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SPECIAL
REMINDERS

- E-Mail the office at fcch@bellsouth.net if you would like to receive the Christian Caller by E-Mail
- FCC still offers Valet Parking on Sunday morning for anyone who needs it. Please let Travis Mayton know if you would like to take advantage of this special service. Travis may be reached at 865-719-7161

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Minister's Notes



Fall Encouragement

In Matthew 24:6-8 Jesus said that in the last days *you will hear of wars and rumors of wars – but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains.*

Recently we have seen devastating hurricanes and earthquakes and flooding. There have been so many tropical storms and hurricanes this year, it has been hard to keep up with them all. There is upheaval in the NFL concerning the National Anthem and the American Flag – and as teams stay in the tunnel or lock arms or kneel down – no one seems to know if they are protesting or uniting? We see politicians using their office in a “bully pulpit” type way that leads to confusion and discord and division. All non-vital American diplomats in Cuba have been told to vacate back to the U.S. because someone is launching some sort of mystery attack of unknown origin against Americans in Cuba. North Korea continues to push the envelope with their missile launchings. It is sometimes hard to stay encouraged when there are so many bad things and negative things going on around us. Here are two suggestions to help keep you on the right track in a sin-fallen world that is sometimes foreboding and bleak.

1. Limit your exposure to the twenty-four hour news cycle. Someone once said that if a person fills their mind with enough garbage – then sooner-or-later their breath will start to stink. If you fill your mind with bad news and negativity – then your outlook as a follower of Christ will be negatively affected. In 1 Corinthians 15:33 Paul taught *do not be misled – bad company corrupts good character.*

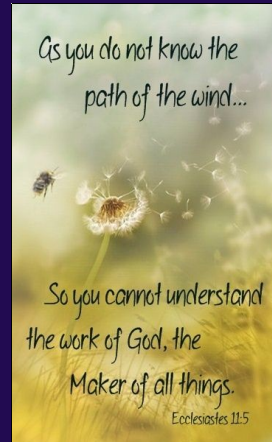
2. Increase your exposure to heavenly things. Be cautious about getting caught up in a list of things that you cannot do anything about. The enemy wants to steal our joy, but we do not have to make it easy for him. What would happen if you spent as much time on heavenly things like Bible reading and daily devotions as you did watching TV? Paul said that we would have the peace of God when we are thinking about *whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable . . .* (Philippians 4:8)

Fall is here and the wheels of time keep moving forward. Jesus tells us in the passage above not to be alarmed when it seems like everything is falling apart. That is because when it seems like everything is falling apart – they are really just falling into place. With every day that passes we are one day closer to the Lord Jesus returning. When He does, there will be no more bad news for those who truly love Him. Stay strong in your faith and stay strong in the Lord!

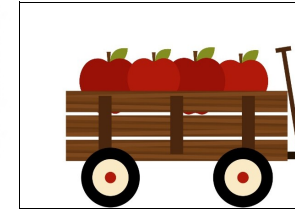
With Christ's Love,

Josh

If anyone has a special need or needs special arrangements for home communion during the month, please contact Pastor Josh Head or Travis Mayton.



Autumn



Find and circle all of the Autumn words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message - an Albert Camus quotation.

L O N G E R N I G H T S N A A U C N
T O R U E S T U N Y R O K C I H R I
M S O A Y Q E N I S I A O T R W O K
R C Y H N E U V S T E R F H E O P P
C E A A C G K I A S N O A A B R S M
K N D N D S E R N E D S R N M C O U
S C Y L N R G L U O L P M K E E C P
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| ACORN | FEAST | RAKE |
| APPLE | FROST | RED LEAVES |
| BIRD MIGRATION | HALLOWEEN | SCARECROW |
| BLOWING LEAVES | HARVEST | SCHOOL |
| BLUSTERY DAY | HAYSTACK | SEASON |
| CANNING | HICKORY NUTS | CROPS |
| CHESTNUTS | LONGER NIGHTS | SEPTEMBER |
| CHILLY | NOVEMBER | SHORTER DAYS |
| COLD | OCTOBER | SQUASH |
| EQUINOX | ORANGE LEAVES | SWEET POTATOES |
| FALL | PIE | |
| FARMING | PUMPKIN | |

VOLUNTEERS

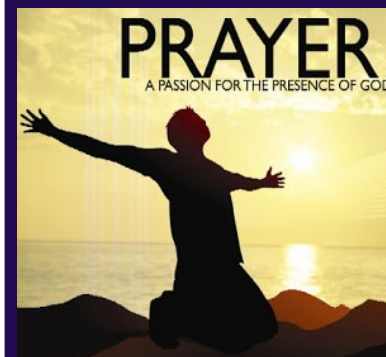
Volunteer Schedules for October 2017

WEEKLY	1	8	15	22	29
Greeter	Pernia Martin	Nick Ellis	Mary Burgess	Virginia Easter	Frank Mee
Nursery during Sunday School	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Nursery during Church	Joy Ramsey	Pat Ramsey	Linda Brown	Joy Ramsey	Pat Ramsey
Pastoral Prayer & AM Communion	Travis Mayton	David McKissack	Jeff Brown	Travis Mayton	David McKissack
Home Communion	Travis Mayton	David McKissack	Jeff Brown	Travis Mayton	Josh Head
Projection	Jacob Conner	Travis Wolfe	Kevin Mee	Tony McKissack	Jacob Conner
Sound Board	Jacob Brown	Tony McKissack	Jacob Conner	Kevin Mee	Jacob Brown
MONTHLY					
Communion Clean - up	Becky Mayton				
Elevate Jr.	Becky Mayton				
Elevate	Cherlyn Brown				
Fellowship Meal Hostess	Linda Brown				
Marquee up keep	Jacob Conner				

Numbers for September

09/03/17 - 69 in attendance for worship and an offering of \$4130.00
 09/10/17 - 47 in attendance for worship and an offering of \$2497.00
 09/17/17 - 66 in attendance for worship and an offering of \$2427.00
 09/24/17 - 57 in attendance for worship and an offering of \$843.00

Be sure and check out the Missions Budget on the Bulletin Board and see where your contributions are going.



Prayers

Berry, Roland
 Brown, Benny
 Brown, Linda
 Clemons, Kitty
 Earthquake Victims
 Fairres, Larry & Jessica
 Harvey, Emmett
 Howe, Ray
 Hurricane Victims
 Hunter, Mack
 Lawson, Louise
 Martin, Pernia
 McKinney, Nellie

Meaner, Mary Beth
 Mee, Bess
 Mee, Samantha
 Miller, Gayle
 Missing Soldiers
 Missionary's in China
 Moore, Doc
 Parish, Eddie
 Powell, Jeanette
 Queen, Maxine
 Reitz, Todd
 Stowe, Patsy
 Treveno, Bob

Unspoken

Families of
 Cunningham, Bert
 Hood, Jo Ann



October 2017

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1 *Gracie Stockton **Keith & Pam Davidson	2	3 *Elder's Meeting	4	5	6 *Landon Stafford	7 *Alex Mayton
8 *	9	10 *Robin Brown	11 *Wyatt Seaton	12	13	14
15	16 *Linda Rittenhouse	17 *Lauren Head *Board Meeting	18 Fellowship Meal	19 **Benny & Linda Brown	20 *Daniel Hayes	21
22	23	24	25	26 *Marilyn Hyden	27	28
29 *Michelle Mee	30 *Gary Powell	31  Halloween				