

## ~ Kevin's Kolumn ~

### *God doesn't call the qualified; He qualifies the called*

The story of Moses is one of the greatest stories in all of scripture. At the time Moses believes he's ready to defend his Hebrew brothers and sisters, he tries it HIS way; one slave at a time. God had different plans; 40 years of wilderness training, a more mature Moses and a non-consuming, burning bush. Don't you just love how God operates? The least of all people you would anticipate leading a nation gets the call. It was never Moses' strength that God needed; it was God's strength that Moses needed! Abraham needed reminded a time or two that it was God's plan to use his seed to bring forth a nation too numerous to count. Moses needed Aaron to hold his hand when going to talk to Pharaoh. Years prior to Moses' burning bush encounter, Moses was trying to handle everything on his own. After the burning bush, Moses tries everything he can to avoid handling ANYTHING. Sound familiar? Ever been there? Listen to the words of the Apostle Paul: **2 Cor 12:7-9** ***"To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me."***

**Boasting about weaknesses isn't about 'physical battle wounds' like a scar or broken arm. Boasting about weakness is allowing others to see your tendencies to do the wrong thing and trusting God to pull you up out of the mire and give you a different direction. Just as with Moses, Paul and us...God's grace is sufficient for each of us because HIS power is made perfect in our weakness!**

*Have a blessed day and remember the One who gave it to you!*  
Kevin

## Good Morning!

### Upcoming Events

- **Baby Shower** – There will be a Baby Shower in honor of Taylor Robe , TODAY, Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM in the Lower Fellowship Hall.
- **MOPS** – The next MOPS meeting will be Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM in the Upper Fellowship Hall.
- **Ladies Bible Study** – All ladies are invited to a Bible Study on Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at the home of Lisa Brooks. Please bring finger foods. If you have questions, please see Lisa.
- **Covered Dish Luncheon** – We will be having a Covered Dish Luncheon on Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> immediately following our morning service. Everyone welcome! We will be having services that evening.
- **Praise Singing Appreciation Class** – Beginning on Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM an instructional singing class will be conducted. Topics will include: Singing harmony parts, proper keying of songs, singing using shape notes, introduction of new songs, etc. Class is open to everyone – not just song leaders. Contact Ed Carpenter for more info.
- **Senior's Luncheon** – There will be a luncheon in honor of all members who are age 60 years old and up. This will be held on April 13<sup>th</sup> immediately following the morning service in the Lower Fellowship Hall. For more info, please see Pam Jackson or Marsha Sparks.
- **Ladies Inspiration Day** – There will be a Ladies Day at the Pumpkin Center Church of Christ on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. More info coming soon!
- **Friend Day** is Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars and start inviting your friends and family!
- **Free Market Items** – Please remember your items to be donated for the Free Market. Items needed this month are: Household cleaning supplies, paper towels, etc. For more info, please see Faith Lough or Mary Lough.

### News and Notes

- ♦ **High School & College Graduates** – We will be having our Graduating Seniors Recognition Night on Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> during our evening service. If you have a child graduating either or high school or college, please let Dianne know ASAP. We will need a wallet size photo for the bulletin and 12 photos for the slide show. See Dianne for more details. This is for all graduates that attend this congregation.

### Prayer Requests ♥

- ♥Please continue to keep Edwina Summers in your prayers.