

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

January 2012

Good Morning Friends!

Every so often someone complains, "Pastor Rick, you're too political in your preaching."

Because I truly love people I certainly do not want to say or to do anything that drives people away from our Lord Jesus. I pray that the Lord (and my congregation) will forgive me for speaking when I should be listening, and for saying what I should have left unsaid.

I also pray that the Lord will find me a faithful shepherd. The writer to the Hebrews tells us that faithful ministers "watch for your souls, as they that must give account." (Hebrews 13:17). The Apostle Paul told the Church leaders at Ephesus to "take heed to themselves and to the flock...for grievous wolves [would] enter in not sparing the flock." (Acts 20:26-31).



God has not called me to be a political partisan--a democrat or a republican--but as Ambassador for Christ He has given me explicit instruction: (1.) To preach the Gospel of salvation through sanctification and belief of the truth (2 Thesalonians 2:13), (2.) to Warn the lost and the backsliders of God's judgment--It is appointed unto man once to die, and after this the judgment. (Hebrews 9:27) and (3.) to "cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgression." (Isaiah 58:1).

Standing before the Judge of all the Earth, we will not be asked if we voted "Republican" or "Democrat." All that will matter in that hour is that our hearts are pure from all sin, that our minds are fully persuaded that God's Word is right and that God's Will is best, and that our lives have been lived to the glory of God.

Standing against murder--at any age--is far more than a political position--it is a moral mandate! Upholding Biblical marriage is more than a partisan statement, it is a righteous commitment. Standing against greed is more than a political value, it is a Christian virtue. We stand desperate need of a moral awakening. Pray!



Pastor Rick Jones

"All that is necessary for the triumph of evil, is for good men to do nothing" Edmund Burke

FCC NEWSLINE

Important Announcements and Updates

+ **CD'S ARE NOW AVAILABLE** of our services. If you would like to receive a CD simply email PastorRick@FCCToday or stop by the sound booth on Sundays to make your request.

Bring your
BY THE BOOK
Bible Study

+ **WE HAVE BEEN THRILLED WITH THE PARTICIPATION IN OUR "BY THE BOOK" DISCIPLESHIP WORKBOOK.** Those who have completed all 10 lessons are invited to dinner with Pastor Rick, Sunday, February 5.

+ **ST. LOUIS HOLINESS CONVENTION AND FCC'S INDOOR CAMPMEETING SERVICES ARE COMING FEBRUARY 16-19!** Special speakers include: LOYD BLEY, Nebraska; MELVIN WATERS, Arkansas; WILLIAM CAWMAN, New Jersey; WALLACE THORNTON, Sr., Kentucky; KEN THOMPSON, Missouri; GARY JACKSON, Troy MO, BEN CRAWFORD, Alabama; STEVE GIBSON, Indiana; P L LIDDELL, Michigan; JOHN POFF, Missouri, MARSH JONES, Bishop, Crusaders Church USA, Illinois; ANDREW DURST, Illinois; SINGING: DUANE ELMORE FAMILY, MO. DON'T MISS THIS!

+ THE SERMON ON THE AMOUNT

Month of Jan.	Monthly Need	Year to Date	2011 Goal
\$4,823.56	\$9,000.00	\$ 4,823.56	\$130,000.00

Our budget each month includes a \$3,800 mortgage payment, \$1,300 utilities, \$430 insurance, \$300 Sunday School Bus Gas, \$400 Office Expenses (Copy machine, Paper, & Postage), and Miscellaneous Expenses \$750 (Inspections, repairs, needy).

+ **\$100,000 CAMPAIGN TO REDUCE THE MORTGAGE**
We now have \$6,000 in cash and pledges. Thank you!

130 ATTEND FCC'S THANKSGIVING FEAST



FCC PRAYER & PRAISE

Reports of Answered Prayers and Your Requests

- VIVIAN SHARP is now home from the hospital. She is very weak in body, but strong in spirit! She is trusting the Lord for a complete recovery. Let's remember to pray for her husband Marshall, and all who are helping her to recovery.
- RUTH GEORGE
- WESEISFELDER needs our prayer support. He is now on Hospice.
- ROBERT BECKER appreciates our prayers.
- MAMIE STOUGH appreciates our prayers for strength.
- SHAUNE BATYE'S MOTHER
- PRAY FOR OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN
- VIOLET WILCOX
- SHERYL VANLANDINGHAM
- JIMMY WOMACK Brother JACK passed away this week.
- JUSTIN & NATASHA appreciate your prayers as they move to St. Louis.
- PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES, Jim Roberts, Katherine Graham, and John Slimp.
- PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY BE-REAVED: The Moss Family, the Parmleys, the Russells, and the Abbott family.
- MILLIE RADNEY, GRANNY FARMER, and RALPH BERBERIAN are living at home but appreciate our prayers.
- PRAY FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH. Join us in lifting up those who are suffering and dying for their Christian witness.



