

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

November 7, 2010

**The Message:
Isaac's Blessings and Enemies
Genesis 26:12-17**

Please join us for refreshments between services

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thursday	Nov 11	Veteran's Day
Friday	Nov 12	Drue to India
Saturday	Nov 13	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Sunday	Nov 14	Dan Hardy
Wednesday	Nov 24	No Class
Thursday	Nov 25	Thanksgiving
Saturday	Dec 11	Christmas Party

** The Benevolence Fund is in need of funds to be benevolent with.

** Thanksgiving for the Missions Conference. There have been many wonderful comments and a lot of thanks to TBC to all who God used to make it happen.

** Be in prayer for the Promises Book. Dan is working on it. If you haven't sent the first drafts in to Dan Hardy, please do so as soon as possible. Please email them at danhardy09@gmail.com

	September	Total 2010	General Fund	Building Fund	Missions YTD
Income	\$ 6,817.00	\$ 65,209.50			\$17,757.00
Expenses	6,382.63	62,337.89			18,647.00
Balance	\$ 434.37	\$ 2,871.61	\$14,873.24	\$ 7,208.33	\$ -890.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

The Lord's Table

Message:

**Who I Am in Christ
GLENHAVEN YOUTH RANCH
Dwayne Webb, Director**

November 2010

INTERCESSORS - By Dwayne Webb.

Greetings from the beautiful Ouachita National Forest. All the trees are ablaze with the glory of fall. It is awesome to behold what God does this time of year. A couple of us just returned from a wonderful, Christ-filled weekend in Oklahoma City at the fourth annual Missions for Everyone conference. The conference was hosted by Village Missions Int. and Trinity Bible Church. The time with the other missionaries and our brothers and sisters at Trinity was awesome. We left encouraged and challenged. Praise to God for His mighty works!

Continue to pray for our finances.

We have planned a 25th year celebration for October 30th. We will have an open house. Please pray that God will be glorified by all that we do that day. Dwayne

PS: We will get to more specific about the House-parents and residents later. They are all growing and changing in marvelous ways. Unfortunately we are so limited about what we can say it is difficult to share with you all that is going on. We try to be general and at the same time let you know that YOUR PRAYERS ARE EFFECTIVE. Our lives and the lives of our kids are being molded into the image of Christ because of you.

REFLECTIONS - *"Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you."*
(James 1:27 NLT)

For just over twenty-five years this is what we have done. We have cared for the orphan and his/her family by pointing them to their Heavenly Father and to their Savior, Jesus Christ, as the only source of hope and healing. All the while we are fully aware that they may not listen to us when we speak of our relationships with God and His Son. Why would young people listen? They do not know us when they arrive, and much of their pain has come from adults.

So, we have poured our lives into the lives of our kids every day for two and a half decades. Everyone here (teachers, houseparents, directors, secretaries, and ranch hands) has invested in their lives. We all understand one simple truth: stay thirsty (for Christ) and all the details will take care of themselves. If we consistently strive to know Him more, He will consistently pour His life through us. We will consistently be able to provide "living water" for all those He brings our way.

Many of you have been with us for the entire time or a significant amount of it. You have prayed. You have worked. And you have given. For that we say, "Thank You!" We would have found it difficult, if not impossible, to keep pouring our lives out without your prayers. Stay Thirsty, my friend! Dwayne

HOW IT ALL GOT STARTED - The dream of providing a home for at-risk youth has endured since Glenhaven Youth Ranch opened its gates in 1984. Today, Glenhaven consists of 2 campuses spread over 190 acres in the Ouachita National Forest in Central Arkansas, located 40 miles north of Hot Springs, Arkansas on scenic Highway 7.

Founder Jody Brown and his wife, Cindy, who were living in Tulsa, Oklahoma, wanted to help troubled young people. Jody had heard of Glenn Cunningham and that he toured the country as a motivational speaker. Glenn had achieved much notoriety as a track and field star, receiving a silver medal in the 1936 Olympics for the mile ran. After retiring from running, he began speaking publically. Glenn had a ranch in Kansas, which was a working family ranch. On his speaking trips, he would have people ask him about helping troubled youth. He would often suggest sending the young person to his ranch in Kansas. Over the years, Glenn and his wife, Ruth, had hundreds of kids spend time at their ranch.

At one time in the 1970s, Glenn moved the Cunningham family to Arkansas, to the property we refer to as Hidden Valley. This is the smaller of the two campuses in use today.

