

# Family Life

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## Tune's Notes

In Psalm 133 David writes: How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity! It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down upon the collar of his robes. It is as if the dew of

Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

In just three verses, David emphasizes something that is too often forgotten in Christendom: how much God wants us to get along with one another. The images are foreign to us: This precious oil poured on the head running down into the beard sounds mighty messy. And what does that dew of Hermon represent?

Might we liken the "oil" image to the renewal a man feels after a professional shave and haircut? Or how a woman feels after a trip to the salon?

In a land where water is scarce, dew is especially important to crops, and the dew was especially heavy on Mt. Hermon, Israel's highest mountain.

Unity then brings freshness to our lives and hope for the future.

When brethren treat one another like anything but beloved family – even (and perhaps especially) in the name of orthodoxy (or truth) – they fall outside God's approval and blessing. It is possible to be right, and act wrong, but it is not possible to act wrong and be like God – or to enjoy His blessing: life forevermore.

It is possible to get along with our brethren because we are so seldom with them. But that is not the unity David is talking about – nor the one God blesses. This unity comes from determined effort, and the effort is required precisely because we are together so much. And so, the blessing of God is in response to us living in community with one another, interacting with one another, and learning to love one another as God loves us.

Love you all.

Mike



## Photos From Senior Night Last Sunday

Below is the special cake made for the occasion.

GRACE + PEACE  
*A. H. B. J.*

## Senior Saints & Youth Ministry Set Game Day for June 27

The next **Senior Saints/Youth Ministry Game Day** is set for Thursday, June 27, from 1 to 3 pm, according to **Jim Shoenhard**, Seniors Ministry leader, and **Josh Byrd**, Youth Minister. The Youth Ministry includes students in grades 3 through 12. Further details are forthcoming.



## CARE Ministry Quarterly Meeting Set for June 30

The next **CARE Ministry Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday June 30, about noon. Luncheon will be served., and the meeting will take place in the Elders Conference Room.

**Wayne Doran**, Ministry Leader, urges all members to attend, adding, "The rest of the year is quite active for us."



Two of our Elders are available after the morning assembly, in room 221 on the main level, to meet with anyone who would like prayer for special concerns.

## Pedro Batres, Nicaragua

Pedro Batres has served in the mission fields of Nicaragua and Guatemala since 1969. He is a native of El Salvador and a graduate of the Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock, TX. He and his wife, Mireya, who holds a degree in social service and is from Nicaragua, worked in Guatemala from 1985 to 2000, when they moved to Nicaragua. He is an evangelist in Managua and the surrounding areas, and is a popular guest speaker at special events.



Dear brethren in Falls Church,

Greetings to you from your missionary in Nicaragua, Central America. Yesterday, Sunday 9th, was baptized a young man by our bro. Roberto Aragón at the end of our nightly worship (*photo upper right*).

Our 29th Annual Latin American Encounter of Preachers is scheduled Managua, October 22 to 26 (*see Pedro with poster, right*). We will have co-workers from Central America, South America and North America. We pray for for a good attendance, which could be as many as 70 foreign preachers plus Nicaraguan preachers too, God willing.

The group organizing the event includes Elvis Cruz, Roberto Aragón, Edwin Gálvez, Jorge Norori, César Hernández, Frank Cajina, Pablo Estrada & Angenor Munguía, plus myself. Please pray for us and for this important meeting. Blessings to each one of you.

Fraternally,  
**Pedro Salvador Batres**



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## Agape Group Lists Announced for July 4 Annual Picnic at Bluemont Park

With the annual **Falls Church Picnic** coming up in less than 3 weeks [Yes - where DID the time go?], it's time for the annual list of items for which each agape group is responsible. Accordingly, John & Linda Reagan, the facilitators for this year's gala event, present the following list. These assignments are designed to ensure a reasonable variety of food items. After all, we don't want all desserts, right?

- Group 1**            dessert, onions, help with set up and clean up
- Group 2**            green salad and dressings, tomatoes, Gatorade and bottle water on ice
- Group 3**            cold salads (slaw, bean, potato, macaroni, etc..), lettuce, cans of soda on ice
- Group 4**            baked beans, extra flavored sauces, lettuce, help with clean up
- Group 5**            desserts, tomatoes, juice boxes on ice, help with clean up
- Group 6**            Chips and dips, fruit (watermelon, cantaloupe, strawberries, honey dew, grapes, help with clean up
- Spanish**            Chicken and Chorizo and help with clean up.

