

Morning Worship

July 24, 2016

Pastor — Allan Lane	Organ --- Alva Lou Schottel
Worship Leader — Tim Waters	Piano — Marcia Hart
As you enter for worship, please silence your cell phones.	
(CCLI permit # 424692 covers all copyright song lyrics)	
Chorus # 236 "Bless That Wonderful Name"	Tim/People
Worship Prayer	Tim Waters
Welcome and Fellowship	Tim/People
Testimony Medley:	Tim/People
# 531 "Redeemed"	
# 532 "I Have Come From the Darkness"	
# 533 "He Lives"	
Offering Prayer	Bill Schottel
Tithes and Offerings	People
Offering Music	Marcia Hart
Solo	Sarah Waters
Scripture Reading	Steve Noyes
Message	Steve Noyes
Hymn # 285 "Wherever He Leads I'll Go"	Tim/People
Prayer Concerns	Tim/People
Chorus of # 457 "Lord, Be Glorified"	Tim/People

FINDING WHAT WAS LOST

Let me tell you what happened to Ted Forbes back in 1984. While walking down a street in Chicago, Ted found a wallet. Being an honest Christian man he wanted to return it to its owner. So he opened it to look for identification. The wallet contained just \$3.00. No driver's license, no Social Security card, no pictures ... nothing to indicate who owned the billfold.

Looking through the wallet a little more, Ted found and an old envelope. It was wrinkled and looked as if it had been carried there for years. The only part of the writing on the envelope that could be read was the return address.

To find more information, Ted opened the envelope, and to his surprise, the letter was dated June 6, 1924. The letter had been written nearly 60 years before. It was a "Dear John" letter. It was written to a man named Michael, and it was from a woman named Hannah.

She explained that though she loved him, and she would always love him, even though her parents had forbidden her to see him anymore.

Touched by the letter, Ted Forbes wanted to locate the owner of the lost wallet. He drove to the location listed on the return address. He parked the car and walked up to the door.

A woman answered the door. Ted asked the lady if she knew a Michael or a Hannah. He was told that 30 years ago she had purchased the house from a family whose daughter was named Hannah. She said that Hannah had placed her mother in a nursing home just a few blocks down the street.

Ted drove down to the nursing home. He explained the story to the Nursing

Supervisor. She told Ted that the lady he was trying to find had died. However, she gave him a telephone number where he might locate Hannah.

Calling that number he learned that Hannah was not living there anymore. The person answering the phone said Hannah was now in an apartment house for the elderly.

Ted began to wonder why he was making such a big deal out of an old, lost wallet which contained only \$3.00 and a crumpled up old letter. But he decided to keep looking until he ran into a dead end.

He finally tracked down Hannah and went to visit her at the elderly apartment house. She had an apartment on the 3rd Floor. Ted knocked on the door. A gray-haired, alert, bright eyed lady with a warm smile on her face answered the door. 'Yes, it was Hannah Marshall.'

Ted told her about finding the wallet and, showing her the letter, asked if she knew someone named Michael.

Hannah took the letter. Tears filled her eyes. She told Ted that the letter was the last contact she had with Michael. She said that she had never married because she never met anyone she loved as much as Michael. Then she asked Ted if, when he found Michael, he would tell him she still loved him and that she thought about him every day.

Ted thanked her and left. As he was walking down the apartment house hallway, he was carrying the wallet in his hand. The janitor saw the wallet and stopped Ted in the hallway. "Let me see that wallet."

Ted handed it to him. "Why, that's Mr. Goldstein's wallet. I'd know it anywhere. He's always losing it." Ted asked where he could find Mr. Goldstein. The janitor said he lived in Apartment 6 on the 8th Floor.

So, Ted quickly made his way to the eighth floor. He found Apartment #6 and knocked on the door. Sure enough, an old man named Michael answered the door. Ted showed the wallet to the old man. He asked if it was his. Yes, it was. Ted admitted reading the letter to seek identification of the owner.

Mr. Goldstein asked, "You read it?" Then he told Ted that his life nearly ended many years ago when he lost Hannah. He had never married and had never stopped loving her.

Then Ted said, "Mr. Goldstein, I think I know where Hannah is."

The old man became very excited. Ted simply took him by the hand, led him to the elevator and down to the third floor to Hannah Marshall's apartment door.

When she opened the door, they looked at one another in disbelief. Michael Goldstein walked slowly to Hannah. He took her in his arms. And the 60-year separation evaporated in the warmth of their love.

About three weeks after Michael and Hannah were reunited, Ted got a call asking him to be their best man. They were to be married after years of separation.

It must have been some sight: a 79-year-old man and a 76-year-old woman acting like teenagers. It was a perfect ending to a tragic separation. They had every reason to celebrate.

I know you love a good story, and that's surely a good one. It made me cry, but you know me—I cry at everything. Yet, when the lost is found, it truly warms our hearts. Think how much the heart of God is touched when one of His creation is redeemed back to Him. Tell someone about Jesus this week. Even the angels in heaven rejoice.

God Bless You!

