

Prayer Concerns

"The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6).

Health Concerns

- Carl Revels
- Evelyn Nulph
- Lisa Weichelt
- Rebekah and Mason Chapman

Cancer

- Ron Barnhill (Holly's friend)
- Lisa Gonzales
- John Bohy
- Martha Todd (Laura's friend)
- Leah Glaze (Holly's friend)
- Sharon Mienke
- Cyril Budde (Jeri's uncle)
- Megan Devlin (Alyssa's coworker)
- Amy Scheel
- Linda Crass

Pregnancies:

- Elizabeth Smith
- Breanne Salle

Evangelism, etc.

- Elders, Deacons, and Evangelist
- Personal Bible studies
- Our missionaries (Gary Reaves, Don Iverson, Raja Rao)
- Orphans in India

Traveling

- The Oppermanns
- Donnie and Kim Nieman

Important Dates

"Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep" (Romans 12:15).

Upcoming Events

- First Sunday Monthly—Fellowship lunch
- Fourth Tuesday Monthly—Ronald McDonald House Meal
- First Tuesday Monthly—Elders' and Deacons' Meeting

February Birthdays

- Marge Loonstra 2/5
- Paul Anderson 2/5
- Jennifer Petras 2/8

Spencer church of Christ

Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Central Wisconsin



February 12, 2012

Welcome Guests!

We'd like you to know that you are our honored guests. Please feel free to fill out a visitor's card so we can have a record of your visit. We encourage everyone to follow along in their Bibles. If you have any questions, we will be available to answer them after the worship service. We hope you will visit us again!

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Worship Assembly	10:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.
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Evangelist

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Our Attitude

Last Sunday's Attendance

Last Sunday's Offering

2012 Budget \$1295

"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near" (Hebrews 10:24-25).

Privileged to Serve

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ” (1 Peter 4:10-11).

	Today	Next Sunday
Announce & Prayer	Russ	Russ
Song Leader	Russ	Tyler
Presiding	Paul	Mark
Serving	Clint N.	Duane
Serving	Dan	Tanner
Scripture Reading	Tyler	Jesse
Closing Prayer	Don	Gary

Daily Bible Reading

“Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good” (1 Peter 2:2-3).

	Old Testament	Psalms	New Testament
Sunday	Ex 29-30	Ps 39	Luke 3
Monday	Ex 31-32	Ps 40	Luke 4
Tuesday	Ex 33-34	Ps 41	Luke 5
Wednesday	Ex 35-36	Ps 42	Luke 6
Thursday	Ex 37-38	Ps 43	Luke 7
Friday	Ex 39-40	Ps 44	Luke 8
Saturday	Lev 1	Ps 45	Luke 9

Acts 17:26—The Family of Man

When Paul proclaimed the gospel of Christ in Athens, Greece, he set forth a number of profound truths regarding the Creator (the God not known by the Greeks — Acts 17:23). One of these truths is the fact that the human family shares a common origin. The apostle declared: “... he [God] made of one every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth” (Acts 17:26,ASV). [Note: the KJV “one blood” is not supported by the best manuscript evidence.]

Of special interest here is the expression “of one.” It translates the Greek *ex henos*, literally “out of one male” — *henos* being a masculine form. The allusion is obviously to the Genesis record and our ancestry in Adam. And so, circle the term “of” and in your margin note: *Out of*. Then mark “one” and record: *Masculine; one man, Adam*.

In his inspired affirmation of the unity of humankind, Paul was contradicting the philosophy of ancient culture. The Greeks entertained a disposition of ethnic exclusiveness — all others were barbarians (*barbaros* — cf. Rom. 1:14), and similarly the Egyptians referred to non-Egyptians as the berber (W.E. Vine, **Expository Dictionary**, I, p. 98). The apostle’s presentation undermined this ideology, because unfounded ethnic distinctions are to be obliterated “in Christ” (cf. Gal. 3:28; Col. 3:11).

Actually, Paul’s declaration was ahead of our own time. As late as World War II, the Red Cross segregated “Negro blood” from “Caucasian blood” for transfusion purposes, believing there was a genetic distinction between the races (Ashley Montagu, **Human Heredity**, p. 58). It is now scientifically known that all human beings are just that — humans.

The family of man is one, and the Bible was right about this issue 2000 years ago!

Wayne Jackson