

Community Choir to begin practices

Singers are being sought for the Flora Area Easter Sunrise Service.

The cantata, "The Resurrection and the Life," will be presented at the annual Easter celebration, April 12 at 6:30 a.m., sponsored by the Flora Area Ministerial Association. This year's service will be held at the Flora United Methodist Church.

Area singers are invited and encouraged to participate. Four practices will be held - Sunday afternoons, March 15, March 22, March 29 and April 5. The cantata will be directed by Dave Kitchell.

All practices will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Flora United Methodist Church, 107 East Main Street.

"The Resurrection and the Life" is a collection of dramatic and musical scenes from Christ's life, beginning

with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, the journey of his passion, his crucifixion and the resurrection.

This musical story of redemption in song and scriptural narration was created by Deborah Craig-Claar and Robert Sterling with arrangements and orchestration by Robert Sterling. The song selection includes: "In Remembrance," "In Your Name," "You Are My All in All," "Shout to the Lord," "The Wondrous Cross," and "We Followed the Man." For more information, call (574) 927-4246.

Missions team to speak at Hickory Grove Church

Comet staff report

Haiti Missions Team members from Hickory Grove Church will give a picture presentation of their recent trip to Cazale, Haiti, at 6 p.m. March 15.

The team of eight returned on Feb. 4 after an eight-day trip. The public is invited to come and see a part of what

the team experienced. The program will allow time for questions and answers. The presentation will last about one and a half hours.

Hickory Grove Church is located five miles south of Idaville and eight miles north of Delphi on CR 700W. For more information or directions call the church at (574) 965-2731.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

By Dr. James Dobson

MOVING BACK HOME BRINGS NEW, YET FAMILIAR, CHALLENGES

I went away to college and then came home to live again. I'll admit there is tension between my parents and me, but we'd be OK if they would just accept me as a full-fledged adult. Why can't they see that I'm grown and let me live my own life?



Dr. Dobson

DR. DOBSON: Leaving home and then coming back is called "the elastic nest," and as you're finding, it can be very difficult. You've been on your own — you've made your decisions and controlled your own life. You've changed dramatically during your time away, but you returned to find that your parents have not. They are just like you left them. They want to tell you how to run your life — what to eat, what to wear, which friends to cultivate, etc. It is a formula for combat.

I understand your situation because I've been through it. My parents handled me wisely in my late teen years, and it was rare for them to stumble into common parental mistakes. That is, however, exactly what happened when I was nineteen years old. We had been a very close-knit family, and it was difficult for my mother to shift gears when I graduated from high school.

During that summer, I traveled 1,500 miles from home and entered a college in California. I will never forget the exhilarating feeling of freedom that swept over me that fall. It was not that I wanted to do anything evil or forbidden. It was simply that I felt account-

able for my own life and did not have to explain my actions to anyone. It was like a fresh, cool breeze on a spring morning. Young adults who have not been properly prepared for that moment sometimes go berserk, but I remained rather sane. I did, however, quickly become addicted to freedom and was not about to give it up.

The following summer, I came home to visit my folks. Immediately, I found myself in conflict with my mom. She was not intentionally insulting. She simply responded as she had done a year earlier when I was still in high school. But by then, I had journeyed down the road toward independence. She was asking me what time I would be coming in at night and urging me to drive the car safely and advising me about what I ate. No offense was intended. My mother had just failed to notice that I had changed, and she needed to get with the new program.

Finally, there was a flurry of words between us, and I

left the house in a huff. A friend came by to pick me up, and I talked about my feelings as we rode in the car. "Darn it, Bill!" I said. "I don't need a mother anymore."

Then a wave of guilt swept over me. It was as though I had said, "I don't love my mother anymore." I meant no such thing. What I was feeling was a desire to be friends with my parents instead of accepting their authority over me. Freedom was granted very quickly thereafter.

I hope you will be a bit more patient with your parents than I was with mine. I was only nineteen years old, and I wanted it all. I should have given them another year to adjust. Your mom and dad will also change their thinking if you give them a little time. They'll accept you as an adult much quicker if you'll get out on your own and establish an independent life for yourself.

Send your questions to Dr. Dobson, c/o Focus on the Family, PO Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO 80903; or to his Web site at www.focf.org. These questions and answers are excerpted from books authored by Dr. James Dobson and published by Tyndale House Publishers. Dr. Dobson is the founder and chairman of the board of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home and Judeo-Christian values. Copyright 1997 James Dobson, Inc. All rights reserved. International copy secured.

Lessons from the Heart

Peace in the Storm

By Pastor Ken Smith

Turn on any radio or television and someone will be there to tell you how bad the economy is. Medical costs are up and interest is down. Unemployment is up and retirement funds are down. And things seem to be getting worse.

In Matthew 24 Jesus was talking to His disciples about how bad things would get just before He comes back. In verse 6 He tells them: "You shall hear of wars and rumors of wars." He follows that with amazing words of encouragement: "See that you be not troubled."

