

INDIANA SOUTH WESLEYAN



September 2006



Dr. Mark S. F. Eckart
DIST. SUPERINTENDENT

September Schedule

3	A.M.	Columbus Central
	P.M.	Church Visit
7		LDJ - DS Meeting
7-9		BYF Retreat – Orleans
10	A.M.	Shelbyville Grace
	P.M.	Concord
17	A.M.	North Vernon
	P.M.	Austin
24	A.M.	Otwell
	P.M.	Petersburg

October Schedule

1	A.M.	Columbus Bethel
	P.M.	Seymour
5 & 6		IWU Trustee meeting
8	A.M.	Bloomfield Southside
	P.M.	Whitehall
14		Paoli Wesleyan – Saturday Class
22	A.M.	Terre Haute Faith
	P.M.	Bloomfield Mt. Zion
28		Paoli Wesleyan – Saturday Class
29	A.M.	Greenwood
	P.M.	Edinburgh

OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

by Mark S. F. Eckart

Lay people, you are strongly encouraged to remember your pastors and their families during October, especially October 8th, 2006, which is Pastor Appreciation Sunday. They work hard all year, many times being on call seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day. This is a great opportunity to “give honor to whom honor is due.” There are many things you can do, but below I have listed some ideas for you or your church to remember your good pastor and his/her family during October and throughout the year:

- ☆ Make an effort to pray for them every day.
- ☆ Treat them to a nice restaurant.
- ☆ Start the Wesleyan Pension Plan or increase payment if the plan is already in existence.
- ☆ Send the pastor and his/her spouse to a “surprise get away weekend.”

- ☆ Take a special love offering for the children that live in the parsonage.
- ☆ Make a commitment to send at least one appreciation card to the pastoral family each month for a year.
- ☆ Give the pastor a gift certificate to the local Christian bookstore, or better yet, arrange it so they can order some books from the Wesleyan Publishing House.
- ☆ Do some research and send the pastor and his/her spouse to a marriage enrichment seminar with all expenses paid.
- ☆ For the whole month of October organize a food committee and have the church provide the Sunday noon meal for the pastoral family.
- ☆ During October, buy the pastor’s gas for the car he/she uses while ministering for the church.

CAMP MEETING 2006

“He walked Into The Tabernacle”

The above quote was taken from the account of the Asbury Revival when the Lord brought reviving to the Asbury College campus. Dr. Kinlaw indicated that with his report to the media who desired an explanation.

In our recent Camp Meeting at Orleans, it seemed the Lord did walk into the tabernacle and graced us with

His Wonderful Presence. Time and time again He came and our hearts were touched and thrilled with His coming.

It is amazing how much is accomplished when the Lord is present. He convicts, saves, sanctifies, blesses, and encourages us. He did all this and more in our recent camp.

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Dr. O.W. Willis, Rev. Rex Bullock, and the Mark Dubbeld family were an A-Team, along with the Mike Linville family and Rev. Anthony Moore who ministered to the children and youth. This combination, along with the coming of the precious Presence of the Lord, brought real camp meeting to the Indiana South District.

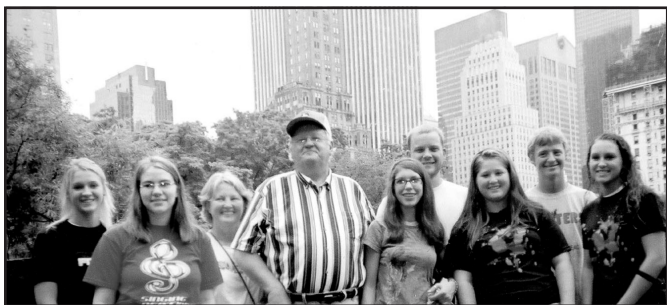
May the Lord do it again at each local church. May He walk among us as we need and anticipate His Wonderful Presence! Pastor Gordon L. Tilley

Camp Meeting

As mentioned by Rev. Tilley in his article, we had a great camp this year at Orleans. In fact, he told me it was one of the best, if not the best, camp he can remember here at our campgrounds. The week after camp was over, I went back to the tabernacle to pray just so I could linger in the presence of the Lord that had been so real there for so many days. Praise the Lord! No doubt, the reason we had such a great camp was because 60 pastors or spouses were fasting and praying each week.

