

## Over the Coffee

It was one of the hotter months of May on record here in central Ohio, but we did have enough rain to make everything look green with lots of colors in the flowers and shrubs! What a pleasant start to the summer season. Here at North Baptist we will be studying the Ten Commandments in both worship and our combined adult Bible Fellowship class on Sundays. We will be using a small paperback, *Ten: How the Commandments Set Us Free*. The book is by Rev. Mark Mitchell and it came out in 2016. Using his format as a springboard, my messages will be as follows for June:

June 3: "Signposts for a Liberated Life" - Exodus 20:1-17

June 10: "Finding Our Center" - Exodus 20:2-3

June 17: "What Subtle Idols Might We Have" - Exodus 20:4-6

June 24: "What's In a Name" - Exodus 20:7

I hope most of you will be free to join us for the whole summer series. A special invitation is hereby offered to those who don't usually join us on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Come and share in the study, read the book, and enjoy coffee and a roll with us.

Since we will be doing this special series through the summer we will not be covering the Common Lectionary. But I would encourage you to continue to read the passages on your own during the weeks that follow. Here are the lessons for the month of June. I have modified it in a few places to add some verses where the Lectionary skips and then picks up the reading later in the chapter. Good discipline to keep reading!

June 3: 1 Samuel 5:1-20; Psalm 139:1-18; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6

June 10: 1 Samuel 8:4-20; Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

June 17: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34

June 24: 1 Samuel 17:1-29; Psalm 9:9-20; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41

Enjoy the summer!

Pastor Cy

### June Anniversaries

Brent & Carissa Bautista - 6/21

### June Birthdays

Marcia Smith - 6/1

Pastor Cy Broughton - 6/4

Tim McCarthy - 6/6

Elizabeth Brigham - 6/11

Daniel Callahan - 6/12

Sandy Runyon - 6/14

Beverly Brown - 6/19

Fred Morris - 6/24

Danny Davis, Jr. - 6/29

Lori Jessing - 6/29

Sandra Phelps - 6/30

### Assistance with Utilities and Groceries

Anyone having trouble paying bills or feeding a family may be referred to the Clintonville Resource Center for assistance. Individuals or families must live north of Hudson Street and south of Worthington, west of I-71 and east of Route 315, and must bring an ID and proof of address (such as a utility bill in their name) to CRC between noon and 4:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. CRC is located at 3222 North High Street, Columbus, OH; phone: 614-268-3539. Also, if anyone needs special assistance please do not hesitate to bring your situation to the attention of Pastor Cy.

### Financial Secretary's Report for May

BUDGET RECEIPTS	\$6,847.00
MISSIONS / DESIGNATED	
OGHS Offering	125.00
Other / Designated	
Fellowship Fund	66.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$7,038.00
- Bette Martin	

### Treasurer's Report for May

<b>INCOME</b>	
BUDGET RECEIPTS	6,847.00
Designated Offering - Fellowship Fund	66.00
Designated Offering - OGHS	125.00
Receipts - Other: Bank Interest	0.71
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,038.71
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Designated Offerings: Fellowship Fund	346.00
Fees:	
Columbus Income Tax Div. Late Charge	25.00
Interest	0.36
Late Filing Penalty Cols. Income Tax	86.35
TOTAL Miscellaneous Fees	111.71
Ministry Team Expenses: Christian Ed Team Exp.	42.00
Ministry Team Expenses: Food for Luncheons	5.07
Ministry Team Expenses: Worship Team Expenses	6.02
Operating Expenses: Utilities, Electric	193.39
Operating Expenses: Utilities, Internet and Phone	70.08
Operating Expenses: Utilities, Trash Pickup	102.12
Operating Expenses: Utilities, Gas Budget	540.00
TOTAL Operating Expenses	905.59
Pastor's Compensation	4,364.85
Pastor's Compensation: M & M Retirement	715.09
TOTAL Pastor's Compensation	5,079.94
Staff Expenses: Custodial Services	300.00
Staff Expenses: Musician Services	350.00
TOTAL Staff Expenses	650.00
Tax: Columbus Income Tax	172.70
Tax: Tax, payroll OHIO	152.23
TOTAL Tax-Payroll Taxes	324.93
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,471.26
<b>TRANSFERS</b>	
FROM BUSINESS MONEY MARKET Account	\$2,500.00
TO CHECKING XX8780 - Checking Account**	
Checking Account balance, 5/31/18	\$2,780.23
**Note: The expenses in April exceeded income by \$2,518.87 and the transfer from the money market account was made.	
- Tim McCarthy, Treasurer	

