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Dear Ones,

I think of my home church this morning as I continue to write about the blessings and benefits of being an active part of a local congregation. I could write of the Preacher who took an interest in a teen boy and how we became life long friends. There were Godly Elders and Youth Leaders and Sunday School Teachers who helped me grow in faith. Those people prayed and encouraged me all along the way. Have you ever wondered where you would be today without those who came along side to lead you to the Lord and to live faithfully among His people?

Thanks to a faithful congregation of believers, I was encouraged to attend Bible College. Having a Central Christian College Alumnus as the Preacher back then, all roads led to Moberly, MO. What a blessing and benefit we have to this day because this strong, Bible teaching, Church Leader training school was established in 1957! Sound, Scripturally grounded Professors continue to mold and mentor faithful men and women that the world may experience the blessings and benefits of being part of the Lord's Kingdom and the local congregation.

I share today about Central Christian College of the Bible because we want to recognize and appreciate her influence on the Memphis First Christian Church. We shall do that on "CENTRAL DAY," Sunday, September 4th. Lloyd Pelfrey, Chancellor at C.C.C.B., will be preaching for us. We will be providing an opportunity for church family and friends to give a special offering that day in honor of Central's 59th anniversary. Let's be a generous blessing to our Bible College down the road!

Lord Bless, *Preacher Jack*

**F.C.C. MEMPHIS HOMECOMING CELEBRATION
Sept. 30—Oct. 2, 2016**

Youth Preacher's Post

I want to take a look at the beginning of James 1 this week. The writer of James was Jesus' brother, not James the apostle. James doesn't say if you face trials, but when you face them. He assumes that we will have trials and that it is possible to profit from them. James tells us to turn our hardships into times of learning. Tough times can teach us perseverance.

We can't really know the depth of our character until we see how we react under pressure. It is easy to be kind to others when everything is going well, but we can still be kind when others are treating us unfairly? If you have ever seen the constant rolling of huge waves at sea, you know how restless they are subject to the forces of wind, gravity, and tide. Doubt leaves a person as unsettled as the restless waves. If you want to stop being tossed about, rely on God to show you what is best for you. Ask Him for wisdom, and trust that he will give it to you.

The crown of life is like the victory wreath given to winning athletes (1 Corinthians 9:25). God's crown of life is not glory and honor here on earth, but the reward of eternal life. Temptation comes from evil desires inside us, not from God. It begins with an evil thought and becomes sin when we dwell on the thought and allow it to become an action. Like a snowball rolling downhill, sin grows more destructive the more we let it have its way. The best time to stop a temptation is before it is too strong or moving too fast to control.

In Christ, *Josiah Holloway*

Prayer Requests:

Mary Ann Blessing
Donna Wheeler
Bill Moffett
Charlie Boyer
John Wheeler
Jim Kratzer
Kim Armstrong
Glen Miller
Ron Alexander
Donna Strait
Sam Berkowitz
Bert Bibby
Marjorie Durham
Mrs. Dennis Ludwick

Hospital:

Jeannie Drummond—SCMH

Shut-In:

Dixie Drummond
Roberta Small
Roberta Beckert
Georganna Lister
Jean "Effie" Allen
Viola Heiner

**FCC Members at:
SCCC & R.C.F**

Donna Meeks
Georgia Couch

**Schuyler County
Nursing Home:**

Marietta Garrison

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We replaced our roof here at the church. Our goal is to raise **\$20,000**. Donations to the "roof fund" would be greatly appreciated.
Thanks **YTD: \$5,694.50**

**August 24th ~ Scotland County Antique Fair
Community Vesper Service**

Wednesday, @ 6:00 p.m.
East Side of the Memphis Square



Sept 4th ~ Central Day

Celebrating the *59th Anniversary of Central Christian College of the Bible.*
Lloyd Pelfrey, Chancellor will be preaching.
A special anniversary offering will be taken for CCCB on that day.

TASK Information:

TASK will resume with a kick-off on
Monday, Sept. 12.

Please register your child, pass on registration forms, and invite others to join us.

A staff meeting will be held on
Wednesday, Sept. 7 @ 6:30.

An invitation is open for anyone high school age and up to join us as volunteers!!!



**August
Book of Month**

I Corinthians, James

STATISTICS

August 21, 2016

Sunday School...61
Worship....93

General Fund.....\$3,141.75
New Building.....\$100.00
Roof.....\$130.00

BUDGET (To Date)

Weekly Needs.....\$3,242.00
Budget needs.....\$109,986.00
Gifts.....\$102,986.00

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Memphis FCC Homecoming Events:

Sept 30th ~
7pm ~ Mercy's Bridge Gospel Band

Oct 1st ~
5pm ~ BBQ—open to all friends, family, members and guests
6:30pm ~ Gateway Singers

Oct 2nd ~
Morning Worship ~ Phillip Gore, Tim Hawkins
Gate Way Singers
Noon ~ meal provided for everyone in attendance
2pm ~ Closing service Terry Rush

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

Reminder August 28, 2016

West Greeter.....Linda Wheeler
West Usher.....Leon Wheeler
East Greeter.....Helen Clough
Sunday School at SCCC.....Ronnie Miller
SCCC Pianist.....Sandra Blake
Nursery.....Holly Harris & Brooke Campbell
August Bus Driver.....Mary Morgan
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