



# The Visitor

## New Sermon Series

Wade Allen

As July rolls around, summer is halfway over for our kids; they return to school the first week in August. Many are enjoying warmer weather and travel. I hope you are enjoying whatever the season brings you. In July, we will begin a sermon series on 1 Corinthians. I am excited about our study in this pertinent letter.

As Paul addresses the church in the city of Corinth, we find they are suffering from a number of problems. During Paul's time with them, they responded to the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. Their lives were transformed by the power of God's Spirit. Yet in time, they formed factions. The church is divided as the letter arrives.

Paul's words remind us that we are prone to similar dysfunctions. As I prepared the first few sermons in the series, I am struck by the relevance of this letter to our modern world. As we explore these texts together, I hope that you will take the time to read the text before we gather each week. My prayer is that we will learn to function as God intends as we engage his Word. My prayer is that we would develop the mind of Christ in our functioning as a church. May God's Spirit be active as we approach this study together.

### In Worship

7/3/2011

#### **Forward to Freedom**

Doug Gregg

7/10/2011

#### **Exploring Corinth**

Wade Allen

I Cor. 1:1-2

7/17/2011

#### **True Identity**

Wade Allen

I Cor. 1:3-9

7/24/2011

#### **Fearsome Heights**

Wade Allen

I Cor. 1:10-17

7/31/2011

#### **Thinking Like God**

Wade Allen

I Cor. 1:18-2:26



## ROBERT'S RAMBLINGS

Holly Londt has accepted an internship to work with the Friendship Class which meets at Riverside. Holly is married to James Londt and is the daughter in law to Dennis and Susan Londt, members at First Baptist. She is also in her fourth year of the nursing program at Ball State. Last month, we reported another student for this position who has subsequently withdrawn. We are delighted to welcome Holly to this position and look forward to the contribution she will make.

This internship is result of a grant from the Indiana Network for Higher Education Ministries (INHEM). The mission of INHEM, as stated on their web page is stated as follows.

Indiana Network for Higher Education Ministries (INHEM) provides leadership and resources to enhance, nurture, and sustain persons and organizations that foster moral and spiritual development of students.

This is accomplished through:

- \* Student internship grants to explore "Visions for Vocation" opportunities
- \* University faculty and staff vocation awareness consultations, panels, and grants
- \* Sabbath retreat resources and funds for campus ministers
- \* Grants for on-campus student religious groups
- \* Sponsorship of campus and community events to promote awareness of vocation and meaningful work

The awarding of this internship is but one result of the ministry of David Jones, our own ABC Campus Minister at Ball State. As reported recently, David secured grants from INHEM for two internships, the one with the Friendship Class, the other who will be working with the Oasis campus ministry (formerly Baptist House). Shala Pugh, BSU student and active member at First Baptist, is recipient of the other grant. Both Shala and Holly have been involved in the Oasis. Their interest, as well as the awarding of the grant, stand as testimony to the good work that David is doing.



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LEAVING A LEGACY SERIES

The second installment of Marc Kirchoff's *Leaving a Legacy* series is coming up on July 13. Marc is the Minister of Grants and Fund Raising at the American Baptist Churches of Indiana/Kentucky. This is part of a three evening event this summer on leaving a legacy for future generations. Marc will conclude his series on August 17.



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MINISTRY UPDATES

The youth group showed up in great numbers to help a friend get caught up with her yard work this Spring. We pulled weeds, planted a few flowers, cleaned around the flower beds, did some edging and decorated with a hummingbird feeder with and for her. Thank you to all who helped and their parents who got them there. The lady is very appreciative and grateful for the help.

*"If it is **serving**, then serve!" Romans 12:7*

23 blankets were donated to the Muncie Community Blanket Cupboard housed at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The colorful, soft, fleece blankets were made by the children who attended FBC's Vacation Bible School. Thanks go to all those children for their time and thoughtfulness in making and giving blankets to others. Some children will be warmer this winter due to the gift of these blankets.

*"May God, who gives you this endurance and encouragement, allow you to live in harmony with each other by following the example of Christ Jesus. Then, having the same goal, you will praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."*  
*Romans 15:5-6*

- Julie & Roger



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SOMETHING MISSING?

