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**"Making disciples by
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FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR RON

YOU ARE WORTH MORE THAN THE BIRDS

I went out onto the back patio the other day only to discover a goldfinch that had met its demise. I don't know what ended its life, perhaps a collision with the patio window, but this little creature that was so full of life lay lifeless. No goldfinches are beautiful during the late spring and summer months when they display a bright and sharp dressed splash of yellow and black but being out of season, the hue and bright colors were absent. And if you have ever noticed, goldfinches are actually quite small. Not the smallest of finches, but substantially smaller than the common red breasted house finch. So here lay this motionless tiny dead bird, so what. Why is this of any significance to fill the page of a church newsletter, what heavenly significance could there possibly be in a tiny, unattractive little bird? Why is this significant? It is significant because God noticed. In 1st century Israel, the sparrow was one of the smallest and most common birds, a bird of little value. Jesus said that you could buy 5 of them for 2 pennies. They were esteemed of little value before men but God noticed and paid attention when something of this small value died. He notices. Jesus said if God is so attentive to the least significant living thing, how much more attentive is He to you? We often live our lives thinking we are of little significance and value but God places immense value upon us, He makes us valuable by His attentiveness and concern. Jesus said even the hairs of our head are numbered (Luke 12:6-7), that is to say that God notices us and pays attention to us with such attentive care that when hairbrush or comb takes another with it, it notes it. He is more attentive of us that we even are of ourselves. We are valuable not because of what we bring or how gifted we are, we are valuable because God loves us and values us. He esteems us and makes us valuable. We cared nothing for Him and He sought us and bought us with His redeeming love. We are much more valuable than birds.

Blessing Pastor Ron

**COUNTRYSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
APRIL 2018**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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1 Lord's Supper Easter Sunday	2	3 7:00pm Trustees Meeting	4 8:00am Men's Fellowship	5	6 2:30PM Mission Meeting	7 8:00am Band of Brothers Breakfast 9:00am Women's Fellowship
8 12:00pm Worship Meeting Jail Ministry	9	10 8:00am Getting To Know You Breakfast 7:00 PM Christian Ed	11 8:00am Men's Fellowship	12 7:00pm Member-ship Meeting	13	14 9:00am Women's Fellowship
15 Church Dinner	16	17 7:00pm Church Council	18 8:00am Men's Fellowship	19	20	21 9:00am Women's Fellowship
22	23	24 7:00pm Deacon's Meeting	25 8:00am Men's Fellowship	26	27 6:00 PM Friday Friendship Dinner	28 9:00am Women's Fellowship
29 Single Ladies Ministry	30	<i>Happy Easter</i>				

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT COUNTRYSIDE

SUNDAY	Sunday School	9:30 A.M.
	Morning Worship	10:45 A.M.
WEDNESDAY	Bible Study	7:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY	Disciples of Wisdom Youth Group	6:30 P.M.

KID'S COUNTRY VOLUNTEERS

April	1	No Kid's Country—Easter Worship Service
	8	Linda Cox & Melissa King
	15	Dennis & Stacey Lyon
	22	Gordon & Jane Warnken
	29	Susan Brown & Gayle Brooks

GREETERS

April	1	Chuck & Sandy Fann
	8	Lisa Chronister & Randy Ashley
	15	Loran & Peggy Sneath
	22	Bob & Brenda Horyna & Mike & Melissa Dewitt
	29	Steve & Susan Brown

MISSION TRIP GET YOUR BEETS NOW

The church dinner committee has beets for sale to raise funds for a mission trip scheduled for April 27th-30th at Camp Christy in Scott City, KS. Contact: Julie Magyar

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 1st

Easter Egg Hunt	9:30 AM
Continental Breakfast	10:00—10:30 AM
Worship Service/Kid's Country	10:45 AM

April

1 Carol Kirk	18 Carl Stickley
4 Frank Cole	19 Marilyn Minks
Helen Havercroft	21 Brenda Horyna
5 Reid Wilson	24 Matt & Erin Maxfield
6 Jack Voth	25 Jamie Brown
10 Loran Sneath	Shirley Patterson
12 Karen Potts	26 David Rodgers
14 Karrlita Fortna	30 Linda Cox



BAND OF BROTHERS

Calling all men to the Band of Brothers Breakfast on Saturday, April 7th at 8:00 AM. Big breakfast, awesome fellowship and great teaching.

