

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Church of God Big Sandy

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June 12, 2010 • 2:00 p.m. • Sunset 8:25

**Service next Sabbath: 2:00 p.m.**

### Order of service

<b>Song leader</b> . . . . .	Travis Self
<b>Pianist</b> . . . . .	Dixon Cartwright
<b>First sermon</b> . . . . .	Stan West
<b>Teen class—Classroom #1</b> . . . . .	Jeanine Case
<b>Bridges class—Library</b> . . . . .	Carol Bald
<b>Kids' class—Classroom #2</b> . . . . .	Leslie Harroff
<b>Interactive Bible study—Foyer</b> . . . . .	Canceled
<b>Second sermon</b> . . . . .	Reg Killingley

### Quick takes

1. Interrelating with other congregations—Today, Bernie Monsalvo is giving a sermon in Anacoco, La.
2. The organizers of the dance recital want to thank the congregation for the use of the building on Tuesday evening.
3. Senior-citizen meal—There is a senior-citizen meal scheduled in the building at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 19. A sign-up list is on the Information Table.
4. Pool party—There is a pool party scheduled at the home of Don and Michele Mischnick at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 27.
5. Birth announcement—Evan Michael Jitjaeng, son of Michael and Celina Jitjaeng and grandson of Neil and Martha McIver, was born June 8 and weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz.
6. Election phase continues today until June 26 at 5:00 p.m.—Members of the congregation are invited to participate in the election phase by filling out a ballot.

- 7. Alaska Feast cruise—Dennis Moulard reports that we have 83 people signed up for the Alaska cruise. Our travel agent (Kathy Summers) has informed us that the ship is filling fast with other guests. We strongly suggest that interested individuals complete their reservations in the next couple of weeks. Kathy can be reached at 1-800-860-7135.
- 8. Edifying the Body—This week’s article is “How Do They Make You Feel?” by Lenny Cacchio.
- 9. Among Friends—This week’s article is “More Than Anyone Has Loved Me” by Dave Havir.
- 10. Eye on the World—This week’s collection is compiled by Jeanine Case.

**Prayer updates**

**Nancy Sharp** has a large kidney stone. Prayers and visits are appreciated.

**Hazel Gooch** of Walnut Hill, Fla. (aunt of **Anthony Kimmons**), who has congestive heart failure, was released from a hospital and is doing better.

**New prayer requests**

**Arlan Weight** of Bismarck, N.D., died on May 23 with pancreatic cancer. Please remember his wife, **Gladys**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

**Gerald Gill** of Kunkletown, Pa., father of **Dave Havir**, had a ministroke on Friday, June 4, and was admitted to the hospital, then released on Monday, June 7. While he was in the hospital, his wife, **Camilla**, was admitted to the same hospital on Sunday, June 6, and died later that evening. The funeral was on Thursday with Mr. Havir officiating. Please remember her husband, **Gerald**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

**Feast coordinators**

Here are the coordinators of our four Feast sites.

- Big Sandy . . . . . **J.L. and Jeannie Roden**
- Destin, Fla . . . . . **Melodee Overton**
- Myrtle Beach, S.C. . . . . **Lyle and Kathy Kerby**
- Alaska cruise . . . . . **Dennis and Vickie Moulard**

**Bible study on June 9**

On Wednesday, June 9, David Maas gave a Bible study titled “Fruits of God’s Spirit—Joy.”

**Matthew 5:3-5**—"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

**Matthew 25:21**—"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'"

**Galatians 5:22-23**—But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

**Acts 2:46**—So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart.

**Acts 16:34**—Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

**Romans 5:11**—And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

**1 Thessalonians 1:6**—And you became followers of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit.

**Isaiah 65:11-16**—"But you are those who forsake the LORD, who forget My holy mountain, who prepare a table for Gad, and who furnish a drink offering for Meni. Therefore I will number you for the sword, and you shall all bow down to the slaughter; because, when I called, you did not answer; when I spoke, you did not hear, but did evil before My eyes, and chose that in which I do not delight." Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, My servants shall eat, but you shall be hungry; behold, My servants shall drink, but you shall be thirsty; behold, My servants shall rejoice, but you shall be ashamed; behold, My servants shall sing for joy of heart, but you shall cry for sorrow of heart, and wait for grief of spirit. You shall leave your name as a curse to My chosen; for the Lord GOD will slay you, and call His servants by another name; so that he who blesses himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and he who swears in the earth shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hidden from My eyes."

