



THE BULLETIN

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LESSONS WE HAVE LEARNED IN LEADING TRANSFORMATION

(A message from Bishop Will Willimon - Part II)

Paul Borden is the Executive Minister of Growing Healthy Churches, formerly American Baptist Churches of the West. This region of 220 congregations saw over 70% of their churches transformed and is now focusing on congregational reproduction through out the United States and around the world. Paul has been very helpful here in North Alabama in renewal. This week I continue with some of Paul's thoughts on church change.

6. There are only two valid reasons for denominations to exist. One is to help congregations transform and the second is to help them reproduce. Denominations play other key managerial and administrative roles. But if the mission is not prominent in terms of how resources are expended in our nation and in nations around the world, then denominations have no right to exist.

7. Most pastors are unwilling as well as incapable of leading the kind of systemic change that is demonstrated in the story. This is why they need help to both know what to do and to have someone stand with them as they do it. The bottom line is all about leadership and pastors being willing to be or act like leaders who risk their jobs if necessary.

8. The cost is terrible until one achieves the change. After the change comes, the pastor finally gets to lead ministry in ways that all pastors imagined they would when they entered seminary. However, the biggest cost to leading change is usually borne by the pastor and the pastor's family.

9. There is a major difference between creating change that leads to systemic change and leading systemic change. However, the more pre-systemic change that is implemented the easier it will be to lead systemic change. Pastors, particularly those who do not have outside help may need to make small, incremental changes for one to five years before leading systemic change. However, once systemic change is initiated, the pastor has only from one to two years to make it happen. It may then take another three to five years to make sure the congregation does not go back to old ways of behaving.

10. Congregations who say they want change mean something different from what most pastors think. What congregations mean by wanting change is that they want more people in the church and more money in the budget as long as the culture of the congregations does not change and they can still be in control of how things are done. The biggest cost to any change is getting the congregation out of the hands of those who have been running the congregation for years. However, when such happens, we have seen awesome results.

BUCKET BRIGADE:

For September will be going to the Children's Mission for the Heifer Project. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

NEWSLETTER:

If you have something you would like featured in the "First Family", please email Katie at children@cairofumc.org or Mike at mike@cairofumc.org

2nd ANNUAL LABOR DAY PICNIC & TUBING TRIP

The youth would like to invite the entire church family to go tubing down the Ichetucknee River followed by a picnic lunch on Monday, Sept. 6.

We will leave the church at 7:30 A.M. Please pack a picnic lunch. You will need money for tube rental and park fees. Check out the church website for details.

NEEDED-3 HANDBELL CHOIR MEMBERS:

We have openings and need 3 bell choir members. Rehearsals begin Sept.8. Musically, it helps if you can read music. Call Ed Lyon, 850-556-4113.

OFFICE CLOSED:

The church office will be closed Monday, September 6, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

LAY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE WILL MEET Tuesday, Sept. 7, at 6:00 P.M.

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRY:

AFM DISTRIBUTION, SATURDAY, September 18 for preorders for the month of September.

To place an order with a credit card on line, go to www.angelfoodministries.com

Call the church office or Martha Hawthorne if you have any questions. Delivery for September will be Sept. 18, 10:00 - 11:00 A.M.

CHURCH NIGHT SUPPERS

MAKE RESERVATIONS!

You will need to call the church office to sign up for the meals on a permanent basis or weekly if that is what you choose or you may fill out the form below each week to make your reservations for Church Night Suppers. Reservations should be made or cancelled by Tuesday noon. The "Family" amount of \$11.00 is for only those living in the household. Navajo Mission Report No. From Age 12 - Adults(\$3.00) _____
No. From 18 months - 11(\$2.00) _____
(Maximum Family Charge \$11.00 - all persons living in same household) _____ Permanent
____ Week 9/8/10 _____ Cancellation 9/7/10

Name _____ No. _____

MEMORIALS:

Memorials have been given to the church in loving memory of

MRS. MYRTLE ALLEN

MR. TOM ALLEN

MR. CHARLES BUTLER

MRS. RUTHIE MAXWELL

By: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ragan

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Turner

MR. HUGH GANDY

MRS. MAXINE SHIVER

MRS. HELEN WARD

By: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ragan

MR. WILLIAM RAULERSON

MRS. VIRGINIA STAFFORD

By: Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Turner

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPATION :

Sept. 18 - 10:30 A.M. Beth Moore simulcast at Thomasville First Baptist Church. \$10 plus \$5 for lunch. Call 228-6800 for information.

SEPT. 19 - BISHOP'S HOUR

Bishop King will be at Thomasville First UMC, 4:00 - 6:00 P.M. Mark your calendars and make your plans to attend. Call the church if you would like to go on the van!

SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES

Registration - Sept. 12 with the first sessions held on Sept. 26. (Books to be ordered)

Studies being offered:

When Christians Get It Wrong - Joy Smith, Bill Bass, Jr.

Women of Excellence-Being a Godly Woman - Karen Mobley

Dare to Be Uncommon - Men's Study -

Mike Mobley, Nat Higdon

Oct. 2 - Annual Planning Event - Committee Chairs should have reports ready to turn in for Charge Conference.

