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Dear Friends,

What is your narrative biblical story? Which stories or characters most closely reflect something of your life experience and attitude? Is it David and Goliath, Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, the Prodigal Son or the Ten Maidens? Many times in our lives we find one or two of the biblical stories mirroring our own experiences. It may not be the whole story in detail, but one or two significant pieces of it that ring true and familiar. If we have those moments when we feel we are experiencing some of the same situations or feelings that the biblical characters have had, it provides wonderful opportunities to explore with our intuition and imagination some parallels about ourselves and our relationship with God.

Say, for example, you are facing something you really don't want to do and you can easily identify with Jonah, who did not want to go to Nineveh where God wanted him to go. As you consider Jonah's predicament, do your fears, angers, resentments, and longings to be and do anything else find themselves reflected and joined with his? Mine sometimes do! As you or I might consider the options we feel we have, consider Jonah's choices. What were his results? What might ours be? We understand how God was behind and in front of what Jonah was doing; how might God be before and behind us in our decisions of the moment?

Identifying with a story or character in scripture provides an extra resource for our decision-making by stirring our imaginations and sharpening our intuition. Gil Rendle, a senior consultant for the Alban Institute on church growth, change, and leadership development, says that we need to know our own biblical narratives in addition to the biblical narratives of our churches. According to Gil, knowing our own chosen narrative and our church's chosen narrative gives us a place to begin dialogue about the nature of who we are in light of a turbulent present

and an uncertain future, with a preview of God's presence and desire built in. More importantly, our place in the biblical narrative gives us a platform to engage in conversation across generational lines about values and expectations. Congregations often have at least four to six generations in worship together. Each generation has different values and perspectives and expectations. Utilizing biblical narrative conversations helps bridge many of the differences and provides context for understanding that normal, logical conversation, cannot.

Because of the difficulty in trying to pin down the church's biblical narrative, it may be that the congregation chooses and adopts a narrative that is felt collectively to describe the current experience. The other way may be to select a narrative that the church wants to direct its ministry into becoming. What would it mean for the church to model its ministry on the Good Samaritan's actions or on the parable of the Lost Sheep? At this point in our ministry, what biblical story or character would you say our congregation parallels or exemplifies the best? Which narrative is ours? How was God present then in the biblical story and how is He with us in our present situation?

In the risen Christ's service together wherever He leads,
David



Father's Day Celebration

The membership committee has planned a Father's Day celebration on **Sunday, June 20**. Join us for lunch after worship in Fellowship Hall.



June Anniversaries

June 1	Kevin & Christy Horn
June 3	Laban & Kelly DeLay
June 15	Scott & Priscilla Long

June Birthdays

June 3	Monica Straw-Wallek
June 7	Bill Whitley
June 20	Robin Zerweck
June 24	Carol Johns
	Brown Plummer
	Paul Wooten
June 28	Whitley Alana Taylor
June 29	Janice Stovall

Important Meetings

Save the dates:

Saturday, July 10, we will have a board retreat for all outgoing and incoming general board members. The meeting will be held in Fellowship Hall—the time to be determined soon. If you will be unable to attend, please notify Patty Latham in writing.

Also, for all outgoing and incoming elders and their guests, we will have an informal gathering at the Latham house on **Friday, July 23**. Then, the following morning we will have an elders' retreat for all current and new elders with the time and location to be determined.

Disciples Women's Fellowship

6-26-10—Lunch at Ruby Latham's in Denison.

Ladies will meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. and travel to Denison for a great day with Ruby! Sign-up sheet is posted on the office window.

Lu Sifferd, Chair

Habitat

Please let Mic Burnett or Carol Johns know if you'd be interested in attending the dedication ceremony **June 26** for the Babe family's new Habitat for Humanity home. Each RAIH church presents the family with something for their new home. CCC typically presents them with a nice loaf of bread, while one of our partner churches gives the "wine" (usually a nice sparkling fruit juice). A Bible, toolbox, flowers, certificate, and a photo album of the build are also presented. Each church also brings items for the family's pantry, so that they start off with a stocked pantry.



The ceremony takes place at lunch time, where there's always a great pot-luck meal. It's almost as good as our own CCC pot-lucks (but not quite)! The ceremony lasts about a half hour, followed by the lunch social.

Unfortunately, this year neither Carol nor I will be able attend. I'll be in Disney World and Carol will be at her family's, celebrating her birthday! So if you and a friend would like to go, please contact Carol or me and we'll make it easy and fun for you!

Mic

Lost and Found

There is a large collection of plastic storage containers in the kitchen. The containers will be on display at the Father's Day luncheon.

Please look at the collection and claim your personal property. Whatever is left will be put into the garage sale items.



