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Dear Ones,

I've unpacked my suitcase, sorted my mail, checked messages and started catching up with all I missed while away this past week. I will take a bit of time shortly to look over my calendar for the rest of the week. I will also make my lists for the day and beyond. I can tell you now, there are some great opportunities coming our way in the weeks and months ahead!

Today I suppose you could say I am doing a little "housekeeping" via my article. There are times I want to share information every way I can. At least two items come to mind this morning.

A Blessing offering for Central Christian College of the Bible will be gathered on March 9th. C.C.C.B. has been such a huge partner in ministry with FCC Memphis for years! We have an opportunity to express our gratitude by contributing toward a new flooring system for the Basketball court. Please bring a generous offering with you on the 9th. If you are not able to be in attendance, would you consider sending a special gift for Central to the Church office?

Bible Reader's Challenge 2014 is under way. I see a stack of your commitment sheets on the corner of my desk. We will give recognition to our 2013 participants at our All Church Dinner on March 16th. Have you signed up for the 2014 challenge? We would like to have you signed up by March 16th as well.

Just an FYI ... FCC Memphis is hosting the March 13th IMO Fellowship meeting. Bill Hauser from New Testament Christian Church in Keokuk, IA. Will be our speaker. See you Sunday if not before.

Lord Bless, *Preacher Jack*

Youth Minister's Post

I had the privilege of teaching a couple of classes this past week while Jack was visiting with friends and family out east...MCI on Tuesday & Acts "Overview" yesterday. There was an interesting question ask within the context of Acts 9. As most of you know this is where we find the conversion of Saul of Tarsus. Saul was going around persecuting the church and at the time he was on his way to Damascus. Well on his way a light from heaven flashed around him and he fell to the ground. The men that were with Saul had to help lead him into Damascus to a disciple named Ananias because he had scales over his eyes. Ananias was scared at first because he knew about this Saul character. God tells Ananias this, "Go for he is a chosen instrument of Mine, to bear My name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel." After all of this Saul is baptized and this is when his conversion begins. Later on in Acts 9 we read this, "and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God. All those hearing him continued to be amazed, and were saying, "IS THIS NOT HE WHO IN JERUSALEM DESTROYED THOSE WHO CALLED ON THIS NAME, AND WHO HAD COME HERE FOR THE PURPOSE OF BRINGING THEM BOUND BEFORE THE CHIEF PRIEST?" (Verses 20-21) . Wow, what a great reminder that all of us are CHOSEN INSTRUMENTS of God. God can use anybody to share the Good News (Gospel) and Saul is a wonderful example of that.

In Christ, Josiah Holloway

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Mary Ann Blessing	Dora McClintock
Bob Carney	Debbie Seamster
Willadean Crist	Dean Smoot
Randy Elder	Sheila Owings
Donna Houghton	Donna Wheeler
Linda Koser	Viola Heiner
Randy Elder	Judy Gamber
Dixie Drummond	Margaret Elder
Angel Chance	Joanne Ferguson

Hospitalized

Max Kapfer
 Leon Wheeler
 John Wheeler
 Alyssa Marshall-Des Moines
 (granddaughter Don & Kathy Dice)
 Ron Alexander
 Ted Gundy

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

Jeri Baker	Cleo Davis
Audrey Drummond	Velva Freburg
Louise Frederick	Vetrice Goins
Gene Parsons	Harriett Poole
Jean "Effie" Allen	

**FCC Members at
 Schuyler County N.H.**

Marietta Garrison Bernice Shanes

Military

David Miller

March Book of Month

Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians,
 Colosians



STATISTICS

February 24, 2014

Sunday School..65
 Worship..91

General Fund.....	\$2,864.10
Carpet Fund.....	\$190.00
Church Wedding.....	\$150.00
New Building.....	\$100.00

BUDGET (To date)

Weekly Needs	\$3,237.00
Budget needs.....	\$25,896.00

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
Debbie Seamster	Office Assistant

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN OUR 2014 BIBLE READER'S CHALLENGE!!!

For the next two Sundays we will be encouraging our church family and friends to participate in our program. Sign up sheets will be available in the Church bulletins. Yes, you can read your Bible without making a commitment to the Bible Reader's Challenge. But, Your participation both encourages you to keep your commitment to Bible reading and serves as an encouragement for others to join the challenge as well!



MCI—Downing Christian Church

Missouri Christian Institute

Every Tuesday evening

February—March @ 7pm

Registration forms are in both foyers.

March 9th, we will be taking up a special offering for CCCB in Moberly. They have recently acquired a new gym floor and we would like to help them out. If you are wanting to make a donation and won't be at church, feel free to send it to 320 S. Main St. Memphis, MO 63555



For 9th-12th graders for NYR camp, on **March 23rd** there will be an informational meeting. If you are interested please attend these meetings so we can see how many are wanting to go.



What: WINTER JAM CHRISTIAN CONCERT

When: Friday, March 28th

Where: Des Moines, Iowa

Cost: \$10 per person

We will leave Memphis around 3:30pm.

Concert starts @ 7pm. All ages welcomed!!

Closer to the date more info will be available

and sign up sheets will be out...



We would like to express your sympathies to Don & Kathy Dice as his mother Anna Dice passed away.

Reminder March 2, 2014

West Greeter.....	Marcia Dial
West Usher.....	Joe Miller
East Greeter.....	Kathy Miller
Sunday School at SCCC.....	Mike Cantril
SCCC Pianist.....	Leah Terrill
Nursery.....	Kim & Brooke Smith
March Bus Driver.....	Lee Parrish

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