## "More Than Anyone Has Loved Me"

This article is from the "Among Friends" section of the Church of God Big Sandy's Web site, [churchofgodbig sandy.com](http://churchofgodbig sandy.com). It was posted for the weekend of June 12–13, 2010.

By Dave Havir

**B**IG SANDY, Texas—One of the greatest blessings in my life is the number of people who truly love me. My wife has faithfully loved me during the 36

years of our marriage. Our two sons have consistently demonstrated their love toward me during the 29 and 26 years of their lives.

The list of people who regularly express their love toward me is lengthy—including

my father, brother, two sisters, in-laws and countless friends. You can see why I consider myself well blessed.

And, as I comprehend the depth of those blessings, I have to acknowledge that there was one person who loved me more than anyone else has loved me.

Did you notice that I expressed that person's love in the past tense?

My mother, Camilla Gill, died unexpectedly in a hospital in eastern Pennsylvania on Sunday, June 6, 2010. We had a memorial service on Thursday, June 10.

It was satisfying to hear the eulogies and to see how my 88-year-old mother had positively affected the lives of so many people.

Some of the qualities attributed to her included the following: her intelligence (her love of books, crossword puzzles and

Scrabble), her determination, her dedication, her honest communication, her sense of humor and her loyalty.

But, from my point of view, her greatest attribute was being a mother to me, my brother and my two sisters.

It could be said that she occasionally wore rose-colored glasses when looking at her four children. However, I don't think that was regularly the case. From my point of view, I believe that she often saw our negative attributes very clearly—and she loved us anyway.

I hope to continue to appreciate all the people in my life who consistently demonstrate love toward me. I will miss the lady who loved me more than anyone has loved me. I look forward to seeing her in the resurrection.

## “How Do They Make You Feel?”

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**By Lenny Cacchio**

**L**EE'S SUMMIT, Mo.—If Joseph hadn't made his brothers feel like hired help, they would not have sold him into slavery.

If Peter at Pentecost had made the multitudes comfortable with their spiritual state, 3,000 of them would not have repented.

If King Rehoboam had shown respect to his people and their concerns, they would not have rebelled to set up a rival kingdom.

So often people will not remember what you say or what you do, but how you make them feel.

Job's friends were unwitting masters of the art of manipulating feelings. Job was drowning in a sea of misery, but his friends' self-anointed purpose was to psychoanalyze him to his face and embark on a scavenger hunt for personal defects. “Face up to your failings, Job. You wouldn't be hurting if you weren't a sinner.”

In their quest for Job's sins, they pointed out his impatience (Job 4:2), his bitterness and envy (5:2-3), his condescension and scheming (18:3, 7) and his arrogance and dishonesty (20:6, 19).

I wonder how those friends made Job feel. I venture that he remembered neither what they said (which was some pretty stupid stuff) nor that they had come a long way to visit him (which was a noble thing to do). Rather, Job probably remembered how they made him feel, and that wasn't too good.

Companies in the so-called service industry make us feel like nonpersons by squeezing us through a Touch-Tone menu of nonsensical categories rather than letting us talk to human beings. We can lose customers by making them feel like dollar signs. We can crush a child's spirit by demanding performance that is never quite good enough.

Shortly after His resurrection, Jesus appeared surreptitiously to two disciples. He walked with them, ate with them and taught them. After a few hours, they recognized who this stranger was, and we're told what they remembered: “Were not our hearts burning within us while He talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?” (Luke 24:32, NIV).

Yes, they remembered what He said. And they remembered what He did. But, most of all, they remembered how He made them feel.