

# Stewartsville Baptist Church

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How does our faith (Christian worldview) affect our daily life? As Christians, our Biblical beliefs should be evident in all aspects of our life, from our church life, to our individual life, to our family life, to our work life. First, a worldview is the framework from which we understand our purpose for our life. A Christian worldview, where one's primary reason for existence is to love and serve God, is the standard by which we measure everything we do. As we start a new "Church Year", let's take a look at some specific areas of our life to see if our Christian worldview and beliefs are controlling our actions.

1. **Morality** - the Bible is very clear on issues such as marriage (Genesis 2:21-25; Hebrews 17:4), homosexuality (Leviticus 18:22 & 20:13) and abortion (Jeremiah 1:5, Psalm 127:3 & 139:13-16). The world wants to abolish these principles and say that marriage is not just for a man and woman or that a woman has the "right" to do to her body what she wants. Politicians love to use these issues to sway us from one side to the other. Will your worldview on moral issues affect your vote this year? Does your worldview affect the TV shows you watch, the music you listen to?
2. **Family life** - Men, are you the spiritual leader in your family? You should be! Do you regularly attend church with your family? Do you have family time where you read the Bible and discuss spiritual issues? Men are you teaching your sons how to be Christian young men? Women are you teaching your daughters to be Godly young women? Parents, YOU should be their example, not MTV, some pop star or immoral famous personality.
3. **Finances** - Do we REALLY trust God enough to give Him 10% and live on 90%? And, do we spend that 90% in a Biblical worldview way? We need to take an inventory in our homes and see how much "unnecessary stuff" we have. Did we spend God's 10% on that stuff or did we spend money that could have been used to make a difference in someone's life by giving it to the church or to a reputable charity?
4. **Work** - Does our Christian worldview affect our professional life? Would our co-workers have enough "evidence" against us to convict us of being a Christian? As someone who claims to love and follow Christ, we should be the best employee that anyone could have. Giving full-time work for full-time pay, making sure we do A+ work on every project, not stealing time or items from our employer - this is "evidence" we want our co-workers to have on us.
5. **Church Service** - We all have gifts that the church needs. Are you using your gift here at Stewartsville Baptist this year? EVERY member's name should be on our list of servants for 2012-13. Sunday School teacher, Nursery worker, Social committee member, Building/Grounds committee member, Choir member - just a few of the areas you can serve. Are you a part of the 20% that does 80% of the work or part of the 80% that only does 20% of the work. The Christian life is a life of SERVICE.

Take a few moments to ponder on these things as we look forward to a great church year. Keep our Pastor Search Committee in your prayers as they seek a pastor to lead us in the coming year.

Garry

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

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| Sept. 2 | 4pm | Deacons Meeting  |
| Sept. 9 |     | Business Meeting |

## CHURCHWIDE VISITATION

Sept. 25

Join us at 6pm for a meal and "Gather and Go" or "Stay and Pray" at 7pm. Everyone is invited.

## **S.O.S. Meeting**

Regular meeting September 6 at 7pm.  
Everyone age 55 and up is invited and welcome!

## RICK GAGE CRUSADE

September 16-19

Our evening service on Sept. 16 will be cancelled. We will take the bus and van to the crusade that night.

Richmond High School Stadium, Rockingham

## THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,

Thank you, Stewartsville Baptist Church, for your prayers, food, and other gifts. We appreciate it all. Your love and support means so much to us. We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful church family.

Randy, Darlene, Erin and Phillip Stewart

Dear Church Family,

To all of you for prayers, phone calls, food, visits, flowers and your love shown to me during my surgery and recovery. Thanks again for everything.

Jo Britt

AWANA AND PRESCHOOL CHOIR  
will start  
Wednesday, September 5  
at 6:15pm

CHILDREN'S CHOIR  
will start Sunday, September 9 from 5:30 to  
7:30pm for children in grades 1-6  
Come join us as we start on our Christmas  
musical

ADULT CHOIR  
Meets every Wednesday night after Prayer Service.  
Come join us as we start rehearsing for our Christmas  
musical.

FOOD PANTRY  
We could use canned meats, grits or rice for the food  
pantry. You may leave the items in your SS class or  
at the Welcome Center.  
Thank you for helping.

**COMING SOON!**  
**Women's Embrace Bible Study**  
**"Falling in Love with Jesus," a 10 week DVD led Bible study  
featuring Kathy Troccoli. Come join us as we further our walk  
with Christ. Bible study starts Sunday, September 9 at 4:30pm.  
Sign up sheet in Visitors Center.**



*Congratulations to Charissa Russ on the birth of her son, Collin Dunn Russ, who was born May 23 and weighed 8 lb. 8 oz. at birth. The proud grandparents are Robert and Chris Russ.*

*Congratulations to Jonathan & Amy Carter on the birth of their daughter, Lily, who was born August 21 and weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz. Lily joins her older siblings, Sierra, Chloe and Jonathan. The proud great-grandmother is Maxine Gore.*