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P r e a c h e r ' s P o s t

Dear Ones,

I don't have enough adjectives to describe all the exiting activities in which the FCC Memphis Church family will be engaged in the coming weeks. A group of our men will be serving breakfast alongside our friends from the Memphis First Baptist Church at the After Prom on Sunday morning. We are gearing up to recognize Graduates and register young people for the IMO Christian Service Camp season with a special service on May Third. Tom Owings and crew are finishing the needed repairs to be ready for carpet installation next week. The National Day of Prayer service will be hosted by our congregation on May 7th. I know I am missing other ways our FCC family is engaged in ministry around the church and the community daily.

How about our Mission Emphasis Sunday? Hearing Brother Knowles speak of the involvement of Peace on Earth Ministries in Europe and other parts of the world was enlightening. What stands out in your mind regarding his report about Christians in other lands? How bold would this preacher be in the pulpit if he had armed soldiers in the crowd just waiting for him to say something sounding threatening to those in power? I was impressed as he told of Christians at an American compound in a Muslim country having to meet secretly at night to worship Jesus lest they be caught and punished. We have the right to assemble. We have the right to openly express our faith in Christ. We have no political pressure to keep us away from gathering in Jesus' name. In my mind, a question just begs to be asked. Do we take our freedom to worship Jesus for granted? Would we be among the Lord's people on the Lord's Day if our association would bring threats to our jobs, relationships or even our very lives? Let me know what you think about these things.

Lord Bless, *Preacher Jack*

Youth Minister's Post

Wow, what a weekend! Melanie and I got to take 5 Junior High Students to Crazy Days in Moberly, Missouri. The students were challenged by the speaker, Jason Poznich, to think about what it means to SOAR. We looked at Isaiah 40, John 8, and Acts 2. In Isaiah 40 Jason talked about how God is GREATER than creation, the nations, idols, world rulers, stars, and our discouragement. His overlying theme was "Soaring begins when we recognize the greatness of God." It was based off of Isaiah 40:31. Jason used the story of the adulteress woman (John 8) to illustrate how we "label" people. The more you start to hear your "labeled" name, the more you start to believe it. These labels get in the way of us when we try to soar. Lastly, Jason used the church in Acts 2, to illustrate that God did not create us to soar alone. We are meant to soar together as church family. It came down to this, "There is nothing like having a church to learn on." We are God's family!

In Christ, *Josiah Holloway*

Prayer Requests:

Mary Ann Blessing	Willideane Crist
Donna Wheeler	Rose Miller
Donna Meeks	Evelyn Nye
John Wheeler	Dalene Bergman
Dixie Drummond	Terry Fincher
Donna Houghton	Angel Chance
Cole Anderson	Jean Allen
Helen Hammack	Larry Roberts
Janice Grosenkemper	Bob Carney
	Ron Alexander

Hospital

Charles Hammack—Iowa City
Clark Mustoe
Dorothy Franklin—SCMH
Sheila Owings

FCC MEMBERS at:

SCCC & R.C.F

Jeri Baker	Louise Frederick
Gene Parsons	Velva Freburg
Vetrice Goins	Harriet Poole

Schuyler County N.H.

Marietta Garrison

Verse of the week: **Hebrews 11:1,3**
Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.



April Book of Month Mark

STATISTICS

April 19, 2015

Sunday School...65
Worship...110
General Fund.....\$3,634.05
New Building.....\$100.00

BUDGET (To date)

Weekly Needs \$3,242.00
Budget needs.....\$55,114.00
Gifts.....\$52,806.45

Sunday Services

Sunday School.....9:20 AM
Worship.....10:30 AM
Junior Worship (Ages 3 to 5yrs).10:30 AM
Super Church (Grades K—6th).....During sermon

Church Staff

Jack Sumption.....Preacher
Josiah Holloway.....Youth Minister
Kelly Cochran.....Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TASK has ended for the 2014-2015

"Thank you to everyone who prayed, encouraged, supported us with gifts, and supplied weekly snacks!! Summer activities will be planned so watch for those announcements."

THANKS! TASK Staff



Christian Skate Night

April 27, 2015
CARE Roller Rena
6:00-8:00 P.M. \$2
Leaving church at 5:20pm if you are needing a ride.

A Mother-Daughter Tea

Saturday, May 2, 2015 @ 10am

The Rutledge New Testament Church

Please bring a guest and join us.

Speaker will be: Mrs. Kathy Campbell
(Hats & Gloves optional!)

R.S.V.P. by April 29, either by email or telephone.
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**May 3, 2015
Senior Recognition/
Camp Kick-Off**



(Gift bags for the seniors will be in the back of the auditorium until May 3rd)

May 7th @ 12:05 pm

National Day of Prayer

First Christian Church



May 9th 11:00am

First Christian Church

Mother's Day Luncheon

(more details to come)

ALL MOTHER'S WELCOME

Reminder April 26, 2015

West Greeter.....Linda Wheeler
West Usher.....Leon Wheeler
East Greeter.....Maurine Robinson
Sunday School at SCCC.....Mike Cantril
SCCC Pianist.....Sandra Blake
Nursery.....Patricia & Katie Miller
April Bus Driver.....Roger Gosney
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