



# Family

## West Chicago Church of Christ

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## A Preacher's Perspective

David surprises us with his reaction to news of the murder of Abner by Joab. Abner was the general for the armies of Saul, and David obviously held him in great respect. In fact, he tells Joab that Abner was a better man than he.

Referring to Abner, David said, "do you not know that a prince and a great man has fallen this day in Israel? 2 Samuel 3:38

I have heard that text used from time to time at the passing of some Christian who was held in great esteem. This past week, the death of Dr. Henry Farrar brought the tribute to my mind. Dr. Farrar was, in my opinion, a prince and a great man in the kingdom of God.

Bobbye and I knew him from our years in Searcy. Bobbye worked with him at the hospital where he was always looking for materials for Nigerian Christian Hospital. He performed surgery on me in Searcy when I was suffering with a bleeding ulcer.

Dr. Farrar, though a man of great accomplishment as a physician and surgeon, was very child-like and completely humble.

Some of his accomplishments include establishing the Nigerian Christian Hospital (NCH) and serving as an elder of College church of Christ in Searcy, AR, then of College Hills church of Christ in Lebanon, TN. He was a trustee of African Christian Hospitals Foundation (since 1967), Harding University (since 1993), and Healing Hands

International (since 1998). Dr. Farrar was a medical missionary in Nigeria, Cameroon, Tanzania and Honduras, and spent working vacations performing and teaching surgery at NCH. He taught at the largest medical university in China for one year.

Dr. Farrar served others in the U.S., Nigeria, Cameroon, Tanzania, and China. A Christian for 72 years, he began preaching at age 17 and established churches in the U.S. and Nigeria. He was in his 60th year of marriage to Grace J. Farrar. He spread the gospel for over 47 years in Africa. "Dr. Henry" practiced medicine for 56 years and was a Board certified surgeon for 46 years. Many were influenced for Christ and some are working in medicine and missions because of his life.

"Dr. Henry" was not important because of the honors he received or the boards on which he sat. His greatness was in compassion, especially for those in the poverty of Africa, and in his

single-minded dedication to doing as much good as he was able. That nobility of purpose and sweetness of soul made his peers seek his counsel and his vision.

I have known few men who have done such good in God's service.

*Chuck Miller*



(Top left) Henry at a Nigerian clinic before there was a hospital, (top right) Henry and Grace, married for 60 years, (bottom left) Dr. Henry doing surgery in the Nigerian Christian Hospital, (bottom right) the volunteer center in Nashville for HHI was named in honor of Henry and Grace Farrar

# Welcome to the West Chicago Church of Christ

If you are visiting with us, we especially want to welcome you. We pray our time together worshipping our Father in heaven will be uplifting and encouraging. You are an honored guest and we want to thank you for being a part of our worship this morning!

Bible classes are available for all ages. Babies can be taken to the nursery located at the back of the auditorium. Pre-school and elementary-age children meet in classrooms downstairs. Teens meet in the fellowship room downstairs. Adult classes meet in the auditorium and at the end of the foyer.

Our Small Group Fellowship program takes place during the fall, winter and spring months and is on the first and third Sundays of each month in lieu of the Sunday evening worship. If you are interested in joining a Small Group, please speak with one of our Deacons. The Small Group Fellowship schedule does change occasionally due to holidays.

We are planning a weekly web-cast of our Sunday morning auditorium class and worship services. Please follow these instructions:

<http://wcfamily.viewnetcam.com>  
 Username: wcfamily  
 Password: 6302312062  
 Click "SINGLE" tab  
 Allow any Active X controls

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of our Elders:

Don Brewster                      Bob Jett  
 Chuck Miller                      Bob Voigts

Our Deacons are:

Justin Avey: Benevolence, Fellowship, Stewardship & Leadership  
 Jay Hearn: Worship & Pulpit, Communications, Outreach, Education, Benevolence  
 Cliff Plummer: Fellowship, Benevolence, Education  
 Curt Robinson: Education, Stewardship & Leadership  
 Rick Root: Communications, Education, Stewardship & Leadership

Sunday Morning Bible Class . . . . . 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Morning Worship . . . . . 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening Worship . . . . . 6:00 p.m.  
 (No evening worship on Small Group Fellowship Sundays)  
 Wednesday Evening Bible Class . . . . . 7:00 p.m.



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## This Morning ...

Please take a moment this morning to fill out an attendance card, especially if you are a guest. Prayer cards are also available in the pew rack. You may choose to have prayers by the elders, a prayer warrior or by the whole church family. If you choose "whole church family" it will be announced following the sermon.

