

## A Note From Your Pastor

One of the more colorful characters in baseball over the years has been the late Bill Veeck, former owner of the Cleveland Indians and Chicago White Sox. He was beloved by baseball fans and reviled by fellow owners for his flamboyant contributions to the game. A supreme showman who had a keen knowledge of the game and a deep devotion to its fans, Veeck was often referred to as the "P.T. Barnum of baseball". He once placed a midget on the team and sent him into the game as a pinch hitter. The man who placed players' names on the backs of uniforms, gave orchids to female fans, and sent Circus clowns to the coaches boxes, died January 2, 1986.

Until recently the Cleveland Indians dwelt in Major league baseball's basement. One spring they got off to a terrible start. They lost their first eleven games. The mood in Cleveland got so bad a fan climbed up a flagpole at the stadium and swore he would not come down until the Indians won their first game.

The stage was now set for Bill Veeck to pull one of his celebration stunts. He announced a second opening day. He brought out a brass band, hung out all the banners and had the mayor throw out the first ball. He had all the rituals of opening day. The crowning result of it all was Cleveland won. They broke out of the slump.

Has there ever been a time in your life when you wanted to start over - to begin a second season - to experience a new beginning? It might have been a time when you were trapped in some rut and wanted to move in a new direction. It might be a time you were weighted down from a past mistake or a failure and wanted to "wipe the slate clean". It might have been a time you wanted to be recharged with new energy and enthusiasm enabling you to face your

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responsibilities with new vitality.

For these refreshing changes to occur, however, you and I must take risks. It might mean leaving an unsatisfactory, but safe present for a more fulfilling, but yet unknown, future. It might mean leaving behind a comfortable, but increasingly unsatisfactory way of doing certain things to develop a new and yet untested skill.

Someone has written, "Every minute starts an hour and every minute is a new opportunity. Each time the clock ticks you have a chance to start over, to say, do, think, or feel something in such a way that you and the world are better for it."

In the end, therefore, it is worth the risk. There is an excitement in the air around the church. An excitement filled with the expectation of what God has in store for the future. This is the day of new beginnings and I can't wait for the clock to strike another minute.

Bro. Bo

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## A Note From Your Youth Director

With the spring right around the corner there are a few things to put on your calendar for March. We will not have Youth during Spring Break. The dates that we will not have Youth are Sunday March 14, Wednesday March 17, and Sunday March 20.

On Sunday March 28 we will have Fireside at the Garmons' house. We will meet at the church at 5:00 and leave to go to their house. We will return at 7:00 Invite a friend to come and join us.

Bro. Ben

## A Note From Your Children's Director

Thank you to everyone for giving me such a warm welcome to this position. I am really enjoying working with your children.

We are currently planning our community wide Easter Egg Hunt which will take place on April 3rd at 10:00 a.m. at Rainbow City Park. Bring your family and friends for this fun event. We will have hotdogs, popcorn, cotton candy, three inflatables - the moon bounce, giant slide and the obstacle course. We still have a lot of eggs that need to be stuffed with candy - all help is greatly needed and appreciated. You can come by the children's class room and pick up your eggs. I have one bin outside the door for eggs that need to be stuffed and one for eggs that are stuffed or if you wish you can just donate candy (no chocolate please). We also need these items donated for children to redeem with tokens. Gift cards for kid's meals, rubber band bracelets, stuffed animals, balls. The prizes to be redeemed will range from one token for a small item, three token for a medium item and five token for a large item.

Our next big event will be VBS. Our theme this year will be High Seas Expedition. The week I have planned for this exciting event will be June 6th through 10th and once again we will have it in the evening. I will need a lot of volunteers to make this work. If you would like to volunteer to take over one of the stations or be a crew leader and help the children get from one station to the next, please let me know.

I am also starting a list for those who wish to help out on Sunday mornings or Wednesday nights. We have some wonderful people who have volunteered their time for Kidz Central on Sundays and Wednesday nights but we can always use an extra hand especially if someone needs that day off. If you would like to help out on these days let me know.

Thanks  
Theresa Casteel

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

### **Birthdays for March**

March 3- Dana Rice  
March 4- Deborah Hill, Amanda Deavor, Monza Miller  
March 7- Norma Beck, Faye Colley  
March 9- Andrew Prince, Donnie Harwell  
March 16- Frances Higginbotham, Kathy Maddox  
March 18- Joe Chesnut, Mark Asbury  
March 19- Morgan Bussing, Hailey Hutchinson  
March 20- Julie Menk  
March 23- Jim Beck, Andrew Hilley, Rachel Frost, Christian Rice  
March 24- Kate Harwell  
March 25- Kimberly Smith, Allen Woodall  
March 26- Brenda Heaton  
March 27- Todd Noble  
March 29- Scott Menk, Chris Thompson  
March 30- McKenzie King

### **Anniversaries For March**

March 19 - Bob and Mary Cochran  
March 23 - Chris and Brenda Deavor  
March 25 - Brian and Carla Connell

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### **Nursery Schedule for March**

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### **Thank You**

**Thank you for helping the Love Center in our time of financial need. You have encouraged my heart. Your kindness will make a difference in the lives of so many who are depending on us. We appreciate you and remember, Psalm 41:1, "Blessed is he that considereth the poor. The Lord will deliver him in time of trouble."**

**Sincerely, Ruth Adcock, Director**

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