

## What's News at Cornerstone?

I wonder if you would be willing to take a little test this morning? Well, maybe *test* is not the right word—let's call it an experiment. In the space I have provided below, I want you to try and write down *from memory* our church mission statement. (Yes, it's printed right inside this bulletin, but no peeking!) Are you ready? Ok, go ahead...

OK, you can look at the printed mission statement now. How did you do? If you were pretty close, go ahead and pat yourself on the back. If not, don't worry about it. I'm sure that I see that mission statement more than most in this church and I doubt that I could write it down word-for-word. This is precisely why I brought it up.

The church leaders and I are beginning to recognize that our mission statement needs a little work. There's nothing wrong with the content, it's just that it's too hard to remember. And, honestly, we have to admit it uses language that many people in this post-Christian era just don't understand. For example, how many people do you think know what the "great commandment" is?

Have you ever noticed that we print the church mission statement in the bulletin every week? There is a reason why we do that. (And it's not just because we need to fill up some empty space!) The reason is because our mission statement sets the direction for the church, so it is something that we want to keep right in front of us where all can see it all the time. The mission statement is only accurate if it is something that we all believe in and support.

Each day new ideas and opportunities present themselves and, quite frankly, there are usually far more of them than we can handle. This is not just because we're still a relatively small church, sometimes it has more to do with timing, available resources, and the gifts, talents, and passions of our members. So, whenever an opportunity comes up, the very first question we ask ourselves is, "How does this fit into our church's mission?" If the answer is, "it doesn't," or even "not very well," then we usually take a pass, no matter how good the idea seemed at the time; it's more important that we focus on our mission priorities first.

In the weeks ahead, we're going to be working on streamlining our mission statement. The mission itself will not change, we just want to clean it up a bit; clarify where it is hard to understand and make it a whole lot easier to remember. We need your help. Everyone is welcome to offer suggestions—simply drop your ideas in the suggestion box, or tell one of the deacons. Since we're in it together, let's work together to make it better.

*Pastor Sean*

# ***Welcome to***



***A new church,  
an ancient message,  
contemporary relevance!***

*Sunday, February 17, 2008*  
Opportunities Today

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| Morning Bible Classes  | 9:15 AM             |
| ❖ <i>Discovery (New Members Class)</i> .....                     | <i>Tim Horton's</i> |
| ❖ <i>Starting Kingdom Conversations</i> .....                    | <i>Band Room</i>    |
| Nursery (0 - 3 years) – <i>Choir Room</i>                        | 10:15 AM            |
| Noah's Park (4 years - 5 <sup>th</sup> grade) – <i>Band Room</i> | 10:15 AM            |
| Morning Worship  | 10:30 AM            |

**Divine Appointments**  
**Acts 8:26-40**

Opportunities This Week

~ **Tuesday** ~

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| <b>Youth Group</b>   | 7:00 PM |
| @ CBC Ministry Center<br>5800 Central College Road in New Albany, 939-9466 |         |

~ **Wednesday** ~

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| <b>Caring Group – Distortions</b>                                      | 6:45 PM |
| @ Bob & Yuki Bates' home<br>4981 Village Mews in Westerville, 899-7026 |         |

~ **Thursday** ~

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| <b>Caring Group – Genesis: From Eden to Egypt</b>                            | 10:00 AM |
| @ Bill & Kathy White's home<br>8485 Morningdew Dr. in Reynoldsburg, 866-6192 |          |

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| <b>Caring Group – The Pursuit of Holiness</b>                          | 7:00 PM |
| @ Jim & Cindy Ryan's home<br>2663 Northmont Dr. in Blacklick, 939-1911 |         |

Need more info? Check out our *new* website:  
**[www.JesusOurCornerstone.org](http://www.JesusOurCornerstone.org)**



*How can we minister to you this week?*  
*Please fill out a registration form to communicate with us.*  
**Available on the table outside in the lobby.**

Opportunities Ahead

***We are planning a baptism service in early March. If you are interested in participating, please see Pastor Sean.***

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| Feb. 23    | <b>Prayer Meeting</b> – 6:00-7:30 PM at the Taylor's, 5736 Burntwood Way in Westerville. See <i>John or Ellen</i> for info.  |
| Mar. 1     | <b>Father/Son Outing</b> – 1:00 PM at Columbus Square Bowling Palace, 5707 Forest Hills Blvd in Columbus, just off Dublin-Granville Rd (Hwy 161). Pay as you play. See <i>Mike Kelly</i> for info. |
| Mar. 2     | <b>John &amp; Michele Morgan</b> will lead the service to report to the church how God is at work in their new ministry. Please plan to come and support our missionaries.                         |
| Mar. 8     | <b>Restore the Passion for God</b> , Men's Conference at Calvary Baptist Church. See <i>John Taylor</i> for info.  |
| Apr. 25-26 | <b>Women of Faith Infinite Grace Conference</b> Please see <i>Barb Cooper</i> for info.  |

Our Mission

**Cornerstone Baptist Church** seeks to glorify God by obeying the Great Commandment<sup>1</sup>, fulfilling the Great Commission<sup>2</sup>, and renewing ourselves<sup>3</sup> in order to lead our community, our nation, and our world<sup>4</sup> to Christ.

<sup>1</sup> Matt. 22:36-39    <sup>2</sup> Matt. 28:19-20    <sup>3</sup> Rom. 12:1-2    <sup>4</sup> Acts 1:8

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Last Sunday's Report

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| Attendance Last Week:  |              |
| ❖ <i>Sunday (2/10)</i> | 45           |
| ❖ <i>Mid-week</i>      | 27           |
| Offering Last Week:    | \$ 3,894.00  |
| Month of February:     | \$ 5,153.25  |
| Monthly Budget '08:    | \$ 11,125.83 |