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Dates to Remember:

Spring Share-A-Thon –
April 29 – May 8th

Anniversary Celebration –
July 16th

National Quartet
Convention. –
September 12 – 17

Fall Share-A-Thon –
October 14 - 23

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on these items.**

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We now have a calendar
online and you can view
all these special dates!
Also be able to see who
will be singing during
Share-A-Thon and
when!

We also have all the
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From Don Drake.....

GOD MAKES A PERSONAL APPEARANCE AT THE COUNTY JAIL....

In Acts chapter 16, we find Paul & Silas in the County jail. They were arrested for casting an evil spirit out of the little fortune telling girl. Paul's enemies said, "These men do exceedingly trouble our city". Paul has just down sized the Devil's Corp. and cut off their salary.

At midnight they prayed and sang praises unto God. At midnight Heaven heard their rejoicing. At midnight their prayers got through to God. At midnight God sent His deputy Angels and kicked open the prison doors and unloosed everyone's bands. At, midnight God made a personal appearance.

At midnight Boldness shook the jail house. Rejoicing shook the County jail for joy remains through every trial and test of life. Conviction also shook the jail and

the jailor came trembling inquiring how to be saved. He was saying I want this Joy, Forgiveness, Love, Contentment, Peace, Calmness, Excitement. He witnessed something that night that he desperately needed.

Grace also shook the jail house, God was present to forgive and then compassion showed up, as the jailor began to bandage up their wounds.

Prayer is: An Antiseptic, Cleanser, Tranquilizer, Attitude adjuster, Spirit sweetener. The prayer closet is where Doubt goes to die, The prayer closet is where worry, anxiety, weakness, defeat, depression, goes to die. The prayer closet is where we are restored and energized. In times of desperation remember that God made a personal appearance at the County Jail for Paul and He will also visit you if you earnestly pray.

A little humor for your day.....

While in the midst of a rather lengthy sermon, the preacher of a fashionable congregation was horrified to see a small boy shooting spitballs at certain members. The boy, noticing him hesitate, shouted, "You go ahead with your preaching, Mister: I'll keep them awake "

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From Fr. Fields.....

Guess what friends and neighbors, it's Share-A-Thon time again! Have you ever wondered why it's called Share-A-Thon? Why isn't it called "give until your nose bleeds-a-thon" or "share-a-chicken sandwich-thon?" (That sounds like something Mark Lowry or Ken Davis might say) Share-A-Thon is our opportunity to help WDFB continue broadcasting for Jesus! The Lord has graciously provided an abundance to ALL of us, some can give much and others may only be able to give little, but it all adds up to the Lord's work. Please start praying now for Share-A-Thon, and ask the Lord how much you should donate to the work at WDFB.

Why is it called Share-A-Thon? Let's break the word down. **SHARE** something our mother's made us do when we were kids, **A** since something was needed to make this word flow, they picked the first letter of the alphabet (it has seniority over the other 25), **THON** this word in the Hebrew means,,, sorry I was in the wrong mode for a second, **THON** a long session devoted to a single activity (like a marathon race or my favorite, eat an earthquake cake or butterscotch pie-a-thon). I guess they picked the right word after all, Share-A-Thon. A time of sharing over a long session devoted to a single activity with the letter A in the middle. Be sure to tune in beginning April 29th as we will have singing, testimonies, laughter, excitement and of course, your pledges of support for WDFB's "give until your nose bleeds-a-thon,, I mean, share-a-chicken sandwich-thon,, no, WDFB's Spring Share-A-Thon!! (I'll try to have it right by then)

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From Mildred Drake....

Can you believe April is here and almost gone! My how time flies. No wonder we are told: **"We must Work the works of him that sent me, while it is DAY: the night cometh, when no man can work"** John 9:4.

Time is swiftly passing by. I am so thankful for each season of the year. There is work to be done around the house and farm in each season.

So it is in our lives, we must work for the Lord in every season of our lives: as children, Youth, Teenagers, Young adults, Young Married, ect.

The older we become, the greater the vision of those who need to be saved. We see so much sin (according to God's Word), that many Churches, schools, politicians, judges, social workers ect. Just call it a different life style.

It is so sad to see so many college trained leaders that are so blind to God's Word. People have knowledge in so many areas, but totally ignorant of God's Word and His ways. God gave us direction, purpose and outline for life, how to live, work, treat others, respect, teach, train, love, govern, so that WE would be happy and satisfied and have a mansion in Heaven. Study the manual "Bible".

If we live Christlike, it glorifies God. He is pleased...**Prov. 16:7** *When a man's ways*

please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.

Phillippians 4:18 *But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, well-pleasing to God. v. 19* **But my God shall supple all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.**

So when we help others, God is well pleased and he promises to meet all our needs. Thank God for His Word and Promises!

Share-a-thon starts the last Friday of this month. I pray the needs of WDFB will be met and every need in your life will be met. I pray souls will be saved and blessed, homes put back together, body's healed and situations worked out. I hope you will pray with us that God will have His way every day.

I am so thankful JR. Fields has "obeyed the Lord" and learned to operate the console and pray during Family Altar....what a blessing to us and to you.

I am so thankful God is calling young men into His Ministry. Let's pray for them daily.

I look forward to seeing you and talking to you on the phone during Share-a-thon.

