean Ave., Des Moines, Iowa
For information call—John McNeece, (515)263-9428 or Don Warren, (515)967-5650

Peter Hawthorne continues to slowly improve and is able to attend services some.

Donna Meek is back at the Fleur Heights Center. She is very weak, but does appreciate phone calls. Her number is 515-669-3186. Her daughter, Cathy James, asks for prayers for her comfort.

Pam Climpson is receiving physical therapy to try and help the migraine headaches she has had since her head injury at work.

Roberta Milinsky, Marla and Kara Feters, and Alissa and Caden Garbi traveled to Wichita, Kansas, for a reunion with Texas relatives.

Risa and Skip Schamel vacationed in Tennessee.

Frances Hawthorne traveled to Missouri for a family reunion.

David, Marla, and Kara Feters, and Alissa, Jude, and Caden Garbi vacationed in Minnesota.

Greg, Linda, Travis, and Shawn Head visited the Minnesota State Fair.

Roberta Milinsky is vacationing in London, England.

Keith Feters, David's father, has been doing poorly with urinary tract infections, falls, and a worsening of dementia. Because he needs more care, they are moving him to a nursing home in Osceola, Iowa.

Visitors: John Chapman,

Terry and Kim Lanc, Ray and Caroline Camp, Jake McClung, Jamie and Grayson Plummer, Reese Weatherman, Josie Patterson, Jake McNeece and friend Caroline, Aiden and Colton Boozell, the Horn family from Newton, Maddie Done, Sierra and Morgan Coe, Kamryn Aswegan, and Alissa, Jude, and Caden Garbi.

Ill: Donna Meek, Margaret Warren, Pam Climpson, and Mary Lou Allen.

September Annisersaries

2 – Greg & Linda Head 

4 – Chad & Amy Prenosil

Fairview

Meeting time—Sundays: 10:00 a.m.

Location—22nd & Orange St., Clarinda, Iowa

For information call—Richard Negley, (712)542-3728 or Marvin Negley, (712)542-2972

Visitors this month have been: Tom and Cheryl Valeika of Fordland, Missouri; Tom and Marilyn Allen of Nixa, Missouri; Mary Swisher Smith and her two grandchildren, Aubrie and Alec, of Maryville, Missouri; Paul and Dasha Negley, and daughters, Timber and Minka, of Urbandale, Iowa.

Congratulations go out to Justin Head who graduated

this month, from Northwest Missouri State University at Maryville, Missouri. Justin received his Bachelor's Degree in Animal Agriculture. Best wishes and good luck to Justin! We are proud of him! Yeah!!

Tracy Robinson and Will Crum have both moved and are now settled at Iowa State University; they are juniors.

September Birthdays

- 22 – Amy Mays
- 24 – Tammie Driftmier
- 28 – Amy Schmidt



Martensdale

Meeting Times—Sundays: 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.

Location—10985 44th Lane, Prole, Iowa (1.5 miles east of Martensdale, Iowa on Hwy. 92)

For information call—Duane Proudfit, (515)961-4470 or Mike Penick, (515)989-4165

We are praising God that on August 6th, Bethany Phillips accepted Jesus as her Savior and was baptized by her grandfather, Duane Proudfit! Bethany is the daughter of Dave and Christy Henderson.



Malachi Kenneth arrived August 25th. He weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20.75 inches long. He was welcomed by Zachary and Jenna Wheeler. Grandparents are Allen and Teresa Bown; great-grandparents are Bob and Marge Flack and Fred and Marlene Bown. Everyone is doing well. Zach and Jenna had recently moved to a new home in Indianola. Their address is 304 N. H St., Indianola, IA 50125.

We were blessed to have Tom and LuAnn Woody worship with us July 27th. Tom gave our morning exhortation.

We continue to be blessed with visitors on a regular basis. They have included Stephanie, Ada, and Allie Stephens; Tom and Dianne Collier; Bill, Wendy, Hannah, and Zech Hounsom; Pam Deckler's grandchildren, Maddy and Luke; Allen and Lisa Williams; Rodney and Alena Ingle and their children; Cindy, Daniel, and David Stanley; Bill and Marilyn Ford; Hannah Clevenger; Nick and Maddy Hermon; Ryan Zinnell; Mike George; and Brian Salgado.

September Birthdays

- 5—Pam Deckler
- 9 – Brenda Bown
- 17—Zach Wheeler
- 28 – Dick Bown



September Anniversaries

- 24 – Mike & Tracy Penick




Pleasant Hill

Meeting Times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.

Location—5091 E. University, Pleasant Hill, Iowa ♦ Website: pleasanthillchurchofchrist.org

For information call—Bob Flack, (515)262-7329; Lowell Hermon, (515)989-0727; or Mike Warner, (515)967-4529.

Thanks to everyone who attended the two-week study. We had a good turn out and wonderful lessons. The angels were rejoicing during the second week as we had TEN BAPTISMS! Our congratulations to all of the young men and ladies. We especially rejoice at Pleasant Hill for Nathan Williamson and Nick Hermon. Congratulations to these people also: Cara Martin, Arianna Luckett, Leah Schreck, Camryn Brigham, Bethany Phillips, Ava Anderson, John Shelton, and Jackson Brigham.

