

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

Church Office Closed

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Wordless Book Ministry (9:00 a.m.) Fellowship Hall  
Missionary Work Day (9:00 a.m.) Fellowship Hall

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

Awana (7:00 p.m.) (2 yrs. Old - 5th grade)  
Outlet Student Ministries (7:00 p.m.) (6th - 12th grade)  
Mid-week Bible Study (7:15 p.m.) Choir Room  
Missionary presentation, Jim & Sarah Engle (Germany)

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

Evangelism Explosion (6:00 p.m.) Room 106  
Visitation (7:00 p.m.) Adult Ed Bldg.  
BLT Weight Loss Class (6:30 p.m.) Chapel

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

MOPS (9:00 a.m.) Fellowship Hall

#### Blessings from October 2, 2011

General .....	\$40,197.79
Missions.....	\$ 8,284.00
Debt Reduction Fund.....	\$ 5,411.25
	\$53,893.04

### LIBRARY CORNER

*Amazing Grace, William Wilberforce and the Heroic Campaign to End Slavery*, by Eric Metaxes, is an exciting story of how God used a man who was willing and brave enough to lead a country to do the right thing.

Dear Congregation:

As the title to the sermon indicates, I'd like to talk with you today about some long-range plans.

All of us make plans of one sort or another about the future. For example, when I enrolled at the University of Cincinnati in 1966 to get a bachelor's degree, they handed me a curriculum that listed the courses I was required to take for the next four years. I knew exactly, if the Lord willed, what I would be studying in any given year. Again, Joy and I knew precisely when our house would be paid off. We had a "coupon book" (a relic from the Mesozoic period!) that charted the 30-year mortgage payoff (another creature that is extinct!)

Planning for the future is Godlike. Isaiah 46:10 says, "He declares the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done." The context says there is none like God who can tell us what is to happen.

God not only prepares the future, He prepares men *for* that future. This explains why He spends so much time with His servants. He took thirteen years to put Joseph second-in-command in Egypt. He invested eighty years in the preparation of Moses. Even the learned Saul of Tarsus had to spend three years in post-graduate work in Arabia before God thrust him out as Paul the Apostle. Elisha worked alongside of Elijah for ten years before the double portion of the Spirit fell upon him. And Paul mentored Timothy before he stepped up to lead local churches.

The study of biographies and autobiographies of great Christian men and women reveal that God first builds Christian character *in* His servants, and then builds a ministry *through* them.

These are some of the things I want us to consider today as we look toward the future.

In Christ,  
Pastor Lancaster

A sermon series by  
Pastor Jerry Lancaster  
Starkey Road Baptist Church

A  
**Light**  
that shines in  
a dark world



# STARKEY ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

This Lord's Day, October 9, 2011

## 9:00 A.M. FIRST HOUR

Children's Sunday School Teen Bible Fellowships  
Adult Bible Fellowships First Hour \*

## 10:30 A.M. HOUR

Preschool Church (3 & 4-year olds) in the Chapel  
Primary Church (K – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade) in the Fellowship Hall

**Parents, all children grades 2 and under must be picked up in their classroom.**

Junior Church (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) upstairs in Education Building  
Adult Bible Fellowships, Second Hour \*

\*(For information on Sunday School, Children's Church, and Adult Bible Fellowships, please pick up a flyer in the Information Center)

## 9:00 & 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICES

Pianist: Melanie Pav

Organist: Linda Thomas

Worship Choir..... "This Is the Day"  
"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"..... No. 16  
"Crown Him King of Kings"..... No. 44  
Prayer..... Pastor Lancaster  
Offertory..... Orchestra  
"Living for Jesus"..... No. 605  
Vocal Solo..... Jennifer Linder  
Sermon..... Pastor Lancaster

"A Vision for the Future"

**Hospitality Time for First-time Guests** At the conclusion of the morning service there is a brief hospitality time. Our pastor would like to meet each of you personally.

