

It was then that he stopped and turned and looked at me. I was able to capture him when he stopped. It was as if he was tired of his lark. It was as if he saw me and looked me in the face saying, "Ok, I'm done. I'll let you take me now." We are often like my runaway dog. Often it is when we hit some barrier in our life, some crisis, something that causes us to put on the brakes that we stop and turn to God. It is then that we face God with our pleading eyes. Or it is out of exhaustion from our own efforts that we finally say, "Ok, here I am. I can't do this on my own. I don't know the direction or have any sense of direction in my life."

If I had shouted the word, "Treat," Schnickelfritz probably would have stopped in his tracks. But I didn't think of it at the time. Metaphorically, God shouts, "Treat." God's treat is his love for us. And you know what? God demonstrates his unconditional love as we stop and turn and face him by opening **his** arms to receive us back...to hug us to his heart...to tell us how much he loves us. When we turn and face God, we can relax. Our Maker has found us! We are safe!

So the next time you feel like running ahead of God, stop, turn and face the Lover of your soul and be joyful that God is there.

In Christ, for Christ,  
Pastor Carol Pfeiffer

### New Sunday School Class



A new S.S. School class is meeting in the room by the church office. If you do not have a class, join with this group. They are finishing the Gospel of Mark. Robert Pfeiffer is leading the group. All welcome.

### District Conference Reminder

District Conference will be held at Salamonie Church of the Brethren, Warren, Indiana, September 14-15. Registration begins at 6 p.m. Moderator Pam Princell is the speaker for worship.

### Diaper Pantry Ministry Begins

**Nettle Creek Church of the Brethren Witness Committee** has decided to implement a **diaper pantry** as an outreach project. The program will serve families in the Western Wayne and Nettle Creek school district areas. **Referral forms** will be distributed to the local trustee offices and WIC program. A diaper pantry volunteer will deliver the diapers to the home of the families in need. A Nettle Creek Church of the Brethren brochure and an invitation to visit our church will be given to the family at that time. The program is targeted to **start September 11, 2006**. The Witness Committee will reevaluate the success and desire to continue the diaper pantry project in August 2007.



The Witness Committee is asking the church members to help support this project in a variety of ways:

1. By saving spare change. This money will be collected periodically and used to purchase diapers in a variety of sizes.
2. Diaper donations will be accepted. They can be any brand, any size.
3. Diaper coupons will also be accepted as they will be helpful for families.
4. Money making projects such as bake sales or rummage sales may be used in the future to help fund the program.

5. Anyone interested in helping to deliver diapers can contact Julie Potter, 765-478-4305 or [Juliannacp@AOL.com](mailto:Juliannacp@AOL.com). Thanks for your support.