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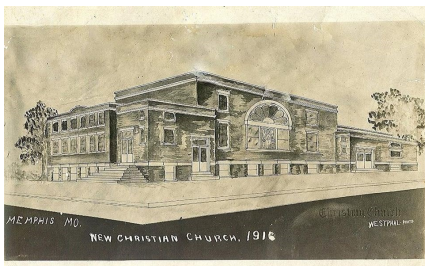
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Dear Ones,

A new church building often begins with a vision. That vision is often put into some form to be shared with others. I was thrilled one day years ago when a postcard came to the church building. Someone from another state found an artists vision of how a new church building could look for the Memphis First Christian Church family. Today, the building looks a bit different with a different roof line. For whatever the reason, the part of the building to the right was not constructed.

I look at the building today. It will be 100 years old in the coming year. I am amazed at the engineering that went into this place. I see the materials and try to imagine all the men who labored day by day to build it. Today, the building is as sound as can be. It's foundation is secure. To my knowledge, all the bricks are still in place. From the day this building was dedicated to the Lord, it has been serving it's purpose as a Church House.

I look at what this building represents today. For me, among many things, it represents people who had a vision to make disciples for Jesus. Several years ago, prior to my arrival, the leaders of this fine church family put Jesus' words in Matthew 28:18-20 into a mission statement. "Our Mission is to bring people to salvation through Jesus and to Christlike maturity through active membership, appropriate ministry and applied mission."

Much time and attention has been given in recent years to preparing our church house for a homecoming celebration in recent years. Let's use the coming days to renew our focus and give our time and attention to building up the church envisioned by Jesus!

Lord Bless, *Preacher Jack*

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

Youth Minister's Post

We can hardly imagine what it must have been like to be the first and only person on earth. It's one thing for us to be lonely, it was another for Adam, who had never known another human being. He missed out on what makes us who we are. He had no childhood, no parents, no family or friends. He had to learn how to be a human on his own. Fortunately, God didn't let him struggle too long before presenting him with an ideal companion and mate, Eve.

One of Adam's first conversations with his delightful companion must have been about the rules of the garden....stay away from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Before God made Eve, he had given Adam complete freedom in the garden, with the responsibility to tend and care for it.

Satan approached Eve knowing that the tree's fruit was forbidden. However, Satan convinced her to eat the forbidden fruit. Then she offered some to Adam, at that moment the face of creation was on the line. Sadly, Adam didn't pause to consider the consequences. He went ahead and ate the fruit. It was from that moment of small rebellion that something large, beautiful, and free was shattered...God's perfect creation. In the case of man's sin, however, God already had a plan in motion to overcome the effects of the rebellion....John 3:16.

In Christ, *Josiah Holloway*

Prayer Requests:

Mary Ann Blessing Willideane Crist
Donna Wheeler Dalene Bergman
John Wheeler Terry Fincher
Dixie Drummond Bob Carney
Helen Hammack Ramah Douglas
Charles Hammack

Hospital

FCC MEMBERS at:

SCCC & R.C.F

Jeri Baker Louise Frederick
Velva Freburg Harriet Poole

Schuyler County N.H.

Marietta Garrison

*Prayers and sympathies to
Gene Parsons family,
Wilma Kapfer family,
and
Florine Forrester
family at this sad time.*

Ephesians 4:2-3

*Will all lowliness and meekness,
with longsuffering, forbearing one
another in love;
Endeavoring to keep the unity of
the Spirit in the bond of peace.*

**October
Book of Month**



**I John
II John
III John**

STATISTICS

September 27, 2015

Sunday School...57
Worship...92
General Fund.....\$2,296.25
BUDGET (To date)
Weekly Needs\$3,242.00
Budget needs.....\$129,680.00
Gifts.....\$116,167.77

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Leaders:

Seminar Saturday

October 03, 2015
John C. Maxwell
Beginning 9AM till mid afternoon
Church of Christ — 813 Lake Rd. Ottumwa, IA
Noon lunch served by the church
There will be no charge

Show-Me Restoration Destination 2015

October 16-17, 2015
@ Callaway Christian Church
Fulton, Missouri
Individual: \$30
Family : \$50
Student: \$10

Youth Corner:

October 22, 2015

Youth Group Outing
More details to come!!! Keep an eye out!

MISC NEWS:

October 4, 2015

Following the morning service the Missionary Team will
host a free-will offering taco/potato bar!
All donations will go toward the mission trip to Haiti.

October 4th ~ Homecoming Meeting @ 2pm

October 4th ~ Music Committee Meeting @ 3:30pm

Fellows Night Out!!

October 15, 2016

Calling all guys!
We will be going to Ozark Steak House.
More details to come!

*October 20th ~ Joy Group ~ leaving the Baptist
Church @ 10am for a scenic drive thru and lunch at
Thousand Hill Park in Kirksville, MO*

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 4, 2015

West Greeter.....Tonya Harrison
West Usher.....Randy Harrison
East Greeter.....Benjie Briggs
Sunday School at SCCC.....Mike Cantril
SCCC Pianist.....Alisa Kigar
Nursery.....Elaine Forrester & Elsie Kigar
October Bus Driver.....Marie Alexander
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