

Christian Visitor Weekly Newsletter

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LIGHT WILL TRIUMPH OVER DARKNESS.

One of my daily devotions in prayer is to ask the Lord to open my eyes, ears and mind for opportunities to glorify him. There are times when God will fulfill this request and will put something on my mind which ultimately will be the topic for an article. Such is the case with the hymn "At the Cross". The song writer Issac Watts says in one of the verses.

At the cross, at the cross when I first saw the light and the burden of my heart rolled away. It was there by faith I received my sight, and now I am happy all the day.

What was the light Watts saw? Jesus tells us he is the "Light of the World" in John 8:12. Certainly until we see Jesus for who he really is, the light we have is at best the light of a believer. The problem with this is we are told in scripture, (John 2:19) "even the demons believe and shudder" at the name of Jesus. We must move beyond belief to faith. The song writer says, "It was there by faith I received my sight".

The sight Watts is referring to here is he understood for the first time who Jesus was and what he had done. When this occurs there is a change of heart. It is very similar to when we walk into a dark room and fumble for the light switch. When the light comes on the darkness is removed, overwhelmed by light. We are able to see the entire room. Until this happens in our life we walk around in relative darkness as far as the things of God are concerned. The problem with this is if we are not connected to God we are of little value to the kingdom. And if we are of little value to the kingdom we are of little value to other people who need to hear the gospel.

If we can go back to the dark room, what happens to the darkness when the light is turned on? It is overwhelmed by light. John the apostle tells us in 1st John 1:5, "In him, (Jesus) there is no darkness at all." If Jesus were in the room darkness could not return when we turn off the light. As it is now if we turn off the light the room is instantly dark. Such are our lives. Darkness invades all of our lives, we can't help our nature. What Watts experienced was a moment in his life when the light switch was turned on so the darkness was overwhelmed. He used this opportunity to pen this hymn so that others could move out of the dark into the light. The "Light" of Jesus Christ. Darkness will always be with us! That is our human nature. But by virtue of Christ's atoning death for our sins, the light we have through Jesus will triumph over the darkness.

David Bilderback: A Ministry on the Holiness of God.

JULY 29, 2018 ATTENDANCE
SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ 45 WORSHIP SERVICE: 8:00 A.M. ~ 53 10:30 A.M. ~ 116
NO FINANCIAL REPORT THIS WEEK

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Nursery Available during Sunday School and 10:30 a.m. Worship Services age 0 to 4 years

1. Classes that meet in the Annex on Sunday:

- Age 4 thru 5th | Kristina Sommer
- Jr High Class: 6th, 7th and 8th grade | Gayla Corley
- “New Creation” Adult Study | Ephesians



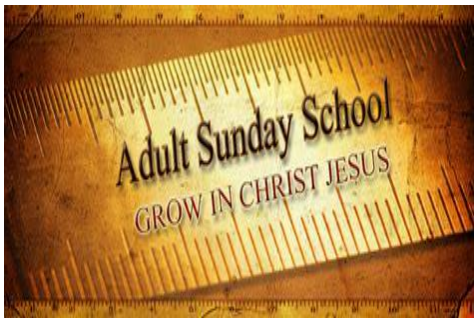
2. The High School Class 9th thru 12th meet in the New Life North Room

3. The SOS Adult Study meet in the Fellowship Hall: They are studying, “The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem” by Adam Hamilton

4. The Opportunity Adult Class meet in the office of Pastor Chris. The study guides they use is the Standard Lesson Curriculum

5. The Great Expectations Adult Class meet in the Library. They are doing a DVD based series “the ROCK, the ROAD and the RABBI” by Kathie Lee Gifford with Rabbi Jason Sobel

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS REPORTS



The **Opportunity Class** had 8 present Sunday with 4 members who brought their Bible and 4 who were daily readers. Continued prayers requested for Denise Hamilton ~ Nelda Potter ~ Gladys Young ~ Margery Hunt ~ Willis Bartlett (brother of Rosie Jordan) ~ Steve Spangler (& Cathy, wife) ~ Praise Speed Elsasser is home from hospital after open heart surgery. Prayers requested Sunday for

Barbara Craig and for the family of Sheldon Jones. Mary Hamilton opened the class with prayer. Mary led the class lesson “Parable of the Great Dinner” Luke 14:15-24. The class closed in prayer. PRAISE: WE HAD A RECORD SETTING OF 8 IN ATTENDANCE!

