

# The Sugar Beat

## **SUGAR GROVE CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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### **From the Pastor**

Stewardship (management). Luke 12:42-48

What is the relationship between an owner and the steward or manager? It is a fiduciary relationship. A fiduciary is someone who has undertaken to act for and on behalf of another in a particular matter in circumstances which give rise to a relationship of trust and confidence. God has given to us this role of fiduciary. What has He entrusted to us? God created us in His likeness and gave us dominion over all. He has entrusted us to manage all. His word informs us that God wants us to worship Him and that our life is to be a service to Him. A good manager is one that holds the best interest of the owner as his own.

I will begin a series on stewardship for the month of October. The first Sunday we will look at what God has given to us. It is appropriate that this will also be World Communion Sunday celebrating the gift of God's son to us. The second Sunday we will look at how we use the treasure God has given to us. The third Sunday we will see how we are stewards of time. The last Sunday we will explore the talents we have been given and how we are to share them.

Stewardship is not a subject many people get excited about but it is a very important topic for God. If you can put yourself in the owner's position, you can see why it is important to God. One day we will be called to account for what we did with His treasure, time, and talent. It is better to review our management skills now than later.

On page three, I have included part of a section on fasting from Dr. Myles Munroe's book. I want to ask you to pray about engaging in a fast for Sugar Grove before the end of the year. God has entrusted us with a great commission and with great talent to accomplish our mission. I believe a people fasting to seek God's face will invite the power of God's Spirit into their midst. May 2009 find us doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with our God.

**Bro. Gary**

## Fun, Learning, Sharing, and Lack of Sleep at Camp Reveal

Anna Kirby-Hunt and Darl Henley represented our CPWM at a ladies' retreat sponsored by our Synod in Evansville, IN. on September 26. We started our retreat at 1:00—2:00 pm with sharing and singing with 34 women attending. We were in meetings until 9:00pm. We were blessed with wonderful speakers and terrific food. We were able to continue our bible study, viewing pictures from the Assembly in Japan and a side trip to China. Music was enjoyed by all on Saturday morning starting at 7:30 am. Our dinner at noon was our ending session with wonderful door prizes. Anna was very happy to have her name chosen for a beautiful basket with a family cookbook and two kitchen towels,

Maybe next time more women from our church will be able to go with us for many blessings will be given in different styles from many different women and areas.

We learned when you are told to bring your own bedding it might be a clue for lack of comfort and lack of sleep.

*Anna Kirby-Hunt & Darl Henley*

### Children / Youth

Trip to Holiday World: October 11th, 7:30 am from the Jockey lot. If you want, bring money for souvenirs.



"That's a nice thought, Sister Ida, but I'm not sure it's biblical to put a 'Coupon Good for \$5.00 off Your Next Tithe' in our newsletter."

**C**hoir (Middle English from Latin *chorus*, "a dance") Isn't that interesting? But dancing is not required to be a part of the choir (although moving to the rhythm is certainly welcomed). The choir gets together at 5:15 pm on Sundays to sing to the Lord a new song and some old ones as well. Be encouraged to join this fine group of saints that lead us in worship every Sunday morning.

***Praise the Lord. Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the saints.***

Psalm 149:1

## Trunk or Treat

Sunday  
October 26th 4pm

Decorate your trunks for the trick or treaters. Face painting, tattoos, games, wiener roast, s'mores, hay ride and lots of fun. Don't miss this outing. Food & drinks will be furnished by the fellowship team, but everyone is asked to please bring a dessert.

## Hayride / Cookout

### Christian Education Conference November 4—7, 2008

It will be held at St. Columba Conference Center in Memphis. The theme:

**"Risking Ourselves Totally—Discovering New Ways to Do Sunday School"**

These conferences have been well worth the time and money to attend! See Bro. Gary.

**Prime Timers**

will travel to Union City, TN.

We will dine at Generations and then spend some time at the Outlet Mall and CBK (Kirkland's).

**Thursday, October 23rd, leaving at 9am.**

## Prayer List

<u>Pray For</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Rev. Dean Atchison	
Harold Belt	Frankie Cook
Ann Collins-Crider	
Steve Crider	
Rev. Ray Devries	Bro. Gary
Trish Gage	BJ Crider's daughter
Andy Gividen	
Lisa Grubbs	Debbie Carlton
Darl Henley	
Ryan Henry	Ann Crider's Grandson
Ada Mae Hillyard	
Morris Hodge	
Hurricane Victims	
Jeff James	
Herman McMain	Judy's husband
Melinda Roberson	Tommy's stepmother
Gordon Roddell	Valerie Hart's Brother
Paul Rushing	
Ronald Singleton	Tommy Roberson
Deon Sunderland	Johnnie Travis
Deon Todd	Faye Black
Kenny Webber	Herbie Faught
Brady Williams	
Truman Williams	Amber Driver
Kenneth Winn	Claudena Travis
Evalena Woodall	Johnnie Travis
Harold Woodside	

## Members of the Military

Mark Boaz	Scott Hurley	Joey Shirey
Cody Brandon	Josh Jackson	Jonathon Taylor
Brandon Carlson	David Jones	John Venable
Valerie Edwards	Skyler Powell	John Watson
Keith Finney	Rev. Curtis Pruitt	Troy Woody
Kevin Householder		

### Others

United States of America, President Bush and all elected officials, Elections, Session, Sunday School Teachers, Bro. Gary

**F**asting is intentional abstinence from eating. Some times people confuse hunger with fasting. They will say, "Well, I was so busy that I didn't eat today. I'll make that a fast." That wasn't a fast, because you had planned to eat but just didn't have the time. In the Old Testament the Hebrew word for fast is *tsum*, it means "to cover over the mouth." in the New Testament, the Greek word is *nesteuo*. It means "to abstain from food." a fast is a conscious intentional decision to abstain for a time from the pleasure of eating in order to gain vital spiritual benefits. True fasting involves the following:

First, fasting is a time set apart to **seek the face of God**. It means abstaining from other things that you find pleasure in for the purpose of giving your whole heart to God in prayer. When you fast, you're telling God, "My prayer and the answers I'm seeking are more important than my pleasure in eating."

Second, fasting means outing God first, focusing all your attention in Him alone-not on His gifts or blessings, but on God Himself. It shows God how much you love and appreciate Him. In this way, fasting is a point of intimacy with God. God will reveal Himself only to people who want to know Him.

Third, fasting is a time to foster a sensitive environment for the working if prayer. Whenever you read about fasting in the Bible, it always has the word prayer coupled with it. Therefore, fasting adds to our prayers the environment for God to work. It enables us to see the fulfillment of God's Word and purposes for us as individuals and as the body of Christ.

Fourth, fasting is a form of intercession for others. In the majority of the cases in the Bible, when any person or people fasted, it was on behalf of the needs of others, whether it was a national problem or a family situation. They fasted to bring God into their circumstances.

## Cards of Thanks

Thank you for keeping me in all your prayers, I am feeling a lot better. You've touched my heart with your kindness, Thank you so much.

Kaylin Travis

Dear Sugar Grove Church,

Thank you for your prayers, visits, and calls. They mean so much to me. And I love you all.

Love, Tommy & Valerie