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**Have you ever been asked to do something you didn't want to do?**

I started working in construction when I was 13 years old. By the age of 14, I was leading men three times my age. One summer, I helped pour concrete streets in a subdivision that my dad started in Geneva. It was on this project that I got my first taste of leadership. As I think back on those days I wonder what my dad was thinking anyway.

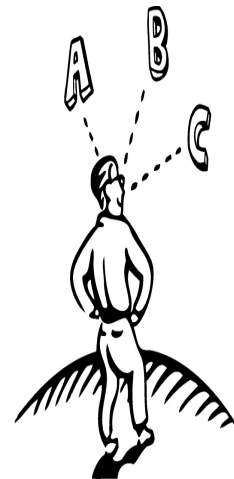
There was one thing I never did as a leader in construction and business owner. I never asked anyone to do something I was not willing to do myself. I lead by example. In those days, I didn't think I had the right to ask anyone to do something I was not willing to do myself. I recall one job where insulation was needed in the crawl-space (this is the space under the floor). Under some buildings there isn't much room to maneuver. I found myself

under a building like that. I could have asked others to do the work, but in this case those I was leading needed to realize that I was in it with them. It is hard to follow or even get excited about something if the person asking you to do it isn't in it with you. That is why I am leading a grow group. How could I ask you to become part of a grow group if I myself am not willing to be part of one.

Grow groups are an opportunity for you. What are some of the benefits of a grow group? To answer this I ask you a question, "What do you want to get out of life as a Christian?" Growing in Christ is an opportunity. As you grow as a Christian you will start to discover that this world really doesn't have a lot to offer in the way of hope, love, joy, and peace. Chasing after what we have here

will end with a case of meaningless trophies. Kind of like winning the Super Bowl, champs one year, and then don't even make the playoffs the next. Worldly joys are short-lived. God joys last for an eternity. I encourage everyone to sign up for a grow group.

Pastor Marvin



There's a Grow Group

for  
You!

## Worship & Music

**What's Pastor Marvin going to talk about**

**February 7th** – Romans 12:2 “What's **MY** Place in the World?”

**February 14th** – Romans 12:3-8 “What Do I Think of **Myself**?”

**February 21st** – Romans 12:9-13 “How Do I Express **MY** Love to Others?”

**February 28th** – Romans 12:14-21 “How Do I Get Along With **MY** Enemies?”

## February Helpers

### First Service

**Feb. 7th** – Jennifer Hamrick, Bryan Sutton, Donna Foster, Christ Heitkamp, Sandy King, John Foster

**Feb. 14th** – Jerrold Eichenauer, Ben Schleucher, Martha Baltzell, Margie Sill, Larry Larry Worden, Ed Garver

**Feb. 21st** – Jami Pontsler, Rod Heiser, Donna Riley, Jan Heiser, Bill Miller, Rob Hoehamer

**Feb. 28th** – Jerrold Eichenauer, Ben Schleucher, Sue Eichenauer, Susan Moeller, Ralph Moeller, Ed Garver

### Second Service

**Feb. 7th** – Same as First Service

**Feb. 14th** – Mike Weitz, Adam Williams, Candy Weitz, Lisa Williams, Bob Schumm, Bart Beerbower

**Feb. 21st** – Same as First Service

**Feb. 28th** – Jerry Sell, Bob Schumm, Sharon Davis, Shirley Pryer, Bart Beerbower, Tom Pryer

## February Birthdays!!!

**3rd** – Gabrielle Keller  
Sydney Swygart  
**6th** – Deb VanGundy  
**12th** – Marianna Sutton  
**14th** – Bailey King  
**16th** – Bonnie Leistner  
**17th** – Angeline Wilson  
**22nd** – Cody Depweg  
**23rd** – Lisa Keipper  
**25th** – Gary Fisher



## Christian Education

Praise God for the wonderful teachers and volunteers we have at New Horizons in the Christian Education area. We are looking forward to great things in 2010. We continue to offer programs for children through 5th grade during the 9:30 and 11:00 services. Please join us!!!

**Upcoming camp fundraiser:**  
On **Friday, February 19th** the campers will be holding a fish fry from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. The menu will consist of fish, french fries, cole slaw, cookies, and a drink. So make plans to come have supper here at the church before you head over to the school for the basketball game.