The **SOS Class** had 12 present Sunday and a special guest Miranda Thummell. They had 9 who brought their Bible and 6 who were daily readers. Prayers requested for the family of Sheldon Jones ~ Teter family ~ McKenna Goetz ~ Rebecca Bilderback ~ Bea’s daughter ~ Carol Jane Mersman ~ Steve Spangler ~ Burke Rogers (traveling)~ Juanita Kellerman ~ Roger & Phyllis Adams ~ George & Jeanine Zentner ~ the family of Tom Gowing ~ Nelda Potter ~ Gary & Linda Benjamin ~ Loydene Wests’ son Dean Wolfe brother Maurice White and wife and niece Tonya. Dave Bilderback opened the class with prayer and completed the lesson on “The Journey.” Next week: Chapter 4. The class closed with the “Lord’s Prayer.”

THANK YOU
for joining us!

WELCOME GUESTS TO FCC!

WE'RE GLAD THAT YOU COULD VISIT WITH US!

And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. Romans 5:5

Jacob Coltrane grandson of Max & Deb Worthington | Willie Helms ~ Augusta, KS |
Braden & Sophia Miller ~ Wamego, KS ~ grandchildren of Tarry & Linda Miller | Henry &
Opal Sample grandchildren of Sandra Hamilton | Dillon & Cassidy Bryer ~ daughter and
son-in-law of Steve & Marcia Spring | John Pomilia of Garnett

THIS WEEK AT FCC

TUESDAY, JULY 31 THRU MONDAY, AUGUST 6

Tuesday, July 31

Tuesday Prayer Group meet in the Annex at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 1

No Activity

Happy Birthday to Sydnee Poverlein



Happy Anniversary to Ken & Karen Petersilie



Thursday, August 2

The Christian Crafters meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Annex

Happy Birthday Gabrielle Spring



Happy Anniversary to Charlie & Becky Allen



Friday, August 3

No Activity

Happy Anniversary to Mike & Kathy Croucher



Saturday, August 4

No Activity

Happy Birthday to Carol Ann Feuerborn



Sunday, August 5

No Finance Committee today.

The Elders meet 5:00 p.m. ~ Board meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Annex

Monday, August 6

The Christian Woodworkers meet weekly on Monday's at 8:30 a.m.

Happy Anniversary to Kevin & Sandy Lewis



God bless your day with smiles, laughter, sunshine, mercy,
kindness and peace. ENJOY YOUR DAY!



Care Team will meet | Annex | 7:00 p.m. | Thursday, August 16 | Any questions contact Doug Meyer | 913-909-7680

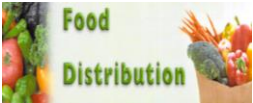


Care Centers Worship Services | Sunday, August 19 | The residents look forward to our visits and sharing in a time of songs & devotion | Please come and make a difference in their lives!

Guest Homes ~ 2:30 Residential Living ~ 3:15 Parkview Heights ~ 4:00



Mission Team Meet | Annex | 7:30 p.m. | Wednesday, August 22



Harvester's Food Distribution | North Lake Quonset Hut | 4:00 p.m. | Thursday, August 23



Crossroads Hospice support groups for families and caregivers to help move beyond grief and heal emotionally | Annex | 6:00 p.m. | Thursday, August 23, 2018 | Offering gentle support to better understand yourself and the grief process. | Any questions contact Katie Willis | (913) 850-7537



2018 Holy Angels Bazaar | Sunday, September 9 | St Rose School | 530 E 4th | Garnett | \$9 Adults - \$10 Carry Out - \$5 for 10 and under | Drawings – Raffles – Crafts – Baked Goods | Chicken & Noodles – Turkey – Roast Beef – Mashed Potatoes & Gravy – Sauerkraut – Apple Salad – Homemade Bread & Pies



First Christian Church Campout | Friday, Saturday, Sunday, October 5, 6 & 7 | Contact Marsha Dulin in the church office to reserve a camping spot. Cost is \$24.00 which needs to be paid prior to October 5. | Tent campers are encouraged to come out at no fee | More information later.