### BIBLE READINGS FOR JUNE:

June 3 - Acts 17 - 18

June 10 - Acts 19 - 20

June 17 - Acts 21 - 23

June 24 - Acts 24 - 26

Tim McCarthy

### Ann Judson Circle

The Ann Judson Circle met at the China Dynasty restaurant on E. Dublin-Granville Rd. at noon on May 8, 2018 with 15 members and three guests present. Guests Tammy Jewell and Diana Hendricksen gave a presentation about their organization, God's Hygiene Help Center's outreach to homeless people in providing health and personal care items, clothing, school supplies, and helping them regain their dignity and making a new start.

The circle business was conducted and election of officers for the next circle year was held, and a signup sheet was passed around for hostesses and devotions.

### Graduates

BRANDON MARK BAUTISTA (Brent & Carissa Bautista's son, Maryanne Hildebrand's grandson) graduated with honors from Ohio Dominican University on May 12<sup>th</sup> with an Associate of Arts degree. He graduated as valedictorian from The Charles School on May 19<sup>th</sup> with an honors high school diploma, and will attend the University of Cincinnati in the fall where he will be studying biomedical engineering.

CAROLINE BOOTES, Nancy's granddaughter, graduating from Thomas Worthington High School. She will be attending Kent State University in the fall.

ANNMARIE CUNNINGHAM, Bea's granddaughter, graduated with a masters degree in speech therapy from Cleveland State University.

JESSE GAY, grandson of Kirk and Nancy Gay, graduates from Central Crossing High School, Grove City, on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. His ambition is to be a military band member playing trumpet or cornet.

EVAN GILLAND, Mike & Cindy Tillis's grandson, son of Eliza-beth & Dave, graduated high school from Leaves of Learn-ing, Cincinnati, OH. He will be attending Ohio University.

### Home Goings

Pat Whittington, 83, member of North Baptist with her husband Bill, passed away early on May 16<sup>th</sup> from failing health. She had been active in the Ann Judson Circle and will be greatly missed.

Terry Moore's father, Charles Collins, passed away May 18<sup>th</sup> in Florida where he had been living. Please keep his family in prayer.

### Prayer Needs

Katie Brigham - heart problems

Harold Castor - assisted living in Friendship Village

Rita Hallam - daughter Rose with painful discs in back

Maryanne Hildebrand - healing of fractured ankle

Dave & Sharon Miller - Dave's Parkinson's disease; strength for Sharon

Moore family - passing of Terry's father Charles Collins; Paul Moore undergoing chemotherapy for lung cancer

Mamie Powelson - pending hip surgery

Cedric Shields - assisted living in Wesley Glen

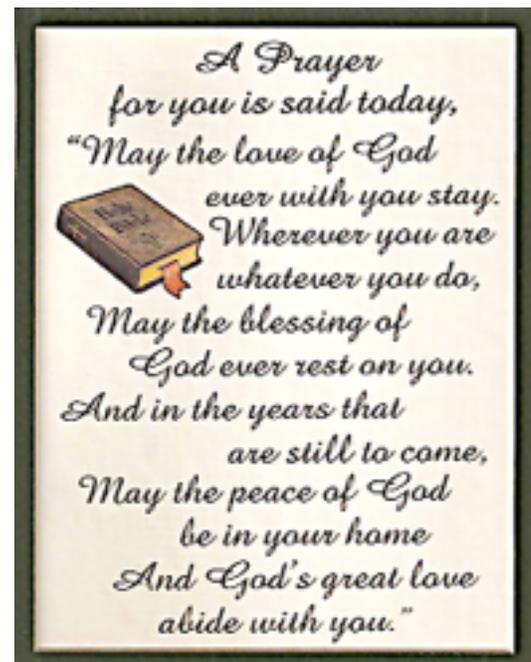
Debbie Smalley - in Riverside with heart problems

Bill Vargo - requests prayer

Whittington family - Pat's passing on May 16<sup>th</sup>; Bill's care for alzheimer's

Marilyn Yost - back pain

Marilyn Yost's nephew Tom Yost - healing of remaining cancer



# THE ORIGINS OF BASEBALL

The origins of baseball are uncertain. Traces of a game played with a bat and a ball date back to ancient Egypt, and a ball used over 2,000 years ago is on display in the British Museum in London.