Bro. Allan

Opportunities For Service

Living out Your Spiritual Commitment . . . and Fulfilling Christ's Divine Plan

Sunday, July 24, 2016

Choir Rehearsal..... 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:15 am
Morning Worship.....10:30 am
Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: Larry McKahan, Isaac Waters, Ken Kirkpatirck, Bill Schottel

Alternate: Ken Nice

No Evening Worship.....6:30 pm

Wednesday, July 27

Youth Study..... 6:30 pm
No Bible Study 6:30 pm
Adult Choir 7:30 pm

Thursday, July 28

W Team.....6:30 pm

Saturday, July 30

Women's Bible Study.....9:00 am
Movie Event at FBC, Savannah

Sunday, July 31, 2016

Choir Rehearsal..... 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:15 am
Morning Worship.....10:30 am
Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: ? ? ? ?, Fred Kerns, Don Sharp, Ken Nice

Alternate: Isaac Waters

Evening Worship.....6:30 pm

Wednesday, August 3

Youth Study..... 6:30 pm
Prayer / Bible Study6:30 pm
Adult Choir 7:30 pm

Thursday, August 4

G Team.....6:30 pm

Saturday, August 6

Women's Bible Study.....9:00 am

Up-Coming Events.....

July 24 — Diversicare 2:30 pm

July 25-29 — SJBA Children's Camp at Grand Oaks

July 30 — Movie Event at First Baptist Church, Savannah, MO 6pm

GROW Team

Commit to **GROW! Everyone make a contact!** Invite someone to Bible Study and Worship this week. ☺

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Sunday Nights

We will not have Sunday Evening Service here tonight. Hope to see you there next week.

Wednesday Night Prayer and Bible Study

We will not meet this Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Prayer matters! (We will still have choir practice as usual.)

Movie Event

First Baptist Church

Savannah, MO

July 30 at 6:00 pm

...with special appearance by

Executive Director and Producer Dean Haskins.

Diversicare Nursing Home Today at 2:30 pm

Please join us as we minister to those who can no longer attend their own churches.

Grand Oaks Baptist Assembly

Children's Camp

..... is July 25 – 29.

Please pray for the counselors and children this week as they will experience extreme heat.

Women's Bible Study

New Women's Bible Study in church basement at 9:00 am. It's not too late if you are still interested.

Thank You To Our Church Family,

We cannot thank you enough for your generous outpouring of love, prayers, and cards! Each one of you is so precious to us and we doubt we could make this journey without your support and encouragement. You all truly exemplify Christ's love.

Thank you for being there for us- Don and Marcia Dart

For the Record

Attendance: July 17, 2016

Sunday School.....	49
Visitors.....	1
Total.....	50

Contacts Made.....	9
Morning Worship.....	68
Children's Worship.....	N/A
Sunday Night	11
Wednesday Night	6

Financial Record:

Weekly Budget..... \$ 2,040.52
 Offering Received... \$ 1,119.13

Offering Received by Mail:

July Counting Team:

Fred Kerns and Jordan Lane

July Van Driver:

George Burgess
 Call 232-3747 **before 8 am**

July Member Birthdays:

02... Mary Sharp
 05... Kathryn Beavers
 15... Bill Schottel
 17... Betty Anslinger
 20... Dorothy Post
 23... Flora McKahan
 24... Allan Lane
 26... Jack Conard
 26... Annette Schottel
 30... Bill Haskins

July Anniversaries

Don and Mary Sharp

July 3, 1970

Gary and Sharon Yarbrough

July 8, 1978

Don and Marcia Hart

July 15, 1973

Larry and Flora McKahan

July 29, 1966

Prayer Requests ...

Nellie Reynolds—heart condition
 Betty Campbell—healing
 Pat Puckett—eyes, healing
 Marcia Hart's Family
 Audrey Dugan—recovery
 Tim Izer and Family
 Sue Higgins—regain strength
 Jim Winans, surgery recovery
 Alicia McKinnon
 Dakota Duty, recovery

Robbie Hutcherson, Loleta's son
Lisa Bowers—Jack and Flo's daughter
Children's Camp
LoLeta Middleton—strength
Maxine and George Ferbert—strength
Buddy Means—Mary Sharp's nephew
Ellen Blanton and Lois Ulmer— Elvera's daughter & daughter-in-law
Stella Davis and Linda Rails—Doris Richardson's sisters
Henrietta Caballero—Brigida's Sister
Austin Chalfant—Abby's nephew
Gary and Marilyn Singleton—health
Audrey Dugan Bob Barquist
Kathryn Beavers Ann Riddle
Louanne Laurence Keon McKahan
Jozy Winans Leona Reynolds
Kevin Duty Kenny Duty
Madeline Swink Bobby Griswold
Bill Haskins Debbie Sands
Brenda Burgess Judy Anderson
Carolyn Houts Roscoe Lane
Missionaries Don and Diane Combs
Nickolay Nazaruk, Peski 2 Church
David and Deborah Grace
Jeanette Swackhamer—Beja People
Our Nation and Leaders
Our Military Service people
Today's Prayer Requests ...

Our Nation and our Leaders ...

Five More New Families...