On **Saturday, March 13th** the

campers will hold their second fish fry. The menu will be the same as the one in Feb. Both fish fries will be a free will donation.

**Rib Dinner** – this years annual Rib Dinner will be on **Saturday March 20th**. Tickets will go on sale February 17th. Be sure to see any camper or Donna Felver to purchase your tickets.

**9:30 Service Nursery**  
**Feb. 7th** – Linda Schwartz  
Barb Schumm  
**Feb. 14th** – Janice Peel  
Andrew Peel  
**Feb. 21st** – Laura Schleucher  
Jenna Schleucher  
**Feb. 28th** – Katy Sill  
Jane Smith

**11:00 Service Nursery**  
**Feb. 7th** – Donna Riley  
Raegan Bransteter  
**Feb. 14th** – Lorie Beerbower  
Youth Helper  
**Feb. 21st** – Pam Meyer  
Madison Meyer  
**Feb. 28th** – Julie Long  
Bridget Brogan

**Clean Nursery Toys & Linens** – Barb Schumm

We are happy to welcome Pam Meyer as our Nursery Coordinator. If you are unable to work in the nursery on your scheduled week please contact Pam Meyer (419-363-9236) so that a replacement can be found.



## Youth and Parents

Blah. Blah. Blah.

1 John 3:18 says, "Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth."

Too much talk and not enough action. It's easier to say "I love you" than it is to wash somebody's stinky feet.

Jesus was all about action. He was always on the go serving, teaching, healing, feeding, touching, and sharing. Wouldn't it be awesome if we could build our youth ministry in his image?!

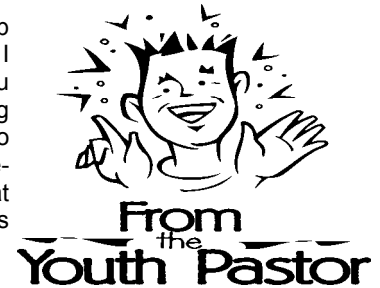
We talk about helping and serving people all the time in our gatherings together. Seriously though, how often do we do just that? Too often we merely talk about doing these things - and don't do it!

We need to talk the talk and walk the walk!!!! Words are important. Action is more important!

As your youth pastor, I'm going to do everything I can to help you walk the walk! That's why we're doing a mission trip in Cincinnati this summer. It's the reason we're going to

serve at a soup kitchen soon. I challenge you every week to bring your friends to youth group, because that's what walking the walk is all about!!!

All talk and no action makes John a dull Christian.



## Spiritual Care

Have you been eating out a lot after the worship service? Are you tired of the drive? Then why not join us on **Sunday, February 21st** at noon or a little after for a Fellowship/Carry in dinner.

The Spiritual Care commission will be providing the meat and drinks.

This is a nice time to fellowship with others and to catch up with what's happening in everyone's everyday life.

### Church Directory Update:

We have finished our part of the directory. It is currently at the printers. In the next week or two we will have a draft copy here for everyone to look at and to make sure that their information that is listed in the church roster is correct. The sooner everyone checks their information the sooner we will be able to get it back to the printers.

Hopefully, if all goes well we

should have everyone's directories back by the end of February.

Please keep a look out for more up-to-date information in the bulletin.

## Finance

Pastor Marvin, Bonnie, and I have been meeting to discuss stewardship material presented by Nelson Searcy. We have found it extremely worthwhile.

The Bible talks a lot about money. My eyes have been opened to the direct connection between stewardship and discipleship. Giving is a part of growing. Most churches have a lot more "tippers" than "tithers". A tithe is the "first tenth" not a "tenth".

I will be sharing more thoughts about stewardship in the coming months. It is critical to our individual growth and the growth of the church. The programs we currently have, and those we will have in the future, are all possible because of the financial gifts of our members and attendees. God will bless your faithfulness.

Tom Burtch



## Missions

### Among the United Brethren People of Haiti

The United Brethren church has about 30 churches in Haiti, 8 of them in the Port-au-Prince area. The City Soleil church, located in the city's poorest area, was totally destroyed. The other churches sustained varying amounts of damage. The largest UB church in Port-au-Prince, Delmas, suffered only minor damage. Hundreds of Haitians are living in the church yard. A new church and conference center has been under construction on that property. They planned to worship on the site, but not inside.