The good news is you can enjoy the preaching by Dr. O.W. Willis and Rev. Rex Bullock by sending your order to the district office. If you will donate \$100.00 to the camp fund (this money will go to help with the maintaining and upkeep of our camp), you will receive a very attractive CD packet containing all the sermons that were given. This is a great deal in that you get 18 CDs plus a nice CD case for just a \$100.00 donation. This way you can enjoy the 2006 camp all year long. Please make your check out to Indiana South Wesleyan District and mail it to Indiana South District Office, P.O. Box 174, Orleans, IN 47452. Thank you! —Dr. Mark

VALEENE WESLEYAN YOUTH TRIP



Vanessa Manship, Alicia Underwood, Ashley Turner, Tate Smith, Hannah McAdams and Jasmine Meek, as well as chaperones Marcia and Larry Dooley and youth minister Josh

Brown visited New York City on a mission set to “spread the word of Jesus.” They worked in soup kitchens for the homeless, experienced various churches, washed dishes, visited a Jewish community and an AIDS ward, and conducted a VBS for the Metro, which is a home for single mothers and their children. They went out on the streets at night and fed the homeless people. Traveling the streets at night was a unique and sometimes even frightening experience for some of the youths. Underwood summed up the mission trip in one word: “awesome.” They all agreed that they will never be the same after the visit to New York.

THE GATHERING '07

Pastors and spouses: Don't forget to register for The Gathering '07 in Orlando, FL, Jan. 2-5, 2007. Cost is \$375 for singles/\$475 for couples, which includes lodging, conference rallies and activities. (Travel and meals are the only additional costs.) Plan to attend this exciting first of its kind conference.

FALL YOUTH RETREAT

Theme: Indescribable Fire
When: Sept. 15-17, 2006
Where: Orleans Campground
Speaker: Pastor Chet Todd, Mecca New Life
Registration is from 7-8 p.m. Friday
Closing Rally is at 10:30 a.m. Sunday

IWU HOMECOMING

Indiana Wesleyan University will be having their annual Homecoming October 6 & 7, 2006. The inauguration of **Dr. Henry Smith** as the 8th president of IWU will take place Friday, October 6, at 1:30 p.m.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

PASTOR'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER will be held on Friday, December 1, 2006 at the Orleans Wesleyan Fellowship Center.

Pastors, please mark your calendars. We will be looking forward to this time of fellowship with you and your family.

UPCOMING MINISTERIAL CLASS

General Church History-C-25
Professor: Dr. Mark Eckart
Two Saturdays
October 14th & 28th
Paoli Wesleyan Church

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ANNUAL PASTORS' WIVES RETREAT

When: October 2-3, 2006
 Where: Country Lake Christian Retreat Center off 65 in Southern Indiana
 Theme: "Beauty: Inside and Out"
 Registration begins at 1:00 p.m.
 Monday, Oct. 2

NEW PASTOR'S ORIENTATION

The Board of General Superintendents, with the support of a grant from the WIF, is sponsoring a denominational orientation for pastors who accepted their first ministry assignment in The Wesleyan Church since the summer of 2005. The orientation will be held November 8-9, 2006 at The World Headquarters of The Wesleyan Church, Fishers, Indiana. It will begin at noon on Wednesday and conclude at noon on Thursday. There is no cost for qualifying pastors except travel to the event. Spouses are encouraged to participate. Interested pastors may get more information by calling Ken Herr, (317) 774-3896, or by sending an e-mail to heerk@wesleyan.org. Registration is limited to the first 75 persons.



Pictured above is Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Colber. This couple has been to every campmeeting that has been held on our grounds dating back to 1952. They enjoyed this camp and thank the Lord He has given them so many years to attend.



Pictured above are from left to right: General Superintendent Dr. Tom Armiger, (those that were ordained) Rev. Teri Jones (Wes); Rev. Harlan Baker (Cynthia); Rev. James Farnsley (Joanne); Dr. Mark.

PASTORS: please note that the sunday school growth reports need to be sent to a new address starting with the september report. please send to: pastor melvin linville, 609 cory lane, bloomington, in 47403 or simply email to the same address you have been: mlinville@evansville.net

NOTE: There is no "e" in Pastor Melvin's email address.

G.L.A.D. UPDATE

I have some great news! With the Lord's help, we only need **55** more people or churches to give to the G.L.A.D. Program and it will be finished.

I so much appreciate you already participating in this endeavor. *I believe God is going to help us finish this. My prayer is to have all the units pledged by the end of 2006 and to have all of the money paid into the program by January of 2009.*

Would you consider taking another unit or more to help with this debt? God will bless you for giving to His work. I just wanted to give you an update and let you know the progress that has been made with God's help. At this point, **\$294,000.00** has been pledged and **\$172,735.45** has been paid into G.L.A.D.

As you know, the district will save \$150,000 in inter-

est if we pay the farm off by 2009. I believe God is going to continue to help us accomplish this task.

