

## Survey Says...

**Family Feud** is a popular television game show that pits two families against each other in a contest to name the most popular responses to a survey-type question posted to 100 people.

Representatives of the family are posed questions that have already been answered by 100 people. An answer is considered correct if it is one of the concealed answers on the game board. Examples of questions might be "Name a famous book" or "who wrote the book of Genesis?"

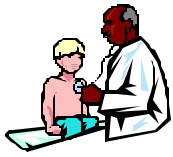
For the month of November I want us to "play" Family Feud. You will be given a **Survey Says** each week. Answer in your mind what you think is the answer posted by the rest of the West Side family and Christians throughout the world. I'll also provide you with God's answer to the question. How does your answer compare to God's answer? We will look at questions like **Survey says** "How can I grow closer to God by using my talents?" or *"Will I grow closer to God if I attend services?"*

These questions will hopefully help us to grow and mature as Christians. First we will look at the importance of reading the word of God. Then we will look at questions like "how much time do I set aside for prayer" or "what things get in my way and keep me from spending adequate time with God?". How can I better use my time in service to God? Consider these matters as we "play" the West Side Family Feud!

- the elders

Next week **Survey Says** *"How can I develop quality time with our Lord so that I can become a more mature Christian?"*

# Sick



Continue to remember in prayer:  
**Marguerite Charles,  
 Margaret Kratz, Lyn Anderson,  
 Crawford & Martha Keith, Mariam  
 Majors, Steve Harrah, Mary Reese,  
 Buddy Martin, Bill Paul, Bert  
 Spetzler, Betty Jenkins, Donnie Mountcastle.**

Justin Hankins, teen from Tazewell, is in RMH

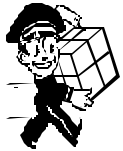
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**Sympathy** is extended to the family of Mary Anderson. A memorial service will be held today at 3:30 at West Side.

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Happy Birthday this week to:

**Judy Durham—11/3**



**NOVEMBER ITEMS FOR THE STAFFORDS: Markers & Crayons for the kids.** Give your items to Jeanny and she will ship them over!

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## MILITARY

Kyle Nester, Erich Felps, Ty Strickin  
 Chris Coleman, & Angela Ridgeon  
 —in Iraq  
 Katy Halling—aboard a Navy Ship  
 Dustin Humphreys - Camp LeJeune




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## Upcoming Lectureships (See Board for details)

November 6-9  
 Cold Harbor Lectureship In Mechanicsville, VA

## 2009 Events Mark your Calendars Now!!

January 3—Winter Youth Devo  
 January 24—New Members Dinner

February 7 Winter Youth Devo  
 February 11-14 Smoky Mt. Marriage Retreat

March 7—SWVA Bible Bowl  
 March—20-21—Men's Study Weekend  
 March 22-28—MSOP Lectures

April 3-4—FHU Makin' Music Weekend

May — Gospel Meeting with Wade Webster

June 21-27—Virginia Christian Camp

July 5-10—Horizons—Sr. Week  
 July 12-17—Horizons—Jr. Week

As you can see the calendar is filling up fast! Also included but no firm date yet is the Education Banquet and a Teachers' Workshop Weekend.

If you have any events you would like to add please see Jo Ann or Jeff Durham so we can have them for the yearly Plan of Works that will be distributed in January.

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- Deal with the faults of others as you would have them to deal with yours.
- A person wrapped up in himself makes a very small package.
- A long walk will often control a short temper.
- Be very careful with half-truths because you may have the wrong half.
- A person who is contented with what he has is indeed rich and happy!

# F Y I

For Your Information



## Teens

### November Dates

Nov. 22—Teen Service Project  
Nov. 30—Young Men conduct Evening Services

Bible Bowl Questions are available!!  
Mark your calendars now for March 7. We will also be having the Biddy Bible Bowl for the kids ages 5-8.

### ELSIE NEEDS A RIDE

Elsie Smith will need a ride to church in the evenings. If you can help out, please sign up on the board. Include a phone number that she can reach you if she is unable to attend!!

### AREA WIDE PREACHERS MEETING

The monthly area-wide preachers meeting will be on Monday, November 10, at 10:30 in the Fellowship Room. All are invited!

### MENS PLANNING BREAKFAST

The yearly Men's Planning Breakfast will be on November 15 at 8 AM. Mark your calendars and gather ideas for this meeting! Breakfast will be provided.

### INTERNET SAFETY CLASSES

Internet Safety Classes will be taught here at the building on November 18 and December 2 at 7:00 PM. See Barry for details!

