



# Lighthouse of Iowa

August 2010

*For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. Heb. 10:36*

We were driving through the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge in southwestern Oklahoma. My friend Ginny was at the wheel; I was the navigator, with a road map spread across my lap. Though we still had a few more hours of daylight, I was anxious to get to the next big town where we planned to find a motel, go for a swim and have a good dinner.

"Let's not take too long going through this park," I said. No sooner were the words uttered, then we rounded a bend in the road and got caught in a jam—a bison jam! There they stood, about forty huge black beasts, most of them standing still right in the center of the road.

At first I was entranced. *Soon they'll move*, I figured. But they didn't. They just stared belligerently at us. "Honk the horn," I ordered. Ginny did. One cow moved, but not as we hoped. Instead, she went down on her knees, folded her hind legs under her massive body, and settled down for a rest. I became more and more exasperated.

We discussed trying to go up onto the grass and drive around the animals. But the slope was much too steep. "No use fussing and fuming," Ginny said. "There's nothing to do but be patient and wait."



So that's what we did. We settled down. We studied the animals. We admired the scenery. We talked about the wonders of God's creations. Finally, after about fifteen minutes "Belligerent" (as we had named her) rose up and moved over to the side of the road. Other bison followed, leaving enough room for us to drive past.

Today, back in the concrete city, whenever I get impatient about temporary roadblocks in my job or in my private life, I remember those bison. It's God's way of telling me, "Stop fussing and fuming. Be patient. Take time to look around and admire the wonders of My world."

*Dear Lord, patience is such a difficult virtue. Help me to practice it.* Eleanor Sass

## SUNSHINY

Have you ever had your day suddenly turn sunshiny because of a cheerful word? Have you ever wondered if this could be the same world, because someone had been unexpectedly kind to you? You can make today the same for somebody. It is only a question of a little imagination, a little time and trouble. Think now, "What can I do today to make someone happy?"—old persons, children, servants—even a bone for a dog, or sugar for the bird! Why not?—  
Babcock

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**LABOR DAY**  
**WEEKEND MEETING**

**AT PLEASANT HILL**  
**SEPTEMBER 4 & 5**  
**SATURDAY: 3:00 P.M. &**  
**6:30 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY: 9:30 A.M.,**  
**2:00 P.M. & 5:30 P.M.**  
**MEALS SERVED BETWEEN**  
**SERVICES EACH DAY.**  
**BREAKFAST MONDAY SEPT. 7**

For housing, call:  
Shirley Warner at 515-967-4529 or send  
an e-mail to: warnersm@msn.com

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# Chariton

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

Location—15th & Roland, Chariton, Iowa

For information call—Clarence Van Egdome, (641)932-5686 or Albert Schreck, (641)535-2381

In June, Clarence and Deloris Van Egdome went traveling and saw sights in South Dakota, Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming, and Montana, Idaho and Colorado. They even saw snow in Montana! They also visited Clarence's brother, Larry and wife Judy in Colorado.

Bruce, Sue, and Leah Schreck, and Teresa, Jared, and Vanessa Groves visited Albert and Jeanette Schreck in June.

Clarence and Deloris Van

Egdome had several visitors on Father's Day. They were Keith and Denise Van Egdome, Megan and Riley; Kellie Van Egdome and John; and Carol and John Wayne Smead.

Carl Bennett's sister, Doris, visited with Carl and Evelyn for a few days in June.

Clarence and Deloris Van Egdome attended Clarence's 63<sup>rd</sup> class reunion in Lynnville on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

Several of our members attended the two-week Bible

Study, and are very appreciative of the Vandalia congregation's efforts.

Brian and Tammy Schreck and family attended a family reunion in Kansas City on August 7<sup>th</sup>.

<b>August Birthdays</b>	
4 – Deloris Van Egdome	
14 – Carl Bennett	


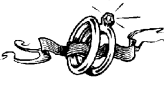
# Dean Avenue

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

No news this month.

