

MY BACK PAGES

Happy New Year! At least that's sort of the way I feel about the fall season. Certainly the official new year won't be ushered in for a number of weeks yet. But with school back in session and certainly for us in the church, the autumn time represents a bit of a homecoming or a fresh start. Here are a few things to look for as we begin our church year here at Banwell.

First, there are always folks looking for a new church home. I'm always so proud of you, our congregation, because you're always so accommodating to our new people. Also, be on the lookout for several of our friends from the former New Hope Community Church. This church closed its doors at the end of 2009 and since then the members have been "church shopping". Several of them, including their pastor Ken Lonsdale and his wife Elaine, have found their way here. I know we'll be an encouragement to them as they try to connect with a new congregation after many years of faithful ministry in our sister church. Also, there may be some who've been with us in the past who have decided to connect with another church family. When this happens, we wish them the best, happy that they are at least worshipping somewhere.

But there's another dynamic which we need to be sensitive to as we begin this fall season. For us in a northern climate, summer really begins in May and it's then when people start scattering, only to return to their fall routine in September ... sometimes at the earliest! Four months is a long time and a lot can happen in a person's life. Perhaps there are some joyous developments, like a new job or relationship. But sometimes challenges have occurred during the summer months and the person you're talking to after church on a Sunday morning may have seen their world turned upside down.

It's at these moments when the fellowship of a Christian congregation can really "kick in." The apostle Paul states it this way ... "Be kind and compassionate to one another ..." (Ephesians 4:32a). The hymn writer John Fawcett expressed it in his lyric for "Blest be the Tie that Binds";

***"We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows; The sympathizing tear."***

What a wonderful opportunity we have in our congregation to support each other during challenging times! In an era when people are so isolated, the weekly worship experience gathers us together from a variety of backgrounds and situations to worship the same Lord. May we sense His presence by reaching out, as would have been His custom.

Devotedly your pastor ... Alex

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**BANWELL COMMUNITY CHURCH
News 'n Views!
October 2010**

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All women are invited to the
Western Association Baptist
Women's Ministry

***Embrace the Mystery
"DOORS OF OPPORTUNITY"***

Speaker: Mrs. Phyllis Ortiz
Oasis Dufferin Community Centre,
Toronto

Saturday, October 23rd
At Colasanti's Tropical Garden,
1550 Road # East, Kingsville ON



Registration @9:30 a.m.,
Breakfast Buffet -
Hibiscus Room @ 10:00 a.m.

Cost is \$20.00 per person to help
cover lunch & expenses

The Offering for this event will be
paper products for Matthew House

For more info, contact Kim Williams.
Register by calling Debbie Ebel,
our Administrative Assistant
@ 735-2654.

(Babysitting not available)

**Men's Ministry Annual
Golf Event**



**Sunday, October 17th
@ 3:00 p.m.**

**All Ladies, Men and Teens are
welcome!**

**Contact Kim Anber or Lino Braccio
for details.**

Piano Fundraiser

**Friday, November 5th
@ 8 p.m.**

Featuring our Banwell talent!
Come out and bring a friend!
A free will offering will be taken.

THANKSGIVING THOUGHTS...

He who thanks but with the lips
Thanks but in part;
The full, the true Thanksgiving
Comes from the heart.
J.A. Shedd



O Lord that lends me life,
Lend me a heart replete with thankfulness.



SMILE!

If you are in possession of any
current photos of church activities
that could be considered for
scrapbooking in our church album,
please pass them on to Barbara
Wickham or Jim Wheeler.

AGE UNLIMITED

Our group will continue our program of "Life's Celebrations". The theme of our meeting will be "Celebrate Thankfulness". "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father." James 1:17

The Fall season has begun and we'll celebrate the national Thanksgiving holiday on Monday, October 11th. On Wednesday, October 13th, Age Unlimited will meet in the Chapel Room at 11 a.m. We invite you to participate in our group activities. This group is the Senior's Ministry of Banwell Community Church. We will sing our favourite Thanksgiving hymns, share a devotional thought, hear our special guest speaker and close the meeting with "Grace" prior to a delicious lunch which is prepared by our hostesses **Yvonne Eberle, Penny Bain** and **Madelon Kidd** and their many helpers.

