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ADMINISTRATOR AGENDA

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Granite City Baptist Academy is off and running, having had new student testing, monitor training, and parent training. The first film was on George Mueller, "Robber of the Cruel Streets."

The theme for the year is **SUBMISSION**, which is a military term meaning, "be subject to authority," to fall in rank or to simply obey authority, and a willingness to yield to leadership. God expects all citizens, Christians, church members, husbands, wives, children, and servants to exhibit a submissive spirit.

The Theme Song for this year is, "Give Me Thy Heart." The theme verse is Eph. 5:21, "Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God", and the Academy Hymn is "Break New Ground."

The first athletic event is the 26th Soccer/Volleyball Invitational on Sept. 13/14th. Then we will participate in a Soccer/VB tournament in Ankeny IA, and in Rosemount MN. The ACE Christian Educators' Convention will be on Mon., Sept. 30th in Bloomington.

We are looking forward to another great year, and still praying the Lord to give us students of His choosing.

THE VALUE OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

By Paul Chappell (Part 2 of 3)

A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

The Lord has given parents the direct responsibility to train their children for Him. And He has given the church the responsibility of teaching His Word.

As parents obey the command of Deuteronomy 6:6-7 to diligently teach and raise their children for the Lord, and as the church obeys the mandate to teach God's truth, both work together to reinforce the other.

Galatians 4:2 speaks of the "tutors and governors" that first-century parents hired to teach their children. Apparently, Christian homes in the first century employed teachers and mentors whom they asked to help in the process of educating their children.

There are parents who, misunderstanding the advantages of this shared responsibility, insist that there should be no influence in children's lives but parental influence. Children actually benefit from additional influences that support the godly teaching taking place in a home. Children need a pastor, and can benefit greatly from godly youth workers, coaches, and Christian school teachers.



Quite frankly, it is short-sighted for parents to believe that allowing no influence but their own in a child's life is protecting their children. Even godly parents have sin natures.

I am thankful that we had morning devotions and prayer together as a family. I'm thankful for every hour of late night counseling and talking I invested in my children. But I'm also thankful for the church and the way it supported our family's goals. Sunday-school teachers, youth leaders, and Christian school teachers all joined to reinforce what we were teaching our children at home.

THE LOCAL CHURCH AND THE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

By Pastor Campbell

A Local New Testament Church is an assembly of baptized believers with Pastor and Deacons gathered together for worship, fellowship, service, giving of tithes and offerings, participation in the Lord's Supper, and carrying out of the Great Commission to the ends of the earth. Scofield, "A Local Church is an assembly of professed believers on the Lord Jesus Christ, living for the most part in one locality, who assemble themselves together in His name for the Breaking of Bread, worship, praise, prayer, testimony, the ministry of the Word, discipline, and the furtherance of the gospel."

Mt. 16:18, "And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter (small rock), and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

1 Tim 3:15, "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground (stay) of the truth."

Acts 2:41, "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them (the Jerusalem Church) about three thousand souls."

“The Local Church & the Christian School” continued

Phil. 1:1, “Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops (Pastor) and deacons.”

1 Tim. 3:1, “This is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop (Pastor), he desireth a good work.”

1 Tim. 3:12, “Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. 13 For they that have used (ministered) the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.”

Heb. 13:17, “Obey them (Pastors) that have the rule (guide) over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.”

1 Thes. 5:12-13, “And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; 13 And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.”

Heb. 10:25, “Not forsaking the assembling (the Local Church) of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”

Acts 13:3, “And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they (the Local Church) sent them away.”

Granite City Baptist Academy Receives International Recognition

St. Cloud Times Local/State Fri Aug 30, 2013 **3B**

The educational challenge of the 21st century has motivated Granite City Baptist Academy, a ministry of Granite City Baptist Church, to uphold their standard of excellence that has earned them MODEL status.

Using the individualized Bible-based curriculum of Accelerated Christian Education (A.C.E.), the Academy focuses on Christian character training and outstanding academic accomplishments by its students, and also demonstrates a continuing commitment to state-of-the-art, computer-enhanced education.

