

View

July 1, 2007

This Week's Agenda

The Lord's Day

9:30 AM: Singing, Prayer, Lord's Supper, Sermon: David Posey

5 PM – Singing, **Prayer**, Lord's Supper, Sermon

Classes Offered This Week

Today at 5:30

Classes for all ages 18 months and up.

Auditorium: Studies in Authority

Room 11-12: Seed Sowers Workshop

Tuesday at 7 PM

John's Gospel: (No Class this Week)

Wednesday

7:30 PM – Summer Program - Everyone 6th grade and up will be in the auditorium. Classes for younger ages.

News & Prayer Concerns

"First of all, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men..."

Prayer Concerns

Continue your prayers for Kathy Wilson. She will be scheduled for another surgery later.

Continue your prayers for Dan Hamilton, Dylan Franklin, David Ramsey, Tom Royston, Julie Bumgarten, Herman Ward and Sharon Jones.

Continue to keep Myrtle Farrell, Gwen's mother, in mind.

Continue to pray for Jackson Agee, Logan and Julie's child.

Pray for those who are expecting: Sarah Cain, Nicole Grinnell and Jamie Gardner, April Franklin and for the couples that would like to have children, but have not been able.

Pray for Cameron and Christa Carrozza as they start their new life together. They were married on Saturday, June 30th.

Continue your prayers for those who serve our country. Jeremy Allen, Art and Peggy's son, is heading back to Iraq and will be serving in the Baghdad area, so pray for him.

Quarterly Singing

Our next quarterly singing will be held on September 30th, the last Sunday of the quarter.

Out of Town

CJ and Matthew Woolington will be in Nevada for the balance of the summer. Pray for their welfare while they are away and for Dawn. David and Dana Carrozza are out of town this weekend. Dan and Melinda Hamilton are in

New York and will return July 2nd.

Karlsson's Last Sunday

Today is the last Sunday that Magnus, Amber, Emma and Kaisa Karlsson will be meeting with us. This family has brought us so much joy to us and we are really going to miss them. We can only pray that God will continue to watch over them while they are in Virginia and that we might be able to be reunited with them this side of heaven. In the meantime, we will say "so long for now" and wish them the very best.

Gospel Meetings

Reminder: Mark your calendar for October 8-10, 2007 for a meeting with Ed Harrell. We have also booked gospel meetings with Bob Owen in the Fall of 2008, Paul Earnhart in 2009 and Dee Bowman in 2011.



**Read your Bible
each day, and
spread the word!**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2007



Once again, our Vacation Bible School was a great success. The children loved it and learned a lot about “digging” in the Bible to find their real treasure.

I am reluctant to even begin mentioning names because so many contributed so much and I would surely forget someone. Every person involved did a wonderful job including the teachers, the “artists,” and those who worked in the background to make it run so smoothly. “Idaho Smith” did a wonderful job in his role.

We had around 60 during the week and it seemed to be pretty consistent throughout the week. We also had several visitors this year, which is very encouraging. Perhaps some good things will come from that. The elders want to thank each and every person involved. We truly appreciate your hard work and dedication and look forward to next year.

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Saying It Just Alike

by Bill Robinson, Jr.

Unfortunately some among us think, even when they have the truth on some issue according to the Bible, it gives them permission to demand conformity to their way in all things. In this the party-spirit is born. For, ultimately, with the leaders of the party it is no longer conformity to objective truth (Bible) that matters, but assenting and acquiescing to the speech, judgment, and thinking of the party. No doubt they “think they do God service” (Jn. 16:2). Yet one wonders if God must not feel at times like the fellow who said, “Save me from my friends and I fear not my enemies.”

According to the party, a person’s soundness is determined by whether or not he says a thing just like the party says it. Any deviation from the party’s accepted way of saying it is viewed as a trend pointing toward apostasy.

Yes, words have meanings. However, when speaking about biblical matters, all are to be held to the same standard: “If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it with the

ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ...” (1 Pet. 4:11). When one preaches or teaches the question should be, did he accurately bring the words of God, rather than did he say it like we say it?

Yes, we must “contend earnestly for the faith” (Jude 3). But we need learn the difference between contending for the faith and being contentious over our way of saying or doing a thing. While we preach and teach about spiritual matters in the context of our culture, there are going to be ambiguities, not with the word of God *per se*, but with our understanding of the applications to the divine principles. We must recognize divine principles do not change. Furthermore, legitimate applications will not and cannot bring us into conflict with these principles if we are truly seeking to serve the Lord Jesus Christ. Thus our applications to the unalterable and unchanging principles of God’s word must undergo examination and oft-needed revisions to be more consistent in our practice and claims, as committed servants of the Lord Jesus according to truth (Eph. 4:20-24).

