

JUNE 5, 2011

RAMBLINGS

--By Roger

Our thanks to **Barry Warden** and our young men for leading our worship last Sunday evening. God willing the next opportunity for them to lead our worship will be July 31. **Harry Ogletree** has agreed to be our speaker then.

Our *2011 Summer Series* got underway last week. Our speaker this Wednesday will be **Tim Hatfield** from the *New Philadelphia* congregation. His message is entitled: *The Promise of Faithfulness - Heaven*. I know you will want to hear what he has to say on this important subject. I also want to encourage you to invite others to attend with you.

God willing, this Wednesday I will be with the North End congregation to kick off their *Summer Series*. **Randy** will be at Camden Avenue on the 15th for their *Summer Series*, and I will be at Pennsboro on the 22nd for their *Series*.

Don't forget our graduate reception will be this evening following our evening assembly. I hope you will make a special effort to be here to honor our graduates.

Our *Vacation Bible School* is rapidly approaching. The dates are July 11-15. If you would like to assist with VBS, please see **Craig Woods**. I'm sure he has something for you to do.

God willing, our annual church picnic will be August 13 at the park in Devola. Everyone in the congregation is encouraged to attend. If possible, plan your schedule so that you will be home that weekend and can participate in the activities of the day. You will be glad you did.

If you would like to help with the *Washington County Right to Life Signature Ad Billboard*, please see **Dorothy Wilkinson**.

JUNE 12, 2011

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--By Roger

Our *Summer Series* speaker this Wednesday will be **Frank Higginbotham** from the church in Chester, WV. His message is entitled: *Christians Are Better Citizens and Friends*. I know you will want to hear what he has to say on this important subject. I also want to encourage you to invite others to attend with you.

This Wednesday **Randy** will be at Camden Avenue for their *Summer Series*. For those of you who may not know, Camden Avenue was **Suzanne's** home congregation. Her grandfather and father both served as elders there for many years.

Our special congratulations to **Leah Baker** and the *Fort Frye Lady Cadets Softball Team*. Team accomplishments this season included: a record of 22-5, runner-up OVAC, PVC Champs, Sectional Champs, District Champs, and Semi-finalist in the Regional. **Leah** was selected for the OVAC All Star Team, 1st Team All OVAC (OH & WV), and All League PVC. Way to go, **Leah!**

As I mentioned last week, it is again time for the *Washington County Right to Life Signature Ad Billboard*. The cost is five dollars per line or ten dollars per family (for any number of names). A pro-life message will be displayed on two bill-boards, one in Belpre and the other here in Marietta. Also, the names of supporters who give their consent will be included on the *Washington County Right to Life* website. Please see **Norm** or **Dorothy Wilkinson** if you want to be a part of this good cause.

Our congratulations to our 2011 graduates, and thanks to all of you who attended the graduate reception last Sunday evening. We had an excellent turnout. Please keep our graduates in your prayers as they begin a new phase in their lives.

JUNE 19, 2011

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Our *Summer Series* speaker this Wednesday will be **Charles Aebi** from the Barlow - Vincent congregation. His message is entitled: *The Joy of Christian Fellowship*. I know you will want to hear what he has to say on this important subject. I also want to encourage you to invite others to attend with you.

This Wednesday I will be with the church in Pennsboro, WV for their *Summer Series*. **Terry Jones** is the preacher there, and God willing, he will be with us for our *Summer Series* on July 20.

I want to remind you again that we are scheduled to host the services at the *Marietta Center* each Sunday afternoon in July. Those services begin at 2:00 and conclude promptly at 2:30. Your participation would be greatly appreciated.

This is the last day to contribute to the *Washington County Right to Life Signature Ad Billboard*. Please see **Norm** or **Dorothy Wilkinson** if you want to be a part of this good cause.

We mentioned last week that we had received word from **Bonthu** that his wife, **Mary**, was hospitalized as a result of a stroke. They have requested that we remember her in our prayers.

We welcome our senior campers back today. Junior week of *Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp* gets underway this afternoon. Intermediate week will begin next Sunday afternoon. Please keep the staff and campers in your prayers.

JUNE 26, 2011

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Our *Summer Series* song leader for our first *Summer Series Sing* will be John **Ackerman** from the Somerton congregation. **John** was with us last year, and did an excellent job. I'm sure you will appreciate his abilities again this year.

God willing, next Sunday afternoon we will host the services at the *Marietta Center*. Your participation would be greatly appreciated.

We welcome our junior week campers back today. Intermediate week of *Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp* gets underway this afternoon.

Just as a reminder, our *2011 Vacation Bible School* will be July 11-15. I hope you will make a special effort to have your youngsters here, and encourage their friends to attend with them. If you would like to help with VBS, please see **Craig Woods**.

The schedule for the *2011 Friday Night Sings* is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you would like your own copy of the schedule, you may pick one up in the office.

Thanks to all of you who helped with supplies for *Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp*, and for *Potter Children's Home*. Your generosity was greatly appreciated.