If there is an event, story, photo or special thanks that you would like put in the August newsletter, please email a request to [alex@fbcuncie.org](mailto:alex@fbcuncie.org) or fill out an event information form. This form can be submitted through the church website, mailed, hand-delivered, or faxed into the church office. Be sure to indicate "August Newsletter" on the form or in the subject line of the email. The **deadline** for the information to be submitted is **Tuesday, July 26!**

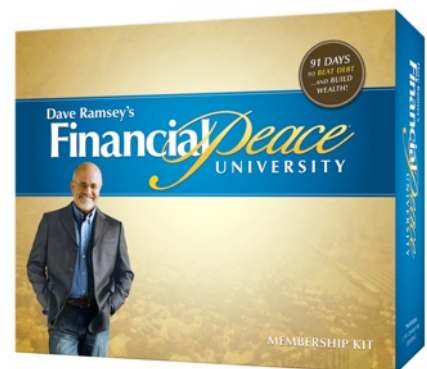
## CHILDREN'S MUSIC CAMP (SON CASTLE FAIRE)

This summer, FBC is hosting a summer music camp for children. Son Castle Faire will be held from July 18 through July 22 from 9:00 - 11:00 am. The children will have fun while learning songs, Bible stories, and learning to play instruments. Snacks will be provided. The children will be performing the songs that they have learned at a special dessert theatre on July 29. Best of all, the camp is free to all children! Registration forms are available in the church office, front and back of the sanctuary and online at [fbcmuncie.org](http://fbcmuncie.org). Please return completed forms to the office, Barb Eidson or Patty Stigers.



## FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

As you have probably heard, Financial Peace University is coming back to FBC this fall. Get your registration materials in quickly as the class is open to the first 12 singles or family units who register and some of the spots have already been claimed! We will offer membership kits for the first six families at \$37.50 and the remaining six kits at \$50.00 as we did this past winter. The course will run on Wednesday nights again from August 3 through October 26. Registration forms are available in the church office and more information will be available at the church website.



## JOAN KITTERMAN

Dr. Joan Kitterman, who was active in our church in the early 1980s, will be returning for a visit on July 17. She now serves as Director of Human Resources for Leadership Development International. She resides in China and oversees the human resources and member care needs of the expatriate staff of six international schools and several business ventures in the country. She will be bringing a short greeting in each service and will be available for questions and conversation during the social hour in the lower auditorium.



## JULY EVENT CALENDAR

**Sundays**

9:15 a - Classic Worship

10:15 a - Sunday School

11:15 a - Contemporary Worship

TBA - Youth Group Events

**Wednesdays**10:00 a - Women's Small Group at Riverside  
(July 6 and 20)

6:30 p - Worship Band Rehearsal

**July 3**

11:15 a - Combined Worship Service

**July 10**

12:30 p - Baptism Lunch for Jennifer Durke

**July 11**

7:00 p - Leadership Council Meeting

**July 13***Leaving a Legacy* - Session II**July 18-22**

Children's Music Camp (Son Castle Faire)

**July 27**

7:00 p - Worship Arts Team Meeting

**July 29**

Music Camp Dessert Theatre

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

**We'd like to say Happy Birthday to the following July birthdays!**

Shirley Pittenger - July 1

Connor French - July 4

Willie McCoy - July 5

Leroy Scott - July 5

Ward Head - July 6

Betty Brown - July 9

Kaes Petroviak - July 9

Heidi Webb - July 10

Barb Eidson - July 11

William Nealy - July 11

Kara St. Myer - July 12

Joanne Sewell - July 13

Maria Chavez - July 15

Chris Bade - July 18

Jody Osborn - July 18

Emily Goul - July 21

Bill Webb - July 22

Bryan Bouton - July 25

Doug Gregg - July 29

Chad Massoth - July 29

Larry Fouch - July 31

Javon Gates - July 31

Keith Roberts - July 31





## CAMP TIME!

It's camp time! Throughout the summer, camp weeks for various age groups will be taking place. Registrations are in the office and from Shirley Pittenger. For more details or to find camp dates for your desired age group, please call Shirley at 282-0632 or visit [camptippy.org](http://camptippy.org).



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SPECIAL THANKS

To My Precious Family of God,

Thank you so much for the beautiful flower I received while in the hospital following my knee replacement surgery. More especially, I Praise God for your prayers, cards, and food that was shared during my recovery at home. I am doing extremely well in returning to the real world. Thank you for you Christ-like love.

- Patti Warner

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