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IMPORTANT INFO

- We are thankful to God for this new Lord's Day. It is the day we honor His Son and the Love that He has shown us through Him. Let us worship in spirit and in truth!
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They Went Out From Us

(Editor's note: Normally, I don't use the bulletin to discuss brotherhood issues and it is not my intention for this to become my standard practice. However, due to the publicity surrounding the 100 year anniversary of the split between the churches of Christ and the Christian church in 1906, there has been much attention given to this subject particularly with some among us calling for a façade of "unity." While Christians are to strive for unity, true unity only comes from the standard for unity, the word of God. We cannot abandon that standard and proclaim "UNITY." We must base our unity upon truth, not compromise. In that regard, I have selected the following excellent article by Jim E. Waldron which reminds us where the trouble truly began.)

One hundred years ago for the first time the U.S. religious census recognized (1906) the distinction between the churches of Christ and the Christian Church. The division had been taking place over some fifty years; the reason for the split was the question of Biblical authority. Those in the churches of Christ said there

is no authority in the word of God for a super-church body like the American Christian Missionary Society. They also pointed out that even though instruments of music had been used in Jewish worship, neither Jesus nor His apostles ever authorized such in the worship of Christians. The doctrine of Christ by example and command shows that sacred music (psalms, hymns and spiritual songs) is to be a cappella (Matt. 26:30, Mark 14:26, Acts 16:25, Romans 15:9, 1 Corinthians 14:15, Ephesians 5:19, Colossians 3:16, Heb. 2:12, James 5:13; cf. Hebrews 13:15). And we must abide in the doctrine of Christ for if we do not we do not have God (II John 9-11).

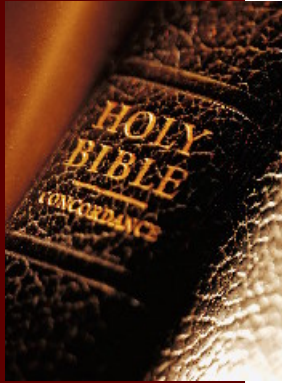
Hundreds of churches across the nation were taken over by the so-called progressives who subscribed to the American Christian Missionary Society and instruments of music in worship. "The) went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us..." (I John 2:19). Now they want to reunite with the churches of Christ, but on the same terms: compromise the word of truth. This reminds one of a drunkard who leaves his

wife because she objects to his bottle, but later says, it is your fault, but we can reconcile if you will accept my bottle. The Christian Church leaders and their membership have no intention of abandoning the things that caused the division in the first place. In this they are being aided by some rather high profile men in the church.

Churches of Christ in the United States in the latter part of the 1800's were in a life and death struggle with a strong digressive movement for their very existence. Isaac Errett of Cincinnati, editor of The Christian Standard, took the position that instrumental music in worship was not commanded, but it was a matter of opinion. Due to this approach and the popularity of instruments hundreds of churches across Ohio, Indiana and other places were caught up in the so-called progressive movement and swept from the old paths of the gospel into the ranks of denominationalism. Had Errett taken a frontal approach through the pages of The Standard he might not have made such an impact. The devil is using the same

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Bible Studies for the Week of August 20th, 2006



AM Sermon.....	Going Back To Jerusalem
Scripture Reading	Luke 2:41-51
PM Sermon	Review of the Book of Romans—Part 1
Scripture Reading	Romans 1:16-17
Sunday Class	The Book of Matthew
Wednesday Class	TBA
Ladies Bible Class	Adjourned
Nursing Home Bible Study.....	The Book of John

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Robber

Our young people need to be taught that they are someone's "special," someone's future husband or wife...

Accordingly, they are to keep themselves for that special someone. When a person defiles another of their virginity, that person has taken that which was another's, that which was not rightfully his or hers; and, consequently becomes a robber!

Our young people must be taught to guard their purity with unrelenting, jealous vigilance, keeping themselves pure, lovely and unhandled. They must not let another rob them. Then, when that special someone comes along, they can mutually speak those magic words, "I do" that will make them one (Matt. 19:3-9). Then, and only then,

they can give themselves to each other unreservedly. To pursue any other course is fornication (1 Corinthians 6:15-20; Galatians 5:19-21). (Wendell Winkler, deceased)

"For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God; that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord is that avenger of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified" (1 Thessalonians 4:3-6).

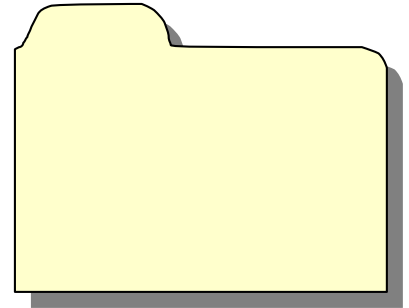
Via KneEmail
Edited by Mike Benson

Kevin's Korner— Summer Review

It's that time again! Our summer has come and gone and tomorrow starts a new year of learning and education. Yes, it is time once again to go back to school! It seems like the summer has just flown by, but look at all of the wonderful things that happened this summer. We kicked it off with our yearly Family and Friends day and then a few weeks later we had our VBS which was a wonderful success. At the beginning of July we had our yearly fireworks and ice cream social at the Williams' house. Then at the end of July we hosted a lectureship which was tremendous. Mary Lynn and I capped off the summer with a mission trip to Brazil. We accomplished much this summer. Our gospel meeting is just around the corner though, and the county fair, so let's continue the walk!