Games that may recall baseball were played in Walacchia, nowadays a part of Romania, (Oina: 2 Federations, in Moldova and Romania, still play the game in Europe) and Russia (Lapta) in the 14<sup>th</sup> century. A game played with a bat and a ball was very popular among French monks in the 1330's. In the same period, a poem by William Pagula mentioned a game named stoolball, originally played by milkmaids, who used milking stools as wickets. Germans enjoyed a game named Schlagball (teams were made by 12 players), that is still played in the Kiel area, that hosts a couple of tournaments a year.

There is little evidence that baseball derives from Rounders. Actually, a game that is an evolution of Rounders (in which posts instead of bases are used and can happen that a hitter runs without hitting the ball first) was played in America in the 19<sup>th</sup> century and was called Town Ball. In any case, the first reference in history to Rounders (that "A little pretty pocket book" is still played in the British Islands and is sanctioned by the Gaelic Athletic Association together with Gaelic football and Hurling) is from 1744 and appeared in a book for children printed by British publisher John Newbery and named "A little pretty pocket book". The book also contains a very popular rhyme in which the terms Baseball and Rounders are confused.

It seems more likely that Baseball and Rounders share the same origin with Cricket, a game that was imported by Flemish shepherds ("krick" in their language means club or stick) to England in the 14<sup>th</sup> century but became an organized sport only in the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

On the other hand, there is clear evidence that in the 18<sup>th</sup> century a game called Baseball was played in England. In *Northanger Abbey* (a book that was published posthumously in 1818, but written in the 1790s). British author Jane Austen describes Catherine Morlan as a woman who prefers cricket, baseball riding on horseback and running about the country in books. German author Johann Gutsmuth wrote in 1796 a book on popular pastimes in which he mentions a game called English Baseball.

This is not enough to conclude that the game we know today as Baseball is a British game. Actually, there is a game named British Baseball. It is still played in Wales and features two teams of 11 players, and there is no pitcher, but a bowler as in Cricket. Each team plays two innings and an inning is complete when all 11 players have had a chance at bat. A run is scored every time a player gets to a base.

## THE 18<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY

Something must have happened in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century when the game got to the Colonies. Al Spalding, a former pitcher and a world known sport goods manufacturer, found the perfect story: a man named Abner Doubleday (an army officer who was a hero during the Seminole Wars and was going to be a General in the American Civil War) invented the game of Baseball in 1839 in a city called Cooperstown, the first one of the United States inhabited only by natives -- a story that is way too perfect and that Doubleday himself never claimed.

The invention of baseball by Doubleday was probably invented by baseball, but there is little doubt that he contributed to the idea of the field (or diamond) as we know it now. The real inventor of the rules of the game is a book seller from New York: Alexander Cartwright, who founded a team called The Knickerbockers in 1839, wrote the rules in 1845 (and the Congress in 1953 certified what he did) and organized the first game in the United States on 19<sup>th</sup> of June 1846 in Hoboken, New Jersey. The game was not the first played in North America, though. The first game of baseball played in the New World dates back to June 1838 and was played in Ontario, Canada.

## ORGANIZED BASEBALL

In a matter of years, baseball became the first professional sport. In 1850 the National Association of Baseball Players (NABBP) was born, the National League was alive and kicking in 1876.

Americans tried immediately to make it a World Game. In 1878 a professional player named Esteban Bellan introduced the game in Cuba (that exported baseball in the whole Caribbean), and in 1870 bats and balls arrived in Japan (and from there quickly reached Korea and Taiwan) thanks to Horace Wilson. Games were organized in Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific in 1888 and 1889. In February 1889 a tour organized by Albert Spalding took the game to Italy. A championship was played in England in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century.

The game really became international in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. By 1903 in the USA the American League began challenging the National League in the World Series. Organized Baseball Leagues started spreading all over the World: 1922 in The Netherlands, 1934 in Australia, 1936 in Japan, 1938 in Puerto Rico, 1945 in Venezuela and Mexico, 1948 in Italy.

<http://www.wbsc.org/baseball/history-of-baseball/>

