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PASTOR KENT EATON JULY 2010 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

This Sunday, July 4, we as a nation will celebrate the signing and ratification of the Declaration of Independence by our founding fathers. Patriotic pride rises in my soul as I read this historical document that states 'enough is enough', we are ready to govern and lead ourselves as a nation. Then in clear terms, our U.S. representatives place the name of God directly in the document and refer to God as "Creator" and "Supreme Judge", all in capital letters indicating Almighty God as personal and in authority.

Therefore, it is shocking to me to see and hear current leaders state that we are not a Christian nation, or they are leading our children to believe that God has no place in our society, community or government. For Pete's sake, God established and honors governing authorities, and they likewise *should* honor Him as the Supreme Authority.

Romans 13:1 says, "*Let every person be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God*" That says it all. We can in no way afford to make an attempt to disregard our allegiance to a Holy God and His Son Jesus Christ.

I applaud the foresight of our founding U.S. representatives that state in the Declaration of Independence, "*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness*". My friend God is the giver of Life. He is the One who breathed the breath of life into your very nostrils the day you were born. If you have accepted the Lord in your life as Savior, you truly know Liberty-freedom, and if Christ has made you free, you are free indeed! Each day of life that the Lord gives you and I, we can pursue the joy and Happiness that He intends for us to know. By the way, your happiness multiplies when you give some away to somebody else.

Then, if that wasn't enough they close Declaration of Independence with "*...we appeal to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions...*" We need to be reminded frequently that God is the Supreme Judge and we will be held accountable for our words and actions whether we are a leading official or a regular citizen. *Then they conclude with,...* "*and for the support of this Declaration with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence...*". I believe we are still being protected by the Divine Providential hand of God in our nation, and I will gladly tell that to my children this 4th of July, will you?

God bless, Pastor Kent

"We at Second Baptist Church exist to honor God by leading people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ"



**PRAISE
IN THE PARK**
Keyes City Park
SATURDAY JULY 31
STARTS AT 4:30 pm
 games—food
 and
 music
 fellowship



This month; **Dry Beans**

On Sunday, June 27, the church family celebrated their 59th year with the annual homecoming. The celebration started with the 10:30 am service, followed by a dinner and at 1:30 pm the afternoon service began. The newly formed church praise band provided the music with testimonies by the congregation.

The praise band as of this time is unnamed but Pastor Kent called them the “Local Talent Praise Band”. Performing in the “Local Talent Praise Band” were church members Jessica Krongos, singer, Kevin Krongos, guitar and singer, Nathan Jackson, guitar and key board, Hank Fulk, guitar and singer, Luke Eaton on the drums and with guests Becca Goetz, singer and flutist and Steve Goetz, on the sound board.

The morning service had two specials. Hank Fulk, Nathan Jackson and Luke Eaton singing “Amazing Grace” and Jessica Krongos singing “Temporary Home”.



Saddle up for VBS 2010 where kids will be ridin’ the range and roundin’ up questions like: “What is God’s plan for me?” and “How can I be like Jesus?” At the end of the day, they’ll discover that God’s Word has all the answers.
 Roundin’ Up Questions, Drivin’ Home Answers

VBS-----AUGUST 2—6 6 pm—8:30 pm

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"What we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. But if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin."
1 John 1:3,7

“BIRTHDAYS AND BIBLE VERSES”

(A Bible verse for your birthday)

July 02-**SHELBY TILLEY** *Proverbs 7:2 NIV*

Keep my commands and you will live; guard my teachings as the apple of your eye.

July 06-**HELEN LOUISE ROSS** *Romans 7:6 NIV*

But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.

July 12-**JAYCCI WOODSIDE** *Revelation 7:12 NIV*

saying: “Amen! Praise and glory and *wisdom* and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!”

July 15-**EILEEN JACKSON** *Matthew 7:15 NIV*

“Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves.

July 22-**CECILE MELVIN** *Romans 7:22 NIV*

For in my inner being I delight in God's law;

July 23-**TAMI ALVIS** *Corinthians 7:23 NIV*

You were bought at a price; do not become slaves of men.

