

draws us. In a sense God is the original search engine, to use computer language. But many are trying all kinds of other “search engines” and surfing the world for fulfillment. It’s a lot like house hunting. Sometimes in our house hunt we found ourselves going over the same terrain—areas we’d already explored. The same can be said of our lives. We try the same thing over and over whether it is something chemical to pacify us or keeping ourselves so busy we don’t notice or hear God at work within us.

What does it take for us today to realize that our search for God needs to be more than a wish? Recently I saw this quote on an outdoor Richmond church bulletin board: **“One good wish changes nothing. One good decision changes everything.”** We can wish and wish for things to be different. But, wishing changes nothing. It is making a good decision that changes everything like making a good decision in the choice of a house. It is action that changes everything. If one just wishes for the house, nothing is accomplished. If one just wishes for a better relationship with God and others, it changes nothing. Making a good decision about a particular house, changes everything, because life moves forward. Making a decision to allow God to change us...to grow us up, is forward movement in our relationship with God. We don’t remain “stuck” in one place. We don’t remain stuck in our relationship with God when we “let” God find us...when we open ourselves up to receiving his will for our lives. It is in coming home to God that we find fulfillment.

Matthew 7:7 states: *Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened (NIV).*

God is faithful. He desires for us to come home and to be committed. He desires for us to make a good decision and ask, seek, and knock. The door will be opened when we truly commit to follow the way of Christ. When we do we don’t have to surf the world-wide net for fulfillment any longer. Christ IS our fulfillment.

Let’s allow God’s homing device to bring us home. And may it be so.

In Christ, for Christ,
Pastor Carol Pfeiffer

Church Directory

We are in the process of bringing our church directory up-to-date for 2006. If you have any additions or changes in the addresses, new class officers, please turn them in to the office or e-mail Jodi at jodi-john@insightbb.com.

Speaker for October 16

Ann Bach will be speaking October 16 during the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Continuing to Pray for...

Jeff Bach’s father Duane Crownover (Marcia Stout’s brother) Bob Klein Gary Stout
 Sheila Weaver (Jodi Johnson’s friend) Carl Lang Roger Werking
 Bill Hall Don Seibert Wilma McCary (Beth Bowman’s aunt)
 Home: Mary Werking, Harriet Burroughs, Ruth Crull, Viola Nicholson, Bernetha Davis
 Care Center: LuFreda Bowman

Giving For September

Average Weekly Offering needed to meet budget.....	\$1,465.20
Average Offering for September.....	\$1,162.89
Offering for Aug. 28.....	\$1,260.70
4.....	1,260.00
11.....	1,050.50
18.....	1,372.32
25.....	968.00
Bethany Seminary Offering.....	24.00
Average Attendance for September	47

