

Today's Bible Lesson: July 3, 2011

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RELENTLESS

Integrity † MERCY † Love

Matthew 5:33-48

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2. _____
3. _____

The Three Negatives

From The Brethren Church Centennial Statement (p.8)

The full document may be seen on our website [about us –beliefs section]

Obedience to Christ is the center of Brethren life. This conviction has led the Brethren historically to practice non-conformity, nonresistance, and non-swearing. In non-conformity, Brethren have sought to follow the way of Christ in contrast to the way of the world. In non-resistance, Brethren have renounced the Christian's use of violence in combating evil, striving, as far as possible, to be reconciled to all persons. In non-swearing, Brethren have sought to lead such trustworthy Christian lives that oath-taking becomes unnecessary. Every believer must live in a way that exhibits to the world the truth and love of Christ.

WELCOME TO FIRST BRETHERN

Service times: 8:00, 9:15, and 10:30 a.m.

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Upcoming Worship Services

RELENTLESS

Integrity † Mercy † Love

This three part series focuses on biblical and practical guidelines for living as Christ-followers in a deceptive, selfish, angry world. Relentless is based on the Sermon on the Mount teaching in Matthew 5:33–48 (*Oaths, Eye for eye, Love for enemies*)

Miss the youth DR mission team presentation?
Watch their special video on our website [Events - Latest news]

Orange Core Value #3: **RESPECT**

There is growing disrespect in our nation and for our nation. Respect does not necessarily mean one agrees with each stance or decision our country's leaders make, but it can mean we teach our children and others thankfulness for a free land to worship Jesus. Fewer people stand and remove hats when our flag is raised or the anthem is played. People go about their business or continue their conversations without pausing with gratitude. The same is true of funeral processions. Fewer cars pull over.

Fewer people pause with sympathy for those in grief.
Consider ways this Fourth of July weekend to teach respect and to explain that our Independence yet is dependence "under God."

What is ORANGE ?

See what happens when the church (**Yellow**) and the home (**Red**) partner together to instill spiritual truths in children/teens

Value #1: HONESTY Value #2: COMPASSION

Next Orange Sunday is July 31st



FIRST BRETHERN CHURCH

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Our Mission

We are committed to leading the people of the North Manchester area community into a growing, personal relationship with Jesus Christ. God has gifted our congregation to help families at their point of need, primarily through children and youth.

Kurt Stout, Senior Pastor
Tim Bordeaux, Pastor of Youth
Joe Burgos, Pastor of Hispanic Ministries
Suzanna Hicks, Director of Counseling & Care
Ron Burns, Discipleship Coordinator
Teresa Mize, Children's Ministry Coordinator
Trevor Jones, Worship Coordinator
Carl Petrie, Facility Coordinator
Jim Mishler, Treasurer

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY CONCERNS

Illness	Illness/Recovery	Recovery
Penny Schutz	Janet Hays (<i>Bill's Mom</i>)	Janet Miller (<i>Peabody</i>)
Doug Olsen (<i>Steve brother</i>)	Dennis Dolby	Donna Warren (<i>Peabody</i>)
Mary Rager (<i>Eldon's Mom</i>)	Joyce Martin & baby	Regina Clay (<i>Toni W. Mom</i>)
Jenae Renz (<i>N. Allen's daughter</i>)	Toni Wilmert	Peg Workman (<i>Luth Hosp</i>)
Tom Steele	Amy Ihnen (<i>home</i>)	Quentin Moore (<i>eye surg 7/8.</i>)

FBC Missionaries: *The Godoy Family (Caleb, Tracy, Aaron, and Oliver) will be in Chile (Feb- July) working with the Puertas Ministry in Papudo.*

Michael Bowen (Mark and Jenny Hill's son) is serving in Southeast Asia from June 2 – August 4 (Evangelism).

Stacy Bashore and her daughters Jordan and Bailey Michel will be in training June 25-30 in Miami then in Ecuador until July 11 with Never The Same Missions.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Today: 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service (*Pastor Kurt*)
9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Pastor Kurt*)
9:15 a.m. Adult & Youth Classes
9:15 a.m. LOFT Children's Church
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Pastor Kurt*)
10:30 a.m. Adult and Children's Classes

Mon: Happy 4th of July – Offices Closed
Pastor Kurt at Shippshewana Camp this week

Tues: Main Offices Closed
6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study in Room 10

Wed: 6:30 a.m. Prayer meeting in library
6:15 p.m. Hispanic Worship Service
6:30 p.m. Adult Discipleship in Room 105

Thurs: 6:00 p.m. Sanctuary in use

Fri: 5:00 p.m. Sanctuary in use

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2:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall in use
6:00-8:00 p.m. Sr. Hi. Youth @ Town Life Center



Our deepest sympathies to the family of Mike Walters who passed away in Florida, Wednesday, June 29th. Mike is the father of Chris, Cary and Craig Walters, and son of Edna Landis.

