

SEC Today

Today's Text

The text for today's service is Ezekiel 28, which can be found on page 606 in the pew Bibles. Today's topic is, *Supernatural, but ???* Next week's text is Isaiah 6:1-7.

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.

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, "My friend is encouraged to see her hand beginning to work better again, and her spirits have lifted some. This past week her family was going on a picnic to celebrate her sister visiting from Europe, and they invited me to come along. We found a secluded place with trees and a little stream, and were enjoying the freedom of rolling up our pants and dangling our

feet in the water (until a stranger walked by and we quick had to roll down our pants and hide), playing volleyball (although no net), and sitting under a tree and drinking tea together (until another stranger walked by and the ladies grabbed their long chadders to cover up — can't be seen in normal clothes by other men). It was a great time of just having fun together and hanging out with her family. Thank God with me for the gift of this friend, and keep asking with me that she would soon become a sister in JC as well.

Family Fall Fun Festival

There will be a Family Fun Fall Festival information meeting Monday Oct. 2 at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please attend. This will be a short meeting.

2006 Ministry Calendar

These are upcoming events on our 2006 ministry calendar:

- **Today**, Food Pantry Sunday
- **Oct 21**, Mens' Ministry Outreach
- **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 1-20, 2006

Income: \$8,756.03

Expenses: \$9,293.68

Year to Date Income from

SCDC: \$15,412.26

Last Year to Sep 20:

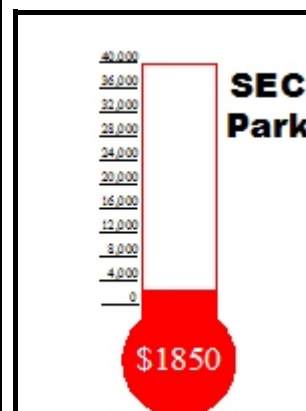
Income: \$99,020.36

SCDC: \$9,554.64

Expenses: \$99,551.69

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? Part 2

Second, the Greek term *(ecclesia)* was used more than one hundred times in the Greek translation of the Old Testament in common use in the time of Jesus. The Hebrew term (*qahal*) meant simply "assembly" and could be used in a variety of ways, referring for example to an assembling of prophets (1 Sam. 19:20), soldiers (Num. 22:4), or the people of God (Deut. 9:10). The use of the term in the Old Testament in referring to the people of God is important for understanding the term "church" in the New Testament. The first Christians were Jews who used the Greek translation of the Old Testament. For them to use a self-designation that was common in the Old Testament for the people of God reveals their understanding of the continuity that links the Old and New Testaments. The early Christians understood themselves as the people of the God who had revealed Himself in

the Old Testament (Heb. 1:1-2), as the true children of Israel (Rom. 2:28-29) with Abraham as their father (Rom. 4:1-25), and as the people of the New Covenant prophesied in the Old Testament (Heb. 8:1-13). As a consequence of this broad background of meaning in the Greek and Old Testament worlds, the term "church" is used in the New Testament of a local congregation of called-out Christians, such as the "church of God which is at Corinth" (1 Cor. 1:2), and also of the entire people of God, such as in the affirmation that Christ is "the head over all things to the church, Which is his body" (Eph. 1:22-23).

Holman Bible Dictionary
Read Part 3 Next Week.

Wanted!

SCDC is still looking for full time and part time teachers. See Pastor Roger if you are interested.