February

Feb 11 Valentine's Day Banquet for 60 and over

Feb 18 Directory Photos Taken today in the Fellowship Room

Feb 25 Sip & See for Emily Pierce and Rhett; 2:00

March

Mar 02 Men's Hiking Day; details to follow

Mar 10 Chili Cook-Off & Fellowship Dinner; 5:00 p.m.

Mar 24 5th Sunday Fellowship on the 4th Sunday

VALENTINES BANQUET

If your 60+ years old plan to stay for our Valentine Luncheon immediately following church services in the Fellowship Room.

NEW DIRECTORY

Pictures will be taken next Sunday morning for our new directory. Please make your way back to the Fellowship Room after services to get your picture taken.

SIP & SEE FOR EMILY PIERCE

A Sip & See is set for Sunday, February 25 for Emily Pierce. It is going to be held in the Fellowship Room from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Let's sprinkle Emily with diapers, gift cards and other baby essentials.

5TH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

We will begin 5th Sunday Fellowships again this year. Please mark your calendars as a reminder. The first one will be March 24 as the 31st is Easter. More info will follow.

MIDWEST YOUTH FOR CHRIST

Every 4th Sunday of the month, Christian Youth (3rd-12th grade) and families from area wide congregations gather at a hosting church of Christ between the hours of 3-6 pm for an afternoon filled with worship, friendship, activities, and a shared meal. The first one will be held February 25 in Augusta. If you would like to attend, there will be a van going.

BLESSING BOX IDEAS Non-Perishable Food Items:

Peanut Butter

Canned Tuna, Ham, Chicken Canned Soups, Stews, Chili

w/pull top lids

Canned Goods w/pull top lids

Granola/Protein Bars

Nuts, Oatmeal, Cereal, Crackers

Beans, Rice, Lentils, Pasta

Kitchen Staples (flour, sugar, salt/pepper) Pasta Sauce, One Box Meals or Mixes

Hygiene Items:

Shampoo/Conditioner
Toothpaste/Toothbrush/Floss
Brushes/Combs
Deodorant
Body Wash

Winter Items:

Gloves Hats Socks

FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

Considering Our Service for Christ

One of the worst impressions that a Christian can give to an unbeliever is the impression that if they follow Jesus, things in their life will be better.

Of course, I would also say that it's a true statement that anyone's life is better for following Christ, but the danger lies in the way that we define "better."

When I say "better" I mean security of the soul and peace and contentment and joy – all of those good things and more that we know come from following Jesus.

But when unbelievers hear "better," there's absolutely no telling what comes to mind. Some of the culprit "better" life ideas include, but are not limited to, God giving me whatever it is I want in life that I believe will make me happy.

When we study God's interactions with mankind, we start to get a better idea of what we might come to expect our lives to be like when we decide to follow Jesus.

For instance, consider the words that the Lord speaks in Acts 9:15-16 concerning the Pharisee Saul who would go on to follow Jesus and become the Apostle Paul –

¹⁵...he is a chosen instrument of Mine, to bear My name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel; ¹⁶ for I will show him how much he must suffer for My name's sake."

There are some really interesting sounding things listed there that Paul will do for the Lord, but his service of following Jesus will come at a very steep price. Consider Paul's words concerning his personal experience of following Jesus from 2 Corinthians 11:23-28 –

²³...in far more labors, in far more imprisonments, beaten times without number, often in danger of death. ²⁴ Five times I received from the Jews thirty-nine lashes. ²⁵ Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep. ²⁶ I have been on frequent journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from my countrymen, dangers from the Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers on the sea, dangers among false brethren; ²⁷ I have been in labor and hardship, through many sleepless nights, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. ²⁸ Apart

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Prayer List: Tim Evans, Carol Norris, Claire Norris, Marvin Kline, Gary Bodine, David & Rita Carroll, Bob & Beth Brownlee, Richard Wartick, Eliza Conwell, Larry Helton, Carrie Harris, Julie DeSoignie, Kylie Lock

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Our Theme for Children's & Teens Bible Classes this month is "Peter's Ministry." Here is a peek at this month's lessons, the Big Picture Question.

February 11—Peter Continued to Preach (Acts 4)

February 18—Peter Confronted Sin (Acts 4-5)

February 25—(**Big Truth Session**): We Are to Tell Others about Jesus (Romans 10)

Big Picture Question:

Q: Why does God command Christians to tell others about Jesus? A: We tell others about Jesus so they will hear and believe Him.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

February

Feb 11—Linda Wartick Feb 18—**Volunteer Needed!**

Feb 25—Volunteer Needed!

If you can trust a puzzle company to make sure every piece is in the box to complete the puzzle, then why can't you trust God that every piece of your life is there for a reason?

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from such external things, there is the daily pressure on me of concern for all the churches.

I don't think any of us could get very excited about living through what Paul lived through, but Paul did it all willingly and with gratitude to the Lord. Why? Because hardship with the Lord is better than the greatest luxuries and comforts this world can offer without Him.

Jesus saved Paul and everything Paul did for the rest of his life was in response to that great gift of salvation. Everything Paul did was to say, "Thank you Lord!"

So go ahead and tell people that life is better with Jesus, but be sure to explain what better means! And don't forget to explain that we don't live for satisfaction in this life, but in the life to come.

Much love!

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"Here I Am, Send Me!" Part 3: Embrace Your Identity Acts 13:13-16 Embrace Your Identity 1) We are ____ for Christ 2) As ambassadors, we are always 3) As ambassadors, we are Notes:

THOSE WHO SERVE					
SUNDAY, 10:30 AM	Feb 11	Feb 18	Feb 25	March 03	
Opening Prayer	E. Newberry	L. Turney	A. Shields	B. Turney	
Song Leader	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	R. Harris	
Communion Talk					
<u>& Prayer</u>	T. Norris	N. Bradbury	R. Harris	J. DeJarnett	
Contribution Prayer,	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	A. Shields	
Collection & Count	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	L. Turney	
<u>Ushers</u>	D. Clark	D. Clark	D. Clark	A. Hines	
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Closing Prayer	T. Norris	T. Norris	T. Norris	T. Norris	
Deacon in Charge	N. Bradbury	N. Bradbury	N. Bradbury	K. Dodds	
ATTENDANCE SUNDAY—Februa Bible Class A.M. Worship Contribution	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			93	
WEDNESDAY—February 7					
Auditorium—19		Teens—10			
Bible Hour—25		Total—54			

Rex Harris Tom Norris	Marvin Kline	SCHEDULE OF SERVICE Sunday Bible Classes9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.
DEACONS Nathan Bradbury Aaron Hines David Pierce Alan Shields	Kevin Dodds Leroy Lewis Wade Pierce	Wednesday Bible Class7:00 p.m. Bible Class7:00 p.m.
MINISTER Wes LeFlore		



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Call to Worship

Song #959 "Just a Little Talk with Jesus"

Song #777 "Father, Hear the Prayer We Offer"

Prayer

Song #387 "Tell Me the Story of Jesus"

Communion Prayers

Contribution Prayer

Contribution Collection

Song #634 "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes"

Lesson

Song #912 "Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary"

Prayer

Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children's Church to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the study for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.