Children's Ministry

We will learn that God is holy in LOFT and Sunday School Stations today. Our Bible story is God's call to Isaiah. Next week will kick off our Summer Bible Memory Challenge- verses are being sent home today to begin practicing!

Mark your Calendars: **Vacation Bible School (VBS)** is August 1st – 5th

This Week at Camp

Brethren Retreat Center in Shippshewana

July 3-9

Pioneer Camp

Ethan Callaway Isaac Callaway
Caleb Stout Isaac Stout
Pastor Kurt – Camp Director/Facilitator

Youth Ministry

Cedar Point Trip! This Thursday, July 7, for JH and SH students. We will leave @ 5am and return @ 2am. Cost is \$45. *About 10 spots left!*

Engage Conference is one week away! Cost is now \$190. Still wanna go? Talk to Pastor Tim ASAP.

TXT90X: Want to get in better spiritual shape this summer? The focus for the month of July is "Love." Still time to start! Sign up at Pastor Tim's office.

Congregational Information

Blessings to Lauren Hofer (*daughter of Dave and Fatima*) who was baptized by Pastor Tim at her home yesterday evening.

River Baptism: early August – If interested, please speak with a pastor. Baptism is an outward sign of an inward commitment of accepting Jesus as Lord and Savior of your life. Is it time for you to make this decision?



All-Church Event
Sunday, July 24th

You are invited to be a member of First Brethren. For more information about the purpose and benefits of church membership, please contact Pastor Kurt or Pastor Ron.

National Conference credential still available. Any member interested in attending the conference in Ashland, OH (July 13-17) should get the delegate credential and/or conference information from Pastor Kurt today.

You Can Help

Go M.A.D. – Make A Difference

Today in Compassion Corner: Made in the U.S.A. – Today's items were created by people in our own country who are working to end slavery in this country and around the world. Items include Liberty Cloths, items by the Stout kids, Freedom CD, *Not for Sale* book, Thistle Farms, and as always fair trade chocolate and coffee. Location: downstairs in the Gathering Area.

New Roof for Pastor Joe and Janice Burgos – Men invited to help shingle this Friday evening (July 8th) at 6:00 p.m. and finishing on Saturday. Questions? Contact Loren Blocher (578-7264) or Matt Smith (578-0851)

Tupperware Fundraiser – Amy Baker will be holding a fundraiser for Brett & Melissa Miller's Ethiopian travels by taking orders for Tupperware. You may place an order by calling 901-9768, seeing Amy, or stopping by her home, 31 W. Lakeside Dr., Saturday, July 9th at 11:00 a.m. No RSVP required. Checks made payable to Joanna Kuns.

Flood in the Philippines: The Pastor at Our Firm Foundation Brethren Church in The Philippines writes: *I just found out that almost all towns of our province (Bulacan) and other nearby provinces (including Metro Manila) was hit badly by the storm and flood. As of now, there are still lots of places under flood water including Bocaue. It will be great if we can give away relief goods like rice, sugar, canned foods, noodles, etc. In the affected public schools, I am sure that the students will appreciate to have papers and notebooks. I know that it impossible to help all the affected people but whatever we have we will maximize them to benefit the community in Bocaue. Thanks for all the prayers. GaryCastro.* Donations earmarked "Brethren Relief – Philippines" will be sent through our Ashland office.

We Can Help

We want to PRAY for you!

Use the green prayer cards in the pews. If you have a need for which you'd like the Wednesday morning prayer group (6:30 a.m.) to pray, please complete a card and put it in the offering plate or in the church office.

FBC Counseling

FBC Counseling is confidential, affordable and Biblically based. Suzanna is available M-W by appointment. Just call the church and ask for her extension or leave a confidential voicemail.

Stephen Ministry:

Trained Stephen Ministers provide one-to-one care, prayer, and support to those who are going through a difficult time. If you would like more information on our Stephen Ministry, please call Susan Bushong, 982-4256; Trish Lauer, 982-7335; or Mike Pyle, 352-2807.