Betty Ann Brown will introduce our special guest speaker, **Freida Parker Steele**. She is a dedicated, caring person, the Chair of the Deacons' Board and a faithful member of First Baptist Church. Frieda has devoted many hours to volunteering in our Community. She will share and celebrate her life adventures. Her topic is "My Challenge of Living - Life's Experiences". Freida has experienced an abundant life as a nurse, wife, mother, faithful servant for her Lord; and community volunteer. Mark your calendar - Freida has a message that will inspire you!

Invite a friend, and plan to join our Age Unlimited Group as we meet to praise God, express our thanks and share our many blessings.

Please sign up by October 10th.

"Remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth." Deuteronomy 8:18.

Henry Nurse, Coordinator
Submitted by Joan Fulmer

GREAT DEDICATION....

In last month's issue of News & Views it was noted under "Faces in the Crowd" that **Deb Faulkner** had stepped down from her position as Head Librarian of our Banwell Library.



For those who may not be aware Deb came from Temple Baptist Church where she began cultivating her interest in the Church Library. Upon arrival at Banwell nearly seven years ago Deb inherited a room designated as our new library with numerous boxes labeled "Library".

Deb led a group of volunteers and the room was repainted, the boxes of books emptied and the books appropriately indexed and shelved. The shelves were to a great extent made available from Deb and her husband **Fred**. Thus, our library was born.

Deb has aggressively promoted our library within and outside our church. She has worked tirelessly and with great dedication to establish the excellent facility we have today. We extend a HUGE THANK YOU FOR AN OUTSTANDING JOB.

Jim Wheeler

1 CHRONICLES 29:13
NOW, OUR GOD, WE GIVE YOU THANKS, AND PRAISE YOUR GLORIOUS NAME.

1 CHRONICLES 16:34
GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD; HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.

PSALM 31:19 - HOW GREAT IS YOUR GOODNESS, WHICH YOU HAVE STORED UP FOR THOSE WHO FEAR YOU, WHICH YOU BESTOW IN THE SIGHT OF MEN ON THOSE WHO TAKE REFUGE IN YOU.



**Effective Parenting
in a Defective World**

Banwell Community Church
(2400 Banwell Road, in Windsor)

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!
Thursday Evenings
6:30-8:00 PM

Effective Parenting in a Defective World is enlightening and encouraging. This 9 week course provides practical, life-transforming answers directed exactly where parents need them the most, in their living rooms. With penetrating truth and sincere honesty, participants will discover how to implement God's effective parenting principles in their family. In this nine-part course, they will learn:

- ◆ How to Raise Positive Kids in a Negative World
- ◆ Build relationships that Bond
- ◆ How to Develop Their Child's Full Potential
- ◆ God's Process for Teaching Obedience
- ◆ How to Discipline Their Child Effectively
- ◆ Punishment versus Discipline
- ◆ Words That Discipline
- ◆ Five Smooth Stones for Parenting
- ◆ When all Else Fails



In this increasingly dysfunctional generation, families need help, hope, and a firm grasp of God's plan for effective parenting.

Free Children's programming provided for children JK to grade 12.

Call Rose at: 519-735-2654 for more info!



Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds. ~Theodore Roosevelt

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. ~John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Sunday Morning Christian Education Hour



Christian Education Hour Classes are growing!

Come out and be part of the Sunday morning fellowship as we learn about God together.

Classes for ages JK - Adult (Nursery available upon request)



Sunday Morning @ 10:30 A.M.
A Fun Place for Kids to Apply the Bible to their Lives

Join your Veggie Friends Bob & Larry For Puppets, Videos, Dramas, Games And much, much more.

SMALL GROUPS

MONDAY

Rev. Doug Anderson – Ph: 519-979-2402
Meeting at the Bodlack home
2862 Clemenceau Blvd.
Monday Evenings, 7:00 p.m.
Currently studying the book of Mark

Jeff Soper's Group - Ph: 519-966-5641
In the Fireside Room
Monday Evenings at 7:00 p.m.
Study on Prophecy "Iran the Coming Crisis" by Mark Hitchcock
Beginning October 18th

Jim Wheeler's Group – Ph: 519-969-7180
Men's Group, Meet's at Jim's home
3110 Askin Ave. in Windsor
Meets on the first and third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
Study on "The Unshakable Truth" by Josh & Sean McDowell
Starting : Monday, September 13th

TUESDAY

Laura Ferguson's Group – Ph: 519-735-8229
Ladies Study, Meeting in the Fireside Room
Tuesday Mornings, 9:30 a.m.
Currently Studying "Women of the Old Testament"
Starting: Tuesday, September 14th

