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Passing on the Faith ***“Building Strong Children and Student Ministries”***

Paul often stated, “I passed on to you what I had received from the Lord...” He mentions teachings—1 Corinthians 11:1-3; Holy Eucharist—1 Corinthians 11:23; Being a Witness of the Resurrection—1 Corinthians 15:3; Oral and Written Teachings—2 Thessalonians 2:15 and others.

Our call as followers of Jesus is to “Go and make disciples of all nations.” This call from God starts at home by passing on the faith to our children. Our fourth “Core Value” listed on the back of the Sunday Bulletin each week states:

“Building Strong Children and Student Ministries”

One aspect of answering this call has already begun. We have had several faithful “Servants of Christ Jesus” who have been teaching our children faithfully since we left our building to become an Anglican congregation. Please join me in thanking them: Anne Horan, Elizabeth Simmons, Sara Maneval, Susan Maupin, Yvette Snowhill and others.

Please join me also in thanking those who have been working with our Junior and Senior High Students: Dick and Nancy Davenport, Ed and Sharon Figueroa, Alison Williams, our recently dearly departed brother, Bob Millen, and others.

Most recently we have hired Carrie Jones to be our new Children and Student Minister. She brings a fresh new enthusiasm to our children and student ministry. Carrie cannot do this ministry alone. Our children need all of us to support them in various ways. We need several teachers for our classes. Rather than calling on some to teach for a year, we believe the Lord is calling us to a “New Vision” for our children’s care.

Teams serving for a ONE MONTH TERM would allow many of us to teach or assist without burdening the few who have been serving. If asked, please consider serving on a ONE MONTH TEACHING TEAM. Spend time in prayer asking the Lord about your part in our children’s spiritual education and formation. It is going to take all of us to fulfill our call to:

“Build Strong Children and Student Ministries”

It is our vision to make this call our #1 priority. With God all things are possible. Let’s all participate in not only fulfilling our fourth Core Value, but passing on the faith to our children.

Faithfully yours,
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For Missions

by June Hines

Transformation Anglican Church supports several members of Wycliffe Bible Translators. I would like to share some crucial thoughts from **Coleen Starwalt** concerning her work with Wycliffe and SIL (Summer Institute of Linguistics).

Although her linguistic related research in phonetics and phonology does not present a direct line to Bible translation, and most importantly, the finished product of a Bible, Coleen as a member points to the fact that SIL does much more than translate the Bible. That is certainly a primary goal, but SIL also has a core value of serving communities, their language development goals, as well as the academic community. The more she publishes and the higher the quality of her work, the higher the esteem her organization will enjoy within the academic community.

Coleen shares, “We are very hated among certain segments because of our Christian goals. But we are also very loved among other segments because of the wealth of information which we make available

concerning the languages and cultures of little known ethnic groups. It is a great privilege to be a Christian and a scientist in an age where most academics do not believe that you can be a scientist and a Christian at the same time.

“My prayer as a Christian is that my work will be scholarly and as such bring glory to God. As a believing academic, I also pray that my work will be scholarly so that it will bring light to others concerning how language works.”

I am so glad that our church has the vision to support Coleen in her calling.

Sue McLain sends “Warm greetings in Jesus’ Mighty Name.” She reports: “The Lord is always at work in our lives, some lessons needing more work than others. Right now He is teaching me to trust Him in ways I have never trusted before. As a faith missionary, I thought that I had learned the lesson of trusting Him for my financial needs. Well, in these tough economic times, I am learning new depths of trusting Him to provide for me. And what is even better, He is teaching me that what He really wants is for me to trust Him to care for my heart. This is a deeper and more encompassing lesson on trust that He is walking me through. I am excited to be on this journey.

“Can I ask you to pray with me as I walk down this path of trusting Him to care for my heart? Included in that care is

trusting Him to provide my financial needs, but even deeper is letting Him have free reign with my heart, knowing that whatever the circumstances, His Name remains Faithful and True."

A nice surprise for us: We will get to hear first hand about Sue's new ministry of walking with and providing training for our persecuted brothers and sisters around the world because she will be staying with our community for a few days beginning November 13th. Look for her in church on the 16th and then enjoy a visit with her in your home group.

