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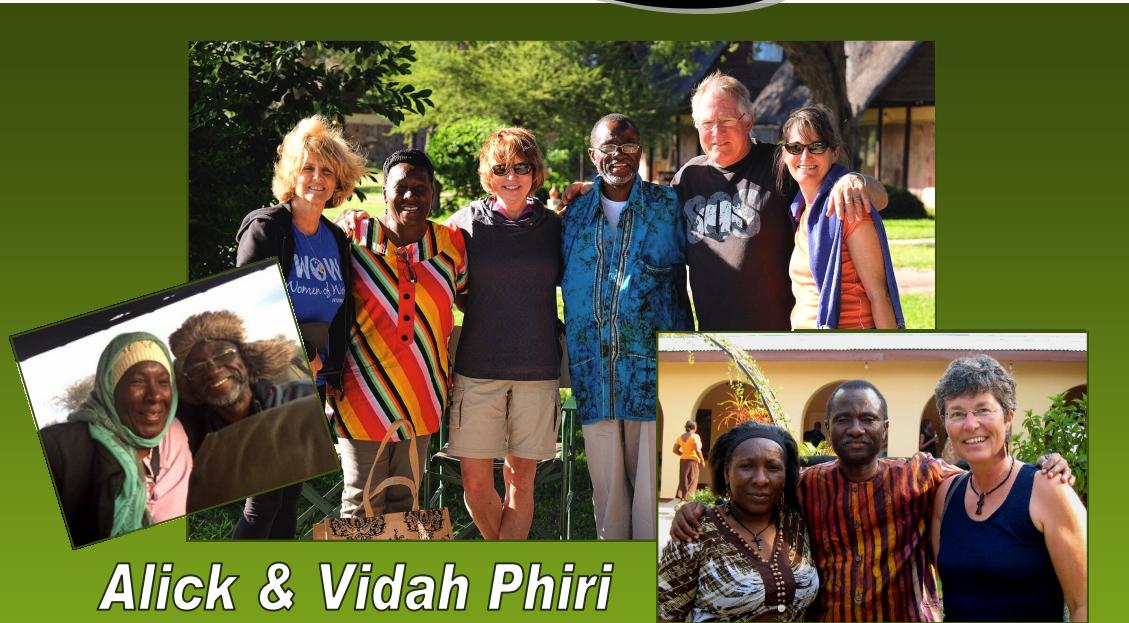
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SUNDAY MORNING:
9:00 A.M.
Worship
Sunday School
Kids Church

10:30 A.M.
Worship
Sunday School



Alick & Vidah Phiri Speaking September 25 Horizon International's Regional Coordinators in Zimbabwe



"Horizon International exists to create a world of hope for AIDS orphans. Our objective is to raise up, out of the tragedy of the HIV/AIDS pandemic, a new generation of leaders who follow Jesus Christ 'one child at a time.' "<http://horizoninternationalinc.com/about-horizon.html>

Alick and Vidah Phiri are Horizon's Regional Coordinators in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe and have served with Horizon International since 2004. Currently, there are over 165 children sponsored in Bulawayo/Matebeleland. Bethany Christian Church has been supporting Alick and Vidah since January 2007. (Pictured above, right: Alick & Vidah with Diane Carey)

STAFF:
Bob Bell,
Senior Minister

Chris Bell,
Students

Tim Fair,
Families/Community

Steve Fair,
Senior Adults

Gabriel Ohmes,
Worship

Tisha Schultz,
Children



The church office
will be closed September 5th

118 Years Old

118 years is a long time. 118 years ago, life was very different. Even 100 years ago (and 118 years is longer than 100 years):

- only 14 percent of the homes in the U.S. had a bathtub
- only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone
- there were only 8,000 cars in the U.S.
- there were only 144 miles of paved roads
- the tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower
- the average wage in the U.S. was 22 cents per hour
- the average U.S. worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year
- a competent accountant could expect to earn \$2,000 per year
- a dentist earned \$2,500 per year
- a veterinarian earned between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year
- a mechanical engineer earned about \$5,000 per year
- more than 95 percent of all births in the U.S. took place at home
- ninety percent of all U.S. doctors had no college education
- the population of Las Vegas, Nevada, was only 30
- only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school, and
- there were only about 230 reported murders in the entire U.S.