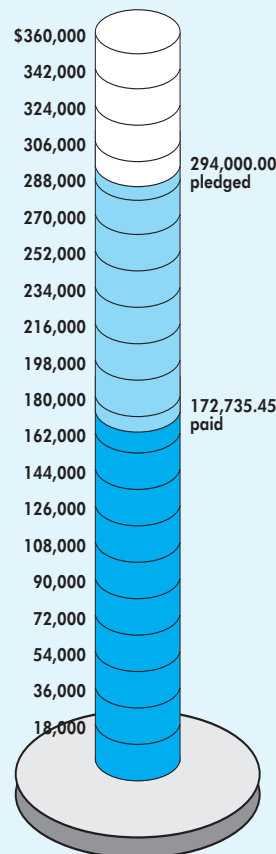
Will you pray about helping us in the G.L.A.D. Program? For every \$1,200.00 unit you take, a special commemorative brick will be placed in front of the tabernacle around the fountain to honor or remember the person of your choice.

Deb and I believe in this ministry and have pledged to pay \$6,000.00 into G.L.A.D. **If you will take another unit(s), please call my office at 812-865-3979.**

Please continue to send the G.L.A.D. money you have pledged to:

**Rev. Gordon Tilley,
 2450 I St.,
 Bedford, IN 47421.**

Every penny you send is paid directly on the principal of the farm debt.



CHURCH GROWTH REPORT

Church	Pastor	Jul SS '06	Jul SS '05	Variation	% Gain	AM	PM	Wk	Day
Austin	K. Wingham	17	12	5	42%	20	12	10	
Bedford	G. Tilley	22	23	1	0%	28	20	14	
Bicknell First	M. Reed	40	51	11	0%	48	21	64	
Birdseye	D. Murphy	15	14	1	7%	18	0	0	
Bloomfield Mt. Calvary	F. Collings	nr		0	0%				
Bloomfield Mt. Zion	M. Moore	17	20	3	0%	17	11	11	
Bloomfield Southside	C. Thomas (s)	18	14	4	29%	12	16	0	
Bloomington Central	M. Linville	39	41	2	0%	48	35	15	
Bloomington Shepherd	A. Hendershot	14	13	1	8%	15	13	5	
Blue River	A. Marshall	22	27	5	0%	47	8	0	
Boonville	E. Ames	30	20	10	50%	57	45	21	
Brazil Jackson Street	TBS	21	25	4	0%	24	14	14	
Carthage New Life	H. Weaver	0	0	0	0%	10	0	0	
Clear Fork	C. Uebel	12	14	2	0%	20	9	8	
Columbus Bethel	B. Carpenter	nr		0	0%				
Columbus Central	B. Miller	nr		0	0%				
Columbus Flintwood	W. Jones	51	53	2	0%	71	38	30	
Columbus Ohio Street	J. Vandervort	34	43	9	0%	49	31	18	
Concord	T. Whitham	30	26	4	15%	31	20	14	
Connersville Grandview	G. Stroud	6	0	0	0%	8	0	0	
Corydon New Hope	T. Bye	15	25	0	0%	43	16	0	
E. Enterprise	R. Albring	nr		0	0%				
Edinburgh	L. Biddle	34	34	0	0%	34	22	18	
English	P. Jones	46	60	14	0%	65	43	51	
Evansville Forest Hills	M. Stoelting	133	123	10	8%	232	101	75	
Evansville North Park	S. Boardman	71	52	19	37%	95	23	16	
Evansville Trinity	TBS	33	50	17	0%	58	23	0	
Fort Branch	M. Hughes	nr		0	0%				
Franklin	D. Neal	35	35	0	0%	51	36	28	
French Lick Sprgs Val.	J. Moffatt	62	67	5	0%	147	57	52	
Gnaw Bone	G. Armstrong	29	24	5	21%	32	57	35	
Greenfield	J. Anderson	22	12	10	83%	32	19	16	
Greensburg	TBS	nr		0	0%				
Greenwood	J. Hughes	0	0	0	0%	66	0	0	
Holton	W. Vandervort	16	18	2	0%	18	7	5	
Hope First	E. Boston	25	36	11	0%	27	12	36	
Lawrenceburg	M. Kessen	nr		0	0%				
Lewisville Trinity	C. Stroud	nr		0	0%				
Lewis Creek	D. Gates	13	13	0	0%	26	0	21	
Loogootee Mt. Zion	J. Simmons	nr		0	0%				
Madison Calvary	M. Mahoney	40	28	12	43%	61	39	25	
Marengo Valley	S. Lock	48	56	8	0%	92	78	37	
Martinsville	K. Kearby	nr		0	0%				
Martinsville Bethel	J. Irvin	11	8	3	38%	12	0	9	
Mecca New Life	C. Todd	45	44	1	2%	65	0	0	
Medora	C. Morgan	35	36	1	0%	34	16	0	
Milan	L. Brown	nr		0	0%				

