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#### Birthday Party Sunday Night, June 23

On Sunday evening, June 23 we will be having a birthday party for Liz Davis and Jo Alice Stultz.

Please plan to attend and bring any cookies, candy, cake, or other treats that you wish to bring.



## Winnie and Paul Ardelean Wed on Tuesday, May 7

On Tuesday, May 7 Winnie Davey and Paul Ardelean were united in marriage by Phil Evaul in a private ceremony held in the church sanctuary. At left is a photograph of the happy couple immediately following the ceremony.

On the previous Sunday, May 5 at the evening worship hour, the church held a reception for Paul and Winnie in anticipation of their wedding.

Paul and Winnie are residing in Dayton in Winnie's house as they have put two houses of furniture into one.

Everyone in the church congratulates Winnie and Paul and wishes them the best. It is sad to give up Winnie in our fellowship, but she and Paul will be worshipping together with us on Sunday nights occasionally. We look forward to that continued fellowship.



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## Prayer Requests and News

Several folks have travelled during the last few weeks. Jim and Shari were gone over the weekend but will return on Monday, June 17. Conrad and Myriam took a camper trailer trip to Washington, D.C. and to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. They reported that they had a very good time.

Curtis and Alice spent four days in Jackson, Tennessee on business and then nine days in Michigan visiting Alice's brother and sisters and their families. Mary Yates had her heart test on Monday morning and got a very good report. The doctors now suspect something much less serious than originally thought. She has some further tests on Wednesday. Alice's niece, Jenny, is seeing a surgeon about removing a growth on her spine. The family appreciates everyone's prayers for her family.

Linda Lane recently returned from a trip to Italy. We were glad to see Linda back in church this past Sunday and are thankful for her safe trip.

Louise Emmott will be seeing a doctor again this week as she is having problems with a lot of pain in her legs. Please continue to remember Louise in your prayers and pray that God will give the doctors wisdom in treating the pain.

Jeff Davis is currently on a short term mission trip to North Carolina. He has been very excited about the prospects of going on the trip. Please remember Jeff in your prayers and also Brandon Bond, Ben's step-son who is working for a month at a Christian camp this summer.

Jim and Shari are excited about Heather's pregnancy. The baby will be a little girl. Please keep Brian and Heather in your prayers.

Kaitlynn Bishop went to her kidney doctor last week, and he was concerned about her kidney's health. She will be needing special diets and exercise. Please keep Kaitlynn, Cathy, Roger, and Chris in your prayers concerning Kaitlynn's health.

Karen Kirby's sister, Pam, was in the hospital recently with an infection and low blood count. Pam has been battling cancer. Karen reports that she is doing much better. Please keep Pam and her husband Dale in your prayers as well.

Myriam and Conrad Herron and Cary and Elaine Jackson recently joined the church. We are glad that they are now official members of our fellowship and look forward to many times together.

Johnny Coulter, who used to be an elder for many years, passed away on June 1 after suffering a stroke several months ago and never recovering from it. Betty, Hugh, and Linda and their families will need your prayers during this time of grieving.

Cary Jackson's sister, Connie, recently visited with them and came to church.

Gayle and Hannah Patterson just returned from a trip out west. Hannah will be leaving for a horse camp in a few days and will be gone a couple of weeks. Good luck to Hannah.

# Our Financially Supported Missionaries

Dave & Ninette Cox

Fred & Grace Ely

Bob & Carol Evaul

Alec & Tammy Harrison

Dick & Sara Hart

Hazel Neddo

Our Prayer Supported Missionaries

Bud & Lolly Fritz

Mark & Candy Garrett

#### June Anniversaries

June 1—Sara and Dick Hart June 13—Jim and Shari Dvorak June 16—Andrea and Ben Coulter June 20—George and Charlotte Blake

#### June Nursery Schedule

June 2— Cathy Bishop & Roger Coulter June 9—Raymond Weaver & Curtis Coulter June 16—Jo Alice Stultz & Melinda Evaul June 23—Cindy Poole & Karen Kirby June 30—Linda Lane & Shari Dvorak

The glass front cabinet in the nursery contains disinfecting agents. Please wipe small toys as children use them and spray the larger objects. Be sure the lid on the wipes get closed so they do not dry up.