Hidden Haven Ladies Retreat | Friday & Saturday, October 12 & 13 | Finding Peace in All Seasons | Speaker Lora Jones | \$30 both days or \$15 one day | optional shirt \$15 | Register on line: www.hiddenhaven.org



Our Veterans and Military

Air Force: Paul Kuder, nephew of Reid & Karen Miller | Matthew Schryer, Grandson of Frieda Hurt & nephew of Marcia Spring | Nicholas L Wales, grandson of Orville & LaVerne Cole | Jesse Hale, nephew of Rosemary Turner

Army: Dustin Worthington, grandson of Max & Deb Worthington | Ethan Bilderback, grandson of Dave & Janette Bilderback | Thad Dodds, grandson of Alice Chase | Nicholas Watkins, son of Steve Watkins | BJ Moody, grandson of Tom & Janice Tush

Marines: Noah Kuder, grand-nephew of Reid & Karen Miller | Spencer Guyett, great grandson of Alice Chase

Navy: Alyssa Morford, granddaughter of Les & Lennet Thomas

Our Loved Ones in Care Centers

Morningstar Care Home: Birdie Zentner | **Guest Homes:** Ruth Gorrell | **Parkview Heights:** Jean Brown | Olive Kline | Ruby Schuster | George Zentner | Ruth Allen | Gladys Young | **Residential Living:** Vera Wills | Diana Bowen

Extended Family & Friends Long Term

Phyllis Adams | Linda Benjamin | Ardis Comfort & Nancy Lake (Gayla Corley) | Lois Gebert | Clarence Hermann | Jim Jordan | Willis Kramer (dad of Sandy Lewis) | Jo Lowe (Ken & Barbara McMillan) | Jim McAllister | Wilma McIntosh and all my family, Judy Meyer (Nancy Horn) | Bob Meliza | Waunita Porter (Larry Porter) | Nelda Potter | Steve Richardson (son of Reed & Carol) | Becky Roush (Carol Hermreck & Carolyn Schuster) | Bill Thornton, Sr. | Steve Watkins | Carol White (sister-in-law of Loydene West) | Tanya (niece of Loydene West) | Dean Wolfe (son of Loydene West)

Our Church Families / Friends

Week 1, July 29: All Law enforcement & Military and families (Rose Mary Turner) | Truckers and Military personnel (Stephany Petersilie) | Nick Watkins (son of Steve Watkins) | Margo Zinszer (mother of Kim Stapp) | (son) Dean Wolfe, (brother) Maurice White, (niece) Tanya (Loydene West) | **3 Praises:** (1) God Bless America! Rose Mary Turner (2) Praise: for a great summer of camp for our students. Lisa Modlin (3) Dean made it thru surgery and they only had to take 5% of kidney to get all the cancer. Loydene West

Week 2, July 22: The family of Tom Gowing | Marjorie Hunt (Darlene Olson & Mary Hamilton) | Twyla Duryea's daughter's father-in-law | Jim Durham (Gayla Corley) | Nick Watkins in Kuwait (son of Steve Watkins) | Anita Schaal (mom of Tammy Clark) | Lois Miller (mother in law of Tammy Clark) | Cameron Shilling (Gayla Corley) | Denise Hamilton (Mary Hamilton) | Donna Williams

Week 3, July 15: Steve Spangler (Mary Hamilton) | Sister in law (Morgan Hurt)

AFTER 3 WEEKS, YOUR PRAYER REQUEST WILL BE REMOVED UNLESS YOU WRITE ON THE SUNDAY FLAP,

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