

Bloomer Baptist Church To Know Christ and Make Him Known

Pastor's Portion

May flowers, graduations, Mother's Day and Memorial Day make for a busy month. I am going to deviate from the norm of a Bible lesson and delve into organization. There is a young couple getting married this month and I was counseling them in a couple of areas recently. The counseling episode got me to thinking of the importance of organization in family life—personal life. The following list comes from my experience. It is not infallible but a starting point to encourage you to set your house in order.

Set up a file system. At church I have 14 drawers filled with filed important papers and articles. This is not what I am referring to. This file system is for your home. I would suggest a 2 drawer file. Put manila folders for the following topics. (I like to use 3 cut folders). The left cut is major categories such as: a. Correspondence, b. Legal papers, c. Finances, d. Medical, e. Pet care, f. Insurance, etc. Here is how it would look taking one of the above categories—Finances:

FINANCES

BUDGET

EXPENSES

BANK STATEMENTS

CAR

CONTRIBUTIONS

VISA (I staple all receipts paid to the back of the monthly statement)

UTILITIES

INCOME

WILLS

- **READ YOUR MAIL ONCE.** Once you have a place to put things decide you will open mail and read it once. Bills to be paid I put on a spindle. Correspondence that needs to be answered I put in a file so named. Correspondence that you want to keep, say from Grandma, put it in the correspondence folder marked: Grandma. Putting it in a place to be retrieved saves a lot of time in searching.
- **DEVELOP A HOME HABIT.** So much time is lost looking for keys, checkbook, glasses, & billfold. I suggest you develop the habit of a home for your checkbook, keys, etc. Make a conscious effort of returning an object to its home base after use. Yes, it will take a few steps to get it back. But it will save minutes later searching for the item.
- **BUILD A MITTEN CUBBY HOLE.** Years ago we visited a family in the church and they had an old chicken cubby hole "nesting bin" near the door to put mittens in. I went out, bought some pine boards and made chicken nesting bins that is in the closet by the coats. Each child was suppose to put their mittens in their designated bin. Thus a lot of time was saved as we ran out the door in a panic—the mittens were right there.
- **DECIDE WHO IS PAYING THE BILLS.** While it is important the couple knows what is going on—I think one person should be designated to pay the monthly bills. Then after the bill is paid it goes in the file of receipts.
- **GET A LOCK BOX**. Above in the file system I mentioned setting up manila file folders. Important papers should be put in a fire proof lock box at your home. This box should contain: Wills, passwords, car titles, insurance papers, and house legal documents.

I am not a neat freak, just look at my office and you will say amen. I share these organizational thoughts to lower frustration levels. 1 Corinthians 14:33 is addressing spiritual gifts but there can be an application to home organization: "For God is not a God of disorder but of peace."

If you have organization tips, send them to me. I will pass them along.

-Pastor Eldon Carlson

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"For God is not a God of disorder but of peace."

1 Corinthians
14:33

Sunday School

Sunday School has been going well. Here are 2nd quarter awards, Sept, Oct and Nov. With perfect attendance and receiving a "Snow Amazing" chocolate Hug were Christian Lundgren, Leif Lundgren, Fisher Beal, Jenna Bronstad, Adele Lundgren, Ellie Shoebridge, Lincoln Beal, Connor Fossum, Alek Lundgren, Will Shoebridge, Neveah Beal, Jonathon Fossum, Shania Bronstad Caleb Gotham and Scott Culver. Perfect memory, Lillianna Culver, Julie Chojnacki, Gabe Brindle, Christian Lundgren and Joshua Durham, Logan Hammond, Fisher Beal, Olivia Culver, Madison Bowe, Whitney Gotham, Leif Lundgren, Jenna Bronstad, Adele Lundgren, Ellie Shoebridge, Lincoln Beal, Connor Fossum, Will Shoebridge, Neveah Beal, Alek Lundgren, and Shania Bronstad. They received a "You set the Bar for everyone else" granola bar.

We are almost done with Sunday School for the year. Awards will be on June 4th during the Sunday School time. Please join us in celebrating the accomplishments of our youth.

The following Sunday will start our summer program with 1 adult class lead by Pastor Eldon and 1 youth class. If you would like to be a part and help out, please contact Pastor, Sue or Julia.

Coached By Christ

CBC has wrapped up for the year and what a great year it has been. We finished April off with the store and the last night of club on April 5th and the kids had a great time picking out just what they wanted. Awards Night brought out family and friends and was a great time of fellowship and celebrating all the accomplishments. We finished with the book finishers outing and 30 plus clubbers and their family. We can't express how grateful we are to all the leaders, listeners, parents and prayer warriors, without which CBC would not exist. Thank you for your service!

