Family

Second journey took Paul to Europe

This is the fifth in a series on the life of the Apostle Paul, starting with his second missionary journey. After a short rest at the close of his first journey, Acts 15:30 tells us, "Then after some days Paul said to Barnabas, 'Let us now go back and visit our brethren in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord, and see how they are doing.'

Paul had a desire to find out how the churches he and Barnabas had started were doing, but God had more extensive work which opened up as Paul went forward.

Unfortunately, the beginning of this journey was marred by a dispute between these two friends, who had meant to travel together. Barnabas wanted to take John Mark, but Paul refused. (Mark had gone with them on the first missionary journey, but about halfway, he had left them and returned home. See Acts 15:37-40.)

So these two friends parted, never to meet again. Their Christian love for each other remained; Paul spoke of Barnabas with honor in his writings, and years later, in the last of his epistles, he sent for Mark to come to him at Rome, writing that Mark was profitable to him for ministry – the very thing he had disbelieved about him before. And of course, Mark wrote the second Gospel.

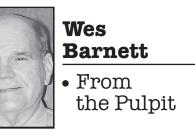
In the meantime, however, differences separated Paul and Barnabas. They agreed to divide between them the region they had evangelized together.

Barnabas and Mark went to Cyprus, and Paul went to the churches on the mainland of Turkey. As a companion, Paul took with him Silas. They had not gone far on this journey when he met one who would take the place of Mark. This young man was Timothy, who continued to be a faithful companion and a comfort to the apostle to the end of his life.

Paul's second missionary journey is recorded in Acts 15:36-18:23. This journey was not only his greatest, but as James Stalker writes in his book, "The Life of St. Paul," "Perhaps the most momentous recorded in the canon

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of the human race. In its issue, it far outrivaled the expedition Jewish faith passed in large numof Alexander the Great, when he carried the arms and civilization of Greece into the heart of Asia, or that of Caesar, when he landed on the shores of Britain, or even the voyage of Columbus, when he discovered a new world.'

This journey of years took Paul from Asia Minor to Europe.

Starting from Antioch, Paul revisited churches in the regions of Derbe, Lystra, Iconium and continuing to Phrygia and Galatia. He turned from moving deeper into Asia when the Holy Spirit would not allow him Asian travels. Luke hits the highlights of these efforts, but we are left to wish for more.

In an epistle Paul describes, in a condensed fashion, his missionarv adventures. From this list we know he covered much territory, ran into bitter opposition, and suffered afflictions both from men and nature. We know from his words that we do not have a full account of this journey.

At Troas, Paul had a vision – a man, beckoning and crying, "Come over into Macedonia and help us." That figure represented Europe: Greece and Rome. So Paul, with a clear message from the Holy Spirit, crossed the Aegean Sea. Macedonia lay in the north, whereas Achaia was in the southern part of Greece. Paul founded churches in Philippi, Thessalonica and Berea.



The churches which individuals. Thirteen of these are Paul began here gave him more comfort than any established elsewhere. At Berea, Paul even met with a generous and open-minded synagogue of Jews. Stalker mentions that

female proselytes to the bers into the Christian church. Also, the first convert in Europe was a woman, Lydia. In Greece Paul often faced bitter opposition, but churches were founded in city after city, and from these the gospel spread over the province of Macedonia.

Paul's message in Achaia was not as well received. In Athens, the populace listened to Paul, but when he got to the heart of the Gospel - the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ – the Greeks rejected his good news. He never returned to Athens.

Even though the people were full of argumentative curiosity and intellectual pride, Paul had better results at Corinth. This city was the Paris of ancient times - rich and luxurious, tied to the sensual side of life — but the tide had turned. Even the president of the synagogue became a Christian, and here Paul met Aquila and Priscilla, a couple who became his close friends and fellow laborers.

From Corinth, Paul traveled to Jerusalem by way of Ephesus and finally back to Antioch, his starting point. The great step forward is that with this second journey, Paul's mission efforts reached beyond Asia Minor into Europe.

On Paul's second missionary journey, he began to write letters (epistles) to churches and

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Babies

Abigail Jean Eddleman

Abigail Jean Eddleman, daughter of Johana Eddleman and Jermain Murray of Goodland, was born Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center. She weighed 6 pounds, 1 ounce and measured 17.5 inches.

Brother T.J. Eddleman welcomed the baby home.

Grandparents are Paul and Cathy Eddleman of Goodland and Melva Prescot of Brooklyn, N.Y. Great-grandparents are Marilyn Pruitt, and Jack and Marlean Eddleman, all of Goodland. Uncles are Doug Eddleman of Colby and Joseph Eddleman of Goodland.