Cate Burnett reminds us to pray for peace in Chad, especially during this dry season. "On November 9th I'll have been in (and out) of Chad for one year. Praise God for all the lessons he taught me and for the lessons yet to come."

Continue to pray for **Alan, DeEtte, Caleb, Peter** and **Kate Starr** as they adjust to living permanently in the United States and as they seek how to serve with Wycliffe in the United States.

Kathleen Kepley sends greetings from Wycliffe in Horsleys Green, England. She is studying in Wycliffe's European Training Program taking the literacy tract until December 7th in preparation to return to Chad.



"Apostolic WhaaT???" asked my country cousin from Sunnyvale. We're relaxing with our pipes outside my gazebo home at Chandler's Landing

Yacht Club, as boats of all sizes go by. "Podnah," he continues. "I've never had

anyone say as they laid hands on me for prayer, 'These hands are passing down the same Holy Spirit power that pairs of holy hands have passed on for centuries, one to another, one to another.' **And** this laying on can be traced all the way back to a pair of hands of one of the friends of Jesus? Come on, now!"

"Yet," I assure Roy, "That is what *apostolic succession* means. This term denotes the teaching that authority in the church has been transmitted by ordination and the laying on of hands beginning with the apostles and continuing all the way down to present day bishops and priests. A current bishop can chart his lineage back in an unbroken chain to one of the apostles. Transformation Anglican Church today is in direct continuity with that one, holy, catholic, and (I say with emphasis) apostolic church that Jesus founded. The most holy responsibility of our Bishop, Philip Jones, is to ensure that the faith taught today is the faith of the New Testament church. He inherits from the apostles the transmission of the Holy Spirit which empowers him for the performance of his work.

"Before the end of the first century Clement of Rome, one of the Apostolic Fathers, strongly emphasized this fact: the succession of ministry goes from Christ to the apostles. The Church Fathers who were links in that chain of succession also regularly appealed to apostolic succession as a test for who had the correct doctrine. Among those godly men are Ireneus (A.D. 189), Tertullian (A.D. 200), Cyprian of Carthage (A.D. 253), Jerome (A.D. 396) and Augustine (A.D. 397)."

"But hey, Benie, where do you see all this in the Bible?"

"In John 15:16 Christ sets in place the Twelve, and in Acts 1:26 the bishopric (Greek word *episkopen*) is given to Matthias in the replacing of Judas. The ordination of presbyters (who are later called priests) can be seen when the apostles Paul and Barnabas appointed or literally "elected by stretching forth the hand" men as leaders in the new churches. In Titus 1:5 Paul tells Titus to appoint presbyters who will hold fast the faithful word as he has been taught. Also Timothy, the Bishop of Ephesus, and Titus, traditionally the Bishop of Crete, are clearly seen as part of a separate order from that of the presbyter. (See 1 Timothy 5:17-22 and Titus 1:5).

"Perhaps the strongest early reference outside the New Testament to the presence of these ministries is from a writing of Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch who lived from 67-107. He writes to the church at Philadelphia that 'Christians (are) at one with the bishop and the presbyters and the deacons...'

"So you see, Cousin, as Paul tells Timothy in 2 Timothy 2:2, this laying on of hands is the historical way to commit to faithful men the things heard from the apostles and, in the power of the Spirit, to teach these orthodox truths to others down through the ages. Three bishops consecrate another bishop, two bishops consecrate a priest, and our bishop consecrates us at confirmation by ..."

Roy interrupts, "I know, by the laying on of hands! I'd like to see this ancient practice, Benie my cous."

"You will, I reply, "when Thom McGee is ordained a priest in just about five months from now."

"Can't wait," he says with a twirl of his whiskers and a puffah on his pipe.

Who Are Those Guys Anyway???

Barbara and John Shaver are very proud of their son (and our friend) **Sean** who has graduated from "boot camp" eighth in his class of 400. Sean received his first promotion to E2 and moves on to Fort Gordon, Georgia, where he will be training in the area of communications.

Please pray for Sean and Krystle Morrow as they plan a December wedding. You can meet Krystle and the other member of Sean's new family, three year old Gavin, at church.

Another current prayer request is for **Bryan McLane** who has arrived in Iraq and for Fr. Don, Glenna and Bryan's wife, Lisa, as they adjust to his being there.