73 different clubbers came to CBC this year and memorized and completed nearly 2200 sections. 32 of the clubbers completed 33 books during the year and earned the right to go to the book finishers outing. Book finishers were: Panda I – Quinn Jones; Panda II – Christian Lundgren and Lucas Wundrow; Panda III and Panda 3 book finisher – Christian Lundgren; JV Minor – Gabe Brindle, Elise Wendlandt, TJ Freeberg, Harper Malison, Julie Chojnacki, Keaton Jones and Lilli Culver; JV Major - Jorgan Freeberg; JV All Star and JV 3 book finishers - Fisher Beal, Logan Hammond & Olivia Culver; Recruit - Leif Lundgren, Kai Harder, Madison Bowe, Corbin Brindle, FisherBeal, & Kendra Malison; Rookie – Adele Lundgren, Lincoln Beal, Gracie Culver, Elliot Harder, Christopher Culver, and Faith Bowe; Varsity and 3 book finisher - Seraph Hansen and Noah Brindle; Collegiate __ Ellie Shoebridge & Alek Lundgren.; Ambassodor Award, 12 book finishers were Echo Hansen, Will Shoebridge and Connor Fossum. Clubbers of the year for Panda's were 3rd place with 46 sections done, Lucas Wundrow, 2nd place with 68 sections, Quinn Jones and in 1st place completing 83 sections, Christian Lundgren. Junior Varsity 2nd place tie with 90 sections each were Gabe Brindle & Harper Nelson and completing 133 sections, in 1st place was Keaton Jones. With 43 sections completed for Varsity 3rd place Clubber of the year Adele Lundgren, 2nd place with 47 sections was Echo Hansen and 1st place with 77 sections was Ellie Shoebridge.

We hope you have a wonderful summer and look forward to starting CBC up again in September.

-The Fossum's

Sr. High Youth Group

Hi Church Family!

Amanda and I are very grateful for all of your support and encouragement since we announced that I'm heading off to school in the Fall. Thank you especially to everyone who has expressed an interest in helping with the youth in one way or another. What I would like to do is cast a vision for the youth ministry, and from there see where everyone with a passion for the youth can fit into that vision and keep that going. I know so many out there have gifts, talents, and passions for different things, and I know there's room for everyone interested in volunteering. If you are interested in helping with the youth in any way, could you please let me know? On a different note, we're preparing for something a little different this year with our talent show. We'll have it on May 6th, but instead of a silent auction, we're going to do a thrift sale. If anyone has any items they'd like to sell or donate at a community thrift sale to benefit our summer mission trip, please let me know. Thanks!

Yours in Christ,

Pat Conlin



Youth Missions Trip to Cleveland, OH

July 7th - 15th

Parents encourage your kids to participate in the upcoming fundraisers

Jr. Hi Youth Group

Jr. Hi meets on Wednesday's from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Children's Church

5/7 - Culver

5/14 - Bruxvoort

5/21 - Brindle

5/28 - Bowe

May Weekly Cleaning

5/4 - Shoebridge & Buteyn

5/11 - Barr

5/18 - C. Culver & Z. Gotham

5/25 - Jacobson

Nursery

5/7 - Jones/Crowell

5/14 - Brindle/Lundgren

5/21 - Engstrom/Fossum

5/28 - Beal/Carlson

Men's Renewal Breakfast at Main St. Café



Saturday, May 13th at 8:00 a.m.

\$7 buffet

Ladies of all ages are invited to

**Bloomer Baptist Church's Annual Spring Tea



Bloomer Baptist Church

2620 Duncan Rd Bloomer 715-568-1979

Friday May 12th 7:00 PM

Special Guest Speaker Robin Hart



Pulpit Committee Update

The pulpit committee is now advertising for the Senior Pastor position through a few sources and should be receiving resumes by the first of May. Please continue to pray for the pulpit committee and BBC.

During the SS hour, we will have adult doctrine class and children will have music, games & Bible stories.

SINKS

Monthly Potluck will be Saturday, May 6th at 5:00 p.m. at BBC

Mother's Day Roses and WI Right to Life

We will once again be supporting WI Right to Life by selling Mother's Day roses. Sign up to reserve yours now in the Fireside Room. Roses are \$2 each and can be paid for when picked up on Mother's Day, May 14th.

Dick & Robin Hart will be visiting in May!

May 8th to 14th - Missionaries Dick & Robin Hart from Jordan will be with us

Wednesday, May 10th - 6:30 p.m. Social Gathering

Friday, May 12th - 7:00 p.m. Robin speaks @ Ladies Tea

Saturday, May 13th - 8:00 a.m. Dick speaks @ Men's Renewal

Sunday, May 14th - 8:30/10:45 Dick speaks @ Services

Daily Bible Reading by Genre

5/1- Exodus 17-20

5/2 - II Samuel 5-9

5/3 - Psalms 51-53

5/4 - Job 35-36

5/5 - Jeremiah 27-31

5/6 - II Corinthians 4-5

5/7 - Luke 1-2

5/8 - Exodus 21-24

5/9 - II Samuel 10-14

5/10 - Psalms 54-56

5/11 - Job 37-38

5/12 - Jeremiah 32-36

5/13 - II Corinthians 6-8

5/14 - Luke 3-4

5/15 - Exodus 25-28

5/16 - II Samuel 15-19

5/17 - Psalms 57-59

5/18 - Job 39-40

5/19 - Jeremiah 37-41

5/20 - II Corinthians 9-10

5/21 - Luke 5-6

5/22 - Exodus 29-32

5/23 - II Samuel 20-24

5/24 - Psalms 60-62

5/25 - Job 41-42

5/26 - Jeremiah 42-46

5/27 - II Corinthians 11-13

5/28 - Luke 7-8

5/29 - Exodus 33-36

5/30 - I Kings 1-4

5/31 - Psalms 63-65