*NR-No Report

Church	Pastor	Jul SS '06	Jul SS '05	Variation	% Gain	AM	PM	Wk	Day
Mitchell	S. Jones	93	113	20	0%	183	84	103	
Mooresville New Life	M. Linville	20	17	3	18%	44	32	27	
Morgantown	J. Irvin	0	0	0	0%	0	13	0	
New Albany Spring Ave.	N. Watters	25	0	0	0%	33	0	0	
North Vernon	J. Terry	63	55	8	15%	84	0	0	
Orleans	H. Carr	45	41	4	10%	52	35	16	
Otwell	R. Stilwell	37	19	18	95%	37	37	26	
Paoli	L. Manship	nr		0	0%				
Petersburg	L. Lamar	9	9	0	0%	9	0	0	
Poplar Grove	J. Downs	15	12	3	25%	21	18	11	
Prairie Creek	T. Fennell	0	10	0	0%	19	9	0	
Princeton	D. Reed	29	31	2	0%	33	28	28	
Rising Sun	J. Kelly	9	8	1	13%	10	0	6	
Rodney	M. Miller	10	15	5	0%	13	11	6	
Rushville	H. Baker	nr		0	0%				
Salem	S. Caniff	11	12	1	0%	20	14	7	
Sandford	C. Hedden	9	10	1	0%	9	5	4	
Scott City	D. Ault	nr		0	0%				
Scottsburg	P. Mills (s)	8	9	1	0%	9	7	8	
Seelyville	F. Burk, Jr.	nr		0	0%				
Seymour	I. Holt	26	27	1	0%	34	28	24	
Shelburn	J. Noel	12	11	1	9%	12	0	0	
Shelbyville Grace	J. Travis	nr		0	0%				
Shelbyville Westside	J. Farnsley	25	26	1	0%	24	24	13	
Simpson Chapel	R. Brown	7	7	0	0%	7	0	0	
Somerville	D. Brandon	nr		0	0%				
Spearsville	B. Bray	14	0	0	0%	14	7	5	
Spencer	J. Knight	8	0	0	0%	11	0	0	
Sullivan	G. Larimer	nr		0	0%				
Sylvania	B. England	60	54	6	11%	93	49	41	
Terre Haute Faith	D. Gormong	130	133	3	0%	234	124	73	
Terre Haute Hulman	D. Willis	nr		0	0%				
Terre Haute North	V. Reed	10	6	4	67%	10	10	7	
Trafalgar	C. Hilton	6	5	1	20%	6	3	0	
Valeene	D. Manship	12	18	6	0%	67	32	43	
Versailles	D. Jewell	26	29	3	0%	27	10	10	
Walker Chapel	R. Hendershot	17	18	1	0%	44	10	0	
Washington Main St.	P. Kessen	0	0	0	0%	64	40	20	
Washington Vincennes	J. Gilley	26	30	4	0%	31	32	21	
Wesley Chapel	W. Wickard	34	0	0	0%	45	22	19	
Westport	E. Wakefield	73	64	9	14%	88	47	45	
West Terre Haute 6th	R. Weeks	21	26	5	0%	27	0	0	
West Terre Haute 8th	P. Shelton	67	62	5	8%	65	52	36	
Wheatland	K. Mitchell	12	13	1	0%	13	13	11	
Whitehall	D. Campbell	18	18	0	0%	18	14	16	
Wilmington Hills	D. Meriwether	20	21	1	0%	21	17	11	
TOTALS		2108	2046	62	3%	3244	1669	1285	

Top Ten Churches for Numerical Gain for July 2006

Church	Pastor	Gain	Church	Pastor	Gain
Evansville North Park	(Rev. Steve Boardman)	19	Evansville Forest Hills	(Rev. Mike Stoelting)	10
Otwell	(Rev. Roy Stilwell)	18	Westport	(Rev. Emmett Wakefield)	9
Madison Calvary	(Rev. Monty Mahoney)	12	North Vernon	(Rev. Jim Terry)	8
Greenfield	(Rev. John Anderson)	10	Sylvania	(Rev. Bob England)	6
Boonville	(Rev. Ed Ames)	10	Austin	(Rev. Keith Wingham)	5

Top Ten Percentage Gain for July 2006

Church	Pastor	Percentage Gain
Otwell	(Rev. Roy Stilwell)	95%
Greenfield	(Rev. John Anderson)	83%
Terre Haute Northside	(Rev. Vernon Reed)	67%
Boonville	(Rev. Ed Ames)	50%
Madison Calvary	(Rev. Monty Mahoney)	43%
Austin	(Rev. Keith Wingham)	42%
Martinsville Bethel	(Rev. John Irvin)	38%
Evansville North Park	(Rev. Steve Boardman)	37%
Bloomfield Southside	(Rev. Carl Thomas)	29%
Poplar Grove	(Rev. James Downs)	25%

