

# Gravel Ridge General Baptist Church Newsletter



## Come Grow With Us

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## Food Pantry Needs

March - Spaghetti (40 pkgs.)  
Spaghetti Sauce  
(20 jars)

April - Oatmeal or Canned  
Meat

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## Seeking Forgiveness & Restoration *by Brother Robert*



This is for the person who had received Christ as their Savior, but failed him and now seeks forgiveness.

1) Repent and confess to God. The Bible says in 1st John, Chapter 1:9,

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

What must we do to be forgiven?

\_\_\_\_\_.

What does God say he will do if we confess?

\_\_\_\_\_.

To confess means to "agree" with God.

i.e. I agree that I lied, or cheated, or wronged.  
was unkind, or lost my temper, etc.

Be specific as you silently confess your sin to God.

Sin takes us off God's pathway to peace and joy. Confession puts us back on God's pathway.

2) Determine to forsake any known sin in your life.

Proverbs 28:13 says,

He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.

What happens if we cover our sins?

We \_\_\_\_\_.

Following confession we must \_\_\_\_\_ our sins.

3) Make right any know wrongs.

It is important not only to confess and forsake sin, but also to make things right with everyone we may have

Acts 24:16,

I strive always to keep my conscience clear before God and man.

4) Renewed fellowship will be the result.

John 1:7 says,

But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His son, purifies us from all sin.

How do you know:

You are forgiven?/God said it in His word.

You are cleansed?/I believe it in my heart.

You are restored?/That settles it in my mind.

Think about it

*Brother Robert*

## Welcome!

Five new members have joined our church this year!

**Heiko and Theresea Montgomery** joined us on January 2. The Montgomery's live in Furlow.

On January 9, **Eugene and Teresa Barber** joined our church. They and their children; Miranda, Gene, Christian, and Cameron live in the Lonoke area.

**Joanie Newman** united with us on February 27. Joanie is Theresea's daughter and also lives near Furlow.

**Welcome to the family, everyone!**

## 2011 Goals

As of the date of this printing, we have had five (5) conversions/rededications—reaching 100% of our 2011 goal!

On January 16, we had two baptisms (Theresea Montgomery & Gene Barber). These two baptisms took us to 40% of our baptism goal for the year; however, we have five (5) more baptisms coming soon!

Our most important assignment is to lead others to Christ. Let us pray that God will continue to use us to win souls for His kingdom. Imagine what we can accomplish before the end of this year!

## Prayer Requests

- † For David in mainland China.
- † For Brenda Chrisp.
- † For Tony Cooper.
- † For Sheila Hambrick.
- † For Jamie Hunt
- † For Lisa Hunt
- † For Virginia Mayne.
- † For Terri Parker.
- † For Amber Pate.
- † For Betty Riddling.
- † For Billy Roberts.
- † For Virginia Thomason.
- † For our military & their families.
- † For the USA.

## The Pate Bunch *by Ronni*



When **Eugene and Susan Pate** got married in 1994, they were one up on the "Brady Bunch". Susan was the mother of four and Eugene, the father of three.

They could probably write a 'How-To' book on weaving two families into one large family unit. It appears they have done a remarkable job! However, they had a bit of a head start with help from two of their children.

You see, their sons were the ones that instigated their relationship. Adam (Eugene's son) and Brandon (Susan's son) were best friends in

elementary school. When they were in the fifth or sixth grade Brandon and Adam decided it was time for their mother and father to meet. They introduced Susan and Eugene to each other and "the rest is history".

Susan's eyes twinkle when she talks about how the boys introduced them. She says Adam and Brandon have remained best friends and always stay out of family squabbles.

Susan was a nurse until she retired after 30 years. Eugene is co-owner with his son, Dinnie at Pate's Car Lot, but he and Susan do most things together. They manage rental property together, hunt together, and play together. They have 12 grand-children and three great grand-children.

Apparently Eugene knows how to care for his wife. Susan has a 'heated' deer stand. ☺

Eugene and Susan joined GRGBC in March, 2009.

Tidbits:

**Name:** Susan Pate  
**Hometown:** Lonoke, Arkansas  
**Favorite food:** Mexican  
**Won't Eat:** Oysters  
**Favorite kind of music:** C/W  
**Favorite song:** "One Day at a Time"  
**Favorite movie:** *Gone with the Wind*  
**Last movie seen:** *Secretariat*  
**Favorite TV show:** *Dancing with the Stars*  
**I won't watch:** Science Fiction  
**Favorite sport:** Deer Hunting  
**Last book read:** *Bible*  
**Hobby:** Camping  
**Favorite places I've traveled:** Arkansas is the best!  
**Fantasy vacation would be:** Any place I am going is my favorite at that time.  
**Biggest fear:** Mice  
**Pet peeve:** My husband thinking he is "THE BOSS"  
**Nick name:** Unmentionable  
**My hero/s:** Everyone in my life that I learn from  
**One word to sum me up:** Flexible  
**What I like about my church:** "The love"

