

# SEC Today

## Today's Text

The text for today's service is Eph. 4:17-24, which can be found on page 828 in the pew Bibles. Today's topic is, *Different With Purpose*. Next week's text is Ezekiel 28.

## Small Groups



## Thursday Night Community

The Thursday Night Community is going through Focus on the Family's *"The Truth Project."* We meet at SEC at 7 PM. Contact Pastors Tom or Roger if you want to join us.

## A Bible Study of 1 John

Thursday evening from 6:00 – 6:45 PM. We will meet every other

week here on our campus. If you are interested in participating, please call the office 776-1575, or speak with Pastor Tom.

## Men's Level I Bible Study

The Men's Level I Bible Study and the Youth are going through *The Truth Project* in Fellowship Hall from 6 to 8 PM on Sundays. See Brian Kelley or James Clawson if you have any questions. Bring a friend!

## Sunday Afternoon Truth Project

Pastor Tom is leading a *Truth Project* group on Sunday afternoons from 2 to 4 PM in Fellowship Hall. See him if you want to join.

## Tuesday Night Bible Study

Brian and Kim Kelley are doing *The Truth Project* on Tuesday evenings. See them for details.

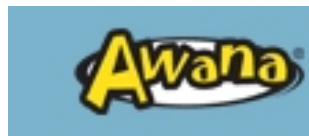
## Our Missionaries

Pray for Daria and Chad, Lisa, and Albert and June. All are SBC. Also pray for Prem and Kelley, Cherie, and Tara.

• Lisa writes, "Last week I got a call from a friend asking if she could come over right away — she sounded in distress. She arrived at my house a wreck. She began to cry and poured out to me

how her sister had just had her first baby, only the baby came early and died after living for only a few hours. She had been there in the hospital and saw the baby go from a beautiful pink new baby to a baby struggling to breathe and finally dying. In addition, my friend broke her arm awhile back and this same day had the cast removed. She was appalled at how weak and limp her arm looked — and this is her right arm . . . the hand she writes with. She was afraid she would never be able to write or use her arm normally again. On top of all that, arrangements were going on at home to finalize things for her to marry a certain young man. Thankfully, her family has asked her opinion in the matter, and while she is okay with the guy they have chosen for her, she does not really know him and is not sure she is ready to get married yet, so this all seems very overwhelming. All these things happening at once had her in a state of deep grief and dis-

couragement and not knowing where to turn. I listened as she talked, got her something to eat, read some from the Word with her, prayed with her, and then she went to sleep. After she woke up, we talked some more until she felt ready to go home. My heart ached to see my dear friend hurting so, and yet I was thankful for the opportunity once again to share with her of a Father who sees her hurt and is there for her. Please keep praying for my friend that as she finds herself in these dark places in life that she would come to know the incomparable love of JC for her."



## AWANA

AWANA is up and running! They meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 in the educational building.

## 2006 Ministry Calendar

These are upcoming events on our 2006 ministry calendar:

- **Sep 24, Food Pantry Sunday**

- **Oct 28, Church Workday**
- **Oct 29, Food Pantry Sunday**
- **Oct 31, Fall Festival**
- **Nov 19, Meals Together**
- **Nov 26, Food Pantry Sunday**
- **Dec 24, Christmas Eve - Christmas Around the World**
- **Dec 31, Food Pantry Sunday**

## Finance Update

Jan 1-Aug 31, 2006

Income: \$88,100.84

Expenses: \$94,889.52

September 1-12, 2006

Income: \$6,769.03

Expenses: \$7,017.61

Year to Date Income from SCDC: \$15,412.26

Last Year to Sep 12:

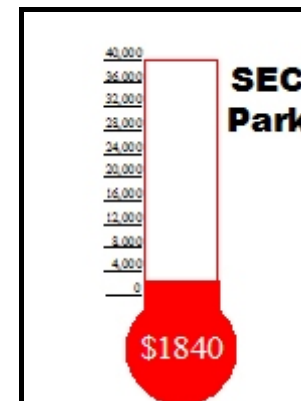
Income: \$96,630.36

SCDC: \$9,554.64

Expenses: \$97,788.70

## SEC Park Project

The next step in our campus upgrade is taking down the old buildings and making the land area west of the sanctuary



and education building a park with picnic area and playing fields. Indicate SEC Park on your above the tithe offering.

## What is the Church?

Church is the English translation of the Greek word *ekklesia*. This term historically has two streams of meaning that affect the New Testament understanding of church. First, the Greek term which basically means "called out" was commonly used to indicate an assembly of citizens of a Greek city and is so used in Acts 19:32, 39. The citizens who were quite conscious of their privileged status over against slaves and noncitizens were called to the assembly by a herald and dealt in their meetings democratically with matters of common concern. When the early Christians understood themselves as constituting a church, no doubt exists that they perceived themselves as called out by God in Jesus Christ for a special purpose and that their status was a privileged one in Jesus Christ. (Eph. 2:19).

*Holman Bible Dictionary*  
Read Part 2 Next Week.

