

Reporting from Lewistown

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“What after all is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task. I planted the seed and Apollos watered it, but God is making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow.”

I Corinthians 3:5-7

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The month of March had its own special rewards and challenges. Spring is trying to arrive and our snow is all gone. Things are beginning to turn green. We are almost there.

The congregation in Lewistown is at peace and anything is possible for a group like that.

Our month began with one of our members, Albert Colyer being admitted to Mount Nittany hospital in State college. We originally were told that he had pneumonia. It turned out to be much worse and he went home to be with the Lord on the first of March. He was well known among our group and his loss will be felt by all. His funeral was held on the fifth of the month.

Our attendance for Sunday morning has been averaging the upper 30's to the low 40's. We had 44 in service on Easter Sunday. Our Wednesday night study groups are a little smaller. The men are averaging 6 or 8 each week. The Ladies study group varies but is usually well attended.

We had a group of our Brothers and Sisters arrive from the Graeber Road congregation on the 11th. They had quite the eventful trip. To read that story in its entirety, go to the Graeber Road website and look at their Missions tab. Check out the

Lewistown trip report filed by John Batchelder. What a wonderful group of folks. They came to help us get out the word to our neighbors about our Family and Friends Day. We had 44 people in our worship services for the Friends and Family day. The pig roast that followed was quite a success. This was my first official pig roast and I enjoyed the experience. We had a wonderful time and were encouraged by our visitors. What a great time singing with this group of folks.. They had to leave on the 15th to get back home. We are looking forward to a return visit.

Our Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University seminar on managing your finances continues to be well attended. We have a core group of 10-12 from the community that are at every session. The course is running on Sunday nights from 6 to 7:30 pm each week. We are developing relationships with the people and we remain hopeful that some may be won for Christ. Every session ends with a prayer and the group seems to be drawing closer to each other as a result of the discussion time that follows each of the DVD presentations.

Our Bible Correspondence course students continue to be responsive to the lessons that are

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presented. The lesson on Spiritual Baptism has resulted in quite a discussion with two of our students.

We were able to finalize our plans for David Tarbett to come and present his seminar on "How we got the Bible". He is scheduled to be here July 8th and 9th. The first lesson will be Friday night and wrap up at 2:00 on Saturday. That will allow him to return to the New Milford, CT congregation for the Sunday services. We are truly blessed to have so many wonderful friends that are willing to come and help us reach out to our community.

We keep trying to reach out in any way that we can. God will surely give us the growth if we get busy doing the work. Please keep us in your prayers. God bless you all for what you have done to help grow the Lewistown Church of Christ. Without your support, there might be no church meeting here.

Personal Notes

The work on our house continues. Things are being finished, repaired and painted as I write this report.

Metal detector season is finally here. I had the official ceremony to put new batteries into my AT/PRO detector. Garrett makes one of the best ever detectors. The year is off to a great start. I was able to locate Gibboney Park on the Garrett's property. It was in use up until the early 1940's. I found a 1900 Indian head penny and a 1902 V nickel. Last week I found an 1853 Seated Half-Dime in nice shape.

We enjoyed having our family from Texas join us at our house for dinner. We had a wonderful time of fellowship and food. I especially enjoyed having folks that know how to sing join in an impromptu song session.

Our Grandson (stationed in Fairbanks, Alaska) is being posted to a new army base soon. We are hoping that they will be a little closer so we can visit.

The new Burpee seed catalog just arrived and this is the first time in years that we will be able to have a garden. We will sit down soon to discuss what we will be ordering. I was thinking of finding a used roto-tiller to purchase but one of my brothers offered to come over and till it for me. I love these folks more and more every day. Love in action.

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