

**THE
BOX**

Imagine if you will, that you wake up one day and you find that you are inside this box. There is a sign on one wall of the box that reads: "There is only one way to get out of this box. When you find it, you will have found the key not only that opens the box, but also you will have found the key that unlocks the door to all the relationships you will share for the rest of your life.

As you look around the box you will notice that there are windows on every side of your enclosed panels, but as you move to look out the windows, all you see is a reflection of yourself.

In my studies this last class, I learned about a teaching and research hospital in Vienna. Many years ago the hospital had a death rate in the maternity wing of one in ten. Imagine being a woman in that wing knowing that the death rate was five times that of other wings in the hospital. This was before there was a good understanding about germs. A Dr. Semmelweis took on the problem of finding out why the rate was so high. Eventually he discovered that the maternity doctors spent more than half of their time researching on the cadavers, himself included.

Eventually he discovered that the high death rate was because he was transmitting germs from the research center to the maternity ward. He was responsible for the deaths! Imagine what a terrible realization that must have been.

Ever wonder why there are so many relationship problems there are in the church – especially among those who are leaders! A textbook I had to read hit the nail on the head! It's titled, *Leadership and Self Deception: Getting out of the Box*. "Self Deception" is a problem every one of us has at times if not all the time—until we learn how to get out of the box.

I have previously written about how Jesus healed a man by two touches. The first touch was to show him where he was in regard to everyone else—he was "in the box!" Then Jesus touched him again and he came out of the box because he saw, for the first time, people as they are—PEOPLE – NOT OBJECTS. Here is an illustration from the book:

OUT OF THE BOX

I see myself and others more or less as we are—as people.

IN THE BOX

I see myself and others in a systematically distorted way—others are mere objects.

We must not communicate with others from inside our box. We must see others as people who have strengths and weaknesses just like ourselves. Everyone deserves to be seen as they really are. When you begin criticizing someone—it is because you are in the box.

DO YOU NEED JESUS TO TOUCH YOU AGAIN? THINK DEEPLY HERE. I PERSONALLY DO NOT WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEATH OF A RELATIONSHIP IN CHRIST. yc

PRAYER LIST

- ♥ Karen Adams, Ryan Hamrick's neighbor, has breast cancer.
- ♥ Kaitlyn White, Lonnie and Sue Livingston's granddaughter, went through surgery well and is recovering.
- ♥ Olivia DeWolfe, Helen Blevins' mother, will have one more surgery due to lung cancer.
- ♥ Geraldine Blevins, David Blevins' mother, needs surgery to rebuild stomach wall to support the bladder.
- ♥ Jill Sessums, David Blevins' friend, is having cancer removed from her neck.
- ♥ Beverly Huffstetler, Jennie Miller's mother, needs surgery to remove a bone spur in shoulder.
- ♥ Rudy Staggs, Ashley Nowlen's father, lung cancer.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER

Betsy Canfield, Tony Dority, Howard Farrar, Mary Louise Gipson, Beverly Graham, Charlotte Hunter, Larry Mittlestat, Joe Saia, Mart Salley and Joey Sanderford

WEDDING

An invitation goes out to each of you to attend the wedding of Carla Clemons to George Taylor on May 26. The ceremony will be held in the auditorium at 11:00.

SUPPER CLUB

The next Supper Club meeting will be May 18 at the home of Mike and Sarajeon Babin. They invite you to bring the picnic basket and the kids.

LEADERSHIP MEETING

There will be a Leadership Meeting on June 3 at 7:30

VBS

VBS will be **June 18-22**. The theme is SonForce Kids Special Agents. Help is needed with set-up, decorating, advertising, etc. See Genie to help.

PANTRY

All Pantry Items are needed.

HEALTH FAIR
Our 1st Annual Health Fair will be May 19 from 9am-4pm. Your help is needed to help make our Health Fair a complete success. We have many health care providers coming and we need your help to assist them in any way they may need. We also need your help to direct visitors to the booths that are of interest to them. Also, Mississippi Blood Services will set up their Blood Mobile in out parking lot from 10a.m.- 2p.m. Please sign-up on Yale's bulletin board to donate blood on this day. See Yale or Jenny if you can volunteer for part or all of this day.

PEARL DAY

We will be selling water at Pearl Day on **June 30**. If you are interested in helping out, see Allen Rogers.

FREE INDEED

FreeIndeed will be with us the weekend of August 12. We will need to raise \$1500 for this event. If you would like to give please see Tim Nelson

*Mr. and Mrs. Terry Rast
 Request the honour of your presence
 At the marriage of their daughter
 Tiffany Marie
 To
 Jeremy Thomas Beardain
 On Saturday, the second of June
 Two thousand and seven
 At four o'clock in the afternoon
 Skyway Hills Church of Christ
 3800 Highway 80 East
 Pearl, Mississippi*

SUNDAY ASSIGNMENTS

Contact Tim Nelson if unable to serve at 601-853-3704.