## June Birthdays

June 5—Ian Shelley

June 6—Shelby Coulter

June 10-Alec Harrison

June 11—Stephen Borders

June 14—Mark Patterson & Jo Alice Stultz

June 22—Shari Dvorak

June 23—Bill Molloy

June 27—June Smith

June 30—Gwen Molloy

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## **Recent Visitors**



Liz and Derek Reid are shown at left with Derek's mother and father, Terry and Velma Reid, at the home of Jack and Karin Traylor on the weekend of May 11. Liz graduated from Bryan College that day and the Reids and Olsens visited at church on May 12.

In addition to Terry and Velma, Liz's father and mother, Paul and Jean Olsen, were in attendance and stayed the weekend for Liz's graduation. It was nice seeing them again and also getting to meet Terry and Velma for the first time. The Reids are from Saratoga Springs, New York, and the Olsens are from Glenville, New York.

Karin also announced last Wednesday night that Derek and Liz are now expectant parents. We are very happy for them and send our congratulations!

## Evauls' Niece Has Healthy Baby Girl

Phil & Melinda would like to thank the church family for praying for their niece Karen during her difficult pregnancy. Ava Grace Lange was born on Thurs, June 13, healthy and whole, weighing in at 7 pounds, 1 ounces, and 19" long. Her dad, Chad, was able to come home from Afghanistan to be in on the delivery. We thank the Lord for answered prayers!

The church has been praying for Chad and Karen as her pregnancy progressed. She had to have complete bed rest in order to prevent a premature birth, but with answered prayers, good care, and good doctors, Karen had a full term baby.

Chad is an Army Blackhawk helicopter pilot in Afghanistan. We are thankful for his safe return.



#### More Church news

Phil and Melinda report that an OPEN HOUSE is in the news!! "After two years of construction and repairs, we have finally finished our house! We'd like to invite every one to come for an open house on Saturday, July 20. Drop in any time from 1-4 P.M. Please don't bring anything, our house is already too full! Just bring your smile. If you also want to bring suggestions and criticisms, or a joke or two, that would be fine, too.

The Dvoraks are on their way to Iowa to visit his family. Their town was almost completely flooded last week. Jim's mom's house and brother's house are on one of the highest points in town, so they were not damaged. But everyone else was in bad shape. They should be back this Tues or so - short visit.

Melinda also wrote, "I appreciate every person who is willing to work in our nursery. This is not a requirement. It is a

request in order to give the children a Christian education and not just playtime at church." Melinda also reports that Guen is coming to spend the month of July with them.

Mark and Karen Kirby sold their house and bought one in Florida. They will be moving toward the end of the year. Amanda is with them right now and for the next couple of months until Dale is released from the Marines.

Karin Traylor recently graciously loaned a set of books for the nursery. Melinda places one of them in the rocking chair in the nursery each week for the nursery attendee to share with the children. They will then be returned to the rack for safe storage. Melinda suggests that the children attending be taken to the room beside the nursery for a brief story time before going back to the nursery.

Shelby Coulter went to Washington D.C. with a school group from Sale Creek Middle/High School at the end of May.

## Book Review: Creation—Remarkable Evidence of God's Design—Curtis Coulter

Being interested in Christian archaeology and apologetics and getting an increasingly large number of books and diminishing shelf space at home, I recently purchased the book *Creation: Remarkable Evidence of God's Design* by Grant R. Jeffrey.

After a very lengthy introduction the author delves into the wonders of God's creation including the complexities of the human brain, the astonishing capabilities of the human eye, the wonders of human reproduction, the miracle of the human liver, the "simple" cell and how un-simple it really is, as well as a myriad of other topics related to humans as well as other creatures such as the cuckoo bird, beaver, honeybees and monarch butterflies. He describes the minute complexities of all of these and how only the hand of the almighty God could have put these miracles into motion. He also describes how even the slightest variance of chemical or physical makeup would make any one of them impossible.

One principle that he pointed out was the anthropic which states "that overwhelming scientific evidence demonstrates that the precise design and finely balanced fundamental forces governing our Universe argue persuasively that our Universe was either designed by a supernatural intelligence, namely God, or that there are an infinity of Universes that don't support life and we just happen to exist in the only one that does.