**On June 13, 2010, the congregation approved the following board members
for the 2010-2011 church year:**

Board Officers for the 2010–2011 Church Year

Board Chair: Greg Hendrickson

Board Vice-Chair: Mark Slaight (Will serve as Board Chair in 2011-12)

Board Treasurer: Mary Anne Potter

Board Secretary: Julie Knecht

ELDERS

Term Expiring 2011

Karlan Fairchild
Patty Latham (Chair)
Jerre Roseborough

Term Expiring 2012

Mic Burnett
Teresa Gafford
Joan Taylor

DIACONATE

Term Expiring 2011

Kelly Delay
Laban Delay (Chair)
Linda Fairchild
Christy Horn
Kevin Horn
Pat McPherson
Mark Slaight
Russ Stovall

Term Expiring 2012

Lee Cole
Cyndy Emmert
Denise Fairchild
Paul Latham
Joanne McKinley
Marvin Rogers
Bill Whitley

JUNIOR DIACONATE

Amelia Latham
Joshua Sanchez

From the Worship Committee

- Mark your calendars for the annual **Hymn Fest and Ice Cream Social, Sunday, August 8.** (Details to follow)
- You can still request a favorite hymn to be sung during the summer services. (Sign-up sheet is posted on the office window.)
- Pastor David has also asked for scriptures on which to base his summer sermons. If you have a favorite scripture or a passage that you might want a better understanding of, post it on the sign-up sheet on the office window or discuss it with David.
- Thanks to Katy Latham for directing the Children's choir last Sunday, and for the children's performance of "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands." While Katy is home for the summer, she will continue working with the children's choir.

CCC Calendar of Events

Sunday, June 20, 2010—Father's Day

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship
After Worship Father's Day Luncheon

Wednesday, June 16—Monday, June 21

Rev. David Cartwright — On Vacation

Thursday, June 24

- 10:00 a.m. Spiritual Disciples Prayer Group

Saturday, June 26

- 11:30 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Dedication—1810 Dennison

Sunday, June 27

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship
After Worship Fellowship Time
7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday, July 1

- 10:00 a.m. Spiritual Disciples Prayer Group

Sunday, July 4—Independence Day

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship
After Worship David's 5th year celebration

Monday, July 5

- All day Office closed in observance of holiday

Wednesday, July 7

- 1:00 p.m. 55+ meeting

Thursday, July 8

- 10:00 a.m. Spiritual Disciples Prayer Group

Saturday, July 10

- 8:00 a.m. Board Retreat

Worship Attendance 06/06/10 67

Visitors 6

Erica Anderson	Chris Anderson
Lisa Anderson	Kenneth Cotter
Debb Faulk	Gerald Jackson
Richard M. (Mike) McAda	Arthur Roberts

Worship Attendance 06/13/10 77

Visitors 13

America Diaz	Sergio Diaz
Jeannine Frank	Debb Faulk
Jamie Hudson	Caroline Kellam
Richard (Mike) McAda	Mandy Perez
Lisa Roberson	Patrick Roberson
Sammie Roberson	Shawn Roberson
Arthur Roberts	

Financial Report

(Budgeted weekly **revenue**: \$2,604.50)

Receipts for 06/06/10	\$3,737.25
Receipts for 06/13/10	\$10,074.94

Memorial Gifts

Memory of	From
Paul V. Greenwade, Jr.	Teresa Gafford Mary Anne Potter
Virginia Wooten	Frank & Viola Norwood

Thank You

Thank you for the calls, cards, prayers and all expressions of sympathy at the death of my brother, Paul Greenwade. I have advised my nephew of the condolences from my faith family.

Blessings,
Lee Cole

Thank you for all your prayers, calls, cards, and concerns. I have improved to some extent but am still waiting to have more extensive tests done to determine the problem I have experienced.

Charlene Pierce-Deming

Deacon Serving Schedule for June

The following deacons signed up to serve during the month of June:

Doris Ricketts, Proctor
Cyndy Emmert
Christy Horn
Kevin Horn
Pat McPherson



Colleen Wooten
Deacon Chair

Sunday, June 20

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Luke 11:9-13

Luke 8:40-43, 49-56

Sermon:

“A Father’s Desperate Love”

Worship Participants

Preacher: Dr. Larry Ross
Lay Leader: Joan Taylor
Acolyte: Cameron Horn

Sunday, June 27

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Galatians 5:13-26

Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon:

**“The Question of Freedom—
What Freedom Do You Want?”**

Worship Participants

Preacher: David Cartwright
Lay Leader: Larry Fairchild
Acolyte: Addison DeLay

Leading Worship for June

Elders: Karlan Fairchild, Larry Fairchild

Deacons: Doris Ricketts, Proctor

Cyndy Emmert	Kevin Horn
Christy Horn	Pat McPherson

Join Us on Sundays

9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:50 a.m.	Worship Service
12:15 p.m.	Fellowship Coffee

Calendar Updates

For updates on the CCC calendar, go to www.cccrichardson.org/calendar/calendar.htm
The next issue will be Tuesday, June 29, 2009

Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Priscilla Long	Organist
Hop Chu	Childcare
Santos Camarillo	Custodian
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Greg Hendrickson	Board Vice Chair
Julie Knecht	Board Secretary
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Lee Cole	Chair of Elders
Colleen Wooten	Chair of Diaconate

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