

Reflections on Life

by Johnny Lewis, III — *BASIC Group Leader*

During the entire month of June 2024, the confused culture in America celebrated in a big way what it called "LGBTQ Pride Month" (the honoring of homosexuality and transgenderism). The false dogma of the activists in this lifestyle is being upheld not only by many corporations, celebrities, and governmental agencies but being affirmed by some so-called Christian pastors. Satan has devised a great deception for not only our country but for the world, leading us down the path of Sodom & Gomorrah. God loves everyone in the world, but He seriously hates sin. His saving grace is available to all who turn to Jesus and repent of their sin. Beginning with **Genesis**, we find that our Creator created humanity male and female to reflect His image and likeness. God makes it clear that there is not an infinite number of genders, and we cannot change from one gender to the other no matter how we think we feel or how we attempt to distort God's wonderful creation. **1 Cor. 6:9 tells us that the unrighteous (includes homosexuals) will not inherit the kingdom of God.** As true Christians, we must respond to sexual sin and any other transgression with truth, clarity, and conviction.

BIBLE TRIVIA: "Down on the Farm"

1. Who was the first farmer?
2. What judge was a wheat farmer?
3. Who was the first man to plant a vineyard?
4. Who had a vineyard that Ahab coveted?
5. What patriarch farmed in Gerar and received a hundredfold harvest?
6. What was Elisha doing when Elijah threw his mantle upon him?



Look for Answers Inside



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Senior Adult Ministry

B.A.S.I.C. BUNCH
(Brothers and Sisters in Christ)

MONTHLY DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, July 16, 2024
6:00pm, Fellowship Hall

PRAISE AND WORSHIP:

by

Everett Driskill,
Vocalist



MENU:

Roast Beef Sandwiches, Green Beans,
Chips & Dessert



RESERVATIONS REQUESTED: Sign up on the Sunday bulletin tear-off or call the church office by noon on Monday, July 15th to make reservations for dinner. Thank you.

This Month's Activity:

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Friday, July 19th 11:30-2:00

B.A.S.I.C. Packing for Operation Christmas Child

For info and to sign up, contact Elizabeth Hanna

August Birthdays

Judy Matt	8/2
Marguerite Carbrey	8/3
Venita Richards	8/4
Roger Wibright	8/5
Freda Allen	8/6
Hal Jenkins	8/6
Paula Herr	8/12
Al Chapman	8/16
Nan Johnson	8/17
Lee Carbrey	8/23
Loretta Blakely	8/23
John Mansfield	8/23
Carol McCarty	8/26
Mike O’Daniell	8/31

Who’s Who & Where’s Where

MT. NEBO: (1st mentioned: Numbers 32:3) It was the closest Moses got to the Promised Land—10 miles away and 2,700 feet high. It’s part of the Mt. Pisgah range that runs alongside the Jordan River and the Dead Sea. Moses climbed to one of its peaks and looked in wonder at what would become Israel. Then he died on the mountain and was buried at a secret location in the valley.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Every Sunday @ 5:00pm

GRACE UNIVERSITY

Bible Study for Men - “The Man Church” & Prayer and Worship for all Ladies

Every Tuesday @ 6:00am

Men’s Breakfast/Bible Study

Led by Bro. Jerry Smith—Fellowship Hall

Every Wednesday @ 6:30pm

Bible Study: “The Minor Prophets”

Led by Bro. Jerry Smith—Fellowship Hall

Every Thursday Morning @ 6:30am

All Men Meet for Breakfast and Bible Study

LA Pines on Robert Blvd.

1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday each Month, 10am

Greenbriar Care Center Ministry

(Next ministry opportunities: July 17 & 31)

Third Friday of each Month

Mt. Olive Food Ministry

(No volunteers needed at this time)

UPCOMING EVENTS

2024

- Friday, July 19 **Christmas in July** 11:30-2:00
B.A.S.I.C. packing for Operation Christmas Child Fellowship Hall
- Friday, August 30 **Mississippi Aviation Museum - Gulfport, MS** \$12.00
Leave @ 9:00am
Lunch at Cuz’s Old Town Restaurant-Bay St. Louis
- Friday, September 27 **The Dinner Bell - McComb, MS**
Leave @ 9:00am
- Friday, October 25 **Hattiesburg Zoo** \$8.00
Leave @ 8:00am
Lunch at Murky Waters
- Friday, November 15 **Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum - Biloxi, MS** \$9.00
Leave TBA
Lunch at Aunt Jenny’s Catfish-Ocean Springs, MS

Who Are The Missionaries We Support Through Our B.A.S.I.C. Donations?



TRAVIS & AIMEE SMITH and FAMILY

Travis is a clinical counseling intern. He has been working with **The Well International** in Chiang Mai since January 2020. The Well provides counseling to missionaries serving throughout Asia. Travis helped open The Well’s Bangkok branch in October 2020.

Travis and Aimee Smith have 6 children. They have been living in Thailand since May, 2016. Aimee is an Elementary music teacher at International Community School where she invests in the lives of about 400 students, most of whom come from non-Christian homes. She describes it as a dream job that she never knew to dream about. She loves her job because it gives her the chance to share her love of music while also imparting gospel truth into their lives. Their children have attended this school too.

Answers to Trivia

1. Cain (Genesis 4:2)
2. Gideon (Judges 6:11)
3. Noah (Genesis 9:20)
4. Naboth (1 Kings 21:1-2)
5. Isaac (Genesis 26:12)
6. Plowing (1 Kings 19:19)