 Ryan and Tricia Baird and Reece welcomed a baby girl into their home. Hadley was born August 14th. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Tim and Tammy Brady, and great-grandparents are Larry and Bev Brady.

Visitors: Spencer Miller and family, Amy Reeves, and Alan and Shonya Klein and family.

Illnesses: Linda Oldham, Bruce Harvey, Denise Drake, Marge Flack, Suzanne Harvey, Don Burkman, Doug Bown, and Jason Brady. Bob Flack had an

ablation in June and is feeling much better. Margaret Franklin has had carpal tunnel surgery on both wrists. Kinnick Ingle had his tonsils and adenoids out and is doing fine. Randy Ingle was sick. Rena Rae Christian fell, and she is at home. Bob Flack has had pneumonia. Bev Hayes has had pain in her neck and back area. Wanda Burkman has had allergies and sinus trouble.

Travelers: Betty and Tyler Curtis were visiting in the Kansas City area. Dan and Amy Pritchard and family visited with Dan's family in Fort Dodge. Larry, Bev, Mike, Cindy, Josh, Ava, Eden, Tim, Tammy, and Tyler Brady vacationed in Branson, Missouri. Ryan, Jamie, and Elijah Ingle vacationed in Florida. Keith and Connie Price and Chip and Jennifer Albright were in Minnesota attending the Price reunion. Nathan Williamson, Megan Stevens, and Madison Hermon attended a meeting at Lone Jack. Brandon Ingle was visiting in Indiana. Chip and Jennifer Albright and girls were in Kansas City to celebrate his grandmother's birthday. Nick

and Maddie Hermon worshiped at the Martensdale congregation.

Our fall outing will be September 28th at Jester Park Shelter #2. All congregations are invited. Bring hot dogs for your family and a finger food to share.

September Birthdays

- 2 – Pam Sorenson
- 6 – Keith Price
- 13 – Niko Felice
- 23 – Shea Hermon
- 28 – Theresa Ingle



September Anniversaries



- 1 – Tim & Tammy Brady
- 4 – Marc & Ginger Hermon
- 10 – Larry & Bev Brady
- 11 – Mike & Karole Turner
- 12 – Mike & Cindy Brady
- 15 – Marty & Lisa Williamson
- 29 – Ron & Mary Gearhart
- 29 – Steve & Pat Thompson



Vandalia

Meeting Times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:30 p.m.
 Location—2.5 miles east of Runnells, Iowa on F70, then 1 mile north on 131st St.
 Website: vandaliacoc.com

For information call—Greg Ingle, (515)994-2824 or Charles Ingle, (515)966-2537

July News—

Devon and Erin Ingle and Emma, and Greg and Margaret Ingle spent some time at Clear Lake.

Jason and Staci Miller and Allison visited family in Carrollton, Missouri.

A baby shower was held for Matt and Dawn Mikus while they were here from Qatar.

Jason and Autumn Dowdy and children; Jason Henle and children; Rodney and Alena Ingle and children, and Valerie Burkman were visitors.

James and Laura Dowdy visited family in Indiana.

Charles and Angie Ingle, Charity and Lucas enjoyed a vacation in Washington, D.C.

Derek Ingle was on a business trip in Salt Lake City, Utah.

A baby shower was given for James and Laura Dowdy.

We sang with the residents in Mitchellville Care Center recently.

August News—

Among our visitors were: Jason Henle and children, Rachel, Jessie, Abbie, and Brett; Mike and Kathryn Manning from California;

Valerie Burkman; Denise Drake; Kevin Waits; and Vanessa Groves. Also, Charles and Sue Fry from California were visitors and Charles delivered the Sunday morning message.

Justin and Brittney Dowdy and Carson visited family in Indiana.

The Alan Klein family worshiped with the congregation in Memphis, Missouri.

We sang with the residents at Altoona Nursing & Rehab center recently.

Casady Cummings participated in the Jasper County 4-H Fair. She placed 2nd in the Pony Trail Jr. Ride, and was involved in five other horse events where she won ribbons. She received a blue ribbon in the Outdoor Adventures category, and other ribbons for the Horticulture & Visual Arts category. Congratulations Casady!

Doug Fiorentin and Trent spent a weekend in Indianapolis.

Briana Klein spent a week in Colorado.

Cheyenne Goode has moved back to college where she is now

a senior at Grand View University.

Several of our members had the opportunity to attend many of the day and evening sessions during the two-week meeting held at the Pleasant Hill Church of Christ. We appreciate all the effort that went into the planning of this annual event.

Dale Van Maanen, husband of Dorothy, continues to have problems with getting rid of the infection that delays the re-installation of the hip joint. While he waits, he is at the Altoona Nursing & Rehab Center.

September Birthdays

- 2 – Casady Cummings
- 8 – Charity Ingle
- 12 – Cameron Burkman
- 14 – Lisa Fiorentin
- 28 – Brighton Ingle
- 30 – Kiana Klein



September Anniversaries

- 12 – Alan & Shonya Klein
- 20 – Bob & Tonya Guthrie
- 24 – Dale & Dorothy Van Maanen



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