THE OSL CORNER

By Sharon Parker

The next Order of St. Luke monthly brunch will be held Saturday, November 15, 10:00 a.m., at the home of Dennis and Debbie Pendergrass, 201 Ripplewood Drive, Mesquite. All members and those who are interested in OSL are invited to attend. We start with the brunch, present a teaching and then are dismissed about 12:30 p.m

Bob and Terri Thompson, along with Larry and Susan Maupin, are organizing a new small group for the OSL classes. This will be study of the healings of Jesus and is a requirement for becoming a member of OSL. If you think the Lord is calling you to the healing ministry, or if

you just want to learn more about healing, please call Daymon Schulgen at 972-442-2474.

The following is a testimony of healing from Glenda Lafrenz. We all join her in celebrating:

"I give thanks and praise to my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for healing. I am in remission of a cancer that metastasized to both lungs. A mass in the left lung paralyzed the left vocal cord and speech became very difficult. I finished chemo in June, and then had a CT Scan in July which showed no cancer in my body. My voice has now been restored. PRAISE GOD!! My thanks and gratitude, also, to the Transformation Anglican Church—the OSL prayer teams and the congregation for their prayers."

If you have a Praise Report, please send it to me: Sharon Parker at shparker@swbell.net or you can call me at 972-524-9381.

The Order of St. Luke the Physician is an inter-denominational, international ministry for healing of body, mind and spirit.

Thank You!!

*To all my dear brothers and sisters,
Thank you for praying for me when I was in the hospital and during the days after the break-in at my house. God is faithful and I was not harmed in any way. I have moved and my new address/phone are: 805 La Prada #153, Garland, TX 75043, 972-681-2373. Patsy Dial*

Don't forget your weekly food donations for Helping Hands.



NOVEMBER, 2008

1 B Samuel Thomas	16 B Shannon Champe
2	17
3	18
4 B Sandi Stolar	19
5	20
6 B Ann Woods	21
7	22
8 B Marge Sherman	23 B Jennifer Horan
9 B Seath Carr Sara Maneval	24
10	25
11 B Fr Don McLane Elizabeth Simmons Don Smith	26 A Rick & Sara Maneval
12	27 B Hal Hines
13 B Barbara Shaver	28 B Jack Hesseltine
14 B Tina Gwinn	28 B Rick Maneval
15	30

**Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost
November 2, 2008**

PROPERS

OT Micah 3:5-12
Psalm 43
NT 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13, 17-20
Gospel Matthew 23:1-12

**10:00 a.m. SERVICE
LAY SERVERS**

Capt/CB Bob Sylvia
OT/CB Dawn Hall
PS/CB Bill Schulgen
NT/CB Myra Lenoir
PP Christy Hopkins

ACOLYTES

AA1 Pete Howk
AA2 Benjamin Craddock

PRAYER MINISTERS

Larry Maupin* Susan Maupin
 Sue Griffin Jane Whiffen

USHERS

Will Parker* Samuel Thomas
 Arvo Mallay Joy Eapen
 Robert Sharp
 Guest Reception Team

Set Up:
Prayer: Sue Griffin
Name Tags: Glenda Lafrenz
 Debra Williams
Parking Lot: Paul Stolar
 Larry Maupin
Valet: Mara McGee
 Mark Dillow
 John Shaver
Greeters: Terri Thompson
 Sandi Stolar
Guest Hosts: Jay & Kay Minton
 Larry & Susan Maupin

**Twenty-sixth Sunday After Pentecost
November 9, 2008**

PROPERS

Epistle Amos 5:18-24
Psalm 70
NT 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel Matthew 25:1-13

10:00 a.m. SERVICE

LAY SERVERS

Capt/NT/CB Bill Thorogood
OT/CB Hal Hines
PS Sharon Barnett
PP/CB Dan Hampton
CB Ken Craddock

ACOLYTES

AA1 Nanette Thomas
AA2 Samuel Thomas

PRAYER MINISTERS

Bill Schulgen* Daymon Schulgen
 Sharon Parker Dawn Hall

USHERS

Ed Figueroa* Chad Simmons
 Samuel Figueroa Jacob Figueroa
 Shannon Champe
 Guest Reception Team