Please keep in mind that this is a picnic area - not the Church kitchen. There will not be space or time or utensils to cut up or prepare food/drink items. **Please bring things ready to go.** There will be large aluminum pans with ice to place cold items such as potato salads as a food safety measure.

**The schedule is:**

0930	Softball (if enough people sign up)
1030	Set up and start cooking
1130	Eat

At this time no special activity is planned. Also note that the petting zoo will not be returning.



The "Groaning Board," aka the picnic table. As you can see, no one need go hungry. (at left)

You can practically smell the grilling food. So make sure you get to the picnic so you can have your share. (at right)



## General Information

### For Children:

- ❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room - located adjacent to the Assembly Center - are available during our assembly.
- ❖ For ages 2 through Pre-Kindergarten, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 & 221. Children are dismissed following communion.

### Recordings:

Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our website after about four days. Recordings also are available in CD format for \$5 and may be ordered by completing a CD order envelope located in the foyer.

### Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

## Nursery Attendants

June 16, 2013

**Morning**  
Lisa Swetnam  
Erica Walker-Chenevert

**Evening**  
Levenie Hughes

June 23, 2013

**Morning**  
Sally Dasher  
Leah Durant

**Evening**  
Levenie Hughes

## Children's Worship

June 16, 2013

2/3 Heather Roelke, Abby Smith  
P-K Gayla Keller, Casey Waterston

June 23, 2013

2/3 A. Venkatesan, Joy Hayes  
P-K Misty Marshall, K. T.

## Worship Today, June 16, 2013

Hymn #15	<i>Step by Step</i>
Hymn #2	<i>We Praise Thee, O God</i>
Hymn #3	<i>Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah</i>
Hymn #4	<i>To God Be the Glory</i>
Hymn #490	<i>It Is Well with My Soul</i>
Prayer	Mark Dawson
Hymn #578	<i>We Will Glorify</i>
Communion/Collection	Steve Dasher
Hymn #474	<i>Thank You, Lord</i>
Hymn #867	<i>To Canaan's Land I'm on My Way</i>
<i>(Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship)</i>	
Bible Reading (Proverbs 6:6-11)	Brandon Durant
Bible Lesson	Mike Tune
Hymn #794	<i>Unto Thee, O Lord</i>
Announcements	Joseph Tucker
Introduction of Visitors/Prayer	Peter Franco
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Song Leader	Andre McMillian
Ushers	Scott Mills, John Waterston

John Waterston will lead singing this evening;

Jeff Malcolm & Caleb Mayfield will lead the prayers.

June servers: Jim Bates, Sam Gregory, Richard Gunselman,  
Joe Kobs, Andrew McDaniel, Jonah Shumate

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes 9:30 am  
Morning Assembly 10:30 am  
Evening Assembly 6 pm

### Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am  
*(October through April)*

### Wednesday

7:15 pm

### Office Hours

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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### Elders

Steve Dasher Wayne Doran  
Bill Kincaid Jim Lane  
Oliver McDaniel Joseph Tucker

### Deacons

Roberto Alvarez Jose Arevalo  
Matt Benschky Ben Bohannon  
Brian Collins Brandon Durant  
Ignacio Espinoza Perry May  
Joshua McKay Scott Mills  
John Reagan Sul Reyes  
Wilfredo Reyes Hal Swetnam  
Jonah Shumate Kevin Thie  
John Waterston Ken Yeatman  
Habtū Zemech

### Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI  
Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua  
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua  
Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala  
Deanna Meredith, Concepcion, Chile  
Omar & Tana Palafox, Leon, MX  
Recardo & Monica Reyes, Cuernavaca, MX  
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Torrington, CT

### Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*  
Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*  
Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

### Statistics

#### Sunday, June 9, 2013

Bible Study	212
Morning Assembly	355
Evening Assembly	169
Contribution	\$13,066
YTD Average	\$12,555
Budget Goal	\$12,597

#### Wednesday, June 12, 2013

Classes & Online 102

**Wednesday, June 19, 2013**

**Prayer - Sam Gregory**  
**Song Leader - Joseph Tucker**