This past year, the average student’s grade in all subject areas was 96.31. Many students completed well over one year’s standard academic expectations.

GCBA believes that their school’s achievement is attributed in part to community commitment to maintain an atmosphere where a school such as GCBA can effectively educate our youth today for tomorrow’s achievements.

Academy Parent Comments

The Local Church provides my children with opportunities to be in larger musical groups (band & choir), athletic teams, and dramatic productions.

The school cannot function without students, neither can it function without parents who volunteer and fully support the school.

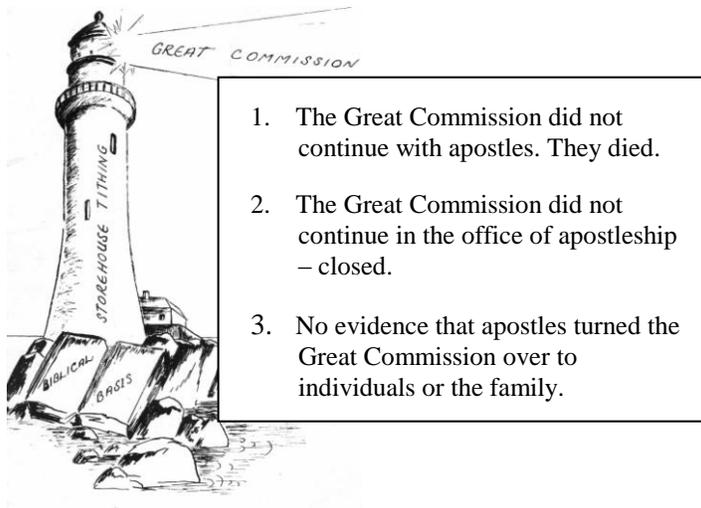
With older children in the safe, godly environment of the Christian school, mothers are provided more time to spend 1:1 with younger ones in the prime impact years of age 1-5.

Supporting the Christian School gives unity to the Local Church and stability to the children as they see all working together for common goals – to glorify God and see the lost reached for Christ.

When it comes to education, it is not always a question of what is right, but rather, it becomes the question of what is best for my children. The parent is responsible to teach his child to do right and obey, to serve the Lord from the heart, and to make an impact for eternity by winning souls. God expects a child to develop physically, spiritually, socially, and musically. (Ephesians 6:1; Ecclesiastes 9:10)

The Local Church Centered Christian School provides a curriculum which saturates each child with the Word of God. Each class and subject is taught from a Biblical viewpoint, and parental involvement is afforded through volunteering.

The Local Church Centered Christian School is designed for Christian families who support high Biblical standards; therefore, most people from outside are not interested in our school.



1. The Great Commission did not continue with apostles. They died.
2. The Great Commission did not continue in the office of apostleship – closed.
3. No evidence that apostles turned the Great Commission over to individuals or the family.

COMING EVENTS	
Academy Program, Sun 6pm	Oct 6
Dr. Ron Comfort, Evangelistic Mtgs Sun-Wed	Oct 6-9
Kids' & Parents' Expo, Sat 9:30am-3pm	Oct 19
Pee- wee & Patch Club Concerts, 6pm Sun	Oct 20
MACS State Soc/VB Tourn, Rosemount	Oct 24-26
GCBC Soulwinner's Club Begins (24wks)	Oct 31
Parent Conferences, Mon	Nov 4
GCBA Thanksgiving Dress-up Day	Nov 27
Thanksgiving Pie & Ice-cream 8pm Wed	Nov 27



What Is a Wisdom Insert?

www.aceministries.com

Wisdom inserts are found in English PACE 1097 through PACE 1144. The basic theme of each insert is wisdom—training teens how to walk with God, exemplifying the 60 ideal character traits of Jesus Christ.

