

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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THE LORD'S DAY

July 17, 2016 8:30 & 10:15 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude Carol Dammann
Piano Wendy Baldwin
Announcements Ron Mock

MEDITATION

Ephesians 5:31-32 opposite page

Hymn 815

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Hymns 86, 87

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

Hymn 548

Message "This is a Day of Good News and We Remain Silent"

Hymn 571

Doxology

Luke 15:1-7

Calvin VanderMey

Ron Mock

Dr. Robert VanderMey

Benediction

THE MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Youth Group Monday 6:30-8pm. Ages 8 and up

No Bible study Tuesday

No Precept class on Tuesday with Wendy Baldwin at 6:30pm

Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell leading

Sunday messages are available online, CD or e-mail. See Bill Schultz

The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary

BFC Multipurpose/Utility Building \$31,400 to build-received \$25,340

Missions Corner: Still looking for "Soft Toothbrushes" to go with the
40,000 tubes of toothpaste for Mexico City

See Louise Bellefeuille and Lois Seidel

Bible Study at Kathy Yoshida's home Wed. July 20, 9:30-11:30am on

"IGNITE YOUR PASSION FOR GOD see Kathy or Becky Shearer

Welcome Home Paul and Laura from your Mission Trip!!!

Vacation Bible School Workshop July 20 at 6:30pm

VBS August 15-19 from 9am-11:30am

Church Picnic August 20th

Baptisms August 21st

³¹ "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³² This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

Paul finds a basis for his teaching in the Hebrew Scriptures. According to Genesis 2:24, it was God's original purpose for a man to leave his father and his mother and establish his own home. He would be joined closely to his own wife. The words "be joined" literally mean "glued to." The two are to be one flesh. This is a part of the mystery of marriage. It is a relationship which literally means that the two become one. That oneness causes the husband so to love and cherish his wife that he gives up his own interest in order that her best interest may be advanced.

Paul calls this a great mystery, something for which the solution involves divine revelation. The mystery is that Christ and the Church are to be one. For Gentile readers, this elevation of women was largely unheard of in their cultures. Even in the Jewish world, such a lofty concept regarding marriage had not been expounded. Thus, part of that mystery is that we now see exactly what God thinks of marriage itself, and what it mirrors in the relationship between Christ and the Church.