Life was different 118 years ago.

Were you aware that 118 years ago, this month, Bethany Christian Church was formed? Some of you reading these words have parents, grandparents, or family who were part of Bethany in those early years. 118 years is a long time.

I got to thinking the other day about the accumulated impact and influence Bethany has had on our community. Sometimes we wonder whether or not a church, our church, any church, makes a difference in our community or our

world. Think about it. Think about how many teachers, nurses, moms, dads, engineers, farmers, students, mechanics, doctors, business owners, laborers, accountants, dentists, school board members, lawyers, politicians, government employees, child care providers, funeral directors, supervisors, bankers, builders, coaches . . . the list goes on and on. Think about how many believers who were part of Bethany have lived, worked, neighbored, led, served, volunteered, and raised their families in and around our community.

Each of these individuals and families have lived as salt and light. Each of these followers of Jesus have helped fulfill Jesus' prayer of God's Kingdom coming and His will being done on earth as it is in heaven. Has this church made a difference? I believe it has. Has this church influenced and helped shape life in "our neck of the woods"? Without question. Would our community be different if all of these people would not have lived and worked among us? Would our community be different if all of these people had simply been living for themselves or for personal gain instead of living as followers of Jesus?

But these same truths translate into our present community as well. Think of all the places where we live, work, go to school, play, volunteer, neighbor, and relax. We are the salt and light. Do not underestimate the impact of the combined lives we live as followers of Jesus in our community. Do not underestimate the power of the Holy Spirit to work through the lives of those who live with Jesus as Lord. Do not underestimate your life, your impact, your influence as God works in and through you.

118 years is a long time, but it is only the first 118 years. We build on the foundation which has already been laid. We continue to produce fruit from the deep roots which have already spread out. We are the light

Bob Bell

of the world. We are the light of our community. *"Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."* (Matthew 5:16)



Care Ministry Birthdays

Please remember the birthdays of our shut-ins with cards and visits.

Billy Southard - 9/2/28

12749 N. 500 East
Alexandria, IN 46001 358-3115

Mary James - 9/5/25

Bill James - 9/14/25
2012 S. Winding Way
Anderson, IN 46011 643-4053

Margaret Sheets - 9/25/17

The Woodlands
3820 W. Jackson St., Rm. 34
Muncie, IN 47304 288-3870

Births

Miller Glen Scott - 7/14/16

Parents: Zachary & Melinda Scott;
Grandparents: Jerry & Lori Scott;
Gr. Grandparents: Royce & Nancy Elsworth, Glenn & Joyce (deceased) Scott

Elijah James Garrison - 8/7/16

Parents: Marina Garrison;
Grandparents: Steve & Lisa Garrison;
Gr. Grandparents: Jim & Sandy Garrison

Celia Faith Cook - 8/19/16

Parents: Wes & Stacy Cook;
Grandparents: Lynn & Ragena Cook

Kolbi Joy Scott - 8/24/16

Parents: Ryan & Larissa Scott;
Grandparents: Jerry & Lori Scott;
Gr. Grandparents: Royce & Nancy Elsworth, Glenn & Joyce (deceased) Scott

Deaths

Norma Van Metre - 8/19/16

And just like that, summer is over. This summer seemed to be a whirlwind for me and was over way too quickly. We managed to squeeze in a picnic, family movie nights, a couple of bonfires, a city wide youth cleanup day, a trip to Holiday World, a high school conference, Jr. High camp, Sr. High camp, VBS and a family zoo day . . . all smashed into eight weeks. Needless to say, a lot has happened this summer in the student ministry world. It has all been a great time of relationship building and discipleship, but just like that, it's time for school to start back up and planning for the fall semester to be completed.