5/20/07

Greeters McManaway Life Group
 Song Leader Tim Farrar
 Call to Worship Allen Rogers
 Prayer Wayne Bridges
 Presiding Paul McManaway
 Closing Prayer Jim Head

Serving

LaRan Kilpatrick Ken Salley
 Mike Babin Jeff Sweeney
 David Blevins Bobby Stewart

Evening Worship Life Groups
 Nursery Jenny Farrar
 Children's Worship Kim McDaniel

5/27/07

Greeters Canfield Life Group
 Song Leader
 Call to Worship Ken Salley
 Prayer Dan Ellis
 Presiding David Blevins
 Closing Prayer Allen McDaniel

Serving

Paul McManaway Wayne Bridges
 Lamar Kilpatrick Alvin McMillen
 Scottie Stanford Justin McCov

Evening Worship Life Groups
 Nursery Linda Salley
 Children's Worship..... Justin McCoy
 Bryan Farrar

THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

May 20-1 Chron. 1-2; John 7:32-53
 May 21-1 Chron. 3-5; John 8:1-20
 May 22-1 Chron. 6-7; John 8:21-36
 May 23-1 Chron. 8-10; John 8:37-59
 May 24-1 Chron. 11-13; John 9:1-23
 May 25-1 Chron. 14-16; John 9:24-41
 May 26-1 Chron. 17-19; John 10:1-21

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 18 – Supper Club
 May 19 – Health Fair
 May 26 – Clemons/Taylor Wedding
 June 2 – Rast/Beardain Wedding
 June 3 – Leadership Meeting
 June 18-22 – VBS
 June 30 – Pearl Day
 August 11-12 – Free Indeed

LIFE GROUPS		
Area	Location	Leaders
South Brandon	Rotated	Paul McManaway
		Glynn McMillen
Pearl	Building	David Blevins
		Lonnie Livingston
Florence/Star	Rotated	Yale Canfield
		Allen McDaniel
Brandon	Sweeney Home	Jeff Sweeney
		Tim Farrar
Reservoir	Rogers Home	Jim Head
		Allen Rogers
Teens	Varies	Ken Salley

Mission Statement for Heart Matters
 To enhance the mission of the Skyway Hills church of Christ and to build a sense of community among the members of the body of Christ through an accurate and quality communication of 1) ministries and activities of the church 2) the opportunities for each member to find fulfillment as disciples of Jesus and 3) the scriptural application of God's Word to life relevant issues today.

Heart Matters

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Schedule of Service
 Sunday Bible Class.....9:00 am
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 am
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 pm
 Wednesday..... 7:00 pm

*"Since then,
 you have
 been raised
 with
 Christ,
 set your
 hearts
 on things
 above."
 Colossians 3:1*

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May 20, 2007

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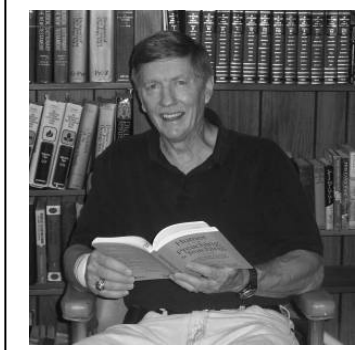
**See Linda if you
 can help with
 VBS.**

**Watch for more
 upcoming events.**

YAKS

**VBS
 June 18-22
 SonForce Kids
 Special Agents**

**Plan now
 to
 attend.**



Heartbeat

FIRST ANNUAL "WE CARE HEALTH FARE" THIS SATURDAY

A missional church is a church that connects with the world—doesn't become worldly, but develops a real passion for the human pathos it finds on the streets of our city and the streets of the world.

While churches fuss and worry about "in house" problems, a church that is truly missional is one that cares about the lost, the hurting, and the hungry of the world. God blesses such a church.

Siwell Road church opened their hearts and wallets to the coastal people who were and are still hurting. Meadowbrook successfully wrote grants and established a beach head on the coast that is working yet. Skyway Hills took in strangers and housed people and their pets for weeks.

Outreach is going beyond ourselves. It's getting outside the worship box and into the hearts and hurts of people on the street.

This Saturday is a time when we will bring health professionals to our facility in order to inform people around us of good health practices, the availability of health services, and ways to assure good health.

Friday evening we will structure our Family Life Center to house these people who come to teach, to screen, and to inform our community. Please show up for this project Friday and Saturday. We need people who will:

- Greet and Meet Visitors
- Help feed the professionals
- Assist the people who come for information and/or screening
- Participate in running the bus to pick up people
- Distribute information about the church
- Assist the professionals in any way they need us

We have a tremendous opportunity here. Next year we have commitments from health workers who could not come this year. We must have volunteers to begin soon to plan next year's Health Fare.

See you here.

Deacons

David Blevins,
 Education

Tim Nelson,
 Calls/Visitor/
 Greeters

Jim Head,
 Life Groups

Allen Rogers,
 YAKS