# Attend Church Regularly ...and read your Bible daily



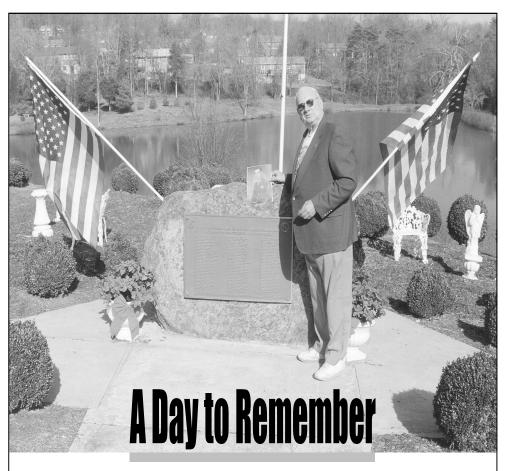
## WEEKLY SERMONETTE

**Paradise or Desert** By Lew Van Der Wege **United Methodist Church** 

Kansas is a wonderful place but the fruit it bears depends upon the amount of water it receives. When it rains, the land will produce with abundance and we live in a paradise. When it doesn't rain, the crops shrivel and we live in a desert. I think we are somewhere between the two right now. Pray for rain.

Our lives are similar to the land on which we live. We were created as a wonderful image of God but the fruit we bear depends upon the amount of "life giving" water we receive. We are all thirsty for purpose and meaning in life but many times we go to the wrong well for refreshment. We drink deeply but go away parched and dry. Jesus told the woman at the well in John 4:14 that "... those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. That water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."

Jesus the Christ is the source of the nourishment we need to bear fruit. Without Christ our lives are a desert. Go to the church of your choice on Sunday and receive the "life giving" water that Jesus the Christ is offering you.



Memorial Day is a day that reminds us that we are part of a nation and a system that declares all persons are free. Free to speak, free to believe, and free not to believe. Our grandfathers, fathers, brothers, sisters, sons, and daughters have fought and died for our nation and its system of freedom, its promise of liberty.

Memorial Day remind us of life's loves, liberties, freedoms and achievements so that all peoples shall

know the benefit of lives lived in peace.



There are graves on which we lay flowers, ceremonies that we attend, those special to us that we remember, and "the memory of the righteous will be a blessing." (Proverbs 10:10)

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY Haggai Jeremiah Jeremiah Jeremiah Romans Romans 2:1-23 16:1-21 8:18-30 15:1-13 29:1-14 30:1-24 8:1-17

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### Estate of Gary L. Baker

Published in The Norton Telegram on defenses thereto on or before June 5. May 12, 19, 26, 2006. (3T) IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON, COUNTY, KANSAS In the Matter of the Estate of Gary L. Baker

Case No. 2006-PR-4 **NOTICE OF HEARING AND** THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL

PERSONS CONCERNED:

Testamentary.

You are hereby notified that on April 18, 2006, a petition was filed in this Court by Terry L. Chisham, a devisee, legatee and named executor of the Last Will and Testament of Gary I Baker dated May 20, 2005, praying that the will be admitted to probate and record, that he be appointed as executor without bond, and that he be granted Letters

You are required to file your written

2006, at 9:30 a.m., with this Court, in the City of Norton, in Norton, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited,

they shall be forever barred. Terry L. Chisham, Petitioner Submitted by: Mark C. Whitney, No. 9607 WHITNEY LAW OFFICE 112 S. Kansas, P.O. Box 208 Norton, Kansas 67654 (785) 877-2661 fax (785) 877-3868

Attorney for the Petitioner

#### Estate of Claude Bruce Hubbard

Published in The Norton Telegram on paid; that the administration of the Friday, May 12, 19, 26, 2006. (3T) IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of CLAUDE BRUCE HUBBARD, Deceased. Case No. 2005-PR-28

**NOTICE OF HEARING** THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by James Malcolm, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Estate of Claude Bruce Hubbard, Deceased, praying that his acts be approved: that his account be settled and allowed, that the will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; that fees and expenses be allowed; that the costs be determined and ordered Estate be closed; and that he be discharged and that he be released from further liability. You are required to file your written

defenses thereto on or before the 5th

day of June, 2006, at 1:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Norton, Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course James Malcolm, Executor

R. Douglas Sebelius #09157 SEBELIUS & GRIFFITHS, LLP 105 South Norton Street P.O. Box 10 Norton, Kansas 67654-0010 (785) 877-5143 Attornevs for Petitioner

#### The Estate of Elton Rex Wendel

Published in The Norton Telegram on at the time of death, and that such prop-Friday, May 12, 19, 26, 2006. (3T) IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS In the Matter of the Estate of Elton Rex Case No. 2006-PR-9

**NOTICE OF HEARING** 

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Eva I. Wendel, spouse and one of the heirs of Elton Rex Wendel, deceased, praying that descent be determined of the

in Norton County, Kansas: Lot Eight (8) in Block One (1) of Betterton's First Addition to the City Of Norton, Norton County,

following described real estate situated

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent

erty and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession. You are required to file your written

defenses thereto on or before June 5, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. in the city of Norton in Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Eva I. Wendel, Petitioner Submitted by: Mark C. Whitney, No. 9607 WHITNEY LAW OFFICE 112 S. Kansas, P.O. Box 208 Norton, KS 67654 (785) 877-2661 (785) 877-3868 fax

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Hoping to equip Christians to present truth in a gentle and teaching manner, Pastor Terry Laughlin will be speaking three messages on three very key issues brought up by the book and movie, "The Da Vinci Code." They will be given on Sunday mornings at 10:30 A.M. The themes of the messages are:

- 1.) Reliability of the Four Gospels (June 4)
- 2.) The Divinity of Christ (June 11)
- 3.) Simple Truths to the Resurrection of Christ (June 18)

On Sunday, June 4 at 7:00 P.M. we will be showing a DVD, "The Da Vinci Delusion" put together by American Family Radio and Coral Ridge Ministries. On Sunday nights, June 11, 18, 25 and July 2 at 7:00 P.M. we will be watching a DVD, "Discussing The Da Vinci Code" put together by Lee Strobel and Gary Pool. Bonnie Laughlin will be writing several articles on comparing the truths of Biblical, historical, architecture and Christian documents to the delusions set forth in the book and movie. They may be read in our CrossRoads articles in the Monday papers on the second page.

By June 19, the spoken messages and a full transcript of these three messages may be found on our website. Go to button "Messages" and find the heading "Da Vinci Code Delusion." Articles written by Bonnie may be found by going to "Archives" under the same heading.

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