

Welcome to South Side!

Please take a moment and fill out this card. Detach and place in the offering plate. Thank you

Are you currently involved in a church?
 We would like to contact you to see if there is anything we can do for you, or any questions we can answer regarding our church or the Gospel. Which means of contact do you prefer?
 Phone Email Regular Mail Personal Visit I prefer not to be contacted, thank you.

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Reflections

Thoughts About the Word & Our Lives in Christ

Martin Luther: Scripture Alone

At the Diet of Worms in 1521, Martin Luther declared his conscience captive to the Word of God. But that declaration did not mark his decisive theological break with the Church of Rome. That had happened two years earlier, in July 1519, at Leipzig.

Luther's opponent in the Leipzig Debate was an accomplished professor at the University of Ingolstadt, John Eck. In German, Eck means corner, and he boxed Luther into one. He forced Luther to admit that popes and church councils could err, and that the Bible alone could be trusted as an infallible source of Christian faith and teaching.

Under duress, Luther articulated what would come to be the formal principle of the Reformation: all church teaching must be normed by the Bible. The following year, in The Babylonian Captivity of the Church, Luther stated: "What is asserted without the Scriptures or proven revelation may be held as an opinion, but need not be believed." Late medieval theologians placed Christian tradition alongside the Bible as a source of church doctrine. Luther emphasized instead the primacy of Scripture.

However, Luther did not reject tradition outright. He respected the writings of the early church Fathers, especially those of Augustine, and he considered the universal statements of faith, such as the Nicene and Athanasian Creeds, binding on the church in his day. But all creeds, sayings of the Fathers, and decisions of church councils must be judged by—never sit in judgment upon—the "sure rule of God's Word."

For Luther, the church does not take priority over the Bible; instead, the church is the creation of the Bible. It is born in the womb of Scripture. "For who begets his own parent?" Luther asked. "Who first brings forth his own maker?"

Arguably, Luther's greatest contribution to the Reformation was his translation of the Bible into German. He wanted common people—the farm boy and milkmaid—to "feel" the words of Scripture "in the heart."

Luther held a high view of the inspiration of the Bible, calling it once "the Holy Spirit book." But what truly distinguished his exegesis was his ability to make the text come alive. For him, Bible stories were not distant historical acts but living current events, as we see in his treatment of Gideon: "How difficult it was for [Gideon] to fight the enemy at those odds. If I had been there, I would have messed in my breeches for fright!" Thus, for Luther, the Bible is no mere depository of doctrine. In it, a living God confronts his people. (Christian History Magazine)

*"...shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the word of life."
 Philippians 2:15-16*

South Side Bible Church

Morning Worship Service
 October 11, 2009

The Transformed Life II

Pastor Mike Brown

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Order of Worship

Prelude ~

Opening Hymn & Reading ~ Rick McNally

We Are an Offering (#678)
Reading (#679)

Welcome and Announcements ~ Pastor Mike

Offering ~

Songs of Worship ~ worship team

He is Exalted
Hosanna
All Creatures of our God and King
Nothing but the Blood

Just for Kids ~ Pastor Rick

Morning Prayer ~ Pastor Mike

Message from God's Word ~ Pastor Mike Brown

The Transformed Life II
(Romans 12:3-21)

Benediction ~ Pastor Mike

Communion ~

*Evening Service: Join us as we share with you our experiences
from the MAP 2009 summer missions trip!*

Join Us Next Sunday Morning...

Psalm 42

Pastor Rick McNally

It is our joy and pleasure to welcome you and your family to our *family*—the South Side Bible Church. It is our prayer that you might find a home here, and that through our ministries, whether they be for adults, children or youth, you would grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. We are here to help you become His disciples—people who follow Him and listen to His voice.

We fully understand that *the church* is much more than mortar and brick, pew and hymnal. Those physical things are what make up a facility. The church is truly God's people, called out of the world in order to make a new family, a new place in which we can grow and mature as we ought. Paul stated in his treatise on the church that we ought...

"...prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." (Ephesians 4:12-13)

We sincerely hope that you experience this at South Side. If we can help you in any way, please do not hesitate to call.

— Pastors Mike Brown
& Rick McNally

The South Side Bible Church is...

Bible Focused — We believe that scripture alone is our authority for faith and practice. We strive to focus on the scriptures in our services, in our Sunday School classes, and other ministries.

