

**Bits of home Chat: Hey all you brothers and sisters in Christ, how are you? Carl and I are glad that spring is**



This is a picture of our church before the steeple had to be removed

**here! He has been out mowing, enjoying it all except the hillside. There are three ways to fix that: do it myself, or let the grass grow up to our house in the back or move! So far, the do it myself seems like the most reasonable except that some of that are isn't comfortable for me either. How's come those things didn't bother us when we were younger? I'm thinking that our equilibrium must change as we get older. But then again, I don't like to think about us getting older either, so let's change the subject to something else!**

**Faith Baptist had a spring-cleaning day recently, with 6 families working together. Even the children were eager to help. Our son, Martin is serving as interim coordinator till we gain a new pastor, so he took the lead and announced that we were going to start the by jumping right into the work of eating doughnuts and muffins donated by one of our families. You can bet no one complained! After that Martin read the list of jobs to do and had people team up for the area they wanted to work on, and off we went like a little army of ants.**

**It was truly a blessing to see adults working together and some guiding little people, patiently teaching them how to clean or help in some other way instead of chasing them away. We were able to accomplish quite a bit, but we need another day or two for cleaning, and a lot more for building repairs and updating some things. It did my heart good to see these people working together for their Lord. You could tell that was their reason for being there.**

**One man who was handicapped from a stroke, worked on the church tractor after cleaning light covers from the auditorium. His daughter and our granddaughter cleaned out a landing between the main floor and the attic. I had to go past the doorway below several times and each time the pile of dusty trash was building up, but on one trip past I heard this rather loud exclamation, "Alright, who put fake snakes up here!!!" I poked my head in grinning from ear to ear to check on them and they said it was a good thing they realized they were fake right away or we would have heard a whole lot of screaming!**

**I asked them if they could pound some nails into 2x4's and hang up the snow shovel, broom and mop that were laying on the ramp that goes up to the landing and they said they would. I haven't looked in to see how they did, but knowing them, it is probably fine. I had my hands full just directing folks, washing down some walls and directing other children. It was a good day!**

**God is good, His Word is good, our eternity in him is good! Aren't you glad to be a part of the body of Christ?! Carl and I sure are! Till next time, do what you can to serve the Lord and to bring glory to His name! And may God bless you! Sending God's love from the "not so old" Earleys, as far as eternity goes!**

Focus verse or memory verse:

**Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! Psalm 133:1**

Verses to ponder:

**Genesis 13:8; Psalm 133:1-3; Nehemiah 4:1-6; John 9:4**