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# Fellowship News



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## Mowana Retreat

### *Around the World in 40 Hours*



Fleming Falls Retreat Center



Tiners spoke & did the music



### To Every Thing There is a Season -

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*these things in her heart. And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. Luke 2:45-52 NIV*

As the seasons of parenthood pass, that is what our children are hopefully doing: growing in wisdom and stature. (Lucky for us we don't have to raise the Son of God—talk about the mother guilt that might cause!) But we are all brothers and sisters of Christ and heirs with him to God's kingdom, and we must strive to guide our children through their seasons of education to the best of our ability. That means seeking God's guidance through his Word, spending time with fellow believers, and not least of all, praying, praying, praying.

The scriptures refer to life as a vapor when compared to eternity. (James 4:14) As my children age, I see their childhoods are but a vapor as well. And I'm challenged every day to ask myself if I'm making the kind of true, lasting, and eternal difference that God the father has charged me with doing as a parent. The season is turning from summer to fall, from the relaxation of vacation days and pool time, to back to school and extracurricular activities. As I reach for a fresh tissue, blow my nose, and re-apply fresh mascara, I think it's time to re-commit to making this and every season count. Before long it will be a time to graduate...

### ABC Missions Conference

**Friday - Sunday  
August 29-31 at  
Heartland Retreat Center Marengo, OH**

*Overflowing with Hope*

**Missionaries: Rev. Chuck and Ruth Fox  
and family work primarily with the Akha  
hilltribe people living in northern Thailand.**

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Reid Trulson  
Executive Director of International Ministries**

**Few brochures & registration forms at  
Welcome Center or  
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740-587-0804  
or check out the website:  
[www.abc-ohio.com](http://www.abc-ohio.com)**



Winning entry in the  
Throw Down



Great fellowship



Pussy  
cat  
pussy  
cat  
I  
love  
you



Nikki, Carson & Carter  
Fisher



Around the campfire



Corn hole  
toss



## Does Being a Member Matter to You?

by Pastor Rick Breusch

Our Long Range Planning Committee has been reading the book, *Shaped by God's Heart: The Passion and Practices of Missional Churches*, by Milfred Minatrea. We're still in the process of discussing its message and implications. Minatrea has done extensive research on churches that are making a big impact for the kingdom of God. One characteristic of these churches is a high threshold for membership. You don't get to be a part of these churches and just sit. You're expected to be an active, contributing and highly involved participant in the church's life and ministry.

What does being a member of Karl Road Baptist Church mean to you personally? I'm thankful to the Lord for the many deeply committed, highly involved members of our congregation. If it weren't for you, our church wouldn't be doing ministry at all! But there are always those who are more content to sit than to serve, to receive than to give, or to observe than to participate. May the Lord give you a new passion to serve the King and His kingdom!

By the time you read this article, many of you will have received your 2008 commitment brochure. I want to thank each and every one of you who have been faithful to your commitments. For those of you who haven't kept one or more of those commitments, I remind you that the Christian life is a life of new beginnings! Don't let the devil get you stuck in discouragement! Just start new at living out the commitments you made back in January and the Lord will honor your obedience.

Please find below our giving figures for the second quarter of the year. Thanks to everyone who has been faithfully tithing and giving! Thanks to the Lord above all for His gracious provision!

General Fund			Missions Fund		
Expenses	Giving This Year	Giving Last Year	Expenses	Giving This Year	Giving Last Year
\$322,284	\$333,912	\$357,104	\$46,977	\$66,557	\$71,317
Giving at the end of June for General Fund was \$23,192 less than 2007.			Giving at the end of June for Missions was \$4,760 less than 2007.		

## Outflow is Coming!

by Pastor Rick Breusch



The church's program staff and the Evangelism Committee are pleased to announce an all-church program called **Outflow** that will begin Sunday, September 8 and conclude on Sunday, October 12. We will be telling you much more on Sundays during the month of August as we prepare for this great event in the life of our congregation. But here is information that you need to know right now!

- **Outflow** is an all-church program emphasizing everyday outreach for everyday people. It helps God's people think about and practice outward-focused living in a self-focused world. The format is similar to other all-church programs we have done previously such as "The Purpose Driven Church" and "Just Walk Across the Room."
- Both services for five Sundays - September 8 - October 5 - will be devoted to **Outflow**. The messages, music and activities will help us grow in becoming more outwardly focused as individuals and a congregation.
- All adult Sunday school classes and small groups have been asked to us **Outflow** curriculum for their sessions. The book, **Outflow**, will be available for purchase. In addition, our children and student ministries will use a special **Outflow** curriculum as well.
- The final Sunday - October 12 - will feature something very new and exciting for our congregation. Stay tuned!
- Please join me in making the success of **Outflow** in our church a matter of personal prayer this month. Please pray specifically for Don Roeder, our campaign chairperson, the staff and the members of the Evangelism Committee as they lead our church through this event.