PELHAM EDUCATION GRANTS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS:

Applications for the Mildred Pelham Education Grants may be picked up during office hours from the church office. Deadline to apply this year is September 24. Guidelines are available with the application.

PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED:

Please call the church office so we can relay the message to Rev. Bass or Rev. Mobley if you have a need for pastoral care - illness, death, etc. The pastors cannot be of assistance if they do not know of your needs.

STEWARDSHIP:

Is your giving to the church up to date?

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH

OPPORTUNITIES:

Sunday, September 5:

- *8:30 A.M. Early Worship
- *8:44 A.M. Worship
- *9:45 A.M. Church School
- *11:00 A.M. Worship Service

Monday, September 6:

Church Office closed

7:30 A.M. Group leaves for Tubing Trip

Tuesday, September 7:

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study
- 9:15 A.M. Ladies' Prayer Team
- 3:00 P.M. Needlework Ministry
- 6:00 P.M. . . Lay Leadership Committee

Wednesday, September 8:

- 5:00 P.M. Prayer Team
- 6:00 P.M. Church Night Supper
- 6:30 P.M. Handbell Choir
- Age Level Activities

7:30 P.M. Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 9:

8:30 A.M. . . Service on CNS Channel 6

Friday, September 10:

- 2:00 P.M. . . Service on CNS Channel 6
- 9:00 P.M. . . Service on CNS Channel 6

*Nursery for children birth thru three

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS:

September 5:

Marjorie Ragan

September 6:

James Oates Chuck Stafford

September 7:

Zach Ingram
Wayne Pitchford
Joseph Powell

September 10:

Gordon Clyatt
Martha Hawthorne
Kenneth James

September 11:

Karen Allen
Ben Beasley
Sandy Rathel
Jane Stewart

If your name has not been listed, please call the church office in order that we might get our records corrected.

BUDGET REQUEST NEEDED:

Committee chairpersons are requested to have budget request for 2011 turned in to the church office by September 15. Charge Conference is set for October 24.

No Adult Activities

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

OUR KNOWN ILL:(As of Tuesday)

Please remember those of our membership:

Archbold:

Rev. Mike Mobley

At Home:

- Mr. Alton Barrineau
- Mrs. Jeanette Gandy
- Mrs. Lois Clark
- (Mother of Sandra Clark)
- Mrs. Laverne McClenny
- Mr. & Mrs. Carter Morton
- Mrs. Jean Strickland

Emory, Atlanta:

Mr. Terry Prince

Atlanta, GA:

Mr. Mike Davis
(Son of Sara Davis-Merriman)

Sidney, OH:

Mr. Samuel Hughes
(Step-father of Brenda Sharpless)

Medical Center, Augusta, GA:

Mr. Jason Norton

Magnolia Place:

- Mrs. Ida Pearl C. Brown
- Mrs. Margaret Johnson
- Mrs. Jean Scott
- M/M Bill VanLandingham

Camellia Gardens:

Mrs. Bernice Porter

Golden Living:

Rev. Charles Culbreth Mrs. Evelyn Hester

Parkway, Pelham:

Mr. Bob Voyles

Belvedere Commons, Thomasville:

- Mrs. Carol Heath
- Mrs. Joyce Pickens

Woodleaf, Tallahassee, FL

Mrs. Marion Walker

Brighton Gardens, Omaha, NE:

Mrs. Jane Wilkinson

Pinewood Nursing Center, Whigham:

Mrs. Elde Sharpless

Visitors, August 29, 2010:

Vicky Redden; Brittney Harrison; John, Jill Long; Tara Harris; Susan, Brian Engram; Mark, Lou Anne Rainey; Andy Rackley; Allison Gray; Susan Turner

Please sign the attendance register each week!

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

August 29, 2010

10:30 A.M. Worship 260

Budget needs for the year to date . \$397,656.00

Budget receipts for the year to date \$327,299.00

Bucket Brigade \$95.76

CHILDREN, Sunday, Sept. 5, 9:30 A.M.

All children should come to the Education Building. Preschool children should meet downstairs. Children Pre-K through 5th grade should meet in the Upper Rooms Bible Village.

The children will continue their Sunday School series entitled "Making Choices". The memory verse is "I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I have set your ordinances before me". Psalm 119: 30 We need volunteers to help lead and assist during this rotation. Please prayerfully consider volunteering.

Christmas Program:

On Wednesday nights following CNS, your children are practicing for the Christmas program "Follow the Star". They each have a music cd; please encourage them to listen to their cd so they begin to learn the music.

Upcoming Events:

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY - Sept. 12

The children will be taking part in the 8:44 service. There will not be Children's Church. All of the children are going to sit in the balcony. Please bring your child to the balcony at the beginning of the 8:44 service to sit with volunteers.

KIDZQUEST

Is September 24-26. Registration is now closed.

KID'S NIGHT OUT:

Luau night is Sept. 17. Children should come dressed in the best beach attire; there will be a costume contest! Kid's Night Out is from 6-9 P.M. and there is no charge; however, donations will be accepted. We will be having an indoor picnic with sandwiches, chips, fruit, and dessert. Registration deadline is Sept 10.

