

Serving This Week:

Sunday Morning

Announcements: Brian Horner
Song Leader: Kyle Richardson
Opening Prayer: Ken Grandstaff
Lord's Supper

Presiding: Brian Horner
Serving: Howell Todd
Ken Grandstaff

Preaching: Brian Horner
Closing Prayer: Dan Smith

Sunday Evening

Opening Prayer: Howell Todd
Preaching: Brian Horner
Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer: Kyle Richardson
Devotional: Brian Horner
Closing Prayer: Howell Todd

Serving Next Sunday:

Lord's Supper: Dan Smith
Preaching: Howell Todd
Opening Prayer: Howell Todd
Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

To all our visitors - Welcome!
We hope you will come back
and worship with us soon!

TEAM MEETINGS

Correspondence - Sunday evenings
after worship see Kyle Richardson.

Visitation/Bible Study - For
assignments see Brian Horner.

Member Care - Regarding Member
needs contact Kyle Richardson.

Flower Request - Please call Lynda
Ann Sparkman: 444.0938(h) 587.8187(c)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Game Night!

Friday, August 24 at 7:00 PM.
Food, Fun, and Fellowship!

Men's Business Meeting:

Tonight after worship.

Our Gospel Meeting!

Sep 16-18 with Fred Rhodes. Be
inviting your friends and family!

***"Sing to the LORD, bless his
name; tell of his salvation
from day to day. Declare his
glory among the nations, his
marvelous works among all
the peoples! "***

Psalm 96:2-3

God's Plan of Salvation

Hear the Word
(Rom 10:17)

Believe in Jesus
(John 8:24)

Repent of your sins
(Luke 13:3)

Confess faith in Christ
(Rom 10:10)

Be Baptized for forgiveness of sins
(Acts 2:38)

Live **Faithfully**
(1 Cor. 15:58)

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Sunday Bible Study: 10 AM
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 PM
Wed Bible Study: 7 PM

COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP

Report from Richardson Missions

Leaving from Kansas City we met up with the team in Houston, Tx. From there we flew into the capital of San Jose. One team member was arriving the next day so we had a few hours Sat. morning. A volcano was close to us and we drove up to see it. Walking up to the rim and looking down was very exciting. It was foggy at first but cleared several times so we could see the gases rising from the center. After picking up Loyda we traveled on to Tilaran that day.

Tilaran: We began the campaign there of door knocking, preaching, teaching classes, and V.B.S. in the afternoon. It is a beautiful small town in the mountains with showers every day and a temp of 85 or so. Much better than what our home in Lamoni was dealing with of over 100 every day. There were two baptisms in Tilaran with over 100 attending the V.B.S. every day. This year we had seven on our team who could speak Spanish so our children were divided into 4 classes. That helped some having up to 30 in a class. They were well behaved and paid close attention. The ladies fixed our two main meals per day. The normal meal would be rice, beans, or spaghetti with hot dogs or chicken.

Canas: The next Friday we worked in Canas with the same schedule. This is a town 20 minutes away from Tilaran to which we drove to every morning. Ten degrees hotter with little breeze. A larger congregation there with hard working members. We had three baptisms there. One lady had been bringing her child to V.B.S. and then attended the ladies class held on Sun. afternoon. She was asked to be baptized and then was studied with to make sure she understood. While door knocking the Howler monkeys were in the trees.

San Jose Upala: About 2 miles from the Nicaragua border with 80 percent Nicaraguans and most cannot read. They are VERY peaceful, kind, and open to study the Bible. It looks a lot like jungle here and is very humid. The people are very poor but welcomed us in. The church here is hard working with 70 members on Sunday. But a lot live 2 hours from the building so cannot come more often. Being a small town some

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of us teachers expected 30 or so kids for the V.B.S. Not so. Up to 85 children came. The meeting at night was standing room also. More than 10 visitors each night. It was not unusual to have a Bible study with several houses in a row.

