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*For the Entire Family*

<b>Sunday May 31, 2015</b>
<b>This Weeks Events</b>
<b>Today:</b> 10:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Bible 101</i> —Pastor Coale 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>The Eyes of Jesus</i> —Pastor Coale 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Jr. Church</i> —Pastor Saloum 6:00PM: (Grange)— <i>Advanced Bible (How to Pray)</i> —Pastor Coale
<b>Upcoming Events</b>
<b>June 3, 2015:</b> 7:00PM: (871 E Crestview Dr)— <i>Discovery Group</i> —Parkers
<b>June 10, 2015:</b> 7:00PM: (451 Fir St)— <i>Discovery Group</i> —Matt & Sally Coale
<b>June 14, 2015:</b> 11:00AM: (Grange)— <b>ORDINATION of RICH SALOUM, Jr.</b> —Pastor
<b>June 17, 2015:</b> 7:00PM: (1701 E Agate Loop Rd)— <i>Discovery Group</i> —Pastor
<b>June 24, 2015:</b> 7:00PM: (2321 E Crestview Dr)— <i>Discovery Group</i> —Saloums
<b>July 5, 2015:</b> NOON: (Grange)— <b>CHURCH PICNIC</b> —
<b>August 10-12, 2015:</b> 9:00AM-NOON: (Grange)— <b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b> —
<b>October 18, 2015:</b> <a href="http://russells2mexico.com">http://russells2mexico.com</a> 10:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Missionary to Mexico</i> —Adam Russell Family 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Missionary to Mexico</i> —Adam Russell Family NOON: (Grange)— <i>Meet the Missionary POTLUCK</i> —
<b>September 11-14, 2016:</b> EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS— <b>SAM GIPP</b>

Dear Friends,

We hope and pray that all is well. We wanted to update you on our visa situation. We first want to thank each of you for your fervent prayer in this matter. We wanted to let you know that we did in fact receive our visas yesterday. We are planning on leaving for the field around June 23. We have much to do before we depart so please pray with us as we endeavor to figure out different things like plane tickets and so on. Please also pray for our transition to life over there. The man that we are working with will be working on living arrangements for us so please pray that the Lord would guide and direct him in finding the right place. We thank you all again for your faithful prayer and financial support. We can't say enough how much we appreciate you. May the Lord bless!

Phillip and Rachel Wild

# Why Reason Ye Among Yourselves?

By Rev. Ron Coale, Pastor

*Matthew 16:5-11..... 5And when his disciples were come to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread. 6Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees. 7And they reasoned among themselves, saying, It is because we have taken no bread. 8Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread? 9Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? 10Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? 11How is it that ye do not understand that I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?*

One of the problems that we have in today's Christianity is that we spend too much time reasoning with each other instead of reasoning with God. When I say "we spend too much time reasoning with each other" I mean we reason in the sense that we are trying to figure out something. In truth, we are "second guessing" what God has to say instead of letting His word guide us.

It is not wrong to try to figure out something, but it is wrong to take God's word and reason amongst ourselves when we have perfect access to God to ask Him personally. When a person hears a doctrine taught out of God's word that they are unfamiliar with, instead of going to the preacher

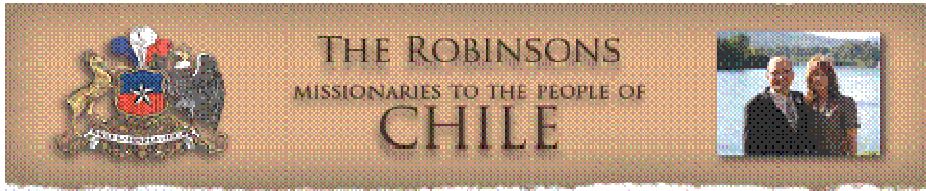
to ask him to show them from God's word, or to explain the teaching, they go to other people in the church for the "reasoning" for such teaching. They reason amongst themselves instead of going to the teacher and asking for an explanation. Jesus had something to say about this.

When the disciples were told to beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees, they thought He was talking about not having enough food with them to eat. Instead of asking Jesus what He meant by that statement, they all began talking with each other trying to figure out what He meant. They were second guessing what Jesus meant, and why He was saying it. Instead of asking Jesus for clarification, they began talking amongst themselves. Instead of asking the teacher to explain what He meant, they went to the students (themselves) to get the meaning of His statement.

Don't reason with each other to determine what another person said when you can just ask them directly. Don't reason amongst yourselves to determine the meaning of God's word when you can just ask God directly. Too many people are determining the meaning of God's word by reasoning with each other while cutting God out altogether. Jesus said that a person who did so had little faith. He was speaking about faith in Him.

