

I remember my mother's prayers and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life.

President Abraham Lincoln

For more information on events please contact Deb Olson at 614.836.3777

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 10:00am Sunday Worship 5:30pm Prayer 6:00pm Eve. Worship					1	2
3 10:00am Sunday Worship - Matt Maddix 5:30pm Prayer 6:00pm Eve. Worship Matt Maddix	4	5 No Adult Choir Practice	6 6:00am Men's Prayer Group 7:30pm Bible Study	7 9:30am Ladies Prayer Group Ohio District Conference - Calvary Westerville	8 Ohio District Conference - Calvary Westerville	9 1:00pm-6:00pm Youth Boosters Golf Fundraiser
10 Mother's Day 10:00am Sunday Worship 5:30pm Prayer 6:00pm Eve. Worship	11	12 7:00pm Adult Choir Practice	13 6:00am Men's Prayer Group 7:30pm Bible Study	14 9:30am Ladies Prayer Group	15 6:30pm Mingle with the Singles Fellowship @ TurnPoint	16 Ohio District Camp Work Day
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24 10:00am Sunday Worship 1:00pm Memorial Picnic @ Turnpoint No pm Service	25 Memorial Day Church Office Closed	26 7:00pm Adult Choir Practice	27 6:00am Men's Prayer Group 7:30pm Bible Study	28 7:00 pm H.E.L.P Grief and Loss Support Group	29 7:30 pm Youth Bash Fundraiser Event	30



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# THE TURNPOINT TOUCH

YOUR MONTHLY GUIDE TO TURNPOINT CHURCH INFORMATION AND EVENTS



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## Save the Date...

June 14-16	Rev. Eli Hernandez
July 9-12	Soulwinners Bootcamp
August 3-5	Creation Seminar with the Grohman's
Sept 25-27	The Marshall's

## Special Needs & Prayer Requests...

Rachel Brush  
Mark Glover  
Catherine Meadows

## Great News...

- Abigail Dawn Caldwell : Parents Amanda & Joshua Caldwell  
March 18, 2009 19.5 inches 7lbs. 2 oz.
- Trent Lee Holsinger: Parents-Eric & Maegen Holsinger  
March 31, 2009 21.5 inches 7lbs. 11oz.
- Wedding of Jared & Jessica Schwendeman - April 25, 2009

## Weekly Service Schedule...

Sunday 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School & Morning Worship
Sunday 6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
Wednesday 6:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Thursday 9:30 a.m.	Ladies Prayer

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# An Interview with Dr. Jerry Jeffers

He had just delivered his heart to the congregation of Turnpoint. So many Scriptures were quoted giving hope and inspiring faith to all in attendance. As I waited along with many others that wanted to have a word with Dr. Jeffers, he noticed the notebook in my hands and motioned for me to take a seat in honor of our appointment. Thus the interview with Dr. Jeffers began.

TOUCH: How were you introduced to The Church and how old were you when you found the Lord.  
DR. JEFFERS: I was raised in the church where my mother was our pastor. I am the "baby boy" of the family. I have 3 sisters who also live for the Lord. I was baptized with the Holy Ghost at the age of 9.

TOUCH: You are referred to as Dr. Jeffers. Where did you receive your doctorate and in what field is your doctorate?  
DR. JEFFERS: I graduated from the International University of Biblical Studies in Parkersburg, WV, with a doctorate in Christian Counseling.

TOUCH: Other than the Bible, what is your favorite book that you have read?  
DR. JEFFERS: It is Man's Search for Meaning by Victor

E. Frankle. I refer back to this book many times. It teaches a great lesson.

TOUCH: Have you ever thought about writing a book, and if so what is your passion to write about?  
DR. JEFFERS: Yes, I have and I already know what I would write on. It would be on the Five-Fold Agenda of God and Satan.

TOUCH: Did you have a mentor in your life?  
DR. JEFFERS: I sure did. However, I could never narrow it down to just one. I actually had four, my mother, Dr. David Kiner, Dr. Joe Nelson, and Bishop I. W. Evans of Jamaica.

TOUCH: What do you feel is the greatest need of a Christian today?  
DR. JEFFERS: That is easy. To think like God and not like the devil!

TOUCH: This newsletter is centered on our graduates. What advice would you give to the seniors of 2009?

DR. JEFFERS: Ask God to help you submit your will to Him with joy and know that He has already planned your future.