In the midst of all this chaos our country seems to be in, Jesus still says to His disciples, "See that you be not troubled." In other words, don't worry,

stay calm, relax or be cool.

Are you one of His disciples? If you are you can find peace in the midst of the storm. God's finances are not dependent on Wall Street and neither are His children's. Our finances are dependent upon Him. We don't depend on a paycheck to put food on our tables; we depend upon God to put food on our tables. We can begin to think that we work all of our lives to save a nest egg for retirement. Who knows but what we have worked all of our lives for just such a day as this; a day when people are wondering how they will get by.

We have the answer people need to hear. Psalm 91:1 - "God is our refuge and our strength." Psalm 37:25 - "I have been young and now am old; yet I have not seen the

righteous forsaken nor his seed begging bread." Philippians 4:19 assures us "My God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory." Understand He has riches in glory and plenty of them.

So followers of Jesus, why don't we just let Him take care of the necessities of our lives and direct our attention to the things He has for us to do? What does He have for us to do? Point people to Jesus! He came to earth to die for them on the Cross of Calvary so they might have eternal life. It is often in the midst of storms that people look for a miracle. Jesus is just the miracle we all need. He is trustworthy. Why not put your trust in Him today?

Ken Smith is pastor of Hickory Grove Church.

Pray for our nation to seek God

"And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith." Matthew 21:22 **Pd. Adv.** e in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you. John 15:7 **Pd. Adv.**

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BRINGHURST UNITED METHODIST: Rex Charles, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.
BROOKSTON CHURCH OF CHRIST: 206 N. Prairie Street, Brookston. Ron Guzman, minister. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
BUCK CREEK UNITED METHODIST: 4915 Ferret St., Buck Creek. Dwight Monical, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:15 a.m.
BURLINGTON FIRST BRETHREN: 205 W. 8th St., Rev. Dr. Peter Roussakis, pastor. SW: 10:00 a.m., SS: 9:00 a.m.
BURLINGTON CHURCH OF CHRIST: Dave Osborne, Pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m., Bible Study (Thur): 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.
BURLINGTON UNITED METHODIST: Bonnie Shoaf, pastor. SS: 11:00 a.m., SW: 9:30 a.m.
BURNETTVILLE FIRST BAPTIST: Second & Main, Burnettsville. SW: 10:00 a.m., SS: 11:15 a.m.
BURNETTVILLE CHRISTIAN: Sixth & Washington, Burnettsville. John Wright, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.
BURNETTVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: First & Main, Burnettsville. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.
BURROWS PRESBYTERIAN: SS: 11:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.
CALVARY CHAPEL CARROLL COUNTY: Wabash & Erie Canal Interpretive Center, Delphi. Eric Haley, pastor. SW: 10 a.m.
CAMDEN UNITED METHODIST: Dan Gottschalk, pastor. SS: 9 - 9:45 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.
CLYMERS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: 4003 W 400S. Clymers Mark Gaylor, pastor. SW: 10:30 a.m. SS: Same as worship.
COLBURN ROAD BAPTIST: Bill Cadle, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
COLBURN UNITED METHODIST: Kasey Schnepf, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10:20 a.m.
CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN: 3570 E 200S, Bringhurst, Dan C. Butcher, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m. SS: 10:30 a.m. Youth group 6:30 p.m., Bible study Wed. 6:30 p.m.
CUTLER PRESBYTERIAN: Jeff Brown and Ann Bingaman, lay pastors. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.
DEER CREEK UNITED PRESBYTERIAN:

Highway 29 in Deer Creek. Dave Heron, pastor. SW: 10 a.m. SS: Adult 8:45a.m. & Children 10:00 a.m.
DELPHI CHRISTIAN CHURCH: 315 E. Main St., Delphi. Rev. Andrew Paris, minister. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:45 a.m. Wed. Bible study: 7 p.m.
DELPHI CHURCH OF CHRIST: 405 Cottage Street, Delphi. Sunday Bible study: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 & 5 p.m., Wed. Night 7 p.m.
DELPHI COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD: 321 W. Main Street, Delphi. Rev. Virgil Moss. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
DELPHI PENTECOSTAL: Hwy. 25 East, Delphi. Tim Stewart, pastor. Thurs. night Bible Study: 7:30p.m., SS: 12:45 p.m., SW: 2 p.m.
DELPHI UNITED METHODIST: Union & Monroe Streets, Delphi. SW: 8:45 & 11 a.m., SS: 10 a.m., Todd Ladd, pastor; Micah Hudson, youth pastor.
DELPHI WESLEYAN: North Union Street, Delphi. Dan Fisher, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
EASTLAWN UNITED METHODIST: SR 24 & Logan Street, Idaville. Mark Gaylor, pastor. SS: 9 a.m.
FAITH CHURCH OF CHRIST: SR 29, Burlington. Steve Cole, minister. SW: 9:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. a.m., SS: 11 a.m., Wed. Bible study 7 p.m.
FAITH LUTHERAN: CR 800 N, west of Hwy. 29. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:10 a.m.
FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH: Hwy. 29 & 26, Middlefork. Jim Anderson, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
FIRST APOSTOLIC CHURCH: U.S. 421 North, Tippecanoe Township. Gilbert R. Ingram, pastor. SW: 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD: US 421N., Pittsburg. Brent Oliver, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m., Wed. Family Night: 6:30pm, Adult & Youth Services Sun. Evenings 6pm.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CAMDEN: Paul Marcellino, pastor. Tue. 9:30 a.m. Women's study, SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:45 a.m., Monthly Youth Group
FIRST BAPTIST: Indiana & Franklin Streets, Delphi. William Glenn, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
FLORA FIRST BAPTIST: 115 W. Columbia Street, Flora. Interim pastors. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10 a.m.
FLORA FIRST BRETHREN: 115 N.

