



Fencepost Wit & Wisdom

Several eminent authors were asked to write on the theme, "What's Wrong with the World?" Humorist G. K. Chesterton wrote:

Dear Sirs:
I am.
Sincerely Yours,
G. K. Chesterton

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A Fisherman's Prayer

God grant that I may live to fish until my dying day
And when my final cast is made
And life has passed away
I pray that God's great landing net
Will catch me in it's sweep
And in His mercy, God will judge me
Big enough to keep.

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Dear God, I believe in all the fruits of the spirit,
But what should I do with the two
lemons in my Sunday School Class?

JOY Ministry Senior Luncheon

Second annual

Grandkids Day!

August 12, 2010, 12:00 Noon

- ♥ Invite all your grandkids, whatever their age, for a fun time of simply enjoying each other.
- ♥ No grandkid to young or too old!
- ♥ If you don't have a grandchild, or if they can't come, or if you just want to—
- ♥ Adopt and invite someone to be your grandkid for a day!
- ♥ Come prepared for great food, A great time, and

☺ **Special Entertainment!** ☺



REVELATIONS

August 2010



Upcoming Events

- Aug 2—6**
Creation Camp — VBS
- Aug 7**
Family Pancake Breakfast
- Aug 12**
JOY Ministry Luncheon and Grandkids Day
- Aug 17**
A C T S Team Meeting
- Aug 26—28**
50th Anniversary Celebration
- Oct 16**
Real World Parents seminar

AT A GLANCE :

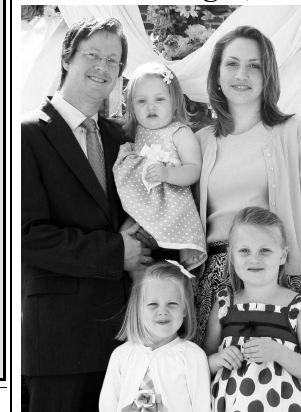
- MorningStar Family . . . Family Ministry
- Endings and Beginnings . . . Pastor's Pen
- Refuge of Hope . . . MSBC Women
- Super Summer . . . Youth
- Grandkids! . . . JOY Ministry
- Creation Camp . . . Vacation Bible School



Pastor's Pen

Have you noticed that it is almost universal that we human beings get excited about beginnings? Everything from the birth of a baby to the start of a race is filled with a variety of pomp and circumstance accompanied by a frenzy of excitement. As crazy as it sounds for some, even the first day of school is met with a measure of excitement. Think about it, children and teenagers head off to the first day of school decked out in a new wardrobe and sporting all new school gear, because it is a fresh
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Andrew Hedges, Associate Pastor of Family Ministry



Have you welcomed Andrew, Cara, and daughters to MorningStar yet? If not, take time to meet this young and committed couple to our church family. Andrew holds a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Education/Youth from Cedarville University and a Master of Divinity from Columbia International University. He and Cara have served nearly a decade in full-time, part-time and volunteer youth and family ministry both stateside and overseas. Through those ministries, Andrew has seen the necessity for whole-family and intergenerational ministry.

A passionate follower of Jesus, he is also passionate about his amazing wife Cara and three lovely daughters – Anna, Ella and Abby. Get to know them. You'll be blessed.



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Family Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, Aug. 7
9:00 — 10:00



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Youth News

June found four of our young men (plus Luke Terry) headed to a camp called Super Summer which was held at Cedarville University. God blessed these guys and helped to make them stronger in their belief. I want to thank Luke for volunteering to be our family leader, which made it possible to send anyone to camp this year.

In His Name,

Craig and Mary Beth

FAMILY MINISTRY

With great anticipation, I look forward to what God will do through our church in the year ahead. The MorningStar family has revealed a desire to come alongside and equip the whole family whether they be singles, children, youth, husbands, wives, parents, or grandparents. I pray for God's wisdom and direction as we move ahead to find just the right balance to make MorningStar a support for families. To hear more of my thoughts in these areas, please check out my blog at www.andrewhedges.wordpress.com.

As part of our family initiative, we will be offering the Real World Parents seminar on Saturday, October 16 from 9 AM – 12 PM. In my past presentations, I've had singles, mothers pregnant with their first child, parents of teens, youth ministry leaders, grandparents and others who wanted to learn more about passing on biblical truth and wisdom to the next generation. I encourage each of you to pray about this event, and I hope you will also invite neighbors and join us! You can register on Facebook, by phone, or by emailing me at family@morningstardayton.org.

Let's pray together for God to be glorified in and through our family ministry at MorningStar!

Andrew Hedges



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beginning. We could almost go so far as to say we have a love affair with beginning things.

As excited as we tend to get about beginnings, we have a reputation within our culture for lacking follow through. Our excitement over finishing well is, let's say, not so universal. For whatever reason or reasons, we can sometimes lose sight of the excitement of driving the last nail or finishing the last mile.

At the end of this month, we are celebrating the legacy of MorningStar Baptist Church to finish well. We are closing the chapter of the first 50 years of ministry only to begin a new chapter looking to the next 50 years. My desire is that this would be a celebration of magnanimous proportions! Anyone can start a church, but not everyone can celebrate 50 faithful and fruitful years—and every one of you have contributed. It is because of the availability of so many faithful followers of Jesus Christ that we are having this celebration.

My encouragement to each of you is to invite those who have been a part of this spiritual legacy to be here on the weekend of August 27-29. This will be our opportunity to thank one another for each other's faithfulness, and also to collectively thank God for His gracious hand of blessing.

I would also encourage you to invite some friends who you've been praying for. I can think of no better way to celebrate 50 years of ministry than to ask God for a harvest of souls coming to know Him – and that will require that we scatter some seed and invite some friends and family who need Jesus. As we all pitch in, we can make this 50th celebration one to remember.

Show 'em Jesus,

Pastor Mark

When in doubt, faith it!

ACTS Team Meeting

Tuesday, August 17, 2010

12:30 PM

Topic: "Refuge of Hope"

Women's Ministry Activities

• **Mom's Playgroup** Meet at the Activity Center Park (Splash Park) at 10:30 AM every Thursday in August and Stubb's Park in September.

• **Women's Ministry** Watch for Bible studies starting in September, as well as scrapbooking, sewing, and a retreat in October!

Creation Camp — VBS

August 2 — 6, 2010

6:00 — 8:30 PM

Ages 3 — 6th grade



Guided Learning

Amazon Arts and Crafts

You won't want to miss it!

OPPORTUNITIES OPEN

• Teachers for Kingdom Kids. This is the children's worship time for three-year-olds through kindergarten. Contact Kim Schlatter at dkschlatt@aol.com.

• Preschool and children's department workers and helpers are needed. We may have just the job you are waiting for!

Keys for Kids

Daily Devotionals for Kids are available free for one year at www.cbhministries.org



Katie Marie Acres, daughter of Brennan and Tina Acres passed away in July.

Chris Hartley's grandfather passed away in June. Pray for God's comfort upon these families.

Memorabilia Wanted

Your old photos, newspaper articles, videos, etc, of Franklin Street Baptist Church/ MorningStar are needed to help fill in the 50-year history of our church. Idabel Hartman is leading this documentation effort. Bring your items to the church office. Items identified with your name will be returned to you.

50th Anniversary



Aug. 26, Picnic, 6:00 PM

- Meat and drinks provided
- Bring your favorite picnic dishes

Aug. 27, Concert & Dessert 6:00 PM

- Bring a favorite dessert to share

Aug. 28, Anniversary Dinner

- Following morning worship service
- Meat and drinks provided,
- Bring side dishes.



Be a part of the celebration!