May God help us all to grow in bringing His word and

ministering according to the ability He has given us by looking to His word for guidance; and may He help us be more patient with one another in the process (1 Pet. 3:8-11).

(Focus Magazine)

Authority Class Agenda

Summer 2007, Folsom Point Church of Christ

These classes will be taught by David Posey, Sr., Jeff Herrin, Dennis Reagan, Dan Singleton and David Sanderson. The classes will be visitor-friendly, meaning we will present them in a way that will not offend and will do our best to avoid being too “scholarly” or using examples that only Christians would understand.

Week	Subject	Teacher
1	Why Study Authority? (Scope and Purpose)	David Posey, Sr.
2	Who’s in Charge Here?! <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A reminder that we are a kingdom with a King.	
3-4	Is the Bible Reliable? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How did we get the Bible?• Can we trust the book we’ve based our life and religion on?	Dennis Reagan
5	Is the Quest for Religious Unity a Crazy Dream? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• I.e., Is it possible to understand the Bible alike?	David Posey, Sr.
6-7	A Way That Is Right and Cannot Be Wrong. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The concept of authority: what it is and how it works in the lives of Christians and in churches that are seeking to do God’s will.	
8-10	Why the Church at Folsom Does What It Does... <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How do we determine which commands and examples are binding?• When is an inference “necessary”?• What do we do when the Bible is silent on a matter?• Why we don’t use musical instruments and why we take the Lord’s Supper every Sunday.	
11-12	The Elders’ Role in the Local Church.	David Posey, Sr.
13	Review	David Posey, Sr

Mark Your Calendar

September 30th, Quarterly Singing

October 8-10, 2007 - Meeting with Ed Harrell



Preachers We Help Support

John Scholtz - South Africa, Zimbabwe
Robert Nichols - Japan
Barney Mejia - Nicaragua
Dale Pennock - Vermont
Gary Stouffer - Vista, CA
Jim Lee - Englewood, Ohio
Jeff Carr - Mandeville, LA
Roberto Tondelli, Rome, Italy

Philippines

Armando C. Pastor - Sto. Domingo & Dumabel
Pepe G. Ando - Davao City
Amado M. Estoy - Iriga City
Ecclesiastes C. Licayan - Monkayo
Abe S. Aguete - Pagudpud
Rex M. Bayaca - Laoag City
James Amangan - Bangued
Quirino Tien - Cagayan Valley
Rosilito F. Nardo in Koronadal City.
Johnny Buguis in General Santos City.

The View contains news and articles of interest to the members of the Folsom Point church of Christ. Announcing an activity or event does not necessarily imply that we financially sponsor the event or that the elders specifically endorse every component of that event, since it may not fall under the direct oversight of the elders. The church's work and the elders' oversight is limited by Scripture. We will not announce events that are primarily social in nature. However, we do want to publicize and encourage those activities that provide an opportunity to be built up in the faith and provide an opportunity for you to be a more involved and active member of the body at Folsom Point.

ABOUT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST AT FOLSOM

We are a church of Christ patterned after the New Testament example of local churches. We believe in the authoritative word of God and will provide you with a Bible answer for everything we do in our doctrine and practice. We exalt Jesus Christ and seek to glorify Him, not ourselves (Ephesians 3:21). Therefore, our efforts are directed toward promoting commitment to Christ, not to any man or institution (I Corinthians 2:5).

Our assemblies are simple. We sing without use of an instrument (see Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16; we will be happy to show you why we use no instrument, if you desire further study on this issue). We pray (I Timothy 2:1), partake of the Lord's Supper each first day of the week (I Corinthians 11:23-29; Acts 20:7) and teach from God's word. All preaching comes from the Bible.

The financial support of this congregations comes entirely from the free-will offerings of its members made on the first day of the week (I Corinthians 16:1-2; II Corinthians 8:1-5; 9:6-7). We never solicit funds from non-members. Contributions are used for the spiritual growth of this church and for the support of a few men in other areas, such as the Philippines, who are preaching the gospel. We do not use money collected here for social programs or the support of any human institution. We believe the church itself can do all the work God has given it to do. And we aim to do *only* the work God has given it to do — teach the gospel, build up the members, and help needy Christians. All other "good work" is the responsibility of individual Christians (Titus 2:11-14; James 1:27; Galatians 6:9-10).

We offer personal Bible studies at your convenience. We are here to help you with your spiritual needs: please favor us with a request for a Bible study or correspondence course that you can complete at your pace.