When you reason amongst yourselves instead of going to the Bible for clarification, you are putting your

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Furlough Finish: Delayed Departure, but Praise the LORD, we're gone! All praise, honor, and glory to the LORD JESUS CHRIST first, foremost, and only, and many thanks for all your prayers as well as logistical and financial help in getting us "off the ground" and underway to our designated field of labor amongst the eternal souls in southern Chile, for whom He died and rose again. Our departure from the U.S. ended up being delayed by about a week [hence this letter's late arrival; we didn't want to send it out until we'd actually left/arrived], due to a couple of unforeseen factors that the LORD quickly and mercifully resolved to keep the way open for us, so that we and our new missionary co-laborer Sister Sarah Cagle could be airborne towards Chile by the late PM of May 7th. As complicated and involved as international travel can be with all the "extra details" a situation like ours contributes to the situation, the LORD got us through with nary a problem, so that by the early PM of May 8th, we had landed in Santiago, then headed south immediately, and, as of the time of this writing, we are...

*...Finally Back on the Field!*

So, we arrived in Paillaco late that night, and were most charitably received by the brethren, who had even taken it upon themselves to "outfit" the house we will be renting for the short term [see below]. This weekend we've had a glorious time of reunion and rejoicing in the LORD with both the Paillaco church and the Cayumapu church - which is now once again the Valdivia church, as they've started to meet at Bro. Cristian's house there (due to losing the Cayumapu location, as explained last letter) - and will summarize by simply saying that what the LORD has done and continues to do with our brethren here solely by way of the Scriptures and the Holy Spirit - and their willing hearts, of course - is nothing short of the Biblical result of the Apostle Peter's exhortation to the believers to "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." It is also only fitting to quote the rest of the verse, so that we may be sure to that the "credit" for this goes to Him alone to Whom it rightfully belongs: "To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen."

*Present Situation*

Just prior to our arrival, Sister Delfina, Bro. Hector's mother, whom, together with his father, we'd led to the LORD back in February 2008, went home to be with Him; we ask prayer for Hector, Sr., especially, who is up in years, and for Hector and Faride as they are trying to comfort and help him, and the rest of the family. Raul was able to be there for a few days to aid toward that

end as well as attend the funeral, and he reported that, in spite of the fact that the rest of their family is made up primarily of lost Catholics, both Hector's and Faride's testimony and stand on the hope of 1 Thess. 4:13-16 was so strong and pervasive that it dominated the "mood" of the entire house and "scene," and the LORD wrought a great victory in Sister Delfina's home-going "send off." They had lived in the city of Talcahuano (about 5 hours north of us) all their lives, but now Hector, Sr., is again considering moving to Valdivia to be with them and a part of the church there. Regarding our present situation, once again, we are living at the moment in the town of Paillaco, under the "auspices" of the second church that the LORD raised up during our first term. Together with Raul and David, we are prayerfully seeking the LORD's direction regarding what exactly our "working arrangement" is going to be, and are confident that the LORD will respond to your prayers for us and "lead [us] in a plain path." Primary among these immediate themes is whether or not I'll be starting the Bible Institute again in September, so please keep that in prayer. Regarding our lodging, as explained last month, the low-cost rental market in the area is so "challenging" right now that we've ended up in what is really a tourist-oriented vacation cabaña, until such time as the LORD sees fit to open up a more permanent rental opportunity. We are also without a vehicle for the "foreseeable future," so location is a key factor. We will, of course, be spending the next few weeks also handling all the myriad little "life" details of getting reestablished here, so we appreciate your prayers regarding all that as well.

### *Pending Details (There)*

Much of what I would write here would merely be repetition of last month's letter, so please just keep those prayer requests up before the LORD (sale of the trailer, which is now on consignment - the truck sold quickly, praise the LORD! - financial stabilization, etc.). I would like to add that we now have been given a shipping container, which is sitting at our sending church in Miami, ready to be loaded up with Spanish Bibles and other printed materials, printing equipment, and the various personal belongings (of all 3 of us) that we were not able to bring on the flight - pray for it to be able to ship soon, and also for the provision of the one remaining important piece of printing equipment we would need for an initial start-up operation: a Riso-graph/High-Speed Duplicator. More importantly, pray for us as we go back out into the spiritual harvest fields here, and most importantly, pray that best of all prayers, with which the Bible itself closes out: "He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen."

In Christ,  
Philip & Brenda Robinson

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own understanding over teaching of God's word. This happens in church all of the time. The preacher preaches a doctrine that someone has never heard of before. It is not because they are lazy. They are growing in Christ and have simply never heard it before. Instead of going to the preacher and asking him to explain from God's word why God wanted that preached, what do they do? They go to people in the congregation and ask them to explain it. This is "reasoning amongst themselves." The danger in this is that the person being asked might come up with a totally "off the wall" explanation. Furthermore, when they think they have an understanding (although many times tweaked), they "run with it," and often in a wrong direction. Jesus' disciples thought He was talking about not having enough bread to eat, but He was talking about something totally different. They got it wrong because they reasoned with each other instead of asking Jesus.