Set Up: Ed Figueroa
 Sam Figueroa
 Jacob Figueroa
Prayer:
Name Tags: Barbara Shaver
Parking Lot:
Valet: Rick Maneval
 Scott Williams
Greeters: Sara Maneval
 Ann Smith
Guest Hosts:

**Twenty-seventh Sunday after
Pentecost
November 16, 2008**

PROPERS

OT Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
Psalm 90:1-8,12
NT 1 Thessalonians 5:1-10
Gospel Matthew 25:14-15, 19-29

10:00 a.m. SERVICE

LAY SERVERS

Capt/CB Hal Hines
OT/CB Vonciel Hickman
PS/CB Debbie Sharp
NT Tim Sharp
PP/CB June Hines

ACOLYTES

AA1 Pete Howk
AA2 Jean Howk

PRAYER MINISTERS

**Jay Minton* Jeannie Filson
Ann Smith Coleen Starwalt**

USHERS

**Rick Maneval* Minella Thomas
Robert Sharp Shannon Champe**

Guest Reception Team

Set Up: Dick Davenport
 James Blevins
Prayer: James Blevins
Name Tags:
Parking Lot:
Valet: Matt Hill
Greeters: Elaine Smith
 Donna Miller
Guest Hosts: Dick & Nancy Davenport
 Bob & Cheryl Sylvia

**Last Sunday after Pentecost:
Christ the King
November 23, 2008**

PROPERS

OT Ezekiel 34:11-17
Psalm 95:1-7
NT 1 Corinthians 15:20-48
Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

10:00 a.m. SERVICE

LAY SERVERS

Capt/OT/CB Joy Eapen
PS/CB Glenna McLane
NT/CB Bill Thorogood
PP Sam Figueroa
CB Mark Dillow

ACOLYTES

AA1 June Hines
AA2 Nathan Figueroa

PRAYER MINISTERS

**John Shaver* Barbara Shaver
Debbie Pendergrass Holly Lawler**

USHERS

**Scott Williams* Virgil Sunday
Zach Williams Fred McGee
Chad Simmons**

Guest Reception Team

Set Up: James Blevins
Prayer: Nancy Simmons
 Bill Croll
Name Tags: Martha Farjardo
Parking Lot:
Valet: Pete Howk
Greeters: Robin Campbell
 Jean Howk
Guest Hosts: Dawn Hall
 Jeanne Filson

**First Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2008**

PROPERS

OT **Isaiah 64:1-9a**
Psalm **80:1-7**
NT **1 Corinthians 1:1-9**
Gospel **Mark 13:33-37**

10:00 a.m. SERVICE

LAY SERVERS

Capt/PS/CB **Bob Sylvia**
OT/CB **Bill Schulgen**
NT/CB **Vonciel Hickman**
PP/CB **Joy Eapen**

ACOLYTES

AA1 **Pete Howk**
AA2 **Samuel Thomas**

PRAYER MINISTERS

Bob Sylvia* Debbie Sharp
Bill Schulgen Daymon Schulgen

USHERS

Scott Williams* Virgil Sunday
Zach Williams Fred McGee
Chad Simmons

Guest Reception Team

Set Up: **Dick Davenport**
 James Blevins
Prayer: **James Blevins**
Name Tags:
Parking Lot:
Valet: **Matt Hill**
Greeters: **Elaine Smith**
 Donna Miller
Guest Hosts: **Dick & Nancy Davenport**
 Bob & Cheryl Sylvia

**Attendance/Giving
September, 2008**

Date	Attendance	Giving
Sept 7, 2008	137	\$ 6,113.15
Sept 14, 2008	101	3,371.85
Sept 21, 2008	129	5,990.25
Sept 28, 2008	155	4,858.11

**Transformation Through
Faith Campaign**

Total Receipts as of September 30, 2008	Monthly Offering for September, 2008
\$193,035.43	\$5,457.68

Transformation Anglican Church

N O V E M B E R, 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 7:30am Men of the Church Fellowship/Bible Study
2 9am Bible Study, all ages 10am Worship Noon Big Mac Class 6:00pm Student Ministry Bible Study	3 3pm Intercessory Prayer	4	5 Fall Connection	6 6:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal	7	8 7:30am Men of the Church Fellowship/Bible Study
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