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Dear Ones,

I sure appreciate the way readers of the Evangel respond to what is printed. Most of the time it is so encouraging and positive. From time to time there may be a constructive suggestion worthy of attention. It is good to know the weekly discipline of writing articles, publishing information and promoting events is worthy of the time and expense of providing the EVANGEL.

Did you try to find the books of the Bible in last week's newsletter. I found fifteen books in short order. Number sixteen was pointed out to me. That seventeenth one was not to be found! I had to go to an answer sheet for it. We were thrown a curve ball!!! The author of the teaser used another title for the book of Ecclesiastes! It is sometimes called the book of the "Preacher!" The word the puzzle recognized was "minister." So, to the gentleman that called me, you were right! Good job.

Let me draw your attention to your Bible for just a moment this morning. Are you finishing your Bible reading challenge for the past year? We have been so encouraged over the years by brother Carney "provoking" us to the good habit of Bible reading. I have a stack of signed commitment sheets before me. Certificates for our Bible readers will be passed out soon.

We may not be approaching our Bible reading challenge this year in the same way as years past. We do remain constant though in our encouragement for you to "continue steadfast" in your commitment to the reading and study of God's Word!

Lord Bless, *Preacher Jack*

Youth Minister's Post

On January 16, I got to preach at the I-MO Men's Fellowship in Queen City. My sermon was out of 1 Thessalonians 3:1-13. I talked about how Timothy's visit to the church of Thessalonica was encouraging to the apostle Paul. Paul was worried that "The Tempter" (Satan) might have tempted them. Timothy brought back good news to Paul..."But now Timothy has come to us from you, and has brought us good news of your faith and love, and that you always think kindly of us, longing to see us just as we also long to see you, for this reason, brethren in all our distress and affliction we were comforted about you through faith; for now we really live, if you stand firm in the Lord" (Verses 6-8). Timothy's report about the Thessalonians contained 1) Good news about their faith (inward religion). 2) Good news about their love (outward religion). 3) The report that they had good remembrance of Paul always. 4) Also the news that they desired to see Paul again. This was an ENCOURAGING report in every way. I was encouraged yesterday to see so many kids of all ages throughout the church. It was encouraging to see one of the kids in the Youth Group make a decision to be baptized and follow Christ. I was excited and encouraged to have 11 kids at Youth Group tonight! Overall though I am always encouraged to see believers coming together and learning about the Lord!

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	Sheila Owings
Randy Elder	Donna Wheeler
Donna Houghton	Viola Heiner
Max Kapfer	Vicky Clark
Richard Kennett	Matt Frederick
Linda Koser	Judy Gamber
Mark Kutzner	Margaret Elder
Kaitlin Orton	Brandi Ely
Laura Schenk	Thomas Albertson
Randy Elder	John Dodge

Hospitalized

FCC Members at SCCC & R.C.F.

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

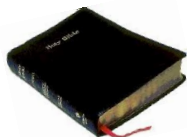
FCC Members at Schuyler County N.H.

Marietta Garrison Bernice Shanes

Military

David Miller

February Book of Month



Acts

STATISTICS

January 26, 2013

Sunday School..62

Worship..105

General Fund.....\$3,877.27

Carpet Fund.....\$100.00

BUDGET (To date)

Weekly Needs \$3,237.00

Budget needs.....\$16,185.00

Gifts.....\$12,675.36

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 SeamsterOffice Assistant

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Congratulations
 On Your Baptism*

Dystine Priebe on your baptism this past Sunday.



We would also like to WELCOME to the church family Danny, Sharon, Brienna, Dystine, Danny (Lil' D) Priebe



Every Sunday afternoon there will be a Bible study at the church "Overview of Acts" The time will be 1:00pm, come and join us!

**February 2nd—
 "BONE CHILLIN' COOKOUT"**

Right after church we will be doing our annual cookout. Everyone is welcome to stay for good times and good food.



Super Bowl Party for the Jr. and Sr. high youth group on Feb 2nd...@ 5:15pm to 9:00pm...pizza, finger foods and pop! Board games and movies will be available!! @ Holloway House

MCI—Downing Christian Church

Missouri Christian Institute
**Every Tuesday evening
 February—March @ 7pm**
 Registration forms are in both foyers.



We would like to express our deepest sympathies to the family of Ruth Speer in her passing.

Reminder February 2, 2013

West Greeter.....Lynn Fincher
 West Usher.....Terry Fincher
 East Greeter.....Doris Orton
 Sunday School at SCCC.....Mike Cantril
 SCCC Pianist.....Leah Terrill
 Nursery.....Tonya & Conner Harrison
 January Bus Driver.....Leon Wheeler
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