After Jody had been in contact with Glenn about working with young people, Glenn offered to let Jody set up a youth ranch at the Hidden Valley property. Jody eventually purchased the property on behalf of Glenhaven and used Glenn's name as a part of the Glenhaven moniker. Jody and Cindy moved from Tulsa with boys and girls to Hidden Valley in 1984. However, it became problematic to have boys and girls in the same house. In the mean time, Bryan and Laura Elmore were driving over from Tulsa to work at Hidden Valley on weekends, helping to establish the Ranch. Bryan and Laura took the girls back to Tulsa, and became houseparents for the girls.

Within a few months, Jody became aware another property that was available nearby. It was in foreclosure. Jody eventually negotiated a down payment and a way to occupy the property. This other property would become Glenhaven's main campus. Having the bigger property allowed for girls and boys to be housed in separate homes. So Bryan and Laura moved to Glenhaven with the girls. Jody and Cindy continued as house parents for the boys. Jody was also the director. In subsequent years, the director's position would be filled by BryanElmore, Quentin Swafford, and presently, Dwayne Webb. Glenhaven received its residential care license from the Arkansas Department of Human Services in 1985.

Throughout its twenty five year existence, many changes have occurred on the Ranch property. More importantly, hundreds of lives have been impacted on behalf of Jesus Christ. The desire to inspire young people to open their lives up to the life changing influences of our Lord was a founding principle for Glenhaven years ago, and it remains our passion today. We are deeply grateful for the many supporters who have invested in this ministry in various ways for over two decades. Your support is having eternal consequences.

- B. Four People: the election of a nation and the preparation for the redeemer (Gen 12-50)
1. Abraham (the father of faith and the nation Israel) (12-23)
 2. Isaac (the beloved son of promise) (24-26)
 - k. Isaac's Weaknesses. 26:1-11
 - l. Isaac's Blessings. 26:12-17

Genesis 26:12 = A Promise Received.

L.T. Now Isaac sowed in that land and reaped in the same year a hundredfold. And the LORD blessed him,

Principle: Obedience brings personal blessing, sometimes _____.

Genesis 26:13 = Wealth Multiplied.

L.T. and the man became great, and continued to grow greater until he became very great;

Principle: _____ itself is not evil, but the love it of is. 1 Tim 6:10

Genesis 26:14 = Description of the Wealth and Its Pitfalls.

L.T. for he had possessions of flocks and herds and a great household, so that the Philistines envied him.

Principle: Greatness is often _____ by the sinful soul.

Genesis 26:15 = The Cowardly Response.

L.T. Now all the wells which his father's servants had dug in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines stopped up by filling them with earth.

Principle: Envy plus fear often lead to cowardly _____ on the object of the envy.

Genesis 26:16 = The Royal Command.

L.T. Then Abimelech said to Isaac, "Go away from us, for you are too powerful for us."

Principle: Greatness often is a cause of _____ in others that breeds the desire to drive away the object.

Genesis 26:17 = Isaac's Compliance.

L.T. And Isaac departed from there and camped in the valley of Gerar, and settled there.

Principle: Great believers respect _____ authority when it does not compromise _____ authority.

Envy:

1. Envy is a resentful awareness of an advantage enjoyed by someone else that is joined with a desire to possess the same advantage.
 - A. Jealousy is an intensive desire to keep one's possessions.
 - B. Covetousness involves action to acquire or guard the object of the desire.
 - C. There is a righteous and godly jealousy. Deut 32:21
2. Envy and jealousy are two of the strongest mental sins. Prov 27:4
3. There was a special offering for it under the Law. Num 5:11-31
4. Envy-jealousy comes from the Sin Nature of man. Rom 1:28-32
Gal 5:19-22
5. God commands us not to envy. Prov 3:31; 23:17; 24:1-2, 19-20
6. It causes spiritual stumbling. Psa 73:1-3
7. It is a result of false doctrine. 1 Tim 6:3-6
8. Historical incidents:
 - A. Rachel becomes jealous of Leah. Gen 30:1
 - B. Joseph sold into slavery. Gen 37:11
 - C. The Korah rebellion. Psa 106:16-17
 - D. Split of the nation of Israel. Isa 11:13
 - E. The religious leaders who betrayed the Lord. Matt 27:17-18
 - F. The Jews against Paul. Acts 13:44-45; 17:4-5
9. We need to train ourselves to recognize and conquer envy in our own lives.

Who I Am in Christ

- A. We are _____ from condemnation in Adam.
- B. We are _____ by God for intimacy with Him.
- C. We are _____ by God the Holy Spirit to produce fruit.
- D. We are a _____ of God's Royal Family. 1 Pet 2:9
- E. We are _____ as Royal Family. 1 Cor 2:9