## MEETINGS & REHEARSALS:

- **Choir** rehearsal (4:30 p.m.); **Orchestra** rehearsal (4:30 p.m.)
- **Ladies pre-service prayer meeting:** (5:15 p.m.) Hospitality Rm.
- **Cherub, Grace Notes, Chord of Joy** rehearsals (6:00 p.m.)
- **Crossroads College Ministry** (7:15 p.m.) Chapel

## 6:00 P.M. BAPTISMAL SERVICE

There are two ordinances commanded in the Bible to be practiced by the church: Lord's Supper and Baptism. This evening, we will be having a baptismal service. Baptism identifies the believer with the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Pianist: Laura Crider

Cherub Choir..... Jessica Hobson, director  
Piano Offertory..... Laura Crider  
Vocal Solo..... Delbert Mitten  
Sermon..... Pastor Lancaster

"And What is a Christian?"

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Wednesday Night's **Mid-Week Bible Study** meets in the Choir Room.
- **Evangelism Explosion** is offering new classes beginning on Sunday, October 9th and Thursday, October 13th - you choose the class most convenient for your schedule. Books are \$35.00 each. Register using a church registration envelope or call the Church Office for more information.
- The **Nursery** is looking for loving caregivers! If you would love to be with little children for an hour or so each week, please contact Shirley Grandmason, 544-4961.
- "Mentoring is a two-way relationship." You will be blessed as well as being a blessing by being a part of our **Heart-to-Heart Mentoring** program. Come to our November 19th event to learn more.
- Can't make it to church? Watch live streaming video of the 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Sunday services on Ustream.tv - search for "SRBC services".
- **Women of Hope** will have their monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 19th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Guest speaker is Karin Benefiel. Cost is \$4.00 and includes lunch. Please register using the church registration envelopes.

## CAREFEST UPDATE

Carefest 2011 was a HUGE success! Over 4,500 volunteers tackled over 215 projects in 28 communities! Just imagine how many lives, homes, schools, and community areas in need were served because of everyone's collective efforts! Thank you to those who gave of their time and efforts to make sure that this year's event portrayed a true "Jesus in Skin" attitude in our neighborhood!

## MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

**Women of Hope** is a ministry to and for widows. This group meets monthly on a Wednesday morning for a time of encouragement, an informative and/or inspirational speaker, and fellowship over lunch. They also have some outside activities for fellowship. Lillian Hollister oversees this ministry with help from other widows, Barb Viana (Social Committee), Nancy Herr and Jeanne Boyle (Outreach), Bettye Bell and Helen Detweiler (Prayer), and Ruth Jones (Cards). Barbara Swatland and Mary Cunningham also help by arranging lunch and decorating the room. If you are a widow and are interested in getting involved, the group meets next Wednesday, October 19th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is a charge of \$4.00 per meeting to cover the cost of lunch.

## STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

**Word of Life Superbowl** is an all-night activity on November 4th – 5th. This year, Superbowl is in Tampa and includes a Tampa Bay Lightning vs. Chicago Blackhawks hockey game. There will also be a pizza party, go-carts, and more. Cost is \$56.00. Register online at [www.SRBC.org](http://www.SRBC.org) - under registrations.

## CHURCH WORK DAY

Saturday morning, October 22nd has been set aside as a church work day. We all love our church, and this is the day to show it. We have jobs inside and out that need some loving care. There are things for both men and women to do. Please mark your calendar and come out from 8:00 a.m. - noon to help put a little shine on our facilities.

## WOMEN'S ACTIVITY

We are excited to have Becky McDonald join us on Saturday, November 19th at 10:00 a.m. to present the ministry of Women at Risk International. This ministry offers help and hope for women worldwide who are abused and enslaved by offering them protection and hope. Cost is \$12.00 and includes lunch. A shopping area will also be available with jewelry and products made disadvantaged women rescued from traffickers and employed with dignity. Register today using the church registration envelopes or register online at [www.SRBC.org](http://www.SRBC.org).

## MOPS

If you are a mom with a child (infant to kindergarten) please join our **MOPS** meeting on Friday, October 14 (9:00 a.m. - noon). Speaker, Joy Lancaster, will be sharing with us "Strategies for Mothering." Breakfast and childcare provided. Cost is \$5.00. Stop by the nursery for some invitations or brochure to invite your friends.