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PASTOR'S THOUGHTS:

# Seize the Moment!



One of the greatest revelations in life is understanding that opportunity often knocks very softly. The biggest regret for most people isn't that they haven't had opportunities, but that they have missed many of them by not being prepared to "seize the moment". As we look back over our lives and see the "golden opportunities" that we missed because of the fear of failure, a lack of boldness, or simply a lack of awareness that we were being presented with an opportunity that was knocking very softly. It's been said that "discipline weighs ounces, but regret weighs tons". It's true! We only get one chance at certain opportunities and need to be prepared to make the most of them.

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate all the Graduates of TurnPoint and the Class of 2009. A chapter in your lives is coming to a close, while a new one is about to be written. Your future is not going to be determined by whether or not you are given certain opportunities, but rather by what you choose to do with the ones you get. Some people

are so preoccupied with starting out "on top" that they miss the opportunity to start out in the "right spot". As long as you make it your priority to choose the "right spot" opportunities will be certain to find you. Don't be afraid to try something new. Force yourself out of your comfort zone. Most of life's greatest moments and opportunities are found when we're willing to stretch ourselves and take a leap of faith into uncharted waters and unknown territories!

Peter is the only person besides Jesus Christ to walk on water because he saw the opportunity and took it! He said, "Lord, if it be you, bid me to come unto you on the water. And Jesus said, "Come". Then Peter walked on the water to go to Jesus." The safest place appeared to be in the boat. They were in a storm and the waves were not inviting, but Peter seized the moment, stepped out of the boat and walked to Jesus because he chose to see past the obstacle and focus on the opportunity.

July 9-12 is a "golden opportunity" for TurnPoint Apostolic Church. In our history, this is the greatest opportunity we've had to impact our community and see hundreds of lives changed by the power of God. I believe we must "seize this moment" and opportunity God has presented and make the most of it. Jesus told the disciples the fields are already white, ready to be gathered, He simply needs laborers! People who are willing to work in the field and gather souls before it's too late! The

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coming of the Lord is upon us and because He has orchestrated this golden opportunity, we must recognize it and work with Him to make it a reality.

I am asking everyone who reads this article to be a part of Soul Winners Boot Camp 2009. It doesn't matter what you do as long as you do it as unto the Lord! While there are several different teams engaged, we are all one big team working toward the same goal. I believe that we are in the eleventh hour and God is simply asking for availability and cooperation with His will to save the lost. We need to commit to pray every day and fast one day a week until SWBC. We must strive to maintain a spirit of unity and let our labor and effort be done as unto the Lord! Every role and detail is important to God and vitally important to the overall success of this evangelism effort. At the end of Soul Winners Boot Camp, we should be able to walk away with two things: One, that God is pleased that we did our best for Him. Two, that we "seized the moment" and made the most of this "golden opportunity" for the kingdom of God.

Thomas Edison said it this way; "Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work" Jesus said in John 9:4-5 "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." This is our day, let's "Seize the Moment"!

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TOUCH: You have such a great understanding of the Word. Do you have a favorite verse?

DR. JEFFERS: I actually have 2 "passages" that are my favorites. They are great in all translations but I prefer the Amplified.

"I am able to do nothing from Myself. Even as I hear, I judge, and My judgment is right, because I do not seek or consult My own will but only the will and pleasure of the Father Who sent Me."

John 5:30 (This is a great prayer!)

"I will not talk with you much more, for the prince of the world is coming. And he has no claim on Me. But I do as the Father has commanded Me, so that the world may know that I love the Father and that I do only what the Father has instructed Me to do. Rise, let us go away from here.

John 14:30, 31

TOUCH: What do you do for a relaxing pastime?

DR. JEFFERS: I would say my favorite relaxation would be talking and laughing with my friends.

TOUCH: Ok, now for the last question. This one is for fun. You always seem so poised and dignified. What is something about yourself that we would be shocked to learn? He answered this one with a chuckle!

DR. JEFFERS: Before and after I received my PhD I worked for a cemetery! It was "ok" as I was working and going to school, but once I graduated with my PhD I keep asking God why I was still in the cemetery. He answered that I was using my PhD. Professional Hole Digger!

Interview by Carol Condon



# The History of Mother's Day

At TurnPoint we honor our mothers this month. So many lives have been saved by great women that nurture their homes and pointing their families to Christ. "Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies..... Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised." Proverbs 31:10, 30

Celebrating motherhood is a historical tradition dating back almost as far as mothers themselves. A number of ancient cultures paid tribute to mothers as goddesses.

During the 17th century, those living on the British Isles initiated a religious celebration of motherhood, called Mothering Sunday, which was held on the fourth Sunday during the Lenten season. This holiday featured the reunification of mothers and their children, separated when working class families had to send off their young children to be employed as house servants. On Mothering Sunday, the child servants were allowed to return home for the day to visit with their parents. The holiday's popularity faded in the 19th century, only to be reintroduced during World War II when U.S. servicemen reintroduced the sentimental (and commercial) aspects of the celebration American counterpart.