"The claim by those who admit that our Universe was "fine-tuned" to "one in a trillion" to allow life, but who suggest that we should ignore this evidence, is laughable. If someone was to suggest in any other area of life that we should accept the theoretical (and inevitably unprovable) existence of an infinity of imaginary Universes of which we are the only one that accidentally allows human life, they would be rejected with derision."

The author further goes into the delicate balance that exists in the solar system including the importance of the exact distances from the sun, the earth's orbit, the effects of other heavenly bodies on the earth, and how all of these work to allow life to exist on earth

However, some of the most interesting parts of the book are those dealing with comments from evolutionists and other modern day scientists concerning their belief in their hypothesis about how earth and human life came into being.

All of the scientists below are avowed evolutionists.

Professor G. A. Kerkut of University of Southampton said, "It is therefore a matter of faith on the part of the biologist that biogenesis (evolution) did occur and he can choose whatever method of biogenesis happens to suit him personally; the evidence for what did happen is not available."

Dr. Henry Morris, an original firm believer in evolution but now a believer in God, stated, "Many believe in evolution for the simple reason that they think science has proven it to be a 'fact' and, therefore, it must be accepted...In recent years, a great many people...having finally been persuaded to make a real examination of the problem of evolution, have become convinced of its fallacy and are now convinced anti-evolutionists."

Professor T.L. Moor—"The more one studies paleontology, the more certain one becomes that evolution is based on faith alone."

Dr. Niles Eldredge wrote, "We paleontologists have said that the history of life supports (the story of gradual adaptive change), all the while really knowing that it does not."

Dr. Solly Zuckerman finally admitted the truth saying, "The record of reckless speculation of human origins is so astonishing that it is legitimate to ask whether much science is yet to be found in this field at all."

Malcolm Muggeridge wrote, "I myself am convinced that the theory of evolution, especially the extent to which it's been applied, will be one of the great jokes in the history books of the future. Posterity will marvel that so very flimsy and dubious an hypothesis could be accepted with the incredible credulity that it has..

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# Phil's Corner—- No One Is Listening

- 1. Senator Grassley declared that the Affordable Health Care Act (Obama Care) is a "train wreck." Vice President Biden agreed with that assessment. Some members of Congress had been secretly crafting legislation that would exempt them from Obama Care, until the public got word of their efforts and protested, forcing them to relent.
- 2. A secret video taken by a pregnant woman visiting an abortion clinic caught a staff member instructing her that if the baby should be born alive, just 'flush it.' She further said that if the baby were to be born alive at the clinic, it would be put in a jar with a toxic solution that would make it stop moving. Kermit Gossnel has been convicted of murder for killing just-born babies by snipping their spinal cords a practice that would have been perfectly legal had he done it a minute earlier while the baby was still in the womb. Meanwhile, the scoundrel in Ohio who kidnapped three women and held them captive for 10 years will be charged with murder for causing the miscarriages of one of those women's fetuses.
- 3. In regard to gun control, the President has said, "If there's a step we can take to save even one child, we should take that step." But that step does not apply to saving children from abortion or infanticide. The press and the proabortion population have been silent about the horrors that go on in Planned Parenthood clinics. In fact, many are advocating for increasing their funding.
- 4. The 'morning after pill' will now be available over the counter for girls as young as 15, without parental consent. However, that same girl will need to secure her parents' permission to get an aspirin at school.
- 5. Jillian Keenan, a writer for Slate, advocates legalizing polygamy, just as same-sex marriage is being legalized. She said, "All marriages deserve access to the support and resources needed to build happy, healthy lives, no matter how many partners are involved." All the reasoning and rationalizations that are used to justify homosexual 'marriage' can be applied just as effectively to advocate any number of partners in any combinations.
- 6. The Boy Scouts of America voted to accept openly homosexual boys as members. In my opinion, sexual activity of any kind by teenagers flies in the face of the part of the Scout Oath that speaks of 'duty to God,' and the promise to keep oneself 'morally straight.' The discussion shouldn't be about gay kids at all; it should be about sexual behavior by any Scout of any sexual orientation.
- 7. The Obama administration is being rocked by at least three major scandals, yet his popularity continues to remain high. The general public responds to the investigations with a yawn of indifference. The Benghazi investigation has revealed that one official lied to Congress. A reporter suggested that it wasn't really a lie because the official had not been sworn in.
- 8. Recent surveys show that a majority of the population approves of homosexual relations, including 'marriage.' A majority also tolerate having a baby outside of marriage, pre-marital sex, divorce, embryonic cell research, polygamy, and cloning humans (although a majority feel that cloning animals is wrong).

