

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

GOALS FOR THE CHURCH

There is an old song, which says:

A volunteer for Jesus, a soldier true. Others have enlisted, how about you?

I shared with the board meeting on July 15 that spending money on infrastructure, windows, furnace, fences, refrigerators etc. is a necessary expenditure to keep the facility operating. But when you compare that expenditure to our evangelist budget of \$100.00 dollars for 2018, we need to adjust our thinking a bit. We can have the best kept building in town, but if no one comes, all we have is a nice structure.

My goal in working with our elders is twofold:

1. Establish Encouragement Ministry to make sure we love, care for and maintain the precious folk who are a part of our Church family. We also want to reach those who are friends of our church and those who lean towards the Church. This requires a number of

Church Events

- August 5th

 Christian Men's Fellowship
- August 13th Material Girls Quilt Guild
- August 21st Prayer Shawl Ministry
- August 27th Elders Meeting
- August 27th Missions Meeting



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volunteers. The word volunteer comes from a Latin word which means to do something of one's own free will without coercion or compensation. We are in need of more volunteers for Encouragement Ministry. Thank God at this point we have 13. We need 20. Would you please pray about this very simple work of contacting 5 or 6 people each month by phone, text, card or a call just to offer to pray, help in any way, and to encourage them in their Christian walk.

- 2. The second goal at this point is to make Back to Church Sunday on September 16 a concentrated effort to reach people in our community who need Christian fellowship or need to know the Lord. This will require volunteers to help deliver 500 invitations to 500 homes. We will do this about a week before the event.
- 3. Following the morning service on September 16 we will enjoy a Cowboy, Chuck Wagon meal. Cowboy stew, corn bread and cobbler. You are encouraged to come in your best cowboy or cowgirl garb. Invite your friends. There will be some special music, a short message from the Pastor and a lot of food, fun and fellowship.

Please give this a great deal of thought and prayer. Contact any Elder or the Pastor if you would be a volunteer of Jesus, a soldier true. Others I have enlisted how about you?

Love ya, Pastor Herder

adies Bible Studies for Fall

It is not too early to be thinking of being a part of a Bible Study in the fall. The STUCK Bible Study held during the summer, led by Laura Bogart, has been a great blessing to many. Laura will be leading a study called RESTLESS by the same author. Beginning September 12, it will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 —during the same time frame as the grade school and middle school youth groups. Let Laura know if you are interested. 620-654-6177

The Ladies Community Bible Study will once again be meeting every Thursday morning from 9:00 to 10:30 beginning in September. Last year we were greatly blessed as we walked with Jesus in the gospel of John. This year we will be walking with the disciples and the early Christians as we go through the exciting events in the book of Acts. We enjoy sharing and fellowship with women from a dozen different churches. Come along and invite others also.



AUGUST SCRIPTURE

Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me."

John 14:6 NIV

August - Back to School - Pray for School

Since August is 'Back to School' month, let's also make it a 'Pray for School" month.

Let's join together and pray for our schools:

For pre-schools and all those who work with the little ones,

For Grade schools, Middle Schools, High Schools.

Pray for the students. Name the ones you know.

Pray for the teachers, that they be blessed as they teach.

Pray for the administrators and for the school board, that they have wisdom in all they do.

Pray for our youth heading to college. Pray that they might stand strong for Christ.

Again pray by name for those you know.

May God's blessing rest upon all of our students and teachers.

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who brought food, yummy ice cream, joined in the games and helped with CLEAN-UP ... a dirty word; but necessary at the end of any meal.

God bless each of our Church Family. We love each of you.

Lois Runion & Donna Farr





August Birthdays

02 Terry Babcock 16 Nick Aiken 03 Emry Hindman 19 Lucas Crist 03 Tim Rowland 19 Konnielyn Jarvis 05 Maclin Hindman 21 Mina Wagner 05 Carolyn Rumbaugh 22 Toby Griffith 07 Roger Weinman 24 Vicki Constable 08 Nancy Johnson 27 Rallen Minkler 09 Jennie Chistensen 27 Bert Follis 09 Rick Coomes 27 Michele Boeve 10 George Jenkins 28 Duane Harris 11 Troy Blubaugh 28 Erick Babcock 11 Jemma Thomas 29 Johnathan Boeve 12 Kurt Thomas 29 Keath Thomas 15 Kelly Ford 31 Dakota Johnson

July Offering

01 \$3,048.00 08 \$2,795.00 15 \$2,320.00 22 \$866.00 29 Unavailable

Each Sunday we need to collect \$2,596.15 to meet our budget.

Please pray about your giving.

Remember, you cannot out-give God.

Cook Mission

During the past 4 weeks \$129.96 was collected for the Marilyn Cook Mission in South Africa.

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FAITH FILLED FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

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