Washington Street, Flora. Dan Herendeen, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.
FLORA FIRST CHRISTIAN (Disciples of Christ): S. Center Street, Flora. Sam Davenport, interim pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.
FLORA GRACE BRETHREN: 103 S. Willow St., Flora. James Franklin, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m., Wed. Prayer Service: 7 p.m.
FLORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: 211 S. Center St., Flora. Charles Compton, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m.
FLORA UNITED METHODIST: 107 E. Main Street, Flora. Rex Charles, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10:15 a.m.
FLORA VALLEY VIEW SOUTHERN BAPTIST: Route 2, Flora. Bill Godbey, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
GRACE MISSIONARY BAPTIST: 1101 Dreifers Ave., Delphi. Joe Whitehead, pastor. SS: 10 a.m. SW: 11 a.m.
HICKORY GROVE CHURCH: CR 700 W., Jefferson Township, Ken Smith, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.
HILLSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST: Hwy. 22, 2 miles E. of Burlington. Doyle Buckner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
IDAVILLE CHURCH OF GOD: 11073 E 50 N, Idaville. Chris Murphy, pastor. SW: 8:30 & 10:30 a.m., SS: 9:30 a.m.
JUBILEE FELLOWSHIP: CR 50 N, Flora. Scott Gamel, pastor. SS: 9:00 a.m., SW: 10:00 a.m.
LIVING FAITH CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: 310N 250W. Jeff Tomson, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.
LIVING STONE CHURCH: 54 Main St., Rossville. SS: 9 a.m., Fellowship: 9:45 a.m., SW: 10:15 a.m.. Children's church available
LOCKPORT NON-DENOMINATIONAL CHURCH: East of Patton. Nord Zootman, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. Sun. Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.
LOWER DEER CREEK CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: CR 300 N, SE of Camden. Guy Studebaker, pastor. SW: 10:15 a.m., SS: 9:00 a.m.
OAK GROVE CHRISTIAN: 11810 N 900 W, Monticello. Interim pastor, Rev. Ashli Cartwright-Peak. SW: 10 a.m.
PINE GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH: Crooked Road, 1 mile E of Delphi. Justin Wagner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
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TIST: John Wagner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m.; SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Bible Study: Thurs. 6:30 p.m.
PLEASANT HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: 5490 North SR 39, Frankfort. Donna Enerson, pastor. SS: 9:45 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. Everyone welcome.
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DELPHI: Main & Indiana Streets, Delphi. Rev. Bill McLean. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:15 a.m.
PYRMONT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:15 a.m.
RADNOR CHURCH: Ed Selvidge, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10 a.m.
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ROSSVILLE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP: 16 Cason St., Judd Dickey, pastor. Sunday Corporate Prayer: 9:00 a.m.; Fellowship 9:30 a.m.; SW 10:00 a.m.
ROSSVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: 109 N. Plank Street, Rossville. Floyd Smith, pastor. SS: 9a.m., SW: 10 a.m.
ROSSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: 5434 W State Rd 26, Rossville, IN. John Evertt, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., Fellowship: 9:45 a.m. SW: 10:15 a.m.
ROSSVILLE UNITED METHODIST: Main & Gaddis Streets, Rosville. Rick Jones, pastor. SS: 9:15 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.
SHARON AMERICAN BAPTIST: St. Rd. 29, Carrollton Township. Alan Wyant, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.
ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC: 207 N. Washington Street, Delphi. Peter Vanderkolk, pastor. SW: 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
ST. MATTHEW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH: 1301 S. Washington St., Delphi. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.
ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN: Church & Cumberland Sts., Camden, 2 blocks SW & 1 block North of SR218 and SR75. SW: 8:30 a.m.. SS: Same as Worship.
WHIRLWIND MINISTRIES: 869 N. 90 E., Burrows. Greg Britt, pastor. SW: 10 a.m. (574) 652-2280
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