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Dear Ones,

Where do I start to write about our marvelous and memorable Homecoming week end? Years ago, a wise Preacher friend said plan a work and work the plan and you will have success. Praying, planning, preparing and doing all with a passion for the Lord's Church resulted in a wonderful family reunion!

I cannot begin to say thank you to all the people involved in the innumerable tasks that led up to and through our celebrations. Tom Owings and the Planning team fulfilled their responsibilities flawlessly. A team of "Prayers" gathered faithfully on a weekly basis for months to petition the Lord for wisdom, guidance and so much more. People came along to paint, clean, scrub the basement carpets and do many needed repairs to the building. During the services, many stepped up to assist in so many ways. I saw "members" of the "body" where they needed to be, serving cheerfully, fulfilling ministry.

What shall I say about our "Mercy's Bridge," "The Gateway Singers," Our "Homecoming Choir" or Sunday morning "Quartet" The music was fantastic. And those speakers! Such a dramatic introduction by Len Camp, Two "preacher boys" who spoke of their mentoring into adulthood among this church family. Ending the weekend with Terry Rush left us laughing and looking forward to the Lord's activity through His people in the days ahead.

I shall spend days basking in the joys of this past weekend. I shall also spend days thinking about all the opportunities that are ours to move forward in faith to fulfill Jesus' mission. May we never forget why we are here! Our mission is to bring people to salvation through Jesus Christ and to Christ like maturity through active membership, appropriate ministry and applied mission. Looking forward to seeing you Sunday!

Lord Bless, *Preacher Jack*

Youth Preacher's Post

Painful lessons are usually doorways to new opportunities. Even the apostle Paul had much to learn. Shortly after his disappointing experience with John Mark, Paul recruited another eager young man, Timothy, to be his assistant. Paul's intense personality may have been too much for John Mark to handle. It could easily have created the same problem for Timothy, but Paul seems to have learned a lesson in patience from his old friend Barnabas.

Timothy probably became a Christian after Paul's first missionary visit to Lystra (Acts 16:1-5). Timothy already had solid Jewish training in the Scriptures from his mother and grandmother. By Paul's second visit, Timothy had grown into a respected disciple of Jesus. He did not hesitate to join Paul and Silas on their journey. Timothy had a Greek/Jewish racial background. Timothy seemed to struggle with a naturally timid character and sensitivity to his youthfulness. Unfortunately, many who share Timothy's character traits are quickly written off as too great a risk to deserve much responsibility.

Through God's grace, Paul saw great potential in Timothy. Paul demonstrated his confidence in Timothy by entrusting him with important responsibilities. Paul sent Timothy as his personal representative to Corinth during a particularly tense time. Although Timothy was apparently ineffective in that difficult mission, Paul did not give up him.

In Christ, *Josiah Holloway*

Prayer Requests:

Donna Wheeler
Charlie Boyer
John Wheeler
Jim Kratzer
Ron Alexander
Sam Berkowitz
Marjorie Durham
Louisiana flood victims
Joe Welsh
Thatcher Miller

Hospital:

Shut-In:

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

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

Donna Meeks
Georgia Couch
Bette Herbert

**Schuyler County
Nursing Home:**

Marietta Garrison

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are updating our Evangel E-mail list. If you would like to receive the Evangel through e-mail please e-mail the church at fccm@nemr.net and we will add you to the list.
Thanks!



Annual October Coat Drive

Scotland County Ministerial Alliance is having a coat drive. You may bring your coats to the Senior Center or Scotland County Elementary School.



Tiger Pack Program

These packs include peanut butter and saltine crackers along with other goodies. They are needing donations of peanut butter, saltine crackers and money. You may make checks out to FCC Memphis and in the memo please write



Tiger Pack. Thank you!

***Especially needing peanut butter and monetary contribution at this current time.**



**September
Book of Month**

Hebrews, I & II Peter

**STATISTICS
October 02, 2016**

Sunday School...
Worship....160

General Fund.....\$2,593.63
Roof.....\$75.00

BUDGET (To Date)

Weekly Needs.....\$3,242.00
Budget needs.....\$129,438.00
Gifts.....\$117,609.62

Nominees for 2016 Church Officers

Elder ***

Joe Miller, Warren Miller

Deacons ***

Mike Cantril, Paul Campbell

Trustee ***

Leroy Bibby

Financial Secretary *

Roger Gosney

Assistant Financial Secretary *

Snookie Gosney

Treasurer *

Warren Miller

⇒ * Denotes 1 year term

⇒ *** Denotes 3 year term

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 October 09, 2016

West Greeter.....Dr. Celeste Miller-Parish
West Usher.....Lee Parish
East Greeter.....Patricia Miller
Sunday School at SCCC.....Truth Seekers
SCCC Pianist.....Jana Muntz
Nursery.....Patricia & Katie Miller
October Bus Driver.....Marie Alexander

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