

A Word from Our Preaching Pastor:

Sunday, August 23, 2009

Family, Picnics, Missions and More

I can't believe I've had to miss our annual picnic! Of all things, this is something I always enjoy for the opportunity it gives me to get to know our church family a little better (and to beat Bob Schembre, Amy Lee, Bill Loving and whoever else at horse shoes!) So what could make me miss such an enjoyable annual event in the life of our church?

Only one thing. My father is being ordained as a deacon at Trinity Baptist Church in Alma, Arkansas and they have asked me to come take part in the service. I had hoped they would be able to find a different weekend, but when that proved impossible, Kimberly and I decided to drive down yesterday so we could be there this evening. So, while we will surely miss you and all the fun-filled competition, I believe we are where we need to be this morning.

That was family and picnic, what about missions? I'm excited to see what God is doing in our church as he continues to ramp up our engagement in missions. With the launch of Psalm 67 Missions Network and our partnership with Brother Brig in Israel, God continues to give us opportunities to declare the Fame of His Name among the nations. As you think about that, I'm glad the elders have approved Aaron Sutton, who heads our mission agency, to preach this morning in my absence.

And more? Just a reminder that our Annual Congregational Meeting will be after church (with lunch provided) on September 6th. We have several things to bring before you, including our new budget, some needed changes to our staff structure that will help us be better organized as a church, etc.. So I hope each of you will plan on being a part of these meetings. Also, Lord willing, I hope to address the subject of our relationship to the SBC and it's missions through the IMB and NAMB next Sunday evening, August 30th at 6:30 PM. Looking forward to getting back home to you!

Pastor Scott