### Order of Worship

Welcome . . . . . Chuck Miller  
 Singing . . . . . Jon Miller  
     #123 The Steadfast Love of the Lord  
 Prayer Updates & Scripture . . . . . Don Brewster  
     #490 When Peace Like a River  
     #794 Unto Thee O Lord  
 Prayer . . . . . Curt Robinson  
     #176 Lamb of God  
 Lord's Supper . . . . . Rick Root  
 Contribution and Prayer Card Collection  
 Sermon . . . . . Chuck Miller  
     #915 Trust and Obey  
 Prayer Card Responses and Prayer . . . . . Bob Voigts  
 Announcements . . . . . Don Brewster  
     #711 Blest Be the Tie that Binds  
 Closing Prayer . . . . . Scott Drumheller

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

February 28 . . . . . Mike Mathews  
 March 3 . . . . . Paul & Molly Mullins (anv.)  
 March 5 . . . . . Quinten Link  
 March 6 . . . . . Christian Mathews

## Dates to Remember

Tonight . . . . . Sunday Night Light/Teens  
 March 4 . . . . . Food Pantry Delivery  
 March 4 . . . . . Teen Parent Connection  
 March 5 . . . . . Men's Bible Study  
 March 6 . . . . . Elder/Deacon Meeting  
 March 7 . . . . . Small Group Fellowships  
 March 8 . . . . . Living Room Café  
 March 11 . . . . . Teen Parent Connection  
 March 12 . . . . . Men's Bible Study  
 March 12 . . . . . Chicago Flower & Garden Show/Seniors

## Records You Helped Make

Sunday Morning Bible Class . . . . . 45  
 Sunday Morning Worship . . . . . 85  
 Wednesday Evening Bible Class . . . . . 26  
 Contribution . . . . . \$2,646.00

Nursery Workers . . . . . Betsy Jett, Lynette Root

Collection Counters . . . . . Justin Avey, Jeff Ieler

## In Our Prayers...

**Herman Aultman, Bobbie Whitman's brother**, will be having a kidney transplant. Donors are being tested.

**Dr. Henry Farrar**, the founder of African Christian Hospital and a pioneer of African missions, died after falling and breaking his neck earlier this week. Remember his wife, Grace.

**Henry & Candra Phillips** are waiting to see if their foster daughter, **Lina**, needs heart surgery.

**Dee & Barbara Phipps, Stacey Hearn's parents**, are both suffering with health issues. Dee is very weak from being in the hospital for over a month. Barbara has just been diagnosed with lung cancer.

**Susie**, a young woman from Guatemala, obtained a visa to come to the U.S. due to a high-risk pregnancy. She is in Nashville with friends of the Miller's, Russ & Donna King.

### Those suffering with long-term issues:

Justin Avey  
 Paul & Judy Bertrand - Lynette Root's parents  
 Bonnie Bingham  
 Nancy Brewster  
 Jim & Julie Chavez  
 Gail Cole - Lori Plummer's mother  
 John Day  
 Al Dorsey & his son, Doug  
 Joyce Eakins, her brother, Hubert and her two sisters, Eunice and Frances  
 Brad Fowler - Joan Lockett's nephew  
 Lauren Helton - Josephine Haggerton's nephew  
 Mary Henkel - Mike's mother  
 Kathy Huml - John Pedersen's sister  
 Debbie Lawrence - Bobbie Whitman's niece  
 Don Lemley  
 Anne Librande - Joanne Johnson's mother  
 Steve Link  
 Jack Lockett - father of Charlie, Mike, Julie Chavez, Shelley Prosser, Missy Kissane, & Becky Pedersen  
 Mike Lockett - Joan's son  
 Jackie Milam, Alyssa's mother  
 Bobbye Miller  
 Danielle Nichols - Alyssa Milam's cousin  
 Josh Otte - Chris Czernik's nephew and the son of Marion Lake's cousin  
 Doug Peterson  
 Pat Ronzheimer  
 Kay Schrader  
 Chester & Phyllis Sitler  
 Bruce Snyder & Cindy Stewart - Bob Voigts's cousins  
 Barb Tincher - Jake's mother  
 Jim Whitman

### Mothers-to-be:

Tammy Urso - Dan & Linda Vantrees's daughter  
 Rob & Eryn and Ben & Kristin Livermore - Craig & Bev's sons

### Armed forces:

James Bartels - the son of Lynette Root's friend - in Iraq, he and his wife are expecting a new baby and they have a 4-year-old

Ryan Gleason - Dana Howard's nephew  
 Mike Hagan - Doris Biancalana's nephew in Baghdad

Jacob Headtke - U.S. Marines, RCC alumni  
 Toby Logsdon - Dewayne & Marilyn Smith's son-in-law is in Afghanistan

Jeremy Riley - great-great-nephew of Josephine Haggerton, stationed in Baghdad

Shane - the son of LeAnn Sexton, a friend of Lori Plummer

Joey Wertz - the friend of Lynette Root's friend, Iraq

Chris Yauch - the husband of Wendell & Margaret Mott's granddaughter, Mallory

Jonathon Young - a former member is a Warrant Officer in the army and plans to fly helicopters. He's in Alabama, at Fort Rucker.