SINGLE LADIES MINISTRY

The Single Ladies Ministry will be meeting after church April 29th at Cancun. RSVP Bonnie Patterson at 669-0568.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU BREAKFAST



The Getting to Know You Breakfast is Tuesday, April 10th at the Airport Steakhouse at 8:00 AM. Our Guest will be Pieter Miller, Airport Special Project Manager

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women of Faith Bible Study will be meeting Wednesdays at 9:30AM in the parlor. The study is on "Experiencing Contagious Joy" by Christa Kinde.

SALT HAWK COMMUNITY SUPPORT

This outreach program will help the students in the #308 school district. You can leave donations on the table or in the baskets under the table. Look for the list on the table of items that are needed. Contact Julie Magyar at 620-960-5495 for questions.

CHURCH DINNER

Everyone is invited to an Easter dinner immediately follow the service on April 15th.

GRAND PIANO FUNDRAISER

Please join us in contributing to the Grand Piano Fundraiser. The goal is \$5,500 to fulfill this dream at Countryside Baptist. If you have questions contact Robert Calhoun



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT "WHAT DO YOU STAND FOR?"

"Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:21)

"The question often is asked, "What do Christians stand for?" The answer the world would give is, "Not much other than what we do."

The sad part about it is that most people really want to know a personal God, but because of their desires they make gods out of material possessions and worship them instead. Time, energy, and money all are spent on the wrong things.

We have the only hope to offer a generation that is without hope, and yet we're spending the majority of our time pursuing vain things. Our energies are so depleted in accumulating bigger homes, businesses, cars, computers, and retirement plans that we don't have much time to see that our priorities are out of order.

We can stand for accumulating things, or we can stand for building the kingdom of God." (*What Do You Stand For?* by Larry Burkett)

In February, the Unified Budget giving of \$16,301 exceeded the actual expenditures by \$2,223. Thanks to those who contributed designed and memorial gifts for the new round church tables in fellowship hall. Twelve of the fifteen tables were paid for by these gifts and the others were paid for by donations from our monthly Sunday dinners. The new pictures, decorations, and artwork in the church are being provided by Dorothy Dill memorial fund. May we all stand for building the kingdom of God. Rich McCullum

FINANCIAL REPORT MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

<u>Unified Budget</u>	<u>February 2018</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Budget Goals	14,331.25	28,662.50
Tithes & Offerings	16,301.32	29,943.90
Actual Expenditures	14,078.23	27,540.89
Overage (Shortfall)	2,223.09	2,403.01

RENO COUNTY FOOD BANK

The Missions Committee will be collecting items for the Reno County Food Bank for the month of April. The food bank needs Soup, (no tomato soup), Cereal, Pasta, Canned fruit, Canned vegetables, Hamburger Helper, and Tuna Helper. The donated items can be placed in the book case pantry in the foyer. Check the expiration date. Thank you for your generous donations.

MISSION TRIP

Get ready for the Mission Trip April 27-30th. We will be going to Camp Christy in Scott City, KS. We will be working on several projects getting the camp ready for the young people who attend this summer. Contact Julie Magyar for details and let her know you would like to go on the Mission trip.

FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP DINNER

Everyone is invited to the Friday Friendship Dinner April 27th at 6:00 PM at Carlos O'Kelly's. If you would like a ride contact Julie Magyar at 620-960-5495. This is a great time of fun and fellowship. See you there!!

UNEXPECTED BLESSINGS

Countryside Baptist Church has been receiving an unexpected blessing every month from the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Helping Others More Effectively (HOME) Campaign the past year. We received checks totaling \$100 every month last year and are now receiving checks total \$155 each month this year. These are being provided by former co-workers of Pastor Ron and matching funds from Lawrence Livermore. Last year Pastor Ron and I decided to put these gifts in a designed fund for Men's Ministry to purchase instructional materials for the ministry. This fund will also provide for future speakers fees, possibly a men's retreat and other ministry needs. The men's monthly breakfasts are provided for by generous donations of money and work in preparation by the participants. When the check kept coming, we decided in the middle of the year to start putting these funds in a designed fund of Women's Ministry. These funds are to help offset costs for woman's events such as speaker fees and other materials needed for the events. This year we have chosen to put in these gifts in the Audiovisual Supply designed fund to provide funds for the replacement, maintenance, and upgrading of existing audiovisual equipment in the parlor, sanctuary, fellowship hall, and the Sunday school classrooms. If you have any questions about these blessings, please feel free to call me.

Rich McCullum