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NOVEMBER 19
WHITE PINES GOLF COURSE
CAMDEN, SC
10:30 am Tee Time
\$15.00

GOLFERS BIBLE STUDY
EVERY TUESDAY MORNING
8:00 am
CGA OFFICE @ CRYSTAL LAKES GC
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Keep a Journal

Psalm 19:7-14

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. (Ps 19:14)



There is an untapped source of information available to people for improving their golf game and life. Isn't it amazing that we search everywhere for ways to improve in golf, and yet we search for answers to issues in our own life without looking to our most readily available resource -- our own life's experience. The value of our own experience is typically lost to us because we don't have the discipline or take the time to draw on that experience. We also do not know how to record and utilize the available information.

A few serious golfers have learned to record, track, and review information from each round of golf. This includes the more obvious information such as score, putts, fairways hit, greens in regulation, and sand saves. It might also include more detailed information on length of drives, miss-hits, swing thoughts, etc. These notes can be recorded in a notebook.

In our life, and in our time spent

with God in prayer and quiet, this record-keeping process is called a prayer journal or simply a journal. It's a private place to record the names of people and occasions we want to pray for: pastors, missionaries, special prayer requests (yes, for a better golf game!) and other topics God has impressed upon us. One of those special items might be prayer for those who do not yet know the Savior. The journal is a place to record insights and thoughts that apply to each day and to our life in general. It's also a wonderful record of our life.

SWING THOUGHT

Tap into the treasure of your own experience with a journal for your golf game and for your time with God. You'll not only see your daily progress, but you'll also see how God speaks to you in special ways. Your journal will become the most valued book in your entire library. Today would be a good day to make your first entry.

(Reprinted from "In His Grip - Foundations for Life & Golf" by Jim Sheard & Wally Armstrong.)



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Matthew Chapter 5 finds our Lord and Savior sitting on a mountain side with his disciples while a multitude of people gathered below to see and hear this amazing teacher and healer. Jesus began to teach and gave us the beatitudes. Speaking with eternal wisdom and divine authority, He preached the "Sermon on the Mount". He gave us so much more than a set of rule to live by. The four wisdom books of the Old Testament (Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, and The Song of Solomon) provided the people with a guide on how to live in accordance with the Mosaic Law. Jesus had not come to replace the law, but to fulfill the prophecies. What He was doing was taking us to a new level of earthly existence where we can begin to experience the joy and happiness of God's Kingdom by submitting to God's authority and establishing proper priorities in our lives. Happiness in the Kingdom is not based on wealth, power, or material accumulations. Isn't it great to know that we have a Savior that loves us right where we are and desires that we experience the joys of His Kingdom while we grow in our walk with Him? Isn't it wonderful to know that we don't have to be Arnold Palmer or Jack Nicklaus to enjoy the game of golf? Proper priorities on the golf course can turn a "poor" round into a joyful experience of fellowship, exercise, and discipleship as people see the reflection of our Lord in us. In all that we do, submit to His authority and enjoy the peace and happiness of His Kingdom on Earth.

See you on His tee,

Rodgers Greenawalt

Your membership in CGA is an Outreach tool for God. Use it daily!

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of October 31, 2011

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$ 2,136.94 |
| Income | \$ - 0 - |
| Expenses | \$ 95.00 |
| Balance | \$ 2,041.94 |
| Petty Cash | \$ 27.00 |
| Ending Balance | \$ 2,068.94 |

From Here to Eternity

by Wayne Hunter, Spiritual Director



My family and I have taken more vacations this year than we needed to, simply because of my health. Almost everywhere we camped that had a swimming lake there were signs that read, "No lifeguard on duty. Swim at your own risk." That's telling me inflation has hit state as well as federal parks. What exactly does that mean? There's no one to tell the swimmer to stop horseplay that might lead to someone getting hurt or maybe a child going out too far and possibly drowning, and most importantly there's no one there to risk his or her life to save my life. I for one wish they could make cuts somewhere else.

The more I thought about that the more it dawned on me that as Christians we have a lifeguard whose hours are not subject to being cut. He knows what's best for us and when we are over our heads or involved in too much horseplay. He was willing to risk His life to save us so that we might accept or reject Him. Do you think a lifeguard or anybody you know would do that for you? Aren't you glad He goes with us and watches over us and protects us and best of all was willing to give His life for us. I thank Jesus for being my Lifeguard!

Wayne

Submit Nominations for 2012 Chapter Officers/Directors

December is election time for our chapter and is conducted at the Christmas Soup & Cornbread Dinner. The dinner will be held on Tuesday evening at 6:00 pm December 6, 2011 at the CGA building.

Nominations are being accepted now for those who will serve in 2012. Positions to be filled are: President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer, Spiritual Director, Churches Challenge Director, Outings Director, and two "at-large" directors.

This is your opportunity to step up and take part in the activities of **YOUR CHAPTER!** If you would like to serve, or know of someone who would, please submit the name(s) to: Tom Winstead (803-983-3457), Tom Payne (803-968-1154), or Rodgers Greenawalt (803-968-2706), or call the CGA office at 803-773-2171 (leave message).

Our current officers and directors are: President, Rodgers Greenawalt; Vice President, Steve Alsbrooks; Secretary/Treasurer, Tom Payne; Spiritual Director, Wayne Hunter; Directors, Bob Holbert and Karl Mohr.