Christ Centered — Our devotion, worship and attention is centered on Jesus Christ, who is Savior, Lord, Teacher and Friend. We believe that we are called to put our faith in Christ, then through the ministries of His Spirit, Word and Church to become His followers and disciples.

Evangelical — We believe in the need for each person to find peace with God through the message of the Gospel, to establish and maintain a relationship with Him by grace through faith in Christ Jesus.

Servant Led — We believe that servant hood is the proper attitude of leadership. Leaders are to follow the example of Christ—the ultimate Servant. As elders, deacons and pastors his leaders in his church need to be examples of Biblical submission in the body of Christ.

IFCA Affiliated — Although we are an independent congregation (locally led and organized) we are affiliated with the IFCA International. For more information on the IFCA, visit their website. www.ifca.org

Keep Us Informed!

Use this form to let the staff know of any prayer requests, or changes of personal info (phone, email, etc.).

Date _____

Name _____

Prayer Request or Information
(please print below)



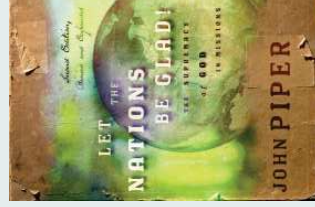
Sermon Notes

The Transformed Life II

Pastor Mike Brown

October 11, 2009

Missionary Focus



Those who Signed out Copies of the
Let the Nations Be Glad Book!

Hope you are enjoying it!

Please turn in the books that were
loaned out so others can read the
book too!



Announcements

MAP (Missions Apprentice Program) — report tonight at 6:00pm. Please come and see what God did in our hearts on our Summer Mission Trip to Gull Lake.

Ladies Ensemble — practicing Mon., Oct. 12 & 19 from 3-4pm. Interested in joining us? See Renee Hill or Ruth Yousef.

Work Day — Sat., Oct. 17th from 9-1pm. Come help with our building & grounds' fall cleaning and maintenance.

Men's Breakfast — Saturday, Oct 24th, 8:30am at Old Country Buffet. Breakfast buffet is \$5.99. If you have any questions, contact Brad Johnston, 979-9924

Ladies Bible Study — Our next study will be Oct 13th. We meet from 6:30-9 pm.

Ladies Daytime Bible Study Wednesdays at 1:00 (lunch at 12:15, bring a sack lunch) studying the Kings & Prophets.

Organ Need—The Deacons have established a committee to research the purchase of a new instrument. If you are interested in being a part of this please see Joe Layton for further details.

Children's Choir meets tonight at 6pm for children K-6th grade.

Attention Kindergarten to 6th grade students — Practice will begin Sun., Oct. 18 from 6-7pm for this year's Christmas Musical. Practicers will continue weekly until the program takes place on Sun. evening Dec. 13th at 6 pm.

Operation Christmas Child — We are now collecting HBA items: toothpaste, soap, combs and washcloths. We also need candy, no chocolate please.

Barnabas Ministry Project — Care packages will be sent to college students and military living away from home. If you'd like to contribute, there is a suggestion list in the foyer. Any questions see Cindy Johnston.

JOY Sisters Christmas Party — Thursday, December 3rd is in need of a host home. Please contact Becky Dosh if you are willing, 979-1275.

Communion at South Side — we made a change in our communion schedule to help some of our military people. Drill weekend falls on the first weekend of the month which makes it difficult for them to attend. We are switching our schedule so communion services (both evening and morning) occur primarily on the second Sunday of the month.

Annual Meeting — November 8th. We will have a potluck dinner following the morning service, and will begin the meeting at 1:45. All who attend South Side are encouraged and welcome to be part of this meeting. Members are expected to attend (please and thank you!)

From the Barnabas Ministry — We need your help! As Christmas approaches, many of our families will find it difficult even to have a special meal for their celebrations. We'd like to provide them with gift cards to help relieve some of the financial stress. The families could buy food, clothing or anything needed with these cards. The best denominations would be \$5 or \$10, and they are readily available at Target, Wal-Mart, Meijer, or Visa gift cards available at many stores around town. The Deacons will distribute the cards to those who need them most. A box has been placed on the back shelf. Our project will end December 13.

(Prayer Requests Continued)

Marcia Odenbach — friend of the Tut-tles. A recent MRI shows the tumor on left side of her brain is still growing. Pray for healing, and quality of life.