Grandparents are Dale and

and Don and Patty Kincaid of

Mission Hills. Great-grandparents

are Clem and Pauline Zerr of Oak-

ley, the late Carl and Lillian Jones

of Colby and Graydon and Mary

Kincaid of Kansas City.

Graydon Scott Kincaid

Graydon Scott Kincaid, son of Scott and Melinda Kincaid of Mis- Elaine Jones of Council Grove sion, was born at 1:43 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2009. He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 19 inches.

Sister Lauren, 2, welcomed the baby home.

Checkups detect cervical cancer early

for Cervical Cancer Awareness Month.

in our Bibles: Romans to Phile-

mon. From these we receive much

of our Christian doctrines. Paul

wrote 1 and 2 Thessalonians dur-

ing this second journey. He wrote

these probably in 50-51 A.D.

while in Corinth. In most editions

of the Bible, Paul's letters are ar-

ranged in nonchronological order.

Romans and the Corinthian letters

are placed first, apparently due to

with the life of the Apostle Paul.

Next month, we will continue

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Cervical cancer was once the No. 1 cancer killer of women in the United States, but during the past 50 years, the number of new cases and deaths has been cut 75 percent. This is largely because of the widely available and reliable Pap test, which is given as often as yearly during well-woman checkups. This test can indicate if further testing is needed so cancer can be detected and treated when still curable.

"The good news is cervical cancer is no longer a leading cause of death for women in the United States," said Roderick L. Bremby, secretary of the Kansas Depart-

Women across Kansas are en- risk of developing cervical can- cine targets four strains thought to couraged to schedule a "well- cer by detecting precancerous cause about 70 percent of cerviwoman" checkup this month cells which, when found early, are highly treatable.'

> Although the number of cervical cancer cases has declined, about 4.070 women died from cervical cancer in the U.S. last year. In Kansas women, cervical cancer accounts for approximately 2 percent of all cancer, with an average of 107 new cases diagnosed each vear. About 33 Kansas women die of cervical cancer each year.

> The majority of cervical cancer cases are caused by human papillomavirus, a common sexually transmitted infection. Although women generally are infected with in their teens, 20s, or 30s, the disease can take up to 20 years to

> In addition to screening tests,

cal cancer. The vaccine is recommended routinely for girls at 11 or 12, or on a catch-up basis for those 13 to 26, to help prevent cervical cancer later in life. Parents are encouraged to talk with their daughter's doctor for information about the vaccine.

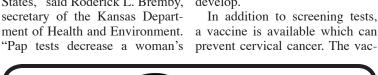
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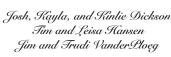
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Couple to Gelebrate 50th

The Children of Paul and Jean Wagoner are honoring their parents with a card shower for their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, January 23, 2010. They were married in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Colby, KS on January 23, 1960.

The couple have three children: Julie Sanford and husband, Ken, Colby, KS; Jeff Wagoner and wife, Lesley, Colby, KS; and Tony Wagoner and wife, LaVon of Paola, KS. There is also six grandchildren, Sheliah, Sara, Tasha, Brock, Amber and Alex. Friends and family; may send cards to Paul and Jean Wagoner, 1795 E. 4th, Colby, KS 67701.

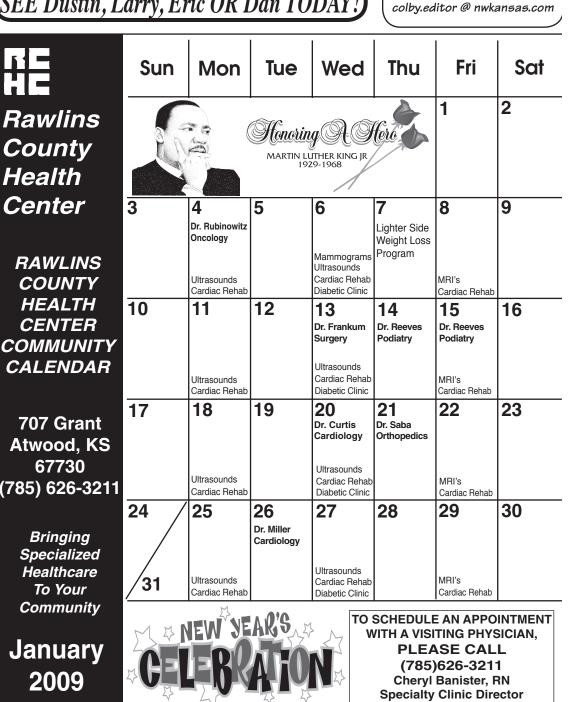


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