

PLANTED ROOTS

**NEW LIFE
CHRISTIANCHURCH**
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*Plant your roots in Christ and let Him be the foundation
for your Life. Colossians 2:7*

August 2019

CELEBRATE JULY 4th ON THE 7th

With prayers for our country, we celebrated the 243rd anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Our founders sacrificed much for the freedoms we enjoy; a reminder that Jesus sacrificed it all to secure our freedom from sin. So to celebrate, we had a delicious dinner. REACH furnished the pulled pork and BBQ beef, and everyone brought the rest. So thanks to all who furnished food, and helped set up and clean up.



JULY 18: GIRLS FUN NIGHT



For supper they had pizza, fresh veggies and fruit. The girls made sun catchers, necklaces and bracelets out of beads. They played games: a timed event stacking and taking down the cups, and games of musical chairs and charades. They all enjoyed a video about Esther, the Jewish queen of Persia. When it was finished, Susan opened a discussion about the video with some talking points and questions. Then she led the closing song.

JULY 29: MIKE'S BAPTISM



Mike Roberts made his decision for Jesus Christ while at Christian Harbor. We had the wonderful privilege of witnessing his father, Paul, take his confession and baptize him. Congratulations Mike. You are now our brother in Christ. We are so honored to have this wonderful family leading our church.

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LOOKING AHEAD



Subs & Sundaes Sunday

Sunday, August 4 after service

Creamery Creek Worship

Sunday, August 11, @ 1:30

Reach Meeting

Monday, August 12 @ 6:30 PM

Church Campfire

Thursday, August 15 @ 7:00 PM

Girls Fun Night

Tuesday, August 20 from 4-8 PM

Ladies Night Out

Thursday, August 22 @ 6:00 PM

Back to School Giveaway

Saturday, August 24 from 9-12

Fitness for New Life

TBA for September

Woodcarving

Each Wednesday @ 1:00 PM
John Stout 638-2408

Greeters for August



August 4 - Al Lorr & Carol Melcher
August 11 - Kevin Hauge & Joe Melcher
August 18 - Vickie Moore & Carole Hopper
August 25 - Roy & Glenda Kanis

Prayer Request: Contact Paul at 608-632-3888
or email paulroberts@mwt.net

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN:

What are you chasing?

We're all chasing after something - comfort, success, a bigger house or someone's approval. But if we are honest, it feels like trying to catch the wind.

This fall, Women's Bible Study will be studying the journey of a man who spent his life chasing after God: David.

All women are invited to join our 7-week fall Bible study

Beginning Wednesday, September 4th @ 6:30 PM

To get the most out of this study, you will want to order the Chase study guide by Jennie Allen for \$10.

Please

sign up and order your book by Sunday, August 17.

SUNDAY MORNING

Adult Discipleship 9:00 a.m.

Children's Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

For all ages

Studying God's Story

Worship 10:00 a.m.

A Hymn of Praise for Summer

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful, you, Lord God, made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
you made their glowing colors, you made their tiny wings.

The purple headed mountains, the river running by,
The sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky.

The changing of the seasons, the pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden. you made them every one.

The tall trees in the greenwood, meadows where we play,
The rushes by the water, to gather every day.

You gave us eyes to see them and lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.

BUILDING & GROUNDS:

Thanks so much to Glenda and Vickie for pulling weeds and watering. The gardens are looking awesome. The refrigerator, however, is working not so awesome so we are searching for a replacement. If you know of a good one for sale, please let Neil know. Also, inspection revealed 3 areas on the roof that need attention. This is more than anticipated, and we need to get this taken care of soon. We are also discussing how to repair the back parking lot and driveway. It is in pretty bad shape, and we would like to surface the gravel area in front too. A lot of expensive stuff. We will be bringing more information to you shortly.



Vickie Moore donated this statue of a weeping angel in memory of Herb and Aislyn. Neil built the stand and cross, and Jeff installed it under the hydrangea tree. Thanks to all.

WANT TO SERVE? Our church depends on many willing volunteers, from dish washers to electricians, gardeners to carpenters. Please check out the bulletin board to see what supplies are needed or what projects we would like to complete. Talk to Paul if you have talents that you would like to share in the work of spreading God's word to the world. Thanks for all your help.