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**Name:** Eugene Pate  
**Hometown:** Enola, Arkansas  
**Favorite food:** Turnip greens  
**Won't Eat:** Navy beans - oatmeal  
**Favorite kind of music:** C/W  
**Favorite song:** *Big Green Tractor*  
**Favorite movie:** *Christmas Vacation*  
**Last movie seen:** *Secretariat*  
**Favorite TV show:** *Wheel of Fortune*  
**I won't watch:** Kung Fu movies  
**Favorite sport:** Deer hunting  
**Last book read:** *Bible*  
**Hobby:** Deer hunting  
**Favorite places I've traveled:** Dauphin Island  
**Fantasy vacation would be:** Been there, done that  
**Biggest fear:** Airplanes  
**Pet peeve:** Working on rental property and trying to get my kids to do as I say and not as I do!  
**Nick name:** None  
**My hero/s:** Jesus  
**One word to sum me up:** "Good-looking"  
**What I like about my church:** Church family

## Inspiration *by Shelly Carlock*

I have been attending GRGBC and have been active on the church website for two years now and I have never noticed the "Inspiration" page. Which is odd because I'm normally very observant. There is so much stuff on there that can help people with their daily walk with Christ. It has several links that can help anyone willing to take it all in and learn.

**-Bible Search Tools:** There are many helpful tools on this page. Commentaries, devotionals and all sorts of study tools. The list goes on and on.

**-The Daily Motivator:** Not only does this page give you motivation to be better it also has beautiful inspirational videos.

**-The Dash Movie:** This video will make

you think and put things in perspective. It's one of my favorites!

**-God's Story from Creation to Eternity:** An amazing video that is great for children and adults alike. My family loved it!

**-The Hope:** If you have ANY questions, this is the page to go to. I wish I had realized this was there a long time ago. It is very helpful to those of us (like me) who are afraid to ask "stupid" questions.

**-Inspirational & Christian videos, prayers, poems, etc:** This is my absolute favorite! It has loads of videos to watch. They are all so beautiful. Some make you cry, some make you smile, and some make you really think about things. They even allow you to share these videos with others by

email.

**-Kids Talk About God:** This is one of the sweetest things I have ever seen! These kids are amazing!

**-The Man who Turned a Mountain of Rock into Inspiration:** This is definitely one you need to check out. This man is dedicated to sharing that "God is Love".

**-The Scripture Tree:** Don't have your Bible handy and feel the need to read a few Scriptures? This page is perfect for that! There are several flowers on the tree that you click on and you can hear birds chirping and singing. It's so neat!

**-Whisper of God:** It gives the "Thought for the Day". It always seems the thoughts he posts are always what I need to "hear" that day.

There are many categories you can click on to get motivation, inspiration, read someone's story of success, etc.

**-Wonderful Video of Inspiration:** WOW!! This guy is an inspiration to everyone he comes in contact with!

I strongly encourage all of you to check out the "Inspiration" page on our website:

Ladies' Night Out  
 Sunday, March 13  
 @ Golden Corral, NLR  
 5:00 PM

See you there!

## March 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 Bible Study Bejay Smith's Birthday!	3	4	5
6	7 Carl & Ronni Vanaman's Anni- versary!	8 James & Shelia Still's Anniversary!	9 Bible Study	10	11	12
13 Montana Smith's Birthday! Ladies' Night Out - Golden Corral, 5 PM	14	15	16 Bible Study	17	18	19
20	21	22 Brandon Chil- dress' Birthday! Terri Parker's Birthday!	23 Bible Study Heiko Montgom- ery's Birthday!	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 Bible Study	31		

Note: All Wednesday night meetings begin at 6:30 PM.

## April 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Bible Study	7 Cindy Cagle's Birthday!	8	9
10 Steven Hum- phrey's Birthday!	11 Dave Marler's Birthday!	12	13 Bible Study Devan Poland's Birthday!	14	15	16 Chris New's Birthday!
17	18 Haley Smith's Birthday!	19 Dunnie & Mechelle Pate's Anniversary!	20 Bible Study	21	22	23 Eugene & Susan Pate's Anniver- sary!
24 Easter Potluck— Following Easter Service	25	26 Kim Klindt's Birthday!	27 Bible Study	28	29	30

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**THE RIGHT TRACK**

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters

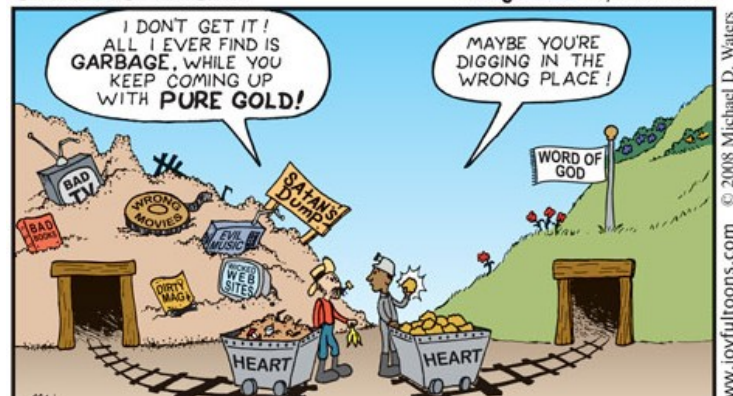


But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

- MATTHEW 6:33 KJV

**GARBAGE DUMP**

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks.

- LUKE 6:45 NIV

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