What is in common with these reports is that those on opposite sides of these issues are not listening to each other. Our voices just get louder and louder, but no one is listening. It's as if we're speaking different languages.

Christians speak about the morality of the issues. But to the godless, to the non-Christian who has no regard for Biblical authority, there is no such thing as morality.

Well, that's not exactly true. They do have a sense of morality, but its basis is what is right in their own eyes. People decide for themselves what is right or wrong for them, and then they surround themselves with people of like persuasion, until their group becomes large enough to have some clout – or better yet, until it achieves the majority. Then that persuasion becomes the prevalent morality.

That's one of the benefits of endless surveys, questionnaires and polls: to determine when one's group is large enough to tip the balance of morality in their favor.

So now any kind of sexual behavior is 'right,' and it is wrong to criticize it. Now it is 'right' for people in authority to lie and cheat in order to achieve their goals. Those who challenge their actions are on a 'witch hunt' (the phrase actually used against those investigating the IRS abuses).

The group that had for years demanded 'tolerance' for their views has now become the majority, and they are very intolerant of those who disagree with them. We are 'haters,' 'bigots,' 'narrow-minded,' and we should be excluded from any intelligent conversation.

Jesus warned us that it would be so. He said, "If the world hates you, you know that it has hated me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you" (John 15:18-19).

We who follow the morality of the Bible, we who follow Christ, will face increasing opposition from those who don't. We are in two different worlds, and it's no surprise that we cannot understand each other. But remember, Christian: your loyalty is to the Word and to the Lord of the Word, not to the screaming voices of this present age.



Phil and Melinda recently had more work done on their house following up on the repair work that was done last year as a result of a tree falling on their house. It is really looking good both inside and out

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What do evolutionists believe (continued from page 4.)

So the question might be asked, "Why do evolutionists believe in evolution. D.M.S. Watson, an evolutionist, admitted, "Evolution itself is accepted by zoologists, not because it has been observed to occur or can be proved by logical coherent evidence, but because the only alternative—special creation—is clearly incredible." In other words the only alternative is belief in God himself which is completely unacceptable to them.

Psalms 14:1 says, "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable work, there is none that doeth good."

Likewise, II Timothy speaks about these people who fail to acknowledge the God of creation. II Timothy 4:3-4—For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth and shall be turned unto fables."

II Timothy 3:7—"...ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of truth."

The author further states that "supporters of the theory of evolution understand very clearly that, if evolution is proven to be false, then existence of this Universe and the complexity of life is that there is a God who has created us. This alternative to evolution is so unthinkable and unacceptable to many scientists and intellectuals that they desperately hold onto the faltering theory of evolution to their dying day despite the total absence of scientific evidence to support it.

There are now an increasing number of scientists who support divine creation as the origin of the earth and human kind. Dr. Henry Margenau, Professor of Physics and Natural Philosophy at Yale University, stated, "It is absolutely unreasonable to reject the notion of a Creator by appealing to science. Science has definitely shown the non-contradiction of Creation out of nothing."

Morgenau's words acknowledge the scientific evidence of instantaneous Creation out of nothing. "Theories like the Big Bang, black holes, quantum theory, relativity, and the anthropic principle have introduced science to a world of awe and mystery that is not far removed from the ultimate mystery that drives the religious impulse...What, then is the answer to the question concerning the origin of the innumerable laws of nature? I know only one answer that is adequate to their universal validity: they were created by God."

British astronomer Sir Fred Hoyle acknowledged the evidence of a purposeful Designer of the universe. "A common sense interpretation of the facts suggests that a super intellect has monkeyed with physics, as well as with chemistry and biology, and that there are no blind forces worth speaking about in nature. The numbers one calculates from the facts seem to me so overwhelming as to put this conclusion almost beyond question."

One of the most interesting quotes in the book came from Professor Freeman Dyson, a physicist from Princeton University, who said, "The more I examine the Universe and the details of its architecture, the more evidence I find that the Universe in some sense must have known we were coming."

