

July 18, 2010

Heart to Heart



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• The Road to Heaven •

Ascension
Gerald Jackson

Where Did The Time Go?

She patiently stood in line next to her daddy at the What-A-Burger. She was about nine-years-old. Her daddy was a young man in his early thirties. They stood there holding hands preparing to order food for their family. I suppose her mommy was probably at home and they were getting burgers to give Mom a break from cooking. When it came time for them to order, they stepped up to the counter and told the attendant what they wanted. After placing the order, they were given the cups for their drinks.

The little girl promptly took the cups and went to the fountain drink machine. It was a bit high for her to reach. She stretched as far as she could until she was able to put the cup under the ice dispenser. She filled the first cup and set it on the counter. Then she took the second and third cups and repeated the process. As she filled the cups with ice, she neatly lined them up on the counter. Then she filled each one with the desired drinks—two Dr. Peppers and a Mountain Dew. She carefully placed the lids on each drink then collected a straw for each drink.

The way she meticulously went about this task captured my attention. She looked like a little mommy who so carefully prepares a meal for her family. Every action is performed with care and love. The ones she is preparing the meal for are important to her and she gives thought to each one of them as she goes about the tasks at hand. I'm certain that her mother had been instrumental in teaching this little girl some of the finer points of being a mommy—either by design or demeanor. Either way, she had learned her lessons well. I watched her daddy smiling as he took the time to cherish the moment.

As my son and I exited the building I walked up to the young dad and said to him, "You've got a mommy-in-training." He quickly replied, "You know it. And she's good at it." I enthusiastically agreed. As I walked to the truck I offered up a little prayer for that family. I prayed that the Lord would bless that little girl to become a wonderful mommy. I know that if she is a good mommy then there is a good chance that her daughters will be good mommies and her sons will look for women to marry who will be good mommies to their children.

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Sunday Morning Order of Worship

Welcome • Call to Worship and Prayer Timothy Wright

Worship in Song David Hale

- ♪ 646 Onward, Christian Soldiers
- ♪ 647 Soldiers of Christ, Arise
- ♪ 648 Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus

Prayer of Thanksgiving Delmar McCondichie

Scripture Reading David Hale

• YES Gospel Express Today •

- ♪ OS An Evening Prayer
- ♪ 379 If That Isn't Love

Communion Prayer David Franklin

Contribution Prayer David Franklin

- ♪ 627 There's a Royal Banner

Morning Message Gerald Jackson

Invitation

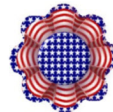
- ♪ 634 We'll Work Till Jesus Comes

During this invitation song, if you have a need for the prayers of fellow Christians, desire to be baptized into Christ, or to place your membership with the Ross Road Church of Christ, please come to the front.

Closing Remarks David Bobo

- ♪ 717 We Will Stand

Prayer David Bobo



* Indicates the song selection is in the Paperback Books in the bookracks.
 ** HO indicates a "Handout" of a song that is not in either of our books.
 *** OS indicates that we should follow the words being projected on the screen.

**Sunday Evenings
Worship @ 6:00 PM**

LIFE Groups

If you are unable to attend Ross or are traveling, you can watch & listen online!

**We stream our Sunday Services LIVE!
Online @ 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
www.rossroadchurch.org**

Last Sunday's Record

Bible Class	54
Morning Worship	136
Sunday Evening	LG

CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

Weekly Budget	\$ 4,606.00
Last Sunday	
July 11, 2010	\$ 4,372.17

Welcome Visitors

Welcome to Ross Road! We are so glad that you have joined us this morning. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering tray when it passes. Please stay around a few minutes after worship so that we may meet you. Thank you for the opportunity to share the love of Christ with you - we hope you will be back soon!

Worship Service Schedule

Sunday Services

- 8:15 a.m. Communion Devo
- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 10:10 a.m. Gospel Express
For children ages 4 yrs. to 4th Grade

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Wednesday Services

- 10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Class
- 3:00 p.m. Afternoon Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study

Ross Road on the Web
LIVE! Online

**We stream our Sunday Services
LIVE! Online @ 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
www.rossroadchurch.org**

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For those who listen to our services LIVE! on the web ... Please let us know you listen by e-mailing us at the address above. If you experience difficulties related to sound or video, or have any other connectivity issues let us know!

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All announcements, prayer requests, and other information for the "Heart to Heart" should be turned in to Raynee Randolph by 12:00 p.m. Thursday, PLEASE!

Mother's Day Out

Phone 901.363.3644

Office Hours **Tuesday - Thursday**
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Before & After School Care

Phone 901.273.3102

Hours **Monday - Friday**
6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

bac@rossroadchurch.org

In Your Prayers

Pray for Each Other

Continue to Remember

- Kim Alexander
- Helen Brock
- Chester Bryant
- Natalie Cravens
- Freddie Estelle
- Thomas Ivery
- Jackqueline Johnson
- Kevin Keel
- Tonya Kelly
- Ambrose Landry
- Monica Martinez
- Pamela Moore
- Willie B. Perry
- Rick Pratt
- Becca Reed
- Barbara Robbins
- Lewis & Tammy Short
- Annie Stevenson
- Mary Ellen Tomlinson
- Agnes Vaughn
- Jason Wilkerson
- William Willis

Underlined Names
are Ross Road Members



Our Service Men & Women

- Matt Beaty
- Sam Coblentz
- Colin Saulkner
- Bruce Haynes, Jr.
- Alahondro Brown