Rev. Olliam Richard, our superintendent in Haiti, reports that the distribution of relief supplies is not well organized just yet. Earlier this week, he wrote that nothing was available to offer those seeking assistance; supplies had not yet arrived. He is not aware of any United Brethren pastors who were killed. However, he hasn't been able to make contact with all of them. After leaving the General Conference meetings in Honduras, Rev. Richard was able to reach Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. There, he and three other people hired a van to take them to Haiti, where he was reunited with his wife,

Esther. Their home is not far from the airport. Though their home was intact, they lived in the yard because of continued aftershocks. Esther has a chronic condition which was aggravated by all the dust. Since she is a French citizen, the French government evacuated her to Guadalupe, and then to Paris, where the Richards have a residence. They wanted to take Olliam, but he refused to leave. He felt he needed to stay in Haiti.

### So what is our role?

We are part of the support and follow-up team. Your financial gifts provide the means for first-responders like Samaritan's Purse and CH Global to deliver desperately-needed aid. In the future we'll send teams to continue the clean-up and begin rebuilding homes schools, churches, and hospitals. Are you, or your church, interested in joining a work team to Haiti? Please contact Donna Hollopeter at [donna@ub.org](mailto:donna@ub.org). Over the next several months, as the situation improves, we can begin sending work teams to help rebuild the thousands of buildings recently damaged or destroyed.

The Global Ministries office wants to build a database of interested persons we can contact when

things finally open up. In the meantime:

- Make sure you have a valid passport.
- Check the Centers of Disease Control website for information about immunizations needed before traveling to Haiti. For example, Hepatitis B requires two vaccinations before you leave the country.

### Giving to Help with Haiti Relief

If you want to send money for Haitian earthquake relief, put "Haiti earthquake relief" on the memo line, and make the check payable to Global Ministries.

### Send to:

Global Ministries  
302 Lake Street  
Huntington, IN 46750

100% of your contribution to Global Ministries for Haiti Relief will be sent to either CH Global or Samaritan's Purse. We have already sent over \$12,000.



## Youth Mission Trip

### Know Sweat Mission Trip

June 28 – July 2 we're going to Cincinnati, OH for our annual mission trip. We're staying at Pastor John's college Cincinnati Christian University!

The trip will cost approximately \$200 per person, but don't let that scare you into not signing up! Through several fundraisers, I hope to lower the cost to \$75 – \$100 per person.

Cost will cover food, lodging, and all activities! Please sign up ASAP! **A \$75 non-refundable deposit is due by February 28!** THINK AHEAD!!

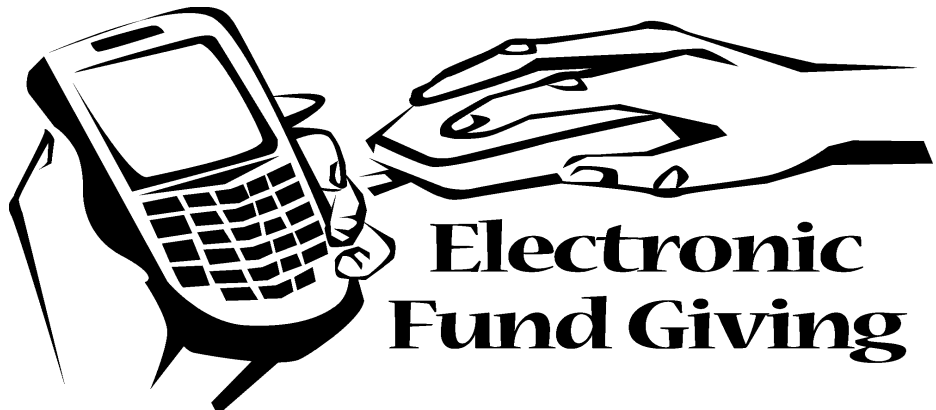


## Something New

We are excited to potentially offer another option for you to bring your tithes and offerings; electronic funds transfer (EFT). Many of you currently pay bills electronically. We'd like to give you the opportunity to make contributions to New Horizons Community Church without having to write a check.

In order to implement this program, we will need at least 10 people to sign-up. Payments can be made weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly direct from your checking or savings account. You determine the frequency and amount and we do the rest.

Please give this prayerful consideration. We need to determine the level of interest in this program. Let Bonnie Leistner, Tom Burtch, or the church office know if you are interested in doing this. Once we have enough interest, we will have you complete an authorization form.



## Electronic Fund Giving