In the United States, Mother's Day experienced

a series of false starts before eventually transitioning into the "Hallmark" holiday that we celebrate today. In 1858, Anna Reeves Jarvis was the first woman to hold an official celebration of mothers, when in her home state of West Virginia, she instituted Mothers' Work Day to



raise awareness about local sanitation issues. During the Civil War, she expanded the scope of Mothers' Work Day to include sanitary conditions on both sides of the battlefield.

Then in 1905, Anna Reeves Jarvis passed away and her daughter, Anna Jarvis, took up her mother's torch. Anna swore on her mother's gravesite that she would realize her lifelong dream of creating a national day to honor mothers. In 1907, Anna launched her campaign by handing out white carnations to congregants at her mother's church in Grafton,

West Virginia. In 1908, her mother's church acquiesced to Anna's request to hold a special Sunday service in honor of mothers - a tradition that spread the very next year to churches in 46 states. In 1909, Anna left her job and dedicated herself to a full-time letter-writing campaign, imploring politicians, clergymen and civic leaders to institute a national day for mothers.

In 1912, Jarvis' efforts met with success: Her home state of West Virginia adopted an official Mother's Day; two years later, the U.S. Congress passed a Joint Resolution, signed by President Wilson, establishing a national Mother's Day emphasizing the role of women in their families. Ever since, Mother's Day has been celebrated by Americans on the second Sunday in May.

Perhaps the country's greatest proponent of motherhood, Anna Jarvis ironically never had children of her own. Yet that didn't stop her from making the celebration of Mother's Day her lifelong mission.

## Prayer focus

The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16

### 1. 24 HOUR PRAYER - 30 DAYS

Pastor has designated the month of June to be a time of prayer and consecration. Please sign up for your prayer time in the foyer.

### 2. SPECIAL EVENING OF PRAYER

On Wednesday, May 6 @ 7:30pm, the TurnPoint family will come together for a special time of prayer for the Cities of Canal Winchester and Groveport.

### 3. MAY PRAYER REQUESTS

1. All bootcamp team leaders and members for: Unity, Kindness, Blessings, Accomplish Goals and to find favor with the Community and Businesses.

2. Pray for people we wish to see saved.

- Give us:
- \*Wisdom to touch them
  - \*Favor with them
  - \*Spiritual awakening in their lives
  - \*Breakthrough opportunities
  - \*Salvation and deliverance

3. Pray for our Pastor to have Wisdom and Strength as he leads our assembly.

# It's gonna be a.... HOT SUMMER @TURNPOINT

Summer is a great time for vacations and time with the family, but at TurnPoint we have many things to do over the summer. Get involved and keep cool!

### YOUTH & ADULT CAMPS

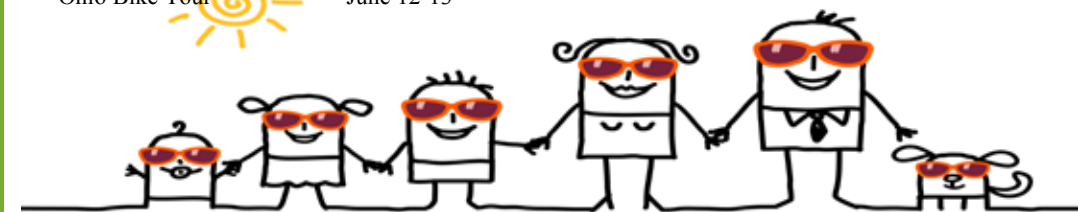
Sunday School Camp (9-11) June 22-26  
 Jr. High Camp (12-14) July 6-10  
 Senior High Camp (15-18) July 13-17  
 Ohio Camp Meeting July 27-July 31

### EVENTS

Ohio District Conference May 7-8  
 Ohio Bike Tour June 12-13

### MORE EVENTS

Men & Boys Campout	June 18-20
Red, White & Boom	July 3
Pepsi Booth	
Groveport Parade	July 4
Soul Winner's Boot Camp	July 10-11
A Creation Seminar	August 3-5
North American	August 5-7
Youth Congress	



## BOOTCAMP OPPORTUNITIES: Hey, I Want To Help!



### BOOTCAMP LEAD ASSISTANT:

Bro. John Griffith is looking for two individuals to assist him directly during the bootcamp event in communications and running errands related to any and all bootcamp activities.