July 25-**CHUCK FLEMING** *Hebrews 7:25 NIV*

Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

Many great men and women have looked at the scriptures for inspiration and guidance. Abraham Lincoln believed that “*the Bible is the best gift God has ever given to men. All the good from the Savior of the world is communicated to us through this book.*”

Napoleon wrote, “*The Bible is no mere book, but a Living Creature, with a power that conquers all that opposes it.*”

And George Washington said, “*It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible.*”

*Celebrating an
Anniversary*



“HAPPY ANNIVERSARY”

July 04- **MIKE and BONNIE ALVIS**

July 16-**RICHARD and LADON CHAPPELL**

*Celebrating an
Anniversary*



The Sacred Tree

He taught them,
loved them, and
showed his grace.
the thorny crown
made blood run
down his tired
and bruised face.
They cursed him,
mocked him,
spat in his face,
anything to bring the Son of God disgrace. So they nailed him to that sacred
tree, where he hung, and, bled, and died there for you and me. For every
sin, on him was laid, but he endured them all, for our sake. He cried out to
his father, but his father paid no mind. It must have been agony for God,
to watch Jesus die.
Jesus died a
horrible death, and
was put inside
a tomb. Mary
cried and mourned
for him, for this
was a deep wound.
Three days passed
and all was silent,
until that day,
the ground was
violent. The earth
shook, the stone
rolled away, and
Jesus rose up
from the grave!
So before you
curse, or use
him in vain
remember that
he set you free,
because he
died, upon that
sacred tree.

by Catherine Sharp submitted by Carolyn Baker

The Declaration of Independence

By Washington Irving

While danger was gathering round New York, and its inhabitants were in mute suspense and fearful anticipations, the General Congress at Philadelphia was discussing, with closed doors, what John Adams pronounced, "The greatest question ever debated in America, and as great as ever was or will be debated among men." The result was, a resolution passed unanimously on the 2nd of July - "that these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States."

"The 2nd of July," adds the same patriot statesman, "will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to Almighty God. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forth forevermore."

The glorious event has, indeed, given rise to an annual jubilee - but not on the day designated by Adams. The FOURTH of July is the day of national rejoicing, for on that day the "Declaration of Independence," that solemn and sublime document, was adopted.

Tradition gives a dramatic effect to its announcement. It was known to be under discussion, but the closed doors of Congress excluded the populace. They awaited, in throngs, an appointed signal. In the steeple of the State House was a bell, imported twenty-three years previously from London by the Provincial Assembly of Pennsylvania. It bore the portentous text from Scripture: "Proclaim Liberty throughout all the land, unto all the inhabitants thereof." A joyous peal from that bell gave notice that the bill had been passed. It was the knell of British domination.

“ANNOUNCEMENTS”

July 04—INDEPENDENCE DAY
July 04---10:30 am Lord’s Supper
July 08---7 pm Prayer and Business Mtg
July 13---Ladies Bible Study
July 20---6 pm-8 pm Swimming Party at DQ city pool
July 31---Praise in the park—Keyes City Park (games start around 4:30 pm---eat around 5 pm and music starts at 6 pm)
Bring your lawn chairs and join a evening of praise to our Lord

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY



Answers to “June” Quiz

1-Gideon 2-Lazarus 3-Jezebel 4-Jesus
5-Ahab 6-Jesus 7-God 8-Goliath

(“July” Quiz) Tents

1. ___ was uncovered in his tent and Ham made fun of him. (Gen. 9)
2. ___ took a nail from a tent and killed Sisera with it. (Judges 4)
3. ___ pitched his tent in Sodom among the wicked. (Gen. 13)
4. ___ brought his bride to his mother’s tent. (Gen. 24)
5. ___ hid her father’s images in her tent (Gen. 31)
6. ___ received his father-in-law in his tent, (Ex. 18)
7. ___ was told a dream about barley bread tearing a tent down. (Judges 7)
8. ___ brought the head of the giant and put Goliath’s “armour” in his tent. (1 Sam. 17)
9. ___ had a vision of Israel abiding in tents. (Num. 24)
10. ___ pitched a tent upon a housetop and publically sinned. (2 Sam. 16)

“LET US WORSHIP TOGETHER”

SUNDAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL-----9:30 AM
MORNING WORSHIP-----10:30 AM
EVENING WORSHIP-----7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY-----7:00 PM
YOUTH MINISTRY-----7:00 PM



WHAT IS THIS???



gunpowder tester

Because gunpowder varied in explosive power, gunsmiths needed devices to test particular batches. By the 1500's, elaborate powder testers were available. This one resembles contemporary military pistols and may have belonged to a military gunsmith. Pulling the trigger ignited a measured amount of powder in the tube atop the tester, turning and locking a spring-loaded, numbered wheel. The number at which the wheel stopped indicated the powder's strength. The development of self-contained cartridges during the 1800's made powder testers obsolete.

What is this? **A gunpowder tester**