### Missionaries:

Jarrold, Allison, Soledad & Levi Brown - Honduras  
 Students of Joe Voigts - China  
 City of Children - Ensenada, Mexico  
 Obadiah Doka & Family - Nigeria  
 Ayodele Waleola - Nigeria  
 Shults-Lewis - the teens, their families, the workers  
 Enoch & Jeannine Thweatt - Taiwan



The 2010 Ladies Retreat, "O How I Love Jesus!" is scheduled for Friday evening through Saturday noon, **April 23 & 24**. It will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Warrenville. **Registration forms are available TODAY!** Each person needs to complete a registration form and list their roommates. Return the form with payment to Molly Mullins. Registration closes Sunday, March 28. If you have transportation or financial concerns or any questions, please see Barb Voigts. 🌸

Bring your family, friends, neighbors & co-workers!

# youth & family news

## Honduras Deadline

Please give your second payment of \$332.70 to Chuck TODAY. Tickets are being purchased this week and this amount completes the cost for the airfare. We will be getting together for a meeting in mid-March. Watch for more information soon.

## Haiti Report

Check the bulletin board for a detailed report of Milton & Holly Eckhart's work in Haiti after the earthquake. Half of funds received from our special contribution for Haiti went to their work.

## Small Group Fellowships

Upcoming Small Group Fellowship dates are: March 7, 21, and April 18. There will be no evening worship at the building on Small Group Sundays. However, the Small Group led by Dewayne Smith meets at the building at 5:30 p.m.



## Wednesday Ladies Class

The Ladies Bible Class is going through a series of lessons on the Holy Spirit. If you have any questions or would like to lead a class, please see Joanne Johnson.

## Media Booth Assistance

Anyone who is interested in learning how to run the equipment in the media booth and how to use the new software should speak with Chuck. Training sessions will probably take place on Sunday afternoons.

## Teen Parent Connection

Teen Parent Connection meets here on Thursday evenings. If you can assist preparing a meal or help with childcare, see Molly Mullins. Monetary donations are also welcome. Their website is: [www.teenparentconnection.org](http://www.teenparentconnection.org).

**SING THING**

**Come join us this evening at 6:00 in the fellowship room!**

**TEENS:** There is a **Sunday Night, Light** tonight at the Boyd's. Please bring \$4 for food.

Harding University is hosting dinner and a Cubs game on **Tuesday night, April 27th**. All you can eat pizza begins at 5:45, the game starts at 7:05. Tickets are just \$10 and must be ordered soon! See Cliff if you're interested.



**HARDING UNIVERSITY**

**PARENTS & ADULTS:** We need families to host **Sunday Night, Lights** on March 14, March 28, and April 25. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

*City of Children  
Ensenada, Mexico  
Mission Trip  
June 12-18, 2010*

*Mission Lazarus  
Honduras  
Mission Trip  
July 24-31, 2010*

## Men's Bible Study & Coffee

The Men's Bible Study, hosted by Bob Voigts and Kenn Watson, meets Fridays from 6:30 - 8:00 a.m. at the building. They are studying the prayers of Jesus.

## Living Room Cafe

We're scheduled to help at the Living Room Café on Monday, March 8, as well as, the **second MONDAY of every month** through the end of the year. We leave from the building at about 2:30 and return about 8:30 p.m. If you've wanted to help, but haven't been able to participate, check your calendar and make plans to join us! You can sign up now for March and April on the sheet in the foyer.

## Needs for Community

A family from our community needs a crib. The mother is due to have a baby February 26. Let Sally know if you have one to donate. Another family needs baby wipes, size 6 diapers and size 4T/5T pull ups. Donations may be placed by the table by the restrooms.

## Seniors Outing

We're planning an outing to the **Chicago Flower and Garden Show**, downtown at Navy Pier, on Friday, March 12. We will leave from the building around 9:30 a.m. and return after lunch. Tickets are \$15, lunch will probably be around \$10. Sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you are interested. Questions, see Cliff.



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