Fun Times for our Kids At The Thanksgiving Dinner

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she “needed” an abortion, and she deserved the right to choose – at least she thought she did.

“On March 17, 1970, I signed the affidavit that brought the holocaust of abortion into America,” McCorvey told the AFA Journal. “And I thought I was doing something right; I thought I was doing something good, and I was wrong.”

But before understanding her mistake years later, McCorvey realized Weddington and Coffee wanted her signature more than they wanted to help her. She was a tough-talking, abrasive, alcoholic drug user who worked many odd jobs. She was a bartender, carnival barker, construction worker and waitress, later living the lesbian lifestyle.

Swinging to the other side McCorvey made a “career” out of working in abortion clinics, one of those being A Choice for Women in Dallas, Texas. McCorvey’s job was to remind the women that everything was going to be ok.

It was only a matter of time before the lies became too much for her to bear, especially after Operation Rescue (OR) set up shop right beside the abortion clinic where McCorvey worked.

Assisting OR Director Flip Benham was Ronda Mackey, a fiery young mother of two girls,

Chelsea and Emily. Benham, Mackey, her two girls, and a host of pro-life activists worked relentlessly to save the innocent lives of the unborn while McCorvey fought hard for the survival of her clinic and her cause. Through it all, the OR team took every opportunity to befriend McCorvey and love her.

But it was the friendship and love of the Mackey girls that eventually gave McCorvey a new cause for which to fight. Little did McCorvey know that Emily was introducing her to the Love of her life.

In July 1995, McCorvey finally accepted Emily’s invitation and went to church with the Mackey family. Jane Roe met Jesus Christ that day.

From then on, she was Roe no more. She was a new creation in Christ. But as with any new believer, McCorvey had a lot of learning, growing and forgiving ahead of her.

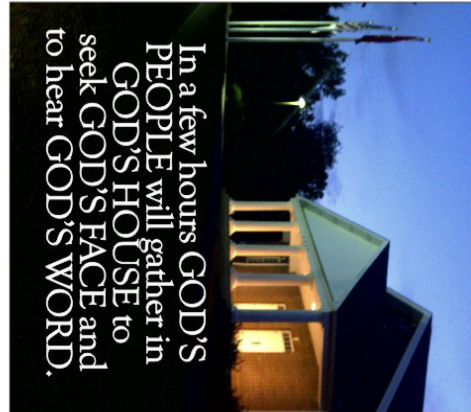
“You know at first ... I carried a very heavy burden,” she admitted. But in time she realized, as she wrote in her autobiography, “God did not view me solely through the lens of what I had done or how I had been used. Now, after I had been forgiven, Jane Roe was irrelevant. The woman He loved – the woman He saved – was Norma Leah McCorvey.”

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- ☐ ST. LOUIS HOLINESS CONV, Feb.16-17, 2012
- ☐ INDOOR CAMPMEETING, Feb. 16-19, 2012
- ☐ RESURRECTION SUNDAY, April 8, 2012



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FCC FRIDAYS FOR TEENS 7:00 PM



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Celebrate SANCTITY of HUMAN LIFE Sunday

*I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made:
marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.
Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect;
and in thy book all my members were written,
which in continuance were fashioned,
when as yet there was none of them. Psalm 139:14-17, KJV*

In 1969 Norma McCorvey was 22 years old, divorced and pregnant for the third time. All she wanted was to get rid of her “product of conception,” but a state law limited her options. Poor and uneducated, she needed help.

Who better to turn to than two young lawyers who were ready to conquer the world by giving women the right to control

their own bodies? Sarah Weddington and Linda Coffee were seeking to overturn the Texas statue that outlawed abortion, and they needed a desperate and believable plaintiff. Pregnant McCorvey was the perfect candidate, but her story needed to be more plausible. Therefore, McCorvey and the attorneys told the court that her pregnancy was the result of a gang rape. So,