Smalls — are in urgent need of additional financial support for their ministry.

Elizabeth Hawes — still having difficulties with her blood being in a dangerous clot zone. Pray they are able to regulate it.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:

- Dec 6, 10:45am, God's Great Gifts — The Word, Pastor Mike
Dec 20, 10:45am, God's Great Gifts — The Holy Spirit, Pastor Rick
Dec 6, 6:00pm, Christmas Caroling
Dec 13, 10:45am, God's Great Gifts — Salvation (AM Communion), Pastor Rick
Dec 24, 7:00pm, Christmas Eve Service, God's Great Gifts — The Church, Pastor Mike
Dec 13, 6pm, Children's Christmas



Student Ministries
 Middle / High School / College
 Wednesdays 6:30-8pm

MAP 2009 Presentation tonight 6-7:30pm. Join us as we share with you about our experiences on our summer missions trip!

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 6:00-8:15pm — Activity will be a Video Scavenger Hunt. Bible Study is "How to Study Part 1 — Observation". No worship team.

Junior High Social / October 24, 5-7:30pm at the McNally's for Pizza Sam's & Fun Stuff.



Bible Club! Fun & Learning
 for 3 year olds-6th Grade
Mondays 6-8pm (school year)

- ◆ Oct. 12 — Uncle Al Ross, guest speaker
- ◆ Oct. 19 — Root beer Relay
- ◆ Oct. 26 — Grand Prix Cars for sale

Our Ministries

THIS WEEK —

- Today (10/11) ~ 9:30am** Sunday School, 10:45am Morning Worship Service & Communion, 6pm Map 2009 Report, Children's Choir
Mon (10/12) ~ 6pm AWANA—Al Ross
Tue (10/13) ~ 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study
Wed (10/14) ~ 12:15pm Ladies Bible Study, 6-8:15pm Youth Group
Thu (10/15) ~ 5pm Elders Meeting, 6:30pm Council Meeting
Sat (10/17) 9am Church Work Day
BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES
Sun (10/11) Ty Fuller
Mon (10/12) JW Harper, Molly Kate McNally, Katherine Powers
Tue (10/13) Richard de Jong, Lynae Fuller
Wed (10/14) Larry & Peggy Gordon, Kegan McNally, Travis Summers
Thu (10/15) Brian & Amie Summers, Erin McCaslin
Fri (10/16) Jill Petersen, Brett Tuttle Jr.

Sat (10/17) Becky Dosh, Bethany Liebrandt

FACILITY CLEANING —

Oct 17 ~ Harper
Oct 24 ~ McNally & Liebrandt

PRAYER CLOSET —

Today ~ Cindy Brown
Next Week ~ Cathy de Jong

10:45AM NURSERY —

Today ~ Lois & Leah Snyder
Next Week ~ Lori & Jenae Drum

SOUND SYSTEM —

Today ~ Danny Layton
Next Week ~ Grayson Hargus

USHER SCHEDULE —

October ~ Chris Brown/Hillis Kauffman
November ~ Andy Sheldon/Brandon de Jong

FINANCIAL —

Weekly BGT — \$4,006.56
October 4 — \$4,715.54

Prayer Requests



Our Servicemen & Women —

Tena Auton, Brandon de Jong, Heidi Fouty, Ken Gordon, Matt Gordon, Jim & Zac Hall, Daniel Kennett, Joe & Andy Layton.

Carissa Drum —

diagnosed with Scheuermann's kyphosis: (curved spine) & has to wear a brace for a year. Pray cyst on her spine is benign or gone at next MRI & that no further surgery is needed.

Jenae Drum — had her gallbladder removed 9/21, she is now home and recovering nicely. Pray this eliminates her GERD problems.

Shirley Townsend — Mark Townsend's mother. Pray for Shirley

who is having shoulder problems and may require surgery soon.

Danette Wilkins' Dad — has lung cancer. A stent was put in his heart at the time of surgery & his cancer surgery was postponed for 3 months. Pray the cancer doesn't grow during this waiting period.

Bonnie Oppen — Ed Petersen's niece has entered Kamanos October 2nd for 7 days of chemo to wipe out WBC & stem cells to receive bone marrow transplant. Donor is 49 year old man. Her husband Steve is in remission. Pray they will glorify God through this trial.