

## Brady's "Squared-Off-Edge-of-the-Paper"

### Winterfest Goers:

We have 26 of our members that are in Tennessee today for Winterfest. They will be returning at midnight tonight.

### Youth Service for Haiti:

Today is the last day to pledge a donation for the Youth's Haitian Relief Project. Table is in the foyer. If you have already decided on a donation, do not turn it in yet. Everything is still be organized/processed. Once we are ready to take your donations, an announcement will be made. Thanks!

### ACU Spring Break Mission:

We have a group of 11 students coming up from ACU during their Spring Break to work in the Manchester area. They will need housing for the week (mid-March). If interested, let Brady Easter know and keep your ears open for more information.

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Welcome to the Manchester Church of Christ. The congregation is made up of people who meet regularly to share in worship, study, prayer and fellowship. In Jesus Christ, we have found new direction for our lives. We are now seeking to follow the Lord's instructions in fulfilling the Great Commission (Matt 28:16-20 and the Greatest Commandment (Matt 22:34-40).

#### Attendance and Contribution For 2/14/2010

Sunday Bible Classes	209
Sunday AM Worship	319
Wed. Bible Classes	110
Sunday Evening Worship	102
Offering to God	\$8,638.83
Weekly Budget	\$9,120.00

#### Upcoming Events

February 21: Fellowship Groups Mtg.  
 February 27: Senior Saints Breakfast@ V.Diner  
 February 28: 4th Sunday Special Programs  
 March 7: Congregational Potluck/BYND  
 March 7: Conversation w/Shepherds  
 March 12-13 N.E. Church Growth Seminar  
 March 14: Jerry Tallman-Guest Speaker  
 March 14: Daylight Savings Time Begins  
 March 14: Ladies Small Group  
 March 18th Area Preachers/Elders Meeting

Sunday, February 21, 2010  
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#### Assembly Times

**Sunday:**  
 Bible Class: 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship: 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.\*

#### **Wednesday:**

Bible Classes: 7:00 p.m.

\*Small groups at homes 3rd Sunday evening  
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# Arnie's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Manchester Church of Christ,

We are blessed to host the **Third Annual New England Church Growth Conference** the week-end of March 12-14th. **Jerry Tallman** from Rochester, Michigan will giving a workshop especially for our family beginning on Friday Evening at 7:00 pm. He will also speak twice on Saturday during the conference and Jerry will teach and preach Sunday Morning.

**Monte Cox** from Harding University is the Key Note Speaker Saturday. He will be speaking at 9:40 am and again at 3:30 pm. There will be additional workshops by **Billie Williams** from the Sunset Bible Institute and **Gareth Flanary** from West Springfield.

Registration and Coffee begins at 9:00 am. We hope that you will make it a point to be here. Nursery will be provided free of charge. This conference is for men, women, and the youth of our congregation.

Please notice the bulletin board for a complete schedule. Any questions see George Caruthers or Arnie Holmes

# News and Notes

- **Mike McHugh** is looking for volunteers to help with the Shelter from 7-9Pm on March 4,5,6,&7. A sign up sheet is on the table in the foyer. Any questions see him.
- **Beverly Bouffard** had foot surgery at St. Francis Hospital and is scheduled on Monday to have some more surgery.
- **Marsha Adams** is leaving tomorrow to go to Texas to spend time with her mother especially.

# Anthony's Corner

While on a visit to the Mystic Aquarium last week, I noticed that one of the exhibits dealt with the discovery of the doomed ocean liner "Titanic" whose name has become synonymous with disaster. To have been on that seemingly unsinkable ship as it was going down must have been to say the least, quite a horrific experience. I am sure that the thoughts of those unfortunate enough to have been on board after the collision with the iceberg suddenly shifted from attention to the opulent luxury that was so much a part of that grand vessel to thoughts of "Can I get out of here alive?" All of a sudden, it did not matter how elegant were the rooms, how rich the food served in the dining room, or even the fact that there was a gymnasium as well as a swimming pool on board the ship. All of a sudden, the main concerns of those on that sinking ship focused on life & death issues.

Whether we want to be mindful of it or not, we are sailing along on a "Titanic" of our own. That is to say the good ship planet Earth is also headed for disaster according to II Peter 3:10-12. The Bible tells us that when Jesus comes back that the earth and its works will be burned up. So just as the goal of those on the Titanic was to get out alive, so also should it be our goal to get off this earth alive. Unfortunately, there were not enough lifeboats to accommodate all who wished to escape the Titanic. But the good news is that the Gospel of Christ, which serves as a lifeboat to all who wish to be resurrected to life at the return of Jesus, has accommodation for all who would trust and obey the Lord. Since it is only by means of the death, burial & resurrection of Christ that we can get out of here alive, we need to not only make sure that we are in the lifeboat, but that others get in as well.

*Song Leader,*

*Phil Stice*

**Song**

**Song**

**Welcome**

*Arnie Holmes*

**Communion Scripture**

*2 Peter 2:21-25*

**Lord's Table**

**Song—1st verse**

**Offering**

**Song Con't**

**Song**

**Elder's Prayer**

*Toimi Martikainen*

**Song**

**Song**

**Scripture**

*Sam Benjamini*

**Song**

**Sermon**

*"How to Defeat Temptation"*

*Romans 7:14-25*

**Song**

**Announcements**

*Arnie Holmes*

**Closing Prayer**

*Anthony Carty*

**Children's Bible Time**

*Gail Hannington/Megan B.*

**Toddler Bible Time**

*Melissa Miller/Natalie Y.*

**Evening Service**

*Fellowship Groups  
Communion served @ building*

## Remember in Prayer

- Those having health issues:
- **Cancer:** Agnes Wuorio, Trudy Wright, Don Bennett, and Ennis Walker.
- **Ongoing health problems:** Cora Marshall (Dorothy's mother), Daniel Gipson, Becky Todd, and Delia Renteria, Ron Haveron (Kate Moules friend) hospitalized, & Beverly Bouffard, foot surgery recovery.
- **Those looking for employment:** Richard Chang, Lillian Jones' brother.
- **Those Traveling:** Diana Carra, Dorothy Marshall-Georgia for a month and 26 of our members who are traveling back to today from Tennessee from Winter-Fest.

**LADIES!!** Mark your calendars and plan to attend our annual breakfast devotional on Saturday, March 27th from 9 to 11 am. If you have a passion for prayer and would like to lead a small group or would like to help coordinate this event, please contact Jodi Dean.



## Special request of all members:

If you have photos of church members or church activities over the last 48 years, please bring them to **Janet or Phil Stice** at church, or send them electronically to [pcstice@cox.net](mailto:pcstice@cox.net). They will be scanned and returned to you, and then later used for a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary presentation.

## Welcome to our Family!

On Thursday Augie Gorreck (friend of Susie Williams) was baptized by Anthony. Congratulations Augie. His address: 5 Autumn View Drive, Lisbon, CT 06351 Phone: 860-376-6815 email: [augiegorreck@hotmail.com](mailto:augiegorreck@hotmail.com)

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