

Laugh at Your Mistakes

You've probably seen a list of mistakes from church bulletins that were making the rounds a few years ago. Have you seen these?

1. At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.
2. The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday morning.
3. The pastor will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing, "Break Forth Into Joy."
4. Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
5. Announcement in the church bulletin for a National Prayer and Fasting Conference: "The cost for attending the Fasting and Prayer Conference includes meals."
6. Charlene Mason sang "I Will Not Pass This Way Again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
7. Next Sunday is the family hayride and bonfire at the Fowlers. Bring your own hot dogs and guns.
8. The church will host an evening of fine dining, superb entertainment, and gracious hostility.
9. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
10. Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.

I'm sure you've never made such mistakes. I wish I never did. I'm glad I'm a part of a loving church family where we make a habit of overlooking each other's mistakes. More than that, we make a habit of forgiveness of our sins against each other. We are, of course, learning this habit from our Savior who died to make our forgiveness by God possible.

- pastor Robin