

From Darrel's Desk

Did you know that the Merriam-Webster people (the folk who publish the dictionary) also award a "Word of the Year" annually? Me neither. Just one of those strange facts that I stumble on from time to time.



The 2007 word of the year goes to (cue the drum roll, please):
w00t!

I know that looks like some kind of misprint. And to my traditional grammarian mindset, it doesn't look like a word at all. So let me quote the M-W people who made the award:

*Thousands of you took part in the search for **Merriam-Webster's Word of the Year for 2007**, and the vast majority of you chose a small word that packs a pretty big punch... This year's winning word first became popular in competitive online gaming forums as part of what is known as l33t ("leet," or "elite") speak—an esoteric computer hacker language in which numbers and symbols are put together to look like letters. Although the double "o" in the word is usually represented by double zeroes, the exclamation is also known to be an acronym for "We Owned the Other Team"—again stemming from the gaming community.*

w00t (interjection) - expressing joy (it could be after a triumph, or for no reason at all); similar in use to the word "yay". "w00t! I won the contest!"

I've NEVER heard of **w00t**. But then again, I'm not a gamer.

Merriam-Webster seeks a new word to honor each year. I have one for you to honor every year: BIBLE. (Or, to put it in the hacker-gamer language: **b1b13**, I suppose.

God's Word is enduring and not a faddish, trendy, elitist term reserved for the insiders. In fact, it is God's will for us to get His Word to as many people as we can during the time we have on this earth.

Please commit yourself to reading, studying and sharing God's Word, the **b1b13** (that's "Bible" for those of you who aren't among the **l33t**).

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

2 Geneva Wilson
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Thank you to the Clay City Christian Church for the plant, also for the prayers and comforting words. Thank you for the cards and visits.



Beverly Clark

I thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers. They are so important and appreciated.

Marcia Emmerich

The youth and youth workers would like to thank everyone who contributed to making the soup fundraiser a success. Thank you to all who donated food and thank you to all who came and ate the soups and made a donation. The youth are looking forward to their next CIY trip.



June 5, 6, 7
Registration - June 4

Theme:
The Jesus Expedition

if you would like to help, please tell Lynne Wilson or Sandy Brandon

In His Service for March

	2	9	16	23	30
Greeters	New Life class	Women's class	Seekers class	New Life class	youth
Pastoral Prayer	Larry Brant	Gary Clark	Darrel Brandon	Bill Staser	Gary Clark
Reading at the Lord's Table	John Riley	Bill Staser	Dan Patridge	Gary Clark	youth
Communion Preparation	Gary & Linda Schnepfer				
Communion to the sick	Darrel Brandon				