God Bless YOU, Mildred

From Girdy.....

It's already been a beautiful Spring so far....all the flowers are blooming around here and they look so pretty and smell so good! The Daffodils (Buttercups to me) have been so pretty again this year and now it's time for the tulips to start coming out. Sis. Drake has the prettiest flowering almond bush, it has tiny pink blooms on it. All this reminds me of a new convert and how everything becomes new....it's also like looking at a "new lease" on life.....somehow we all feel better in the spring I think....at least I know I have.

Everyone is talking about Share-A-Thon.....you can just feel the excitement....Jr's even excited....he's hoping to get things moving with an Earthquake cake tho! They are wonderful, probably one of my favorites, but that's beside the point! ☺ It will be an exciting time, and this is a wonderful time for you to come out and be with us....We'll have live singers every night, out in the "new room" and we have room for you if you'd like to be a part. If you would like to know who will be singing, you can check our website at www.wdfb.com and visit the calendar section....We have the schedule on there....make plans to be with us! As others have said, this is more than just live singing, it's more than fundraising for the station....it's a time for miracles to happen and lives to be changed and I know of many over the years that have. I pray the Lord will use you to bless others....takes everyone doing their part.

Some of you have sent your birthdays & anniversaries in and that's great, we are adding those daily. We want to remind you again if you hear or see any that are not correct, please let us know. That will be very helpful!

Last newsletter, I mentioned you putting something on paper about WDFB and what it means to you....well now would be a good time for you to that....WDFB will have been on the air 20 years, May 20th, 2005. That's just amazing to me, it doesn't seem like 20 years ago and you know the story, it actually "started" many years before that....the Lord has been faithful during all this time....So take time today to write out what WDFB means to you, we would like to be able to use these on the air if we can, so just let us know how WDFB is a help and encouragement to you.

Also right now we have a tentative date set for the Anniversary singing, it will be July 16th....more details can be heard on WDFB in the near future!

Guess that's about all I have to share today.....gotta get ready for the 29th and we'll be looking for you!

Oh, if you notice a type-o with Jr Fields article last month, I must take the blame for that....let's just say I had practiced too much with an Easter Drama and leave it at that....if you don't know what I'm talking about, then we have "no worries". ☺

Points to Ponder

If you would hit the mark, you must aim a little above it; every arrow that flies feels the gravitational pull from earth.

A life that hasn't a definite plan is likely to become driftwood.

The poor man is not he who is without a cent, but he who is without a dream.

It doesn't hurt to be optimistic, you can always cry later.

You can't steal second base if you don't take your foot off first.

HOW CAN IT POSSIBLY BE TWENTY YEARS?

(By: Jim Gaskin)

Personally, my association with the Drake Family has been a very rewarding experience. It actually goes back to the '60's when I had a radio station WIRV in Irvine, KY. A young minister named Forrest Drake had a daily program on my station, which was usually done by tape (reel-to-reel in those days). Sometimes, he drove in from Beattyville and did the program live in my studio. One week, when he was conducting a Revival in some far away town, he told me his brother, Don, would be coming in to do his "Hour Of Harvest" broadcast. And, so it was that I got acquainted with Don I was in Beattyville every week on business and met their Dad at his barber shop. Later, we put in a remote studio in the back of Brewer's IGA in downtown Beattyville; Forrest run the studio and we had "Lee County On The Air from 11:00 AM to 12:00-noon Monday through Friday.

I left Irvine in October 1975 and settled in Danville. To make a long story short (or at least shorter), while working in radio in Berea, I found Bro. Don Drake "Country Preaching" on the radio and I listened most mornings as I drove to work. Several stations later, I

had just quit a TV job and found a new station on my radio: WDFB. Well, I decided right away to check it out. I came out and met the family and went to work almost immediately. That was in late May or early June 1985. The station had been on the air just a few days. I Left for a few months in 1986, but was glad to get back home.

I've worked as Sales Manager and Chief Engineer; worked "on the air"; done whatever I could to help Don and Mildred and our staff get the job done.

What impressed me most and still does is the total commitment to God. When I became aware of that commitment, I had no doubt that God will prevail here. In doing my little bit, I have been blessed with a closer relationship with God, myself. They have helped me grow as a Christian. Their genuine love for each of us is almost beyond belief. Through all the years, music has been my profession; still is but they don't get in the way of one another. Now, as my health has declined through the years, I'm not able to do all the things at WDFB I used to delight in. Still, they feel I have something to contribute and they are so patient with me. I'm thankful to God for WDFB and its family, of which I am a part, I Pray that God will open other doors for us and that we'll be faithful to respond.

From Lois.....

It's Share-A-Thon time again, a very exciting time. A time to sing, share testimonies, hear what WDFB means to our listeners and to let the people share financially to keep the Great Gospel going out all around the world! Some folks say it's almost like campmeeting & can't wait for it to get here. We're so thankful for those who support us with their money, all those that come to sing, those that bring food, that volunteer in anyway to help us during this time. I'm thankful that we can all work together in the Kingdom to help win our lost loved ones to Christ. Gal. 6:2 says "Bear ye one anothers burdens & so fulfill the law of Christ", Also Gal 6:9 "And let us not be weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

Continue to pray for us as we strive to be a blessing everyday.