

## There must be a reason

Have you ever dealt with a project that had a great amount of challenges in the way? Have you ever had a school project that got lost after you had it all done? Have you ever had to go back to the doctor after you thought you were all better? Have you ever had a sure promotion taken away? Do you know what it feels like to deal with the road blocks that come with any task in our lives?

I like to call those, bumps on the road. Any task we may start; inevitably will come across those. Some are persistently annoying, some are brief, some are serious, and some will change your route completely. It is never pleasant when we come across those bumps. So the majority of the time we wonder, "What does God have up His sleeves?"

One possible answer is similar to Paul's writing to the Corinthians "The reason I wrote you was to see if you would stand the test and be obedient in everything" (2 Co 2:9). Are these bumps simply tests of our resolve? Maybe they are tests of our reaction to adversity, "Each one should test his own actions. Then he can take pride in himself, without comparing himself to somebody else," (Gal 6:4). Another option is that these bumps are there to help us appreciate the ultimate prize even more, "Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him" (James 1:12).

What if the bump is so large that changes our course completely? Through the years, I reacted differently to the bumps on my many roads. I have been impatient, I have been angry, doubtful, almost quitting, complaining, questioning God, doubting my own capability to continue. Some of those routes would have been a different grade, a project unfinished, others were more serious, and the big ones, if poorly dealt with, would have taken me away from God. So no matter what our bump on the road is, remember that God is still in control and there must be a reason for the bumps because 1 Corinthians 10:13 says that "No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear."

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## Overland church of Christ



March 7, 2010

### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

Bible Class.....9:30 a.m.

Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.

Bible Class.....5:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday

Goodtimers.....10:00 a.m.

Bible Class.....7:00 p.m.

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Elders...David Bradley, David Moon,  
Tal Sims

Minister....Anderson Maestri  
Youth Minister ....Darren Wisor

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### Our Faith In Action!

Sunday Bible Class_____	74
AM Worship_____	101
Evening Bible Class_____	58
Goodtimers_____	12
Wed. Bible Class_____	62
Contribution_____	\$3,271
Budget Amount_____	\$3,318
Mission Contribution_____	\$11,312

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This Weeks Sermon Title:  
**"Through our Weaknesses "**

### Family News

Thelma is having cataract surgery on March 17<sup>th</sup>, please keep her in your prayers.

Walter Hampton's mom Juanita Hampton passed away Tuesday March 2nd. There will be a private service Monday, our deepest sympathy to Walter and his family.

Kay South Engler is not going to a hospice center, she has moved in with her daughter.

There is a box available in the back of the auditorium for the Wyland **winter coat drive**. Just a reminder of sizes that are needed 5-6, 7-8 and 9-10.

**Children's Bible Hour** is available for Ages 2 - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.  
This weeks teachers are ~ Pam & Amy Bradley

### Mark Your Calendars

**Overland Ladies Day:** Perfection....1 Day at a Time, 1 Verse at a Time. Saturday March 13, at 4:00 pm. Dinner will be provided. Speakers: Melissa Wilfong and Kathy Wisor. R.S.V.P. to Kathy by March 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Church of Christ Day @ Busch Stadium**

Cardinals vs Mets ~ Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup> @ 12:10 pm  
Tickets will be \$20.00 ~ There is a sign up sheet available on the table, deadline to have money turned in is March 22nd.

Make checks payable to Overland church of Christ



### **Calendar of Events**

#### March

**Today** ~ Congregational Pot-luck evening services to follow at 1:00

**13<sup>th</sup>** ~ Ladies Day

**27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>** ~ West Central church of Christ Annual Acapella Singers Songfest

#### April

**17<sup>th</sup>** ~ Church of Christ Day @ Busch Stadium 12:10 pm

#### May

**23<sup>rd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>** ~ Wagner Avenue church of Christ 45<sup>th</sup> Homecoming 12:10 pm

#### Youth

#### March

**13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>** ~ Youth Rally @ Greenmount Road church of Christ

**There is a staffed nursery for children up to age 2.**  
**Nursery Attendants for today: Morgan T & Kim M**  
**March 14<sup>th</sup> Attendants ~ Sharon W & Pam N**

### **Prayer Requests**

#### Members

Ethel Bales,  
Nancy Douglas,  
Cary Evans,  
Walter Hampton & Family,  
Nate Hardy,  
Lenwood & Mary Hodges,  
Ann Knight, Elmer McRoy,  
Tommy Peterson,  
Gordon & Tammy Phelps,  
Karen Stephens,  
Karen Thoele,  
Chris Tucker, Art Tucker,  
Roger Walters & Family,  
Darren & Kathy Wisor

#### Family & Friends

**Kay South Engler**  
(Andy & June's daughter)

**Howard Evans**  
(Linda Tippet's dad)

**James Fisher**  
(Brandi Grimes' grandpa)  
**LeGrand Strickland**

**Martin Family**  
**Mrs. White**  
(retired voice teacher for Harding)

#### Shut-Ins

Ethel Bales,  
Connie Ruth Brittain,  
Nancy Douglas,  
Sue Graham,  
Ralph & Dee Loyd  
Rosemary Rios  
Reta Youngblood

#### In Search

With: Mack Lyon  
Check out his website at: [www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)  
Charter Customers  
Channel 7  
Direct TV Channel 46

### Those Serving in the Military

Sloan Bain ~ Tommy's friend  
Brett Campbell  
Lt. Kevin Canning, USMC ~ Karen Stephens' grandson  
Tim Davis ~ Thoele's nephew  
Rammon Macon ~ friend of Brandi Grimes  
Don Rude ~ Brandi Grimes' uncle  
If you know of someone serving in the military and would like their name on our prayer list, please let the office know.