## To Every Thing There is a Season

by Kim Finley

By the time you read this, the ever efficient Westerville City School personnel will likely have reduced me to a quivering mass of maternal flesh complete with red-rimmed eyes, runny nose, and a ragged, damp tissue clutched tightly in one hand. And I'll probably be in good company with the hundreds of other incoming freshman parents who spy the "Welcome Class of 2012" marquees in front of the local high schools heralding the start of school at the end of August.

How could it be that the son I gave birth to a nanosecond ago is topping 6'2" tall and heading off to high school? Someone call 9-1-1 because I want to report a robbery! Time had to have been stolen from me--that is the only explanation I have for this phenomenon. Don't even ask me to speculate as to how I will fare at graduation day four years in the not too distant future.

In thinking about another school year beginning and this significant milestone in my firstborn's life, I remembered how often the Bible refers to time and our seasons in our earthly bodies. As Solomon wrote in Ecclesiastes, Chapter 3, "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven." He goes on to recite some of the most common: a time to be born, to die, to plant, to harvest, to weep, to laugh, and to mourn. Solomon is pointing out that all of these things are out of our control. They will happen whether we want them to or not. But all that occurs "under heaven" is by the providence of God and because of that we can be comforted.

There are seasons of parenthood as well. As a parent of young children, there are days you think you'll never have another full night's sleep, wear a clean shirt, or drive a car that

doesn't have various unidentified lingering odors from countless Happy Meals, spilled sippy cups, and petrified worms dug up from the last playground trip. Then a new season will come as it did for Mary and Joseph when they turned around a day into their journey on the way home from Jerusalem and discovered Jesus missing. They made their way back to the holy city, where they spent three anxious days looking for 12-year-old Jesus. But when they found Jesus teaching in the temple, he was not likewise alarmed because from his perspective, he had not been lost.

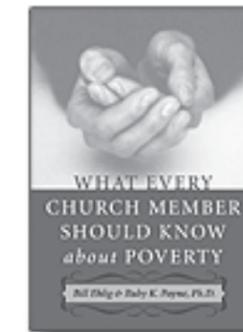
"Why are you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he was saying to them. Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all

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## KRBC Workshop Series Focuses on Poverty

by Susan Edwards

Churches often are perceived as open, welcoming environments, and many times that's true. But congregations without even realizing it, sometimes make themselves inhospitable to people from poverty. For those situations, Dr. Ruby K. Payne and Bill Ehlig co-wrote the book, **"What Every Church Member Should Know About Poverty"** published by aha! Process Inc. Dr. Payne, a national expert on poverty is best known for her work on the "hidden rules of class" and how they affect us all in our lives -- at school and now at church. Bill Ehlig is an ordained minister in Baytown, Texas. He relates his work with church members to the concepts of "hidden rules of economic class" and provides solutions for overcoming these obstacles.



Many church folks genuinely want to be available to those experiencing poverty in their communities. However, churches often operate with a middle-class mentality. This middle-class mode of thought makes it difficult for those from poverty to assimilate into the congregation.

In their new book, Dr. Payne and Pastor Ehlig use stories to help illustrate the way people from poverty view middle-class churches.

They then provide solutions and tactics to teach church members and leaders some of the special considerations that can be afforded to those affected by poverty.

A gathering of about 40 KRBC people met in April for a Saturday workshop based on the principles gathered by Dr. Payne and Pastor Ehlig. Continued workshops this summer have encouraged further discussion on how to connect church ministries to disadvantaged neighbors here in our local church area. If you were unable to participate in the workshops, the informative resource book is available at one of the local bookstores or by ordering from amazon.com. This is a thought-provoking book that is ideal for adult small groups and Sunday school classes.

# Mission Columbus Tutoring Opportunity

by Mary Henton & Ann (Henton) Shaw

Mission Columbus - a Columbus area ministry headed by Rev. Tyler Flynn that our church supports - is expanding its tutoring ministry. In addition to the Avondale Elementary School, Mission Columbus will also be providing tutors to the Dana Elementary School this fall. Both schools are located in the Franklinton area of our city. If you have a passion to make a difference in the life of an inner city child and can commit to giving up your lunch hour once a week, please visit [www.missioncolumbus.net](http://www.missioncolumbus.net) and click on the Franklinton Elementary Schools Tutoring Program link for a program description and printable application.



What a delight! I returned from a camping trip and, while going through the usual pile of bills and junk mail, discovered I had been chosen as the recipient for the Isabelle Scott Scholarship! I am very grateful to be chosen for this generous award and appreciate you entrusting me to be a good steward of this gift.