There are so many details we have to leave out with a written report but so many things happened which touches your heart. In the preschool class so many mothers came and stayed with their children that after one day an adult class was formed along with a teenager class. One day 37 were in the elementary class and while teaching they were all very quiet and listened well. We have a request to come back to work on their building which we would like to do. They need the walls extended and a new roof. This congregation is very active in the community. We had door knocking everyday during heat and in Upala it was pouring down rain all morning which did not hinder the work.

There is much preparation going into each mission trip. Diane made over 1,000 copies for her classes this trip and used most of them. Granddaughter Taylor crochet yards of hair for the Samson puppets which saved lots of time! Sandy, a friend at church helped me with the booklets for the feeding of the 5,000 lesson! We are so thankful for all the blessings. We carry in one full suitcase of supplies like markers, crayons, glue, paper, and scissors which our supporting congregation supplies!

There were 83 Bible studies conducted in these two weeks. We had early and long days, moving lots of luggage to three different areas but it is so encouraging. It is wonderful to experience the love the brethren there have. We appreciate your sacrifice to help us go. If you would like a presentation on this work please let us know.

Michael and Diane Richardson

This Week's Bible Trivia:

Q - What is the longest chapter in the Bible?

Check back next week for the answer!

Last Week's Trivia:

Q - Who buried Moses?

A - God. Deut. 34:6

(last week's Riddle answer: "Othniel")

Daily Bible Reading

Day	Scripture
Sunday (<i>Epistles</i>)	1 Timothy 1-3
Monday (<i>The Law</i>)	Numbers 1-4
Tuesday (<i>History</i>)	1 Chronicles 5-9
Wednesday (<i>Psalms</i>)	Psalms 96-98
Thursday (<i>Poetry</i>)	Proverbs 17-18
Friday (<i>Prophecy</i>)	Daniel 7-12
Saturday (<i>Gospels</i>)	John 5-6

Are We Too Busy To Watch For Jesus?

A man walked into a doctor's office early in the morning. He knew that there would be a long wait, so he came prepared with a book to read. After a long time of reading, a nurse came up and tapped him on the shoulder, saying, "Sir, its 5:00, we are closing now." "What?!" the man said, "I've been here since 8:30 this morning and my name has yet to be called!" The nurse asked, "What is your name?" He told her his name and she checked her log and responded, "Sir, we called your name five times and you never answered." The man was so busy reading that he didn't pay attention to listen for his name.

Perhaps, we have become so busy in our family life, our work life, our recreation life, and even in our church life, that we fail to anticipate the one true event that makes everything else worthwhile- Jesus' second coming. Christ is coming again. Do you talk about it with your friends? Do you hope for it? Do you pray about it? I suggest to you that most of us don't think enough about it. We busy our lives with life, to the point that we pay little if any attention to the one who can make a greater life at His coming. To heed the words of Jesus would be beneficial to us all: "Be on the alert."

"But of that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone...What I say to you I say to all, Be on the alert!" (Mark 13:32, 37)

Jason Hart, Lewisburg, TN

Remember in Prayer

Shut Ins:

Vallie Andrews
Fannie Bell Warren
Janelle Arrington

Others:

Hollis Cluck
Vickie Wade - cancer
Muril Todd
Karen Hudson - cancer
Christy Garrett
The Bryan Family
Annie and JW Smith
Margie Taylor
Priscilla and Patrick Graves
Jessica Richardson
Dan Smith
Diane Grandstaff and family
William Wells - *inoperable condition*
Joe Allen
Linda Kay Edwards - *surgery recovery*
Dylan Speck - *kidney problems*
Haily Speck - *melanoma*
Edna Forbes
Janice Garrett
Carol Goins - *Mary L.'s sister*

Please call to inform us of News items or Prayer Requests: Kyle Richardson (495-7106) Dorothy Jean Smith (444-5437)

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

Matthew 6:33

August Birthdays:

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