

APK's Attic

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Unless the Lord builds a house, the work of the builder is useless. Unless the Lord protects a city, guarding it with sentries will do no good. It is useless for you to work so hard from early in the morning until late at night, anxiously working for food to eat for God gives rest to His loved ones. Psalm 127:1-2 (NLT)

Trinkets: *That Trunk in the Corner of the Attic*

This issue begins another year of *APK's Attic*. After squeezing each month's issue into one page over the past year, I decided that the beginning of the new year would be a great time to clean up and dust to create more space in the Attic. I've expanded to two pages in order to allow some much-needed white space and larger fonts. I hope by making these changes you will enjoy reading about what God is doing in my life even more than over the past year.

The Auburn University school year began with great excitement at Lakeview. The Welcome Back Breakfast Sunday was a great success for the entire church as we recorded the second largest attendance in morning worship and in Sunday School. Auburn football has won their first three games, which always adds to the excitement in town (although many of you know how much I grieve when I watch the way Christian brothers and sisters act at the games).

Gone Mental: *Seminary Course Work*

The new semester of seminary classes has begun! I am excited as I look forward to the opportunities I have to grow in my ministry as a result of the classes I will be taking this fall.

Clete Sipes, the BCM campus minister, is teaching our first Greek class for us. After one week of class, I have a decent level of confidence as I scored well on the first quiz. Please pray that this will continue as we begin to work on different word tenses and similar confusing stuff. I've always wanted to learn some Greek, but now that I'm learning it, I'm not so sure.

Dr. Tim Beougher flew down from Louisville to begin our Evangelism class. The first book we had to read for this class was of great encouragement to me, and challenged me to consider carefully how I present the



Randy and Neal both got married on September 2, and are now adjusting to having "permanent roommates." Judson is looking forward to his approaching wedding with ever-increasing anticipation. Eric and I remain quite amused at the craziness.

One of my roommates, Jonathan, graduated in August, but stayed in Auburn to work and recuperate before moving on into his career. He has now found a job in Texas and will be leaving sometime in mid-October. Please pray for me as I search for a new roommate, and for Jonathan as he moves out into "the real world."

My other roommate, Phil Deagan, is a young Christian and is adding the excitement of a "newborn baby" to the fellowship of myself and many of my friends. Phil was baptized this past Sunday. It's a joyful challenge to feed a growing and hungry baby. This "baby" just happens to be about twice the size as me! Phil has worked as a chef in several restaurants, so as long as we can afford food, we'll be physically well fed!

Gospel to unsaved people. Is my evangelism method man-centered, focusing primarily on the needs of the person, or is it God-centered, focusing primarily on the nature of God and His purpose for creation?

Bro. Al Jackson also began teaching us as we began a class entitled "The Ministry of Proclamation," which is sermon preparation. I look forward to deepening my ability to dive into the text of God's Word, under the power of the Holy Spirit, in order to break it down and communicate it to God's people more effectively.

By the time you read this newsletter, I will have begun another class, taught by Dr. Robert Hughes, entitled Cross-Cultural Communication. I have quite a bit of reading to do before the class begins on Friday morning, but enjoyed his teaching so much in the Spring that I'm looking forward to this class as well.

Heartwork: *Pastoral Internship Responsibilities*

The fall semester of internship responsibilities is now in full-swing. I am inteming under Joan Moreman, who is the Director of Preschool ministries.



Joan Moreman

I was blessed this past Sunday to go from the Sunday School hour into worship with traces of baby slobber on my shoulder. I'm already beginning to see how demanding the preschool ministries are on the entire church. I've often watched the preschool directors in the churches

I've been in as they try to recruit workers and keep the chaos under control. Now I'm getting to experience the chaos first-hand.

Joan does an excellent job in maintaining order in the preschool department. This year they have expanded the program so that the "extended session," which is the time during the worship hour, will be an extension of the lesson taught during the Sunday School hour. I'm sure this will be of great value as we continue to reinforce the teachings of God's Word in our young children.

Please pray for me as the Every Member in Ministry season begins at the end of October. I have approval on the overall curriculum for the *EMIM Discovery Seminar* in November, so I will promoting the seminar with the Sunday School leadership and others throughout the church over the coming month. The seminar is only a week after our annual International Missions Festival, so I am hoping that publicity beforehand will be adequate to get those who need to be involved to attend.



I have also had the opportunity to take on a few other small responsibilities at the church over the past month. I began discipling two of our college students at 6am on Wednesdays, primarily training them to discipline themselves and to prepare them to lead other students in the discipleship process. I am also taking part in a couple of the prayer ministries in our church, as we are seeking a fresh anointing of God on our people and an awakening in our city and I am seeking to increase my contact with non-Christians.

Ephesians 1:16: *Thanksgiving and Prayer*

Please continue to prayerfully consider how God wants you to be a part of my ministry in the coming year. God is doing a lot of amazing things in and around me here in Auburn, and I would hate for any of you to miss out on a blessing!

Thank you:

Everyone who continues to support me with encouragements, food, prayers, and financial gifts. It's people like you that confirm God's call in my life, and I appreciate you more than you could ever imagine.

Prayers:

New roommate search, and my budget in the mean-time. Continued spiritual fervor and growth for Phil. Various spiritual strongholds in Auburn. Family members also working on course work while working full-time jobs. Abundant harvest in the FAITH ministry and my team.

Et Moi: *Personal Comments*

The Carpenters For Christ team did a report on the trip during the evening service this week. We recreated the choir that we had during a worship service at the church in Ohio. As a result, one of the guys I disciple, Luke, directed the choir as I accompanied on piano.

This is the first time I have played during a worship service at Lakeview. As the service approached, I reflected on the numerous performances I did as a child, both during piano recitals and as a percussionist.

I learned at an early age that there was nothing to be nervous about when in front of people. By the time I graduated from high school, I very rarely felt any sense of nervousness.

But the work I'm doing now has an added element to it. When I get up in front of people now, I remember that the ministry I am involved with may be a matter of eternity for someone. This is a humbling new perspective for me, and it's only by God's grace that His ministry is accomplished.

Pressing on,

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