Please call Katie Odum or visit the website (www.cairofumc.org) for more information about all upcoming events.

Mission Project - During the next few months, the children will be doing various fund raisers to raise money for Heifer International. Please support them in their efforts to raise over \$600 to purchase animals for poverty stricken families.

REGULAR SUNDAY WORSHIP CHOICES:

Our congregants have the opportunity to choose between three different worship services each Sunday morning. Choose the one that works for you!

8:30 A.M. in the chapel
A blended worship service

8:44 A.M. in the sanctuary
A contemporary worship service

11:00 A.M. in the sanctuary
A traditional worship service

Sunday, September 5, 2010

8:30 Worship

Message Rev. Henry Bass
"God, Be Merciful to Me, the Sinner!"
Luke 18: 1-17

8:44 Worship

"Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.

Psalm 84:4
Message Rev. Henry Bass
"God, Be Merciful to Me, the Sinner!"
Luke 18: 1-17
(Pew Bible Page 742)

YOUTH

Sun., Sept. 5, 9:50 A.M. Sunday School
6-8th grades: RE:FORM (3rd floor classroom)
9-12th grades: UPRISING (Youth House)
No UMYF tonight due to Labor Day Holiday

Mon., Sept. 6, 7:30 A.M.

Leave the church for Labor Day Tubing Trip. Please bring a sack lunch and \$10.00 for tube rental/park fees. Check church website for more information!

UPCOMING EVENTS

5th QUARTER EVENT hosted by CFUMC on Friday, Sept. 24, after the CHS football game vs. Monroe. Volunteers are needed to help with the event and all youth are encouraged to attend.

Other 5th Quarter locations include: 9/10 @ Family Worship Center; 10/8 @ First Baptist; and 10/22 @ Faith Christian Center.

Mark Your Calendars...the Hungry for Love tour is coming to Christian Heritage Church in Tallahassee on Friday, Oct. 29, featuring the Afters, Leeland & Sanctus Real. Check out 88.1 Way FM website for details. Let Mrs. Meghan know if you can go.

Winter Youth Trip (Xtreme Winter '10 in Gatlinburg, TN) will be December 26-29, 2010. \$75 deposit due Oct. 1 to reserve your spot. Don't miss this trip!

QUILTING/NEEDLEWORK GROUPS:

Monday, 9:30 A.M. - Quilting Group
Tuesday, 3:00 P.M. - Needlework Group
You are welcome to join either or both groups.

STAFF DIRECTORY:

Rev. Henry Bass Pastor
Rev. Michael Mobley Assoc. Pastor
Dr. Ed Lyon Minister of Music
Mrs. Katie Odum Dir. Of Children's Min.
Mrs. Meghan Ridenour Dir. Of Youth Min.
Mr. Ed Self Organist
Mrs. Ruth Sims Adm. Assistant

MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Kingdomtide XV
The Lord's Day

September 5, 2010
Christian Color: White

THE GATHERING

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the house of God.

Before the service speak to Him, during the service let Him speak to you,
after the service speak with one another.

THE GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Michael Mobley

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR Time for Silent Prayer

THE PRELUDE Mr. Ed Self

"How Firm a Foundation" - Wood

* THE HYMN OF AFFIRMATION No. 145

"Morning Has Broken"

*THE APOSTLES' CREED No. 881

*THE GLORIA PATRI No. 70

* THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP The Sharing of God's Love

THE ANTHEM Chancel Choir

"Seekers of Your Heart"

THE MORNING PRAYER Rev. Henry Bass

*THE HYMN OF TRUST No. 382

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Bass

THE OFFERTORY Mr. Ed Self

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit" - Decou

^*THE DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 95

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below, praise

him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen"

THE SOLO "In the Calm" Mrs. Lise Will

THE MESSAGE Rev. Bass

"God, Be Merciful to Me, the Sinner!"

Luke 18: 1-17 (Pew Bible Page 742)

THE SERVING OF HOLY COMMUNION No. 12

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

^*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 415

"Take Up Thy Cross"

* THE BENEDICTION Rev. Henry Bass

* THE POSTLUDE Mr. Ed Self

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" - Powell

*Please Stand Please sign attendance register

+The Children are invited to go to Children's Church

^Please come forward at this time if you wish to unite with this Christian fellowship. The doors are

always open for those desiring to become members.

THOSE WHO SERVE:	8:44 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
GREETERS:	Carter Ausley	Carroll Hopkins, Richard Robinson
BULLETIN:	Matt McCaskill	Martha, Kenneth Hawthorne
USHERS:	Ausley, McCaskill	Billy Wind
SS GREETERS:	Debbie, Steve Godbehere	
ACOLYTES:		Lauren Howell
BUCKET BRIGADE:	Tyson Allen, Ashton Pearce	Barrett Howell, Anna Rinker
	Will Porter, Amanda Renaud	
CHILDREN'S HELPERS:	Porter	Walden
ALTAR GUILD:	Cheryl Hunziker, Charlene Powell	