Current Needs

- **Tuwana Armstrong** requests prayers for her family as they serve the Lord in whatever capacity He asks.
- Former member **Sheener Hauer**, is scheduled for thyroid surgery on July 29th to remove tumors, one of which is cancerous.
- **Alice Hubbard**, grandmother of **Angela Bobo & Cynthia Layrock**, had surgery to unblock an artery that was 90% blocked.
- **Marcus Hunter's** father is now home on dialysis.
- **Leslie Jackson's** roommate's mother, **Cyndi Henson**, had a second massive heart attack. She is stable but no one knows how much damage was done. Please pray for the entire **Henson** family.
- **Maxine Johnson's** mother, **Ruth Brown**, was admitted to the hospital last week. Please pray all the test results will be good.
- **James Riddick** asks prayers for wisdom in daily activities and for the health of his family.
- **Vikki Rogers** asks prayers for a daughter that needs to lose weight for health reasons.
- Remember **William Wilkerson** as he has chemo treatments every Wednesday.
- **Brenda Wilkerson** will have an endoscopy on Tuesday.

Kennington Pointe Family

- We pray all our Kennington Family has a great week ahead.

Looking Ahead

Mark These Events on Your Calendar

July 19-22	VBS Construction Zone
July 28	WEW MMM
July 31	Men's Prayer Breakfast School Supplies For Autumn Ridge
August 7,8	No Sales Tax Weekend
August 15	Directory Picture Day
August 21	Back to School Party 4:00 PM
August 22	Directory Picture Day

Praise & Details

More About the Family & Events

Vacation Bible School

| July 19-22



Mark your calendars, we will need all the help we can get. Some of the positions needed will be guides, teachers, floaters, kitchen helpers for snack time, room decorators, furniture movers, and the list goes on. Watch for the sign-up sheet and volunteer for the evenings you are available.

Autumn Ridge School Supply Drive

| July 31

We will be providing basic school supply items for the returning students at the Autumn Ridge Complex. Please check the bulletin board for a detailed description of what they need. We will be delivering these supplies @ 2:00 PM, Saturday, July 31st. All supplies must be here by Sunday, July 25th. Please see Teena Williams or Pat Estelle for more details.



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As I recalled this story I thought about my now grown-up daughter. I thought about the time when she was that same little girl. I remembered the times when I would hold her little hand in mine when we would go to the store or to the park. I reminisced and wondered where the time had gone. How did that little girl of mine so quickly become this beautiful young woman preparing to take life on by herself?

My sons came to mind as well. How did that skinny little kid, who is my first born son, so quickly become a man, a husband and a father—of twins no less? How did that baby boy, my youngest son, who I used to cradle in my arms, get big enough and strong enough to carry me? That's no easy task at two hundred and forty pounds. I ask myself again in disbelief, "Where *did* the time go?"

People who are my age always tell the young parents to cherish those years. But you really can't fully appreciate that time in your life until you are at this end of the time line. That's a cruel and needless reality that occurs in our American culture. Parents at that age are so bombarded with trying to make a living that it is difficult to know how to live. You want to cherish those moments, but there are a thousand things that crowd many of those special moments out of your life.

Now that I have come to better appreciate the admonition that was given to me, I add my voice to that chorus of voices that call back to young parents. Cherish those years. Hold as many of those special moments with your children close to your heart

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Words of Wisdom for the Week:

The greatest of evils is our indifference towards evil!

From Our Shepherds

Percell Duckett, Bruce Haynes & David Bobo

Consequences of Our Actions

One of my not so funny jokes has been that if for no other reason, people should come to church just to keep cool. After all it is free, and you might win a life long gift, salvation. We fully understand that the building isn't the church, but those that have been called out of darkness into God's marvelous light; these are the souls that have been added to His Kingdom. Speaking of jokes, as we were traveling last week one church marquis read "If you love Jesus honk, but if you want to see Him start texting". I thought we have become so addicted to technology and the impact it has on us. Sadly enough several people have lost their lives and many have sustained serious injury while driving and operating their cell phones. Many of you are addicted to technology, and eagerly defend your actions as just an expression of self interest. Some even try justifying their actions by saying that it isn't anymore hazardous than putting on makeup or engaging in a serious debate. Well, I don't think that any of these activities should be practiced considering the possible consequences. Why do we have to teeter on the fringes in order to find fulfillment? We do the same things with our spiritual well being. We risk our salvation by engaging in activities we know that are not in harmony with the word of God just because it makes us feel good. Folks let's start thinking about the consequences of our actions.

The Elders

Ross Road is a place where you can experience God's love, grow in God's family, and serve in God's kingdom. Ross is the place for you!

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And make sure you let your children know how special they are to you. Above all share with them the greatest gift that you possess—your faith in Jesus. "But we proved to be gentle among you, as a nursing mother tenderly cares for her own children." "...just as you know how we were exhorting and encouraging and imploring each one of you as a father would his own children, so that you may walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His own Kingdom and glory" (1Thessaloinians 2:7, 11-12).

Our society attempts to rush the children to become adults much too quickly. In the process, it forces the parents to be on this fast track as well. If we are not careful, we will miss out on a lifetime of special moments with our children. They are much too precious for that. Take the time to look at those future little mummies and daddies and hold those moments in your heart.

Father, teach us and help us to redeem the time. Hinder anything that we would allow to take time away from our children. I ask in Jesus' name, Amen.

Grace & Peace! Gerald



ALL ABOARD GOD'S CELEBRATION TRAIN!

Bible Hour For Children
ages 4 yrs. old to 4th grade



THERE WILL BE GOSPEL EXPRESS TODAY!!