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Dear Ones,

A company that provides cell phone service seems to be angering many of its customers these days. I am not sure what is going on, but much of it has to do with billing. Customers are making payments, but not being credited. The due dates are being changed without notice. Customers are often unable to find resolution. Some are concerned their phone service will be terminated. Lots of anxiety, confusion and frustration results.

I believe there is a similar kind of experience going on in the hearts and minds of many Christians! It has to do with forgiveness. I hear it expressed in several ways. "Preacher, if you only knew about my past." Another one is, "I don't know if I will be good enough to get to Heaven." There are many other ways a sense of being unforgiven affects our spirit, our service and our security in Jesus.

If we could pull up our sin bill and see our sin history, I believe every Christian would see the same thing. Yes, there would be an abundance of sin with its charges! There would be a stamp over all of them "PAID IN FULL" by the blood of Jesus. (Ephesians 2:1-10) You might want to look at the fine print that says. Your past sins have been washed away (Acts 22:16) From this point on *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* (1 John 1:9) Satan wants you confused, frustrated, angry and feeling like you have an unpaid debt. Your past is forgiven, Your future has been secured. You are free to live in the present with great confidence in Christ! Let's live in that assurance every day!

Lord Bless,

Preacher Jack

Youth Minister's Post

How many of you remember the song, "The Wise Man Built His House" from VBS when you were younger? This particular song popped into my head while I was writing my article last night. The song talks about a man who built his house upon the rock and a man who built his house upon the sand. Jack talked about a "ROCK" yesterday during his sermon....Peter who is also know as Cephas. In Aramaic the word Cephas means "ROCK." **"I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it," (Matthew 16:18).** The rock on which Jesus would build His church has been identified as Jesus himself. Jesus Christ is the chief cornerstone of the church. we are told to build our lives on Christ the SOLID ROCK! He is the one foundation that will never crumble or fall apart. This reminder can be found in the chorus of the old hymnal, "The Solid Rock." **"On Christ, the SOLID ROCK, I stand; All other ground is sinking stand, All other ground is sinking stand."** back to the VBS song that I mentioned above. The house that was built on the sand collapsed when the rains came down. The house that was built on the ROCK did not collapse when the rains came down. So are you building your life on the ROCK or on the SAND? I hope that you are building your life on **THE ROCK....JESUS CHRIST!**

In Christ, Josiah Holloway

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Jean "Effie" Allen	Dora McClintock
Mary Ann Blessing	Debbie Seamster
Bob Carney	Dean Smoot
Willadean Crist	Judy Thibault
Randy Elder	Sheila Owings
Teresa Fisher	Donna Wheeler
Donna Houghton	Viola Heiner
Max Kapfer	Vicky Clark
Richard Kennett	Matt Frederick
Linda Koser	Judy Gamber
Mark Kutzner	Margaret Elder
	Brandi Ely

Hospitalized

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

Jeri Baker	Cleo Davis
Audrey Drummond	Velva Freburg
Louise Frederick	Vetrice Goins
Gene Parsons	Harriett Poole
Ruth Speer	

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

Marietta Garrison Bernice Shanes

Military

David Miller

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 7th Task will resume. Parents will need to send a note to their teacher to resume this activity.



Jan 9th 6pm @ Keith's Café
All men and boys are welcome

January 12th—4-6pm

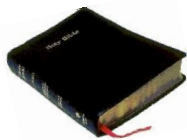
@ C.A.R.E Roller Rena
All Church Skating Party, bus will leave at 3:30. If you would like a ride please sign up for the bus. Cost of admission will be paid. Bring finger foods to snack on. Invite, Invite, Invite!!



January 12 @ 1:30pm

Music/Worship Committee Meeting will meet in the fireplace room.

January Book of Month



Matthew

January 18th—All day

SNOW DAY: Jr. and Sr. High school students will be going to CCCB Campus. We will leave around 7:30 a.m. and return around 7:30-8 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person. Any questions contact Josiah Holloway @ cell: 660-341-8706 email: jh964@cccb.edu



STATISTICS

January 5, 2013

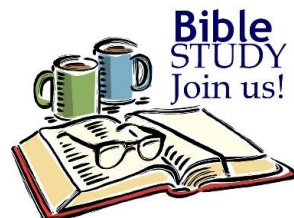
Sunday School..71
Worship..101

General Fund.....	\$2,518.59
New Building.....	\$100.00
Carpet Fund.....	\$50.00

BUDGET (To date)

Weekly Needs	\$3,235.00
Budget needs.....	\$3,235.00
Gifts.....	\$2,518.59

Every Sunday night starting **January 19th** there will be a Bible study at the church "Overview of Acts"
The time will be 1:00pm



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

Reminder January 12, 2013

West Greeter.....	Marie Alexander
West Usher.....	Ron Alexander
East Greeter.....	Marcia Dial
Sunday School at SCCC.....	Truth Seekers
SCCC Pianist.....	Jana Muntz
Nursery.....	Elaine Forrester & Connor Harrison
January Bus Driver.....	Paul Campbell

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