WEDNESDAY

Rev. Alex Moir's Group – Ph: 519-735-2654
Men's Group, Meeting in the Fireside Room
Wednesday Mornings, 7:00 a.m.
Beginning the Book "When God Doesn't Make Sense"
by Dr. James Dobson
Starting: Wednesday, September 15th

Claude Daniels' Group – Ph: 519-974-1821
Meeting in the Fireside Room
Wednesday Evenings, 7:00 p.m.
Currently Studying Matthew
Starting: Wednesday, September 15th

WEDNESDAY (Cont'd)

John Goodwin's Group – Ph: 519-965-2603
Meeting at the Wilcox's, 11829 Blair Street
Wednesday Evenings, 7:00 p.m.
Currently studying the Gospel of John using the Serendipity Bible
Starting: Wednesday, September 15th

Wallie Pizzuti's Group – Ph: 519-919-2043
Meeting in Room #6
Wednesday Evenings, 7:00 p.m.
Currently going through the Gospel of Matthew
This is an ongoing group

THURSDAY

Donna Soper - Ph: 519-966-5641
Parenting Group, Meeting in the Fireside Room
Thursday Evenings 6:30 p.m.
"Effective Parenting in a Defective World" By: Dr. Bruce Wilkinson
Starting: Thursday, September 16th



NEED A COFFEE BREAK?

**Banwell Community Church
Young Adults
(Ages 20's & 30's)
are invited to meet at
Tim Horton's
(11845 Tecumseh Rd. E. in Tecumseh)**

**Wednesday, October 13th
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

For Coffee and Conversation



WORSHIP NOTES

Five Sundays in October! It's always exciting as we anticipate our worship gatherings here at Banwell. The month will provide us with a variety of experiences. On the first Sunday, the pastor will conclude the series on "The God We Need." Of course, Thanksgiving Sunday soon follows as we focus on God's provision in our lives. For the last three Sundays in the month the pastor will lead us in exploring a new series on "Important Issues in Church Life" from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians. As always, we look forward to the music provided by our singers and musicians under the leadership of **Ian Smith**. May the Lord continue to bless us as we worship together!

October 3rd	"The God We Need...Part V" (Mark 1:16-20)
October 10th	"When We're Thankful.." (Luke 17:11-19)
October 17th	"Important Issues in Church Life....Respect" , (I Thess. 5:12-13)
October 24th	"Important Issues in Church Life....Patience", (I Thess. 5:14)
October 31st	Important Issues in Church Life....Responding", (I Thess. 5:15)

VIEW FROM THE PEW

That's Life – that's what all the people say. You're riding high in April, shot down in May - (a Frank Sinatra tune)

Speaking of riding high – my young grandson said 'watch me Grandma' as he was speeding down our street on his small bike. He jumped off and, unintentionally (I think!) landed horizontal on the pavement. I said 'well how did that feel?!' He said "that felt good – well the first part did before I hit the road".

I'm sure all of us hit a road (block), or a wall on a pretty regular basis. It is what we do then that really matters. When you are young and resilient, you can just pick yourself up and carry on. But the older I get and the more serious the roadblocks, the harder it is to **'pick myself up and get back in the race'**.



That is where my faith comes in – the proverb 'this, too, shall pass', crosses my lips on a regular basis. I've been through a lot of highs and lows in my life and I know, for a fact, that beautiful things can happen to you right around the corner. You just need to hang in there - wait and watch for it. That is a God promise.



'Cause this fine ol' world it keeps spinning around'. Life goes on, with or without us. The sun rises every day whether we are happy, wretched or somewhere in between. I choose to think positive because the alternative just takes up too much of my time. Helping me put a new spin on to every day is having young grandsons whose everyday adventures make me laugh. Or I pick up a book, take a walk, lunch with a friend and go to God in prayer.

After all, today is the first day of the rest of your and my life – but then that is just my view...

Zelma Horvath

Pastoral Care and Worship Committee

Piano Fund: Mark your church envelope "Piano Fund" when donating, and your name will appear on a "musical note" in the foyer. Any contribution is most welcome. Let's fill up the board with joyful "Notes"!!!