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Contribution.....	\$1755.05
Budget.....	\$1743.39



Jeff Walling and the Instrument

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play now by saying to our young people, instruments of music in worship are just a matter of opinion.

Jeff Walling of the Providence Road church in Charlotte, NC has been making this argument for years. For example, as far back as 1981 he publicly took such a stand. That year the church of Christ at 816 N. Andover Rd, Andover, Kansas 67002 held a youth rally at the local high school. Brother Walling was a guest speaker.

During a panel discussion, moderated by Chuck Northrop (P. O. Box 10892, Conway, AR 72034) a question was asked about the scripturalness of instrumental music in worship. Northrop correctly affirmed that such was not authorized showing from Ephesians 5:19 and other scriptures that a cappella music is. At this point Walling, who was not on the panel, came to the platform and literally pushed Northrop away

from the podium and declared, instrumental music in worship is simply “a matter of opinion a gray area.” Walling has continued this theme over the years. (Behold The Pattern, 5114 Montclair, Colleyville, TX 76034).

It is a matter of historical record that Isaac Errett’s position brought much division, sorrow and heartache to the churches of Christ of his generation. Jeff Walling is doing the same today in youth rallies (e.g., Winterfest) and lecture series. Those who constitute the board of directors of David Lipscomb University, the faculty and those promoting Lipscomb as though it stands for the truth ought to know these things, but they are set to perpetuate more division and heartache in Middle Tennessee and the nation this summer. For they have scheduled Walling as one of their speakers, July 5-8 in their “Summer Celebration.” These men are like those described by the

Holy Spirit, “by good words and fair speeches (they) deceive the hearts of the simple” (Rom. 16:18) Go to “<http://summercelebration.lipscomb.edu>” on the internet to see a host of speakers who are determined to do for the churches of Christ what Errett did 125 years ago.

(Editor’s Postscript: In the August edition of the Christian Chronicle, one of the lead articles pointed out Jeff Walling’s participation in a unity meeting with Christian Church leaders. At this meeting, Walling exchanged Bible’s with some of these teachers while proclaiming that the use of mechanical instruments of music in worship was merely a matter of opinion or tradition. The bottom line is that such thinking compromises the truth of worship and establishes man’s righteousness instead of God’s. Let us never compromise matters of truth for a façade of “unity.”)

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Announcements

- Please remember in prayer: Brent Foster, Opal Hull, Raymond Kimes, Charlene Pinkley.
- Today is our monthly potluck. Those who are visiting with us are invited to come and enjoy a meal with us as also are all of our members.
- The county fair is coming up soon and we have a booth to “man.” There is a sign up sheet in the back and we still need help. If you can make some time in your schedule to help with this work, it would greatly benefit both you and our congregation.
- Kevin and Mary Lynn made it safely back from Brazil and Texas and arrived in Berryville last night. Thank you for all of your prayers for this mission effort. During the trip Kevin presented twelve lessons total among three different congregations, handed out over 300 pieces of literature and held three question and answer periods. A more detailed report will be forthcoming.
- We have pictures from the work in Costa Rica on the back bulletin board with some recent baptisms. Please review this information at your convenience!
- Our pantry item is: Canned Spinach.

God’s Salvation Plan

1. **Hear** the Gospel—Romans 10:17
2. **Believe** on the Lord & His Word—Mark 16:16; John 8:24
3. **Repent** of your sins—Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30
4. **Confess** Christ—Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9
5. **Be Baptized** for the remission of sins—Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27
6. Live a **faithful**, dedicated life—Revelation 2:10; 2 Peter 1:5-10

Welcome!

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Times for Worship and Study

Sunday Morning Bible Class:	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:.....	10:20 AM
Sunday Evening Worship:	6:00 PM
Wed. Ladies Bible Class:	10:30 AM
Wed. Evening Bible Class:	7:00 PM

Serving Each Other

August 20th, 2006

August 27th, 2006

Sunday Morning

Songs:	Bill Fort	Ken Smith
Preaching:	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
Opening Prayer:	Clay Bozarth	Dan Hand
Scripture Reading:	John Gass	Brandon Foster
Lord’s Table	Glenn Quigley	Leon Duncan
	Michael Morrell	Ervin Hand
(assist)	Matthew Morrell	Ray Duncan
	Ervin Hand	George Eddings
Closing Prayer	Rusty Windle	Michael Morrell

Sunday Evening

Songs:	Rusty Windle	Clay Bozarth
Preaching:	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
Opening Prayer:	Dan Hand	Ervin Hand
Scripture Reading:	Dale Pinkley	Jack Gentry
Lord’s Table	Leon Duncan	Dale Pinkley
	John Gass	Jerry Roller
Closing Prayer	Ray Duncan	Brandon Foster

Wednesday

Songs:	Bruce Foster	Clay Bozarth
Opening Prayer:	Michael Morrell	Dale Pinkley
Invitation:	Bill Fort	Dan Hand
Closing Prayer:	Ray Duncan	Kevin Cauley

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