

WELCOME VISITORS

The presence of Jesus in the gathering of His people is the sweetest blessing we enjoy when we meet. We pray that you will find peace, comfort, and power for living today.

A visitor's card is provided in the book rack, to give us a record of your visit.

SUNDAY		ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY	
Bible Study	10:00 AM	Morning Worship	25
Worship	11:00 AM	Evening Worship	
Evening	6:00 PM	Wednesday	12
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	6:30 PM	Contribution	\$624.00
Fellowship Meal (Every 1 st Sunday)	12:30 PM		
Men's Meeting (Last Sunday of every month)	5:00 PM		

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

MESSENGER FOR CHRIST



BRUNSWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST

June 29, 2014

Fences

Tim Archer

My dogs hate squirrels. Especially squirrels in trees. The dogs bark and whine, running and jumping as they follow the squirrels from below. One of the dogs even used to climb high in the trees after her hated foes, until she got too old for such.

When they are in the middle of a chase, the dogs become frustrated when they find a fence between them and their target. If the ground is soft enough, they quickly burrow under the obstacle and continue the chase.

We've recently moved to a new neighborhood, one with more traffic than our old neighborhood. That's a bit of a problem, since the dogs keep digging out under the fence. It doesn't matter that the dogs are only chasing squirrels; there's mortal danger for them if they wander out into the street.

So I spend a lot of time and effort trying to thwart my dogs' plans to leave our yard. It's not that I'm against squirrel chasing nor that I want my dogs to feel frustrated. I just want to keep them safe from the dangers that lie outside the borders of our yard.

Does it ever feel like God just made up a bunch of arbitrary rules that were designed to ruin our fun? Someone said that everything truly enjoyable is either illegal or sinful. Do you ever feel that way?

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“...The Churches of Christ salute you.” Romans 16:16

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Some of the lifestyles that the world offers look very inviting, even though we know they are not what God wants for us. Surely life in the fast lane is more fun than life on the straight and narrow!

When I get to feeling like that, I remember my dogs. They aren't looking to get run over. They aren't hoping to get lost. They just want to chase squirrels. What they don't realize is the danger that puts them in. They don't understand that the fence that seems restricting is actually something put there to protect them.

I need to remember the same. God's way is the best way. The Christian life is the healthiest life. In the end, it's the happiest life, as well.

We have to accept the fact that God knows what's best for us. And we don't.

via Heartlight.org

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We will have our fellowship meal next Sunday. At that time we will celebrate the July birthdays and anniversaries. Bring you favorite food dish and invite a friend.



**God's Plan for Man
Hear God's Word
Heb. 11:6; Rom. 10:17
Believe in Jesus
Jn. 8:24
Repent of Sins
Lk. 13:3; 2 Cor. 7:10
Confess Jesus' Name
Mt. 10:32-33; Rom. 10:9-10; Mt. 16:15-16
Be Baptized
Mk. 16:15-16; Mt. 28:18-19; Acts 2:38, 41;
Acts 22:16; Rom. 6:3-4
Live Faithful until Death
Mt. 10:22; Rev. 2:10**

The Bible study topic for Wednesday night: A Chronological Study of the Life of Jesus
Bible study starts at 6:30 PM.



Men's Meeting
The men's meeting is scheduled today at 5:00 pm. You are encouraged to attend.



Opportunities to Serve		
Welcome	Today	07/06/14
Song Leader	Dick Phillips	Ed Williams
Opening Prayer	John Bowling	Willie Gore
Communion	Albert Sturdivant	John Lloyd
	*Willie Gore	*Albert Sturdivant
	Lynn Means	Josiah Garner
Scripture Reading	Bill Bartlow	Dick Phillips
Speaker	Charlie Gamble	Lynn Means
Closing Prayer	Rick Massey	Rick Massey
Evening	John Lloyd	Charlie Gamble
Nursery	Don Lockey	Devotion
	Lois Gamble	Sharon Means/Abi Garner

The Nursery will be open to receive children under the age of 3 years following the Communion.

Please remember to pray for the sick, lonely, and especially anyone outside Christ.

<u>TRAVELING</u>	<u>DEATHS</u>
Lockey Family	Haywood Davis

The complete prayer list is on the bulletin board.

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*May You Have a Happy
& Safe 4th of July.*

Ladies Bible Study
The ladies bible study will not be held this Tuesday, July 1st and will remain cancelled until Tuesday, July 29th.

However, a special meeting will be held Tuesday, July 8th to discuss our upcoming Ladies Day. Please attend if possible.

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Sea Notes Choral Society
2014 Patriotic Concert
Sunday, June 29th - 3:00 pm
Odell Williamson Auditorium
Hwy 17 - Bolivia, NC