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From Where I Sit...

Michael D. Greene

One final reminder of the **Ladies' Day** here at Lehman this Saturday. The theme

is a "Purse Driven Life." It promises to be a wonderful day of fellowship and edification for the ladies.



This Sunday will be the last day to bring items for Life Care Ministries. There are some bins in the MPR where you can place your items. If you want to make a monetary contribution, make your check to Life Care Ministries and give it to Mike or Daniel.

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| Stove Top Stuffing | Canned gravy |
| Canned yams | Cranberry sauce |
| Canned corn | Canned green beans |
| Macaroni and cheese | Canned pumpkin |



In his lesson Sunday morning, Jack made reference to one of my favorite scriptures from the prophet Habakkuk: "But the Lord is in His holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before Him" (Habakkuk 2:20).

In the preceding verses Habakkuk draws the picture of the maker of idols standing before the idol he has just made and demanding that it awake and teach. Yet there is no breath in the idol. It cannot speak. It is a lifeless thing. How foolish to make demands of a dumb idol.

The Lord, however is a different matter. He is in His holy temple. You do not come before the Lord and make demands on Him. All the earth must keep silence before Him. It is He who can speak. It is He who can teach. Let all the earth keep silence and listen to the God who speaks.

Gaines Explains

Daniel Gaines

People are social beings by nature. From the beginning, God saw that it was not good for man to be

alone. We all want and need friends, companions to share both our sorrows and our joys. To that end, someone has come up with the following suggestions.

10 Commandments of Friendship

1. Speak to people
2. Smile at people
3. Call people by name
4. Be friendly and helpful
5. Be cordial – act as if everything you do is a pleasure
6. Be genuinely interested in people – you can like anyone IF you try hard enough
7. Be generous with praise; cautious with criticism
8. Be considerate of the feelings of others
9. Be thoughtful of the opinions of others
10. Look to serve rather than be served – What counts most in life is what we do for others.

If we follow these suggestions, then Lehman Avenue's friendly reputation will continue to grow and grow. We want to be known as the friendliest place around. Let us all work toward that goal.



Bible School Plans

Sunday we will unveil our new Bible School plans to the congregation. We will use the first portion of Bible class time to present our plans. A lot of work has gone into the planning, and even more will need to go into the implementation. We want you to be a part of this program. Come and see how we are planning to better meet your and your family's spiritual needs.

I can...But I Cannot

"Train up a child in the way that he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6). "And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath: but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). These are familiar words to every Bible believing parent. Those who take their responsibility to their children seriously feel the force of these words and want to do everything they can for their children to make sure they are well adjusted, good children.

That, I believe, is the motivation for so much that we do for our kids. That is the motivation for involvement in their lives at school, in sports, in band, in scouts or whatever the child is interested in. That is also the reason we endure the aggravation of dealing with our children in worship services when they are little. We know we are doing what we can for them. But every mother and father must come to realize that there are some things we cannot do for our children and there comes a time when they must do for themselves. It is a lesson that is hard for some parents to learn and it is a lesson that is hard for some children to learn. But learn it we must if our children are to grow into mature adults.

The following by an unknown author illustrates the challenge well. It is entitled: *To My Child: Things I Can and Cannot Do.*

I can share your life, but I cannot live it for you.
I can teach you things, but I cannot make you learn.
I can give you directions, but I cannot always lead you.
I can allow you freedom, but I cannot account for it.
I can take you to worship, but I cannot make you believe.
I can teach you right from wrong, But I cannot decide for you.
I can give you love, but I cannot force it upon you.
I can teach you to share, but I cannot make you unselfish.
I can teach you respect, but I cannot force you to show honor.
I can tell you the facts of life, but I cannot build your reputation.
I can tell you about lofty goals, but I cannot achieve them for you.
I can teach you to obey, but I cannot answer for your actions.
I can warn you about sins, but I cannot make your morals.
I can love you as my child, but I cannot place you in God's family.
I can pray for you, but I cannot make you walk with God.
I can teach you about Jesus, but I cannot make him your Savior.
I can teach you about prayer, but I cannot make you pray.
I can tell you how to live, but I cannot give you Eternal Life.

We all want what is best for our children. Most parents must wrestle with the desire to do it for them. But children grow up physically, we cannot keep them children physically. We must allow them to grow up in other ways. There are some things we cannot do for our children, as much as we want to.

--Michael D. Greene

News and Notes

LIFE GROUPS

Life Group #2 will meet Sunday after Bible class for assignments.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ladies Bible Class - 10:00 a.m. Sept. - Nov.
Young at Heart - 6:30 p.m. Nov. 16
Ladies eat out at Cheddars - 6:00 p.m. Nov. 17
Men eat out at Linzie's on Nashville Rd. Nov. 17
Take Thanksgiving meals to shut-ins November 19
Devotional, Rosewood Manor - 2:15 p.m. Nov. 27
Holiday Dinner after p.m. service Dec. 11
Deliver fruit baskets and nursing home gifts Dec. 17

LADIES' DAY

Ladies' Day at Lehman Avenue will be this Saturday, **November 12**. Teddy Copeland will be the guest speaker and her topic is "A Purse Driven Life". Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and the program begins at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be served. RSVP to 843-8435 or office@lehmancoc.org.