BACK TO SCHOOL GIVEAWAY

Saturday, August 24th, 9-12

Our focus this year will be **SNEAKERS!** (We will NOT be collecting used clothing for this event.) Our goal is to collect 100 pairs of sneakers to give away (all sizes - kids, teens, adults). Here's how you can help: donate gently-used sneakers, buy on-sale sneakers or donate money toward the purchase of sneakers. We will also be collecting backpacks and school supplies for school-age children. There is a container available for both shoes and school supply donations in the fellowship hall. If you have questions, please contact Susan Roberts. ****

As of right now we have 25 pairs of shoes that have been donated***

REACH



If you have a heart for fellowship and/or reaching the lost in our community, consider joining our group. We meet on 2nd Monday of each month.

- **New-comer welcome mailers:** We sent out 17 welcome packets to people who have moved into the area.
- **The Jail Library Ministry** is an outreach to serve people who are incarcerated in the Vernon County Jail. In June we delivered 77 books to the jail. Please, note that hard covered books are **not** allowed at the jail, paperback only. If you have some to donate, please leave them in the collection box. You never know which book might change the life of a prisoner. No hard covered books are allowed at the jail, paper
- **Nursing Home Ministry** visits the local nursing homes and ministers to the resident's needs. Contact Ruth Sinn if you'd like to participate. Phone 317-627-0017 or email rgsinn.78@gmail.com

New Life Vision Statement

Our vision ... is to become a community of believers who **look like Christ**, seeking to **change lives** within the church, across the street and around the world.

Supported Missions update

Hope Petersheim left on July 16th to participate on a medical mission trip to Malawi Africa. She arrived back home on August 1. She took 100# of generously donated medical supplies and reading glasses with her which will be given to the needy people she meets there. She served by taking vital signs and wound care. The group operated 3 medical clinics and 1 dental clinic in which they helped 5500 people. They also did remote home visits. Hope says it was an amazing trip. We welcome her back and look forward to hearing more about the time she spent doing God's work.

Christian Harbor Youth Camp was home for 5 of our young people in July. Barbie and Andrew Detweiler, Holli Koula, Mike and Nate Roberts ventured north to share in Christian fellowship, teaching, fun and games. Many lessons were learned and memories were made. Mike made his decision to follow Jesus, and Nate relayed the rewarding experience of befriending a boy who was alone and needed a friend. We are proud and happy for all of you.

FAME

Helping Refugees in Spain



An immigration crisis on the Southern border is not only happening here in the US but Spain has a crisis on their hands too! It is only 15 Kilometers across the Strait of Gibraltar. Every day hundreds of immigrants cross from North Africa hoping to find a better life in Europe, specifically in Spain, "the door of Europe". But many arrive and end up homeless and on the streets. Zacarias was found in a hidden place where he sleeps between cardboard and plastic. "Very bad, cold at night. Death would be better for me," Zacarias tells us. Your FAME Partner, **The**

Hope Center is changing the situation one young person at a time. These refugees come with many needs, but their inability to speak Spanish creates problems with legalization status. Additionally, undocumented immigrants cannot receive medical attention. To respond to this crisis The Hope Center offers 3 levels of Spanish Classes, which have opened the door to plant a church among the people there! The growing church there is reaching many from Muslim origins who can now give their testimony of conversion to Christianity. Also, Dr. Erick Gutierrez will open a Medical Clinic at The Hope Center. He has been doing Home Health visits, and also has a very small clinic. One refugee said, "Dr. Erick is more than a doctor, he is a friend who has helped me in my health problems, he is very friendly and kind."

Serving in the Dominican Republic



Earlier this month, we were blessed to have a FAME team of 20 in the Dominican Republic serving with Del Corazon de JesuCristo with Dr. Steve and Julie Dorsey as our hosts. Thirteen team members were from Hancock Regional Hospital in Greenfield, IN. We were so fortunate to have such good medical professionals serving with us!

Our medical team provided medical/spiritual care through multiple mobile medical clinics to people living in remote communities who do not have access to nearby healthcare or the funds to purchase much-needed medications. One outreach was in a community called Juna. We treated

187 patients and loved playing with the kids who came. The parents were so pleased to see their kids having such a fun time! Thank you, God, for smiles and your love.