Day(s) Needed: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 4 hours  
Contact: John E. Griffith (614) 833-6053

### COMPASSION TEAM MEMBER:

We are searching for those who have a heart of compassion to minister to the community with a meal during lunch break. If you would like to help prepare, serve, or plan a meal for the senior center in Groveport, please sign up today.

Day(s) Needed: Saturday  
Time Commitment: 2-3 hours  
Contact: Garry Bird (614) 496-5547

### BLOCK PARTY LEAD ASSISTANT:

Mike Lester is looking for two individuals to assist him directly during the family block party event in communications and running errands related to any and all bootcamp activities

Day(s) Needed: Saturday  
Time Commitment: 4 hours  
Contact: Mike Lester (614) 830-0214

### OFFICE HELP/RECEPTIONIST:

Seeking receptionists for general office tasks including phones, mailings and typing.

Day(s) Needed: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday (Pick a day)  
Time Commitment: 6 hours  
Contact: Pastor Joe Arata (614) 419-5714

### PRAYER WALK TEAM MEMBER:

Prayer is the key to connecting with God! Through prayer we seek to break the strongholds of Satan. As a member of this team you will participate in prayer walks through key neighborhoods prior to events and outreach efforts. These prayer walks will be low key and effective by engaging the Spirit of God in those communities.

Day(s) Needed: Prior to Event, Friday, Saturday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 1.5 hours  
Contact: Charlene Griffith (614) 833-6053

### SOUND ASSISTANT:

Need two people willing to help with sound equipment set-up and teardown. Must be able to lift up to 50 lbs. Available for Youth Event on Friday evening, July 10th and Block Party on Saturday, July 11th, 2009.

Day(s) Needed: Friday & Saturday Evenings  
Time Commitment: 2.5 Hours  
Contact: Billy Orris (614) 403-8067

### LAUNDRY BAPTISM TOWELS:

We need someone who can launder, fold, and return towels to church during Soul Winners Boot Camp. We are also accepting donations of new and gently used bath towels for this event.

Day(s) Needed: Daily Bootcamp Weekend  
Time Commitment: 1.5 hours daily  
Contact: Dan McGrath (614) 337-8463

### GENERAL CLEANING:

Can you give an hour and a half to maintenance restrooms, run a vacuum cleaner, clean windows, or empty trash? These duties do not interfere with other events during Soul Winners Boot Camp. We need volunteers throughout each of the three days.

Day(s) Needed: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 1.5 hours shift  
Contact: Deb Olson (614) 581-2729

### OUTREACH DOOR HANGERS:

Do you enjoy walking? You could hang door hangers or flyers in designated neighborhoods. If you would like to help with outreach, please contact Rick Rogers or Chris Stumbo.

Day(s) Needed: prior to Event, Friday, Saturday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 2 hours  
Contact: Chris Stumbo (614) 551-8135 Rick Rogers (614) 833-1983

### GENERAL MAINTENANCE:

Assistance needed with misc painting (experience helpful), and storage areas that need to be organized.

Day(s) Needed: May, June July  
Time Commitment: As you can  
Contact: Pastor Joe Arata (614) 419-5714

### DONATIONS:

If you would like to donate a brand new item to be used in a give away, please see Melva McGee or Dave Yeager. Suggested items might be a sports item, an ipod, a bike, a gift card, etc. Also cash contributions are accepted. These items are tax deductible and all cash contributions will appear on your giving report.

Day(s) Needed: May, June, July  
Time Commitment: None  
Contact: Melva McGee (614) 670-9739 or Dave Yeager (614) 833-6053

### WATER DISTRIBUTION:

Our bootcamp is in the month of July and we seek four to eight individuals that will prepare and deliver ice and water to block party events, prayer walks, outreach teams etc. This team will make cold water available throughout the event. So "give a cup of water in His name".

Day(s) Needed: Prior to Event, Friday, Saturday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 4 hour shifts  
Contact: Richard & Melva McGee (614) 670-9739

### DRIVERS:

Looking for drivers to transport boot campers, leaders and cargo to events, lunch and to hotels. We will need several folks to assist us and will need help throughout the event.

Day(s) Needed: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 4 hours shift  
Contact: Richard & Melva McGee (614) 670-9739

### SETUP TEAM:

We need a bunch of help here to transport tables and chairs and perform setup at the events. We need able bodied folks to help us here with the ability to lift at least 30 lbs. There will not be many tables and chairs to setup but this help will be needed at all of the events. You will work closely with the team leaders and block party leads.