ADOPT A COLLEGE STUDENT

If you would be interested in adopting a college student this year as we have done in the past, please sign the list on the MPR bulletin board.

THANKSGIVING MEALS FOR OUR SHUT-INS

On Saturday, **November 19**, we will prepare our annual Thanksgiving meal to take to our shut-ins. This is a great opportunity to let those that can't always be with us at service know they are in our thoughts. There will be a sign-up sheet in the MPR for anyone that would like to provide food, help prepare the plates or deliver the meals. Food needs to be at the building around 1:00 p.m. If you have any questions or suggestions of recipients, please call Leigh Wheat at 842-0627.

HOLIDAY DINNER

Please mark your calendar for our *Lehman Family Holiday Dinner* on **December 11**, after our evening service. This is a wonderful opportunity to sing and fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ, and to look back on all the positive accomplishments we have made this year to further the Gospel at home and abroad.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- Bonnie Woosley has thyroid cancer and requests our prayers.
- Martha Kitchens, grandmother of Jason Sowders, is in Greenview Hospital room 429B.
- Please continue to pray for: Gene Christy, Dawn Pitcock, Martha Mason, Rodger Pruitt, Charles Cook and Mary Creech.

CONDOLENCES

Flossie Haynes, a shut-in member of Lehman Avenue passed away on November 6, at the Medical Center. Our sympathy is extended to Margaret Varney and family on the loss of her mother. The funeral was held on Thursday, November 11, at J. C. Kirby & Son on Lovers Lane.

NURSING HOME PROJECT

We are now collecting items for Rosewood Manor, our sick, and our shut-ins at other facilities. **Wrapped** gifts may be brought and put in the Holiday boxes in the MPR. There is a list posted on the bulletin board and on the wall near the boxes of instructions and suggested items. Each gift **must be labeled** as to contents, size (if applicable), and marked from Lehman Avenue Church of Christ. Labels for this purpose will be available on the table in the MPR for your convenience. If you would like to participate, but are unable to purchase a gift, monetary donations may be given to Louise Goodman. Please have gifts here no later than Wednesday, **December 16**.

FRUIT BASKET & GIFT DELIVERY

We will be meeting at the church building on December 17, at 8:00 a.m. to deliver our fruit baskets to our widows and widowers, and gifts to our nursing home residents. If you can help with this, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the MPR. For questions, see Larry Cole.

EVANGELIZE KENTUCKY

Sunday November 6, 2011

GRANT COUNTY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Attendance: 43 Contribution: \$541.00

OWENTON CHURCH OF CHRIST

Attendance: 15 Contribution: \$222.00

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Worship.....9:30 A.M.
Bible Class.....10:40 A.M.
Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Mid-week Service.....7:00 P.M.

Minister

Michael D. Greene

Associate Minister

Daniel Gaines

Elders

Darrell Dubree
Bobby Gilbert
John K. Gott
Warren Vaughan

Deacons

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| Don Cole | Dan Grise | Hugh Runner |
| Larry Cole | Eddie Hughes | Russell Simpson |
| Gil Ray Cowles | Derek Johnson | Jim Tabor |
| Rick Emerson | Danny Jones | Roger Watt |
| Kevin Eubanks | Riley Keown | Rick Wheat |
| Butch Gilbert | Mike McGuire | Ronnie Wilson |

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**November 13, A.M. Worship
Assignments**

Announcements..... Harold Nicks
Song Leader.....Phil Hartnady
Sermon.....Mike Greene
First Prayer.....Ronnie Wilson
Lord's Supper Prayer..... Jim Woosley

SERVE AT TABLE

Gill Cowles.....Gil Ray Cowles
Mike Pleasant.....Rick Wheat
David Duncan.....Bobby Jones
Jared McGuire.....Alt.....Jason Sowders

Closing prayer.....Ray Jones
Bus Driver.....Blake Fritsch

6 P.M. WORSHIP

Announcements/Prayer.....Jeff Coles
Song Leader.....Wesley Peden
Closing Prayer.....Charlie Wolfe

November 16, P. M. WEDNESDAY

Announcements.....Jerry Chapman
Song Leader.....Nick Dubree

Shut In At Home

Fred Adams; Dorothy Herrington;
Lucyrene Price; Joyce Siddens (Atlanta);
Eugenia Smith; Geraldine Garrison; Charles
Cook; Doug Bean; Jessie Thomas; Nellie Brown;
Hazel Sensing; Pauline Nowicki; Ruby Wilson

In Nursing Care

Christian Health Center
Lois Devore 203B

Morningside
Rolena Greathouse 133