### LADIES NIGHT OUT

The November LNO will be here at West Side on November 25 at 6:30. Gloria White and Sandra Wood are hosting. More details to follow.



If you would like a copy of the sermons by Gary Hampton, please sign up on the media door. One list is for individual sermons and the other list is for the whole set! Tom Richardson will be distributing them as soon as they are finished!

When your work speaks for itself, don't interrupt.

They may forget what you said, but they will never forget how you made them feel.



## WOW

Please sign up on the WOW board for the video Autobiographies being done by Richard Simms.

Next WOW meeting will be on Tuesday, November 11, at 10:30.



**TEAM 3 (Valentine)** will have a Chili Supper at the Gilpins on Friday, Nov. 14, at 6:00 pm. Chili and fixins will be provided. Please bring a drink or dessert. Sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

**Recent Responses:** Ethan Rogers, Bob Garby

**Recent Baptisms:** Jimmy Harrington & Khaila Mickens

### New Addresses:

**Lyn Anderson**

**Khaila Mickens**

**Please add these to your directory!!**

November 2008

## “Joe the Plumber”

**Announcements** Fred Altizer  
**Song Leader (AM)** Paul Mays  
**Opening Prayer (AM)**  
11/2 Richard Simms  
11/9 Danny Guard  
11/16 Barry White  
11/23 Jeremy White  
11/30 Bobby Martin  
**Preside at Communion** Charlie Gwaltney  
**Serve Table** Roger Mays Herb Baker  
Bob Garby AC Janney  
**Closing Prayer**  
11/2 Ethan Rogers  
11/9 Tom Richardson  
11/16 Greg Edwards  
11/23 Adam House  
11/30 Gene Benefield  
**Song Leader (PM)** Adam House  
**Opening Prayer (PM)**  
11/2 Don Pettit  
11/9 Charlie Maness  
11/16 Glenn Gabbard  
11/23 Jim Bush  
11/30 Mark Brooks  
**Scripture Reader** Jack Cook  
**Closing Prayer (PM)**  
11/2 Josh Whitlow  
11/9 Jim Harrington  
11/16 Jerry Anderson  
11/23 Jeff Durham  
11/30 Tom Rogers  
**Serve Table (PM)**  
Bradford Durham Ethan Rogers  
**Song Leader (Wed)** Jason Oldham  
**Prayer (Wed)**  
11/5 Glenn Hartman  
11/12 Jim Cook  
11/19 Garrett Durham  
11/26 Charlie Maness  
**Open/Close Bldg** Lyn Shrader  
**Greeters** Ed & Jean Argabright  
Jerry & Kay Anderson  
**Nursery Attend** Lori Cook Judy Durham  
**Ushers** Squeaky Valentine John Black  
**Handouts** Garrett Durham Ryan Simms  
Richard Simms Cameron Brown  
**Alternates** Lyn Shrader  
**Prepare communion**  
Wanda Martin Dorothy Mays  
**Cards & Pencils**  
Sydney Durham Khaila Mickens  
**Last weeks attendance 10/26&29/08**  
Bible Class—143 Worship Service—178  
Sunday Eve.—136 Wednesday Eve.—135  
Contribution—\$6185

His full name is Samuel Joseph Wurzelbacher. He is a single father, a plumber apprentice and lives near Toledo, Ohio. He was basically unknown to the world until he encountered a presidential candidate on Shrewsbury Street on Sunday, October 12.

After his pointed question to Barack Obama he has become an overnight sensation, known as “Joe the Plumber.” The encounter between the two was taped and posted on the internet. It has since been used, as has Joe the Plumber himself, by John McCain in his political ads. This “average Joe” quickly became well known.

It is amazing how popular the average person becomes during the political season. To hear the candidates speak, it seems as if every unknown individual is on their minds in every decision they make and policy they put forth. The appeal to the importance of each individual is interesting, even if short-lived.

However, there is One to Whom every individual does indeed matter greatly. The “average Joe” is of such importance to Him that He sacrificed His Son for him (Jn. 3:16). God was not seeking our votes. He was not and is not making an appeal in order to gain something in return. His is a genuine love and concern for every person. In fact, He gave His Son to die for those who were at enmity with Him (Rom. 5:6-8; Jas. 4:4). He desires that all men “be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth” (I Tim. 2:4; cf. II Pet. 3:9). He extends His grace to all people (Tit. 2:11-14) and invites each to come to Him for salvation (Mt. 11:28). So, whether we are “Joe the Plumber,” “Sue the Teacher,” “Bill the Lawyer” or “Jane the Doctor,” each of us has a special place in the heart of God...and a special invitation to be a part of His kingdom.

-Eddy