This has happened to me many times in the area of speaking in tongues. I teach 1 Corinthians 14 directly from the Bible and the "tongues speaking" Christian is surprised to see the doctrine there shows that tongues is something totally different than they thought. They have never been taught it before. All they have done is depend on the opinions of their friends to understand it. They have reasoned amongst themselves. In most cases they become proud admitting that the Bible teaches there is no "special heavenly prayer language" of speaking in tongues as they know it, but still con-

tinue to believe in it because, "they had done it before." They get all messed up because the Bible takes no elevated place of precedence for them. To them, it is more important what their friends say than what the Bible says.

When I say "reason", I am not saying "having a discussion" about God's word. I am saying "reason" in the sense that people are looking for a reason to support their desired activity. For example, In the Bible, Paul tells Timothy to drink a little wine. So they see that and justify that Jesus wants us to drink alcohol. Some Southern Baptist Churches, (usually calling themselves: "1st Baptist"), actually buy kegs of beer to be consumed on the church property for their Sunday picnic/potluck fellowships each week. The people want to drink alcohol, so they reason together amongst themselves a totally off the wall interpretation of the doctrine instead of going to God's word for clarification on the issue. Had they conferred with God, they would see that Paul told Timothy to use a little wine for his stomach's sake and his often infirmities (1 Tim 5:23). It was to be consumed for medicinal purposes, not for pleasure. God clearly does not want a person to become drunk (Eph. 5:18).

When a person comes to you in church and asks you to clarify what the preacher says, you should always tell them to go and ask the preacher. Otherwise, you may have just joined the group of reasoners that the person has secretly accumulated to support their desired activity. You don't want them to use your name as a tool to get what they want: "Yeah I know you think it is wrong, but Joe says it is

## PRAYER REQUESTS

607.	Pastor	Souls saved in Shelton.
629.	Matt	Gregson Family Finances.
680.	Matt	Savings Account (Building fund) to reach —(\$10,000).
685.	Dee P.	Dee's brother Duane (a proud atheist) salvation.
755.	Regina	Grace Baptist Church to grow in membership.
763.	Sally	Brother Nathan called to preach. Strength & direction.
775.	Sally	Mom (Charity) strength to finish nursing program.
796.	Regina	Strength for God's will in her life.
803.	Dee P.	Improved church attendance for her family.
822.	Regina	Personal Health.
845.	Regina	John Berger (93) health/strength to continue preaching.
849.	Sally	Jonny seeks God's will in making decisions for future.
865.	Dee P.	Son Joseph's health problems & depression.
867.	Dee P.	Family members to read KJB daily.
918.	Rich	Church finances
955.	Lori S.	Son (Phil Gosline) has lymphoma
973.	Dee	Protection for Stephanie working as a nurse.
975.	Dee P.	Brother-in-law George stage 4 terminal lung cancer
976.	Dee P.	Our Christian men to grow as spiritual leaders in our homes, churches and communities.
977.	Regina	Comfort for John Rodius. Wife passed away.
978.	Regina	Healing for John Rodius. Just got out of surgery.
979.	Colleen	Salvation of Darci Togensen's daughter Katey
980.	Kail	(Kail's mom) Nancy's comfort and healing from surgery.
981.	Kail	Mel's infection from teeth.
982.	Regina	Son Richards back from fall.
983.	Rich	Mom's pain.
984.	Lori	Candy's kidney stones.

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not, so I am going to do it."

Reasoners can be identified by some simple statements:

- He said... "He said" statements are statements where someone invokes another persons opinion to gain what they want. Whenever you hear someone tell you "He said..." you should train you mind to always think, "The Bible says..." This way you can stay out of the arena of

"reasoners."

- I think... "I think" statements are when a person wants to twist God's word, or your opinion to get what they want. Whenever you hear a "I think..." statement, you should train you mind to always think: "God thinks..."

People don't consider the personality of God. They have reduced him to being some "force" or "entity" that a person believes in to give them-

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selves peace and happiness. They never consider God to be a person, and therefore never think of Him as a Creator: a Creator that we are accountable to. This is the big dividing line in contemporary Christianity: God has become unreal as a personality. To get to this point, churches have reasoned amongst themselves. For example, the law of the land accepts same sex marriage; so suddenly churches preach a same sex doctrine and perform same sex marriages. In order to do so, they have to change God's word to advocate these marriages. Did God's doctrine change? Was it added to or taken away from? Or, was it just a bunch of people getting together and reasoning amongst themselves saying, "I think the Bible says...."?

God wants us to reason with Him (Isa. 1:18). He wants to be our teacher. He wants to teach us about Himself. He wants us to have the attitude of Job where he said, "*Job 13:1-8..... 1Lo, mine eye hath seen all this, mine ear hath heard and understood it. 2What ye know, the same do I know also: I am not inferior unto you. 3Surely I would speak to the Almighty, and I desire to reason with God. 4But ye are forgers of lies, ye are all physicians of no value. 5O that ye would altogether hold your peace! and it should be your wisdom. 6Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips. 7Will ye speak wickedly for God? and talk deceitfully for him? 8Will ye accept his person? will ye contend for God?"~*

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