The primary means of instruction is story form (about 2,000 words) through which readers gain understanding and wisdom through the lives of characters in the story line. Ace Virtueson and Christi Lovejoy provide impeccable character. They are the role models for right (wise) living. Other characters like Sandy McMercy, Matthew Meekway, Racer Loylton, Reginald Upright, Hapford Humblen, Victor Manley, Miriam Peace, Booker Thriftmore, and J. Michael Kindhart provide models for the typical teenager who struggles with feelings, temptations, lack of faith, authority, and priorities. Adults such as Pastor Gentle, Coach Fairday, Grandfather, Miss Content, etc., provide wise advice and counsel to the teens. There is an ethnic awareness quality that illustrates how

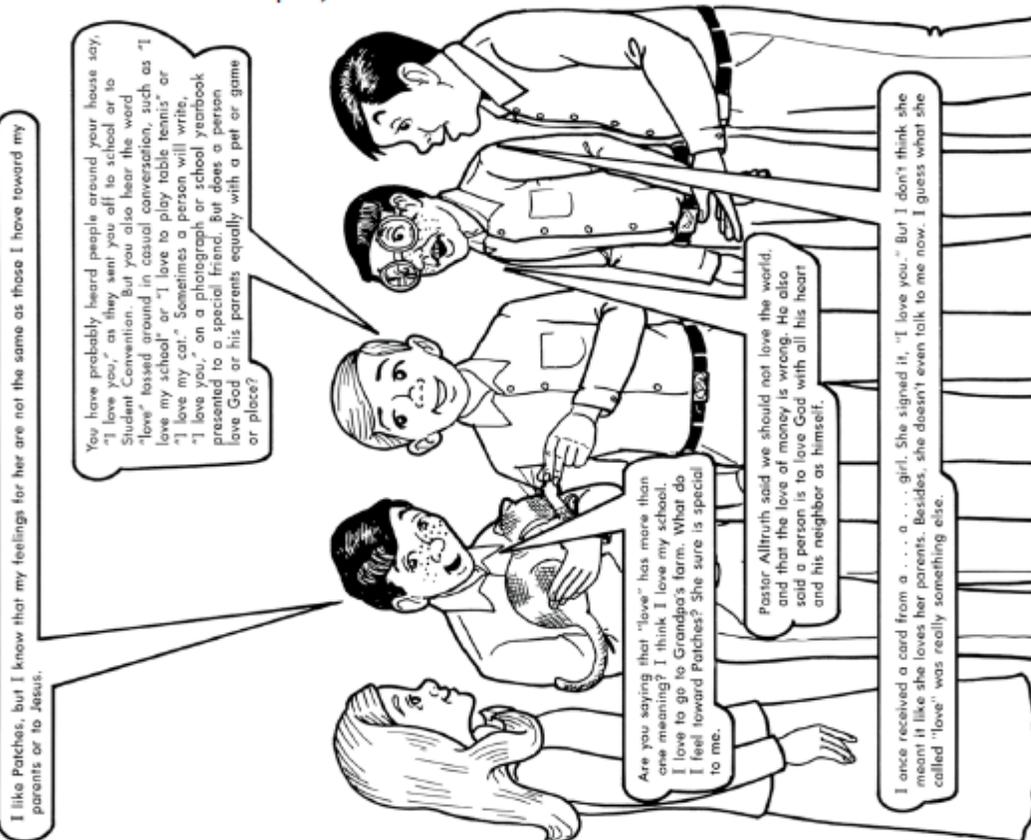
diverse ethnic groups can live harmoniously as they walk in wisdom—responding to situations as Christ would were He in human form.

Two characters—Ronnie Vain and Susie Selfwill—provide the humanistic, worldly aspect of life. These two personalities “show up” throughout the inserts as examples of the consequences of unrighteous living.

In the total of 48 inserts, teens will be given insights on such matters as love; dating; faith; responding to authority; finding God’s will for their lives; dealing with abusive, sensual, or indiscreet people; trusting God; and, in general, how to daily walk with God.

Students are encouraged to retain each completed Wisdom insert in a personal three-ring notebook. Parents are encouraged to draw from the inserts in counseling their children . . . that a generation learn how to walk in wisdom—as God would were He in human form.

What Is Wisdom, and How Can It Help Me Succeed?



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