 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>August Birthdays</b></p> <p>2 – Shirley McNeece 4 – Glenn Meacham 18 – Maxine Phipps 18 – Ron Sharp</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>August Anniversaries</b></p>  <p>7 – Peter &amp; Frances Hawthorne 9 – Don &amp; Cathy James 25 – John &amp; Donna McNeece</p>
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# 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

Elsie Negley moved from Ehler House to Westridge Quality Care & Rehab on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Her address is: 600 Manor Drive, Clarinda, Iowa 51632. On July 21<sup>st</sup>, she had

carpal tunnel surgery, and on July 29<sup>th</sup>, she celebrated her 99<sup>th</sup> birthday!

Darlene Marsh was transferred from Nebraska Medical Center to the hospital

in Shenandoah, Iowa; she was in the swing bed unit to gain strength and for rehab. On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, she moved into Westridge facility. Complications

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# Fairview

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came about on August 6<sup>th</sup>, and she returned to Nebraska Medical Center for more care and to continue with her dialysis schedule.

Molly Gilmore and three daughters have joined us for some services this summer.

On July 17<sup>th</sup>, we joined a group of about 30 at Nodaway Valley Park for an evening together. Grilling and boiling of sweet corn, plus homemade ice cream were the highlights, with other good food and fellowship. The group is part of the Iowa Traveling Bible Study and we

were so pleased they came to Page County to spend time with us! Most were from Martensdale, but other congregations were represented as well. On Sunday morning they conducted the church services. The two speakers were Zack Wheeler and Clint Sparks. They spoke on "Judgment" and "Bitterness." Other visitors with us were: Mike and Shirley Warner; Paul Negley; Mary Swisher Smith and two grandchildren. Dinner was served following the services in the morning. A few days later, we were so sad to learn of the death of Clint Sparks. He had

touched so many people in his short nineteen years of life. We extend sincere sympathy to his family and friends.

Scherry Larranago of Las Vegas, New Mexico, joined us for church services. She was in the area for a family reunion.

## August Birthdays

6 – Andy Rine

6 – Jewell Warner

21 – Bobbie Swisher



## August Anniversaries

17 – Neil & Becky McCoy



# Martensdale

Meeting Times—Sundays: 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:30 p.m.

Location—439 Hwy. 92 (1.5 miles east of Martensdale, Iowa)

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

Al and Marlene Bown; Dave and Christy Henderson, Cassidy and Bethany; and Teresa, Kyle, and Jordan Bown attended the Midwest Bible Campout in Eminence, Missouri.

Jordan Bown spent a week with Bryan and Jennifer Bown and family and attended the Vacation Bible School at the Excelsior Springs, Missouri congregation.

Mike and Tracy Penick are going to be grandparents, Lord willing! Their daughter Stephanie and her husband, Kyle Stephens, are expecting their first baby in February. Congratulations to all!

Drew Teghtmeyer and

Courtney Penick announced their engagement! They are making plans to be married next May. We are very happy for them!

Some of Pam Deckler's grandchildren have been spending time with her and they attended services while visiting Pam.

Allen and Teresa Bown traveled with the ITBS when they camped at Clarinda, Iowa, and met with the Fairview congregation. It was a great time of fellowship and worship with the congregation there.

Most of us were able to attend some of the two-week Bible Study hosted by the Vandalia congregation. It was a

very edifying two weeks and we're thankful to the group at Vandalia for organizing it.

Dick and Phyllis Bown; Duane and Mary Proudfit; Dave and Christy Henderson, Bethany and Cassidy attended the Baxter family reunion in Blue Springs, Missouri, over the August 7-8 weekend.

Kyle and Stephanie Stephens were in the area visiting the Penick family and they worshiped with us August 8<sup>th</sup>. Kyle gave the morning exhortation.

## August Birthdays

18 – Mike Penick

23 – Duane Proudfit



# 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

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

Thanks to Vandalia for hosting the two-week study. Many of us attended; it was very edifying and we enjoyed much fellowship.

Those attending the camp-out at Eminence were: Bruce and Suzanne Harvey; Marc and Ginger Hermon and family; Rodney and Alena Ingle; Joyce Ingle; Brandon Ingle; Cheree Stump; Justin Stevens; Paul, Michele, and Ryan Zinnel; Denise Drake and boys; Nathan Williamson; and Brady George. All arrived home safely.

Ron and Barb Albright, and Betty Hixon were visiting with Chip and Jennifer Albright and family.

Rena Rae Christian was in the hospital.

Linda Oldham went to Oklahoma for a niece's funeral.

