

**NSD**

# NEWSLETTER

**Sunday, August 24, 2008**

**BIBLE STUDY**..... 10 a.m.  
"Gospel of Luke"

**MORNING WORSHIP**..... 11 a.m.  
"He Remains Faithful"  
(A Trustworthy Statement #2)  
Dan Austin

**EVENING SERVICE**.... 6 p.m.  
"Our Daily Cross"  
Dan Austin

**WEDNESDAY MEETING**..... 7 p.m.  
"The Parables of Jesus"

## **Psalm 84:1-4**

How lovely is Your tabernacle, O LORD of hosts!  
My soul longs, yes, even faints  
for the courts of the LORD;

My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.  
Even the sparrow has found a home;  
and the swallow a nest for herself,  
where she may lay her young—

Even Your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King  
and my God.

Blessed are those who dwell in Your house;  
They will still be praising You. Selah

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## **News & Notes**

**Welcome Visitors.** If you are a visitor in our congregation today we welcome you and invite you to stay for a while after service and give us a chance to get to know you.

Please continue to pray for our deployed military member, **Sam Barton** and his family.

Please pray for our sister **Marie Adams** who is coping with health problems.

**Dema Franklin** has been having neck pain and severe headaches; please keep her in your prayers.

**Perette Goodwin** is out of town and expects to be back tonight.

Flee as a bird to your mountain, thou who art weary of sin  
Go to the clear flowing fountain where you may wash and be clean

Fly for the avenger is near thee call and the Savior will hear thee

He on His bosom will bear thee, O thou who art weary of sin,  
O thou who art weary of sin

He will protect thee forever, wipe every falling tear  
He will forsake thee, o never, sheltered so tenderly there  
Haste, then, the hours are flying, spend not the moments in sighing,

Cease from your sorrow and crying, The Savior will wipe every tear  
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# Hounded

David A. Sargent

In the 14th century, Robert the Bruce of Scotland was leading his men in a battle to gain independence from England. Near the end of the conflict, the English wanted to capture Bruce to keep him from the Scottish crown. So they put his own bloodhounds on his trail. When the bloodhounds got close, Bruce could hear their baying. His attendant said, "We are done for. They are on your trail, and they will reveal your hiding place." Bruce replied, "It's all right." Then he headed for a stream that flowed through the forest. He plunged in and waded upstream a short distance. When he came out on the other bank, he was in the depths of the forest. Within minutes, the hounds, tracing their master's steps, came to the bank. They went no farther. The English soldiers urged them on, but the trail was broken. The stream had carried the scent away. A short time later, the crown of Scotland rested on the head of Robert the Bruce.

***"ALL have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23).***

The memory of our sins, prodded on by Satan, can be like those baying dogs hounding us with guilt and shame. But a stream flows, red with the blood of God's own Son. By passing through that stream, by God's grace through our obedient faith, we are safe. No sin-hound can touch us. The trail of sin is broken by the precious blood of Christ.

***"There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins;  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains."***

-- William Cowper

WE can be *plunged beneath that flood* and have all of our guilty stains washed away by the blood of Jesus when we by faith in Jesus (**Acts 16:30-31**), turn from our sins in repentance (**2 Corinthians 7:9-10**), confess Jesus before men (**Romans 10:9-10**), and submit to baptism (immersion) in Jesus' name (**Acts 2:38; 22:16**). Then, if we continue to follow Him faithfully, we will receive the crown of life one day (**Revelation 2:10**).

Don't be hounded by the guilt of sin any longer. Allow Jesus to WASH away your sins through your trusting obedience to Him.



**WWJD?**

Most people assume WWJD is for "What would Jesus do?" But the initials really stand for "What would Jesus drive?" One theory is that Jesus would tool around in an old Plymouth because "the Bible says God drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden in a Fury." But in Psalm 83, the Almighty clearly owns a Pontiac and a Geo. The passage urges the Lord to "pursue your enemies with your Tempest and terrify them with your Storm." Perhaps God favors Dodge pickup trucks, because Moses' followers are warned not to go up a mountain "until the Ram's horn sounds a long blast."

Some scholars insist that Jesus drove a Honda but didn't like to talk about it. As proof, they cite a verse in St. John's gospel where Christ tells the crowd, "For I did not speak of my own Accord." Meanwhile, Moses rode an old British motorcycle, as evidenced by a Bible passage declaring, "The roar of Moses' Triumph is heard in the hills." Joshua drove a Triumph sports car with a hole in its muffler: "Joshua's Triumph was heard throughout the land." And, following the Master's lead, the Apostles car-pooled in a Honda: "The Apostles were in one Accord."