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### Beech Grove News

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Sister Iva Rose is in Erlanger Hospital , 975 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Chattanooga, TN 37403. A usable phone to talk to family is 423-778-3858 . She had surgery Friday on her arm near the shoulder to repair fractures. She opened her eyes on her own on Friday and seemed aware of what was going on. On Saturday we learned that the surgery went well and she will soon be moved to a step-down unit. Continue to PRAY HARD!

Ann Connor was too sick to be at Bible study Wednesday night.

We are still showing progress in our attendance, with better attendance from our own members and visitors who are coming more regularly. Lets keep things moving upward. Bring a friend.

	Bible Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Contribution	Wednesday
8/21	22	37	27	\$568	19
8/28	20	36	25	\$594	25
9/4	19	37	23 ?	\$513	22
Goals	25	40	30		25

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Gospel Meeting at Ragsdale, Sept 11-14, 7 PM nightly. Speaker is Chris Whitaker

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made a decision to make the church's house available for a Christian family if we could contact one. Also, brother Junior Conner made a similar offer for a house he owns. So far we have not had acceptance of the offer, but it may be awhile before some people give up on the possibility of going back to rebuild. As one Christian lady in Mississippi reminded me, some of the evacuees have jobs they are reluctant to abandon, despite their losses. Some are separated from other family members and do not know what to do.

Please pray for these people. There have been other hurricanes in the past that caused great losses. But in my lifetime I do not remember one that has created such complete loss in such a wide area. I do not know whether anyone will come to stay with us temporarily or at all. But I do commend the church for trying to help, and I know there will be opportunities to help in other ways for a long time. I ask you to pray fervently for the victims and those who are actively involved in relief.

“And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. 10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. Gal 6:9-10 (KJV)

## Beech Grove Church of Christ

meeting at Beech Grove, TN since 1875

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### Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10 AM

Worship 11 AM

6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7 PM

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### Mission Works

Restoration Radio

Jim Waldron

Manuelito Children's

Home

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Mail: P.O. Box 85

Beech Grove, TN 37018

### Visitors

Always

Welcome

### September 11, 2005

**9-11.** A tragic attack on America still brings a shudder to our hearts on this fourth anniversary of the event. The subsequent military response has cost America billions of dollars and the lives of many brave people. The extreme costs have made many people wonder, is it worth it?

**Katrina.** A beautiful name brings terrible images to our minds. Death, destruction, desperation, despair. Horror, hunger and thirst, fear, stench, toxicity. Miscommunication, finger-pointing, buck-passing. But with the horrible and tragic comes the opportunity for Americans to demonstrate their best. All across this land people of all races and classes and lifestyles and religions have reached out in many ways to the homeless, the sick, and the bereaved. And those who have suffered and survived are learning how precious life is, even without all the stuff we seem to accumulate.

A majority of the evacuees are in Texas, and many more in Arkansas. Tennessee is hosting many as well. In our area, Smyrna and Tullahoma seem to have the most people in publicly owned shelters.

Last Sunday the men of the congregation (cont. p. 4)



## Bible Questions September 11, 2005

1. Who returned OUT OF Egypt due to a death, and who was told to return TO Egypt because of a death? (Two different people)
2. Find three Old Testament passages that say we will return to the earth of which we are made.
3. Who could return to his own land, but only after the death of the high priest?
4. When the sinner abandons wickedness and returns to the Lord, what blessings are his?
5. What saying of God (in the Old Testament) has gone from his mouth and won't return? It is regarding the use of two parts of the human body that are used in honoring God. Find the Old Testament reference and two related New Testament references.
6. In what passage does God invite the redeemed to return from a "dense vapor" of sin?
7. What kind of people are described as returning during nocturnal hours, making canine-like noises and also making circuits around urban areas?

## Answers for September 4

### **1. What must be done for a son to give parents rest and joy?**

**Answer: Correct him.** A child left to his own devices will make wrong choices and bring turmoil and sadness to his parents. Correction implies guidance and re-direction when a child goes astray. God bless parents who care enough to correct their children.

Proverbs 29:17 - **Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest;** yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul

### **2. What is the means of correcting a foolish child?**

**Answer: Rod of correction**

(Prov 22:15 KJV) Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the **rod of correction** shall drive it far from him.

(Prov 23:13 KJV) Withhold not **correction** from the child: for if thou beatest him with the **rod**, he shall not die.

Doubtless for some in our day these verses recommend a corporal punishment that is considered cruel. The second passage is not a direct answer to the question, but is a commentary on it. I do not believe scripture will uphold abuse or cruelty to a child. In fact, Eph. 6:4 forbids provoking a child to wrath. Unjust punishment or cruel mocking will provoke wrath, but the application of loving but firm punishment is not

contrary to the will of our creator.

### **3. Find a connection between limited talking and knowledge.**

**Answer: Proverbs 17:27 He that hath knowledge spareth his words:** and a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit. **28 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.**

1 Sam 2:3 Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. (Prov 15:2 KJV) The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the **mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.**

Since the assignment was somewhat vague, I have to give credit to all these. Prov. 17 was the source of the question, but the other two passages also speak of the foolishness that often accompanies wordiness. Someone once said it was better to be silent and be thought to be a fool than to open the mouth and remove all doubt. I sometimes need this reminder.

### **4. According to Zechariah, what kind of speech does God hate?**

**Answer: Lies**

**Best Answer :Zechariah 8:16** These are the things that ye shall do; Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour; execute the judgment of truth and peace

in your gates: 17 And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and **love no false oath: for all these are things that I hate, saith the LORD.** **Acceptable Reference :Zechariah 13:3 -** And it shall come to pass, that when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.

### **5. When a wise person fears and gets away from evil, what does a fool do?**

**Answer: He rages and "is confident".** Proverbs 14:16 A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the **fool rageth, and is confident.**

6. If one is prideful and ignorant, what will they do?

**Answer: Spend time with foolish questions and useless words.**

1 Timothy 6:4 He is **proud**, knowing **nothing**, but **doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,**

7. Where does the Bible refer to borrowing as slavery?

**Answer: Proverbs 22:7 -** The rich ruleth over the poor, and the **borrower is servant to the lender.**

Many Christians are burdened with this self-imposed slavery. Try to avoid it!