As a final fundraiser, and we hope this will be final, we are planning a concert of Banwell talent and friends on **Friday night, November the 5th at 8p.m.** We will take a free will offering at this time and we hope the piano will be here and all tuned up and ready to go. It's on the way to Windsor at the moment. When it is installed it will have a special climate control system in place, which consists of a humidifier and a floor length cover. This should keep it at the right humidity and preserve it for many years to come. We are about one quarter of the required funds short so everyone still has opportunity to be part of this special project or you might consider adding to your gift to bring us over the top. The cost of the piano will be \$33,500 and to date we have received approximately \$22,500.

We were so blessed by the Toastmasters group who meet in our building as they raised money in challenges and meetings to give our piano fund a donation of \$400. It was their way to say "Thank You" to us for the use of our building. So the piano has become a bit of a community project!

Hospitality: Along with Mission and Outreach Committee, we are merging our Hospitality section with the newly formed Womens' Ministries. Next month's report should outline in detail the look of our new ministry, and we hope that all Banwell women will serve and be served by this newly formed group.

Pastoral Care and Worship look after Sunday services, Small Groups, Music, Sound and Prayer ministries. We also have a Pastoral Care Team that watch over the personal needs of the congregation. If you need any services please don't hesitate to use them and if you would like to help in these ministries they would love to have you along with them! You can contact the office, the heads of the ministries or the chair of the committee. We remember at this time how thankful we are to have all of these dedicated people who serve in so many different ways!

Pastoral Care & Worship oversees the Prayer ministries here at Banwell. We urge you to join with us and take a few minutes as we read this, to pray for God's blessing on our church family and our activities this month.

As we approach the "thankful" season I would like to share with you a quote from Michael Krahn, a musician and pastor from the Ottawa area. He says "Every time we respond to the revelation of God through word or deed, through adoration or proclamation, through singing or by an act of charity, we are engaging in worship.every believer is a worship leader."

Submitted by
Susan Holmes, Chair,
Pastoral Care & Worship

MISSION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Sorry to say, the summer is over and as we look to the year ahead the Mission & Outreach Committee is working on numerous projects to carry out the mission we are called to at Banwell Community Church.

The work of the church goes on year round, and so does our financial support of the broader church through CBOQ as well as the local refugee ministry at Matthew House.

Again locally, we support the **Downtown Mission** with donations of non-perishable items for the **Food Bank**, as well as funding and serving lunch twice in 2010 – last April and again on **Tuesday, October 26th**. Five volunteers are needed to help serve (women, men or youth)- if you are interested, please contact Roxanne Marques or the church office asap.

The **ESL Conversational English Cafes** are starting **Tuesday, Oct. 5th** with groups at Banwell and at First Baptist churches. This is a new program also involving Grace, Ambassador and the Chinese Baptist churches in Windsor. One on one conversation is available for new immigrants to improve their functional English pronunciation in a supportive, casual atmosphere. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the church office.

Our monthly **Praise & Prayer** service continues at **Heron Terrace** on the second Thursday each month (Oct 14th) – if you are interested in participating, all are welcome.

The **Women's Ministry** is now well into planning for the coming year and we look forward to providing you more detailed information and events in the near future. Note the "**Embrace the Mystery**" event on **October 23rd** at Colasanti's and contact the church office if you would like to attend.

Lots of opportunities to serve or contribute – watch for more in the coming month. What interests you?

In His service,
Wallie Pizzuti – Chair

Opportunities to Serve!

Ian Smith, our Minister of Music has several opportunities for you to serve.

Can you help?

- ◆ Musicians
- ◆ Singers
- ◆ Sound Operators

If you are interested, please let Ian know.



BANWELL SINGERS

Do you love to sing?
Come out and join us on
Thursday evenings from
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Our group sings on a
monthly basis in the
Morning Worship service.

All adults welcome!



MEN'S MINISTRY

BEGLEY SCHOOL UPDATE

Bob Middaugh reports that ten food suppliers have been contacted for assistance in supplying various food items for our Begley School Project.

To date we have commitments from Remark Farms, Elias Tecumseh Store and Huberties Export and Import for Bread Products. Fred's Farm Fresh Ltd. and Morton's Wholesale have also agreed to assist. The Lauzon Parkway Zehrs store has provided a Gift Certificate.

Congratulations to Bob and his assistants who have been beating the bushes to obtain assistance for this worthy project. If you can assist in picking up or delivering items to the school, please speak to Bob.

- ◆ **BREAKFAST MEETING** -
Saturday, October 30th
@ 8:30 a.m.



Kids Club!
Thursday Nights
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

- October 7th Ocean Night
- October 14th McDonald's Night
- October 21st Trivia Night
- October 28th Friendship Night