Conor Sherman has visited. Sheado Ferry from Nebraska was visiting.

Larry Brady was in the hospital for a couple of days and had some tests.

Many were at Clarinda for the ITBS.

The Brand children went to Branson with grandparents. The Brand family went to Minnesota for vacation.

Carroll Warren had a pacemaker put in. He is doing well.

Ryan, Jamie and Elijah Ingle have now moved into their home in Bondurant. Jamie's parents visited and helped them move.

Larry, Bev, Mike, Cindy, Cody, Joshua, Ava, Tim, and Tyler Brady spent some time in Branson on vacation.

**WANTED:** Young people interested in a cooking school to learn the fundamentals and economics of cooking in your own kitchen. No charge. If you are interested please call (515) 402-5763 or (515)967-3710, or write Nora Lee Ingle at 10760 N.E. 82<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Mitchellville, Iowa 50169. Classes will start after Labor Day.

## August Birthdays



- 4 – Carson George
- 6 – Marilyn McClurg
- 9 – Suzanne Harvey
- 11 – Dani Brand
- 12 – Elijah Ingle
- 13 – Madison Hermon
- 14 – Troy Brand
- 17 – Tim Harvey
- 25 – Cody Brady
- 25 – Jack Flickinger
- 26 – Amy Pritchard

## August Anniversaries



- 14 – Josh & Erica Conner
- 15 – Troy & Dani Brand
- 18 – Keith & Connie Price
- 19 – Dave & Joyce Ingle
- 25 – Paul & Michele Zinnel

## Iowa Traveling Bible Study

**The August study will be Aug. 21 at Paul & Michelle Zinnel's**

**Sept. 11 study: Campout @ Chariton**

Please check with hostess to see if she would like you to bring any food.

If you have any questions, call Rodney Ingle at 515-669-0365.



# 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 131<sup>st</sup> St.  
 For information call—Greg Ingle, (515)994-2824 or Charles Ingle, (515)966-2537

The 50<sup>th</sup> annual two-week Bible Study has now concluded with an abundance of wonderful memories, and we were pleased beyond measure for the opportunity to host this year. We are richly blessed with many capable teachers who taught us in a variety of subjects throughout the time we had. The evening sessions were most informative, and the times spent in fellowship and recreation were enjoyed by many also. Recordings of the classes and sermons will be available; if you are interested, e-mail us at vandaliacoc@gmail.com and we will contact you.

It was nice to have Eldon Cox from the Nixa, Missouri congregation as our speaker on Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. Eldon had attended the two-week study and was asked to stay over and speak for us.

We enjoyed spending time with Linda Christianson during the two-week study. She was a member for many years and recently moved to Texas.

Recent visitors were Jason and Staci Miller, and Jason's parents and sister from Carrollton, Missouri. Elliott DeBlieck, a friend of Cheyenne Goode;

and Brody Thompson, nephew of Kelsey Knight, were also visiting.

Brittney Dowdy spent a few days in Indiana with relatives recently.

Trent Fiorentin attended the annual church campout at Eminence, Missouri.

Devon and Erin Ingle spent a week at Clear Lake. Tim and Melody Burkman and sons also vacationed in Clear Lake.

We were pleased to have Clifford Duckstein worship with us on July 4<sup>th</sup>. He has since fallen and broke his hip, requiring surgery. He is recovering well at the care center.

Rachel Daugherty has had a series of problems lately. She had a heart attack, then she fell while in the hospital. This resulted in a head injury, requiring surgery. Following surgery, she had a stroke which has affected the left side of her body. She is now at the Altoona Nursing and Rehab center and is slowly improving. Please pray for her.

Bruce Fiorentin and Devon Ingle have both recently accepted jobs at John Deere in Ankeny. Congratulations!

## 60th Anniversary Open House

for Marwin & Melda  
Ingle

Sunday, August 15

3:00-5:00 p.m.

at Vandalia Church of  
Christ building

(No gifts please.)

## August Birthdays

7 – Clifford Duckstein

13 – Ruth Schell

14 – Justin Dowdy

15 – Benjamin Patterson

25 – Trent Fiorentin



## August Anniversaries

5 – Derek & Amy Ingle

14 – Tim & Melody Burkman

19 – Marvin & Melda Ingle

23 – Clifford & Bobbi Duckstein



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