Day(s) Needed: Friday, Saturday, Sunday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 3 hours  
Contact: John E. Griffith (614) 833-6053

### GROUNDSKEEPING:

We want our church to look top notch for our quests and for our members alike. We are seeking individuals that will do any maintenance on the property the week prior to the bootcamp. Things like weed eating, trimming, push mowing, mulch, planting flowers, etc. Being blessed with over 50 acres we have plenty of things to do. So help us out!

Day(s) Needed: July 1 - July 8  
Time Commitment: Any time that you can give!  
Contact: Pastor Joe Arata (614) 419-5714

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### WELCOME TEAM:

The hospitality team is looking for warm individuals that can be greeters and assist our guests as they visit our church or our block party events. We want to make our guests' visit a wonderful and memorable experience and this team will be key to making it happen.

Day(s) Needed: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 2 hours  
Contact: Richard & Melva McGee (614) 670-9739

### SECURITY:

At our bootcamp events we will be providing 4-6 security personnel to assist the local police department in mixing with the crowd and watching for any issues of concern. This position will require application to our team lead and only individuals that meet certain requirements. Prior police, military or security experience is recommended.

Day(s) Needed: Friday, Saturday  
Time Commitment: 2 hours each day  
Contact: Brian Wallake (740) 477-9023

### PHOTOGRAPHY:

Do you like to take pictures! We are looking for several folks that will work to chronicle our bootcamp at any and all events. You do not need to be a pro behind the camera, just willing to go and take a BUNCH of pictures of people and the events. A camera is required.

Day(s) Needed: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday (not all days required)  
Time Commitment: 2-4 hours  
Contact: Brian Steele (614) 917-7013

# Congratulations:

## TurnPoint 2008-2009 Graduates



### Kaitlyn Zarbaugh

Parents: Jeffrey and Jennifer Zarbaugh  
 School: Canal Winchester High School  
 Major: Education  
 Open House: June 6, 2009 5:30-8:30pm @ The Byrd's House- 6564 Claycourt West Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110



### Ben Wyatt

Parents: Tim and Jamie Byrd  
 School: Canal Winchester High School  
 Major: Pre-Med @ Capital University  
 Open House: June 6, 2009 5:30-8:30pm @ The Byrd's House- 6564 Claycourt West Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110



### Ben Heskett

Parents: Dan and Sarah Heskett  
 School: Zane Trace High School  
 Major: Construction Management  
 Open House: May 25, 2009 3:00pm-8:00pm  
 Location: The Heskett's Home 865 Wiley Road., Chillicothe, OH 45601



### Ashley Harmon

Parents: Gene and Sherry Harmon  
 School: Fairfield Christian Academy  
 Open House: June 27, 2009 7-9pm at TurnPoint Church



### Maegen Kristine Holsinger

Parents: John and Leigh Horn  
 School: Amanda Clearcreek  
 Major: Fairfield Career Center- Sign Language  
 Open House: May 23, 2009 2-5pm- The Horn's House- 9119 Broadway St. Stoutsville, Ohio



### Brooke Blevins

Parents: Jeff and Angie Blevins  
 School: Hilliard Darby High School  
 Major- Elementary Education  
 Open House: May 23, 2009 11:00pm-3:00pm  
 Location: The Blevins' Home 4448 Trailane Drive Hilliard, Ohio 43026

### Rovin Mathew

Parents: Thomas and Rose Mathew  
 School: Canal Winchester High School  
 Major: International Business



### Olivia Adkins

Parents: Steve and Jill Adkins  
 School: Bloom Carroll  
 Major- Pre-Med @ The Ohio State University  
 Open House: Undecided



### Lauren Fulston

Parents: Andrew and Samantha Fulston  
 School: Licking Heights  
 Major: Columbus State - Nursing  
 Open House: Undecided



### Erica Mabry

Parents: Ollie and Sharon Mabry  
 School: Grove City High School  
 Major: Pre-Pharmacy  
 Open House: May 17, 2009 12 to 5pm



### Bethany Jeffers

Parents: Keith and Summer Jeffers  
 School: Berne Union High  
 Major: Ohio University - Interior Design  
 Open House: Friday May 22, 2009 @ Rising Park in Lancaster, Ohio from 5 to 8pm



### Courtney Nicole Hawkes

Parents: Terry and Kimberly Hawkes  
 School: Lighthouse Christian Academy, Nashville, TN  
 Open House: June 27, 2009 7-9pm at TurnPoint Church

### Anthony Spears

Parents: Andrew and Nanette Spears  
 School: Groveport Madison  
 Major: The Ohio State University- Undecided

### Michael Willard

Parents: Doug and Evie Willard  
 School: Canal Winchester High School  
 Major: The Ohio State University- Pre-Med