Barbara McCracken-Bussa

Glen and I thank you for gift, visits and especially prayers during my recovery from spinal fractures.

Betty Burnam

Words cannot express our gratitude for all of your love and support through our loss. Your hospitality reminds us that our Christian brothers and sisters at your church have the heart of the Savior, Jesus. Thank you from all of us for your prayers and love. You have truly blessed us.

Joshua & Joe Cattrell

Thank you for the recent scholarship and support that has gone towards my Cedarville experience. Through this investment, my transition into Cedarville University will become more manageable and successful as I pursue my major in electronic media. There is nothing I could appreciate more than knowing my church is supporting my decision.

Frank Peer

Thank you to the Scholarship Committee for your generous support of my college education. I am about to begin my sophomore year at Wheaton College and can assure you that I am eagerly awaiting another year of extraordinary academic experiences. I am currently majoring in International Relations and Spanish.

Susan Wilcox

## School Supplies Yard Sale August 9



If you have any school supplies such as spiral bound notebooks - wide or college ruled, #2 pencils, glue, glue sticks, crayons, Kleenex, etc. you would like to donate to a yard sale for children needing school supplies, bring them to the church Friday, August 8.

## New Members

### Kay Cargile

848 Clubview Blvd. S  
Columbus, OH  
43235



### Wayne Crutcher

4991 Arbor Village Dr. Apt B28  
Columbus, OH 43214 354-5322

### Libby Marcum

5500 Karl Road Apt 105  
Columbus, OH 43229 433-9658

### Don Middleton

3530 Makassar Dr.  
Westerville, OH 43081  
890-7129

Carrie Middleton - daughter of Don

## Promotion Sunday/ Teacher Appreciation

Our preschool and elementary age children will be promoted to new Sunday school classes **Sunday, August 24 at both services.**

We also want to recognize our wonderful volunteer teaching staff. Nursery: Nikki Fisher and Jenny Etherington. Preschool: Judy Summers. Elementary: Chris Perry. Kids@worship: Melissa Hyer. SS coordinator: Ron Edwards. Women's Connection: Diane Baugher. Mid & High School: Jared Trumbo. Clubs: Jeff Lashley & Lori Foor. After School Club: Linda Campbell & Jan Wilson. Mother's Day Out: Nikki Fisher



Congratulations to:



Ian and Jen Breusch on the birth of their daughter, **Hallie Grace**, June 20.

Benjy and Amy Wilson on the birth of their son, **Josiah Benjamin Loy**, June 20.



# August 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 9:00a Worship/Sanc 10:15a Sunday School/ Breakfast Luau 11:30a Worship/FH 6:00p Fish Bowl	4 5:00p Golf	5 8:00a Work Team 7:00p Deep End, Wood, Northland & Ropeholders Grps 7:30p Worthington Grp	6 7:00p College Bible Study	7 7:00p Women's Group	8 5:30p Caylor/Chamberlin Wedding	9 9:00a Band Practice 1:30p Gussman Party/FH 3:00p Organ Practice til 5p
10 Communion 9:00a Worship/Sanc 10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship/FH 5:00p CE Mtg 6:00p Fish Bowl	11 5:00p Golf	12 8:00a Work Team 12:00p No Prime Timers 7:00p Long Range Planning/115 7:00p Deep End, Nside & Ropeholders Grps 7:30p Worthington Grp	13 7:00p College Bible Study	14 6:00p Wedding Rehearsal 7:00p Deacon Mtg/103	15 6:00p Guy/Murphy Wedding	16 9:00a Band Practice 9:00a Poverty Seminar/ Continental Breakfast 3:00p Organ Practice til 5p
17 9:00a Worship/Sanc 9:00a & 11:30 SS & Sml Grp Teacher Tmg/115 10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship/FH 6:00p Fish Bowl	18 5:00p Golf	19 8:00a Work Team 7:00p Stewards Mtg 7:00p Deep End, Wood, Nside & Ropeholders Grps 7:30p Worthington Grp	20 7:00p College Bible Study	21 7:00p Women's & Lashley Groups	22 7:00p Women's Connection Movie Night	23 9:00a Band Practice 3:00p Organ Practice til 5p
24 Promotion Sunday 9:00a Worship/Sanc 10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship/FH 6:00p Fish Bowl	25 5:00p Golf	26 8:00a Work Team 7:00p Church Council 7:00p Deep End, Nside & Ropeholders Grps 7:30p Worthington Grp	27 7:00p College Bible Study	28	29	30 9:00a Band Practice 3:00p Organ Practice til 5p
31 9:00a Worship/Sanc 10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship/FH 6:00p Fish Bowl						