There are already plans for some amazing things to happen this coming school year in student ministry. We had a great meeting with all of the

life group leaders this past Sunday evening and I am humbled with the passion and drive that each of these individuals brings with them. Their hearts are very apparent when they talk about each of the students in their life groups and the relationships that they have been able to build.

This coming school year will be focused on the Fruits of the Spirit. *"But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!" (Galatians 5:22-23)* I am excited to be able to journey with each of the students as we all wrestle with and try to apply each of these things in our lives.

Be looking for announcements on upcoming youth

events and opportunities to partner with our youth ministry in helping our young men and women continue their journeys of faith.

Also be looking for opportunities to help out with sending a student to the Dominican Republic for our high school mission trip that is taking place March 18-25, 2017. Our rummage sale was a great start to raising funds for each student, but there is still a need for many of them to be able to attend this trip. If you have any questions about the mission trip, please let me know!

Thank you all for your investment into this generation. There are great things happening within our students' lives, and we as a youth staff are eager to share stories with you!

September

- 7: Unite!
- 11: Life Group Kickoff (Refuge Worship)
- 14: Unite!
- 18: Life Groups
- 21: YMN Bonfire
- 23-24: Jr. High Journey
- 25: Life Groups
- 28: Unite!

October

- 2: Life Groups
- 5: Unite!
- 9: Life Groups
- 12: Unite!
- 16: Scavenger Hunt
- 19: Unite!
- 23: High School DR trip meeting; 4:30 in attic
- 23: Life Groups
- 26: Unite!
- 30: Life Groups

November

- 2: Unite!
- 6: Life Groups
- 9: Unite!
- 13: Refuge Worship
- All Church welcome
- 16: Unite!
- 18-20: ICYC (High School)
- 20: Jr. High Life Group only
- 23: No youth
- 27: Life Groups
- 30: Unite!

December

- 4: Life Groups
- 7: Unite!
- 11: Life Groups
- 14: Unite!
- 18: Christmas Party
- 21: Unite!
- 25-31: No youth

Unite! is 6:30-8 at the church unless otherwise noted

Life Groups are 6-8 at the church unless otherwise noted

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September

9/7 - Speaker, Steve Jackson
"Welcome to Madison County
Mr. President"

9/21 - Ball State Campus House,
Lunch, Minnetrista

October

10/5 - Speakers, Cheryl Bennett &
Susan Durbin

10/19 - Sechler's Pickle Factory
(St. Joe, IN)

November

11/2 - Speaker or Indy Historical
Museum, Canal, other

11/16 - Thanksgiving Luncheon

December

12/7 - Speaker, John Longnaker

12/21 - Christmas Meal, Carols,
Guests, other

PEE-WEE SOCCER



Pee Wee Soccer is a fundamentals course for boys and girls (4 yrs - 2nd grade) which is held **each Saturday in September at Bethany Christian Church**. Children will be instructed in skills like dribbling, passing, and shooting (with scrimmage matches in weeks 2-4). Each week, the children are led in a devotional and prayer.

There is a **\$20 registration fee** which includes a T-shirt and medallion/trophy for each child.

You can **register your child** at Connecting Point, online at <http://bccanderson.org/pwsoccer16/>, or at the church office. (Deadline - August 31)

Assistants are needed!

Statistics as of July 2016:

GENERAL BUDGET

- July Offerings \$79,761
- Year-to-date budget needs \$497,192
- Year-to-date actual giving \$462,130
- Amount under YTD \$35,061
- Budgeted weekly income \$16,038
- Average weekly income \$14,907

FAITH PROMISE

Funds sent to C.M.F. for support of the Kineman Family (Individuals/classes)

- July offerings \$2,254
- YTD offerings \$18,371

AVG WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

- Year-to-date 529 (as of 7/31/16)

Please contact the church office (765-643-5713) if you would like to request giving envelopes or set up your gifts for automatic withdrawal.