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How Should We Respond to the Sexual Crises in America?

1. For men and women who are married, it's time to live out your vows and responsibilities. **Ephesians 5:33**: "However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband."

2. Let's live with purity and watch our words and actions. We need to stop with the demeaning jokes and the unkind comments and the malicious names. **Ephesians 5:3-4**: "But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people. Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving."

3. Remember that everyone matters to God. Practicing homosexuals are still made in the image of God. They are sinners...and so are we. **Romans 5:8**: "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

4. Pray for those caught in the sin of homosexuality. Pray that they would see their sin and confess Christ as Savior and Lord so they find freedom. I'm reminded of a saying I once heard: "Sin will always take you further than you planned to go, keep you longer than you want to stay and cost you more than you want to pay." We all need to be on guard against all kinds of sexual temptation. **Genesis 4:7** paints a vivid picture: "If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it."

5. Reach out in love and look for ways to introduce them to Christ. Let's move from us vs. them to us for them. I like what **Christopher Yuan, a former homosexual, says: "God's unconditional love is not the same as His unconditional approval of our behavior."** We must welcome sinners without endorsing evil. And we need to realize that some will continue to struggle as **Galatians 6:1** says: "Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted."

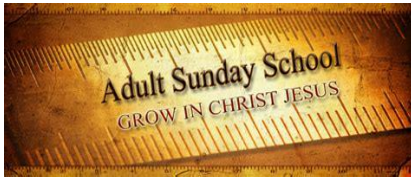
God loves us the way we are but he loves us too much to leave us the way we are! The only way someone struggling with homosexuality will see God's love is for us to show it. Jesus was known as a friend of sinners and He's calling us to do the same; not to hate on people, but to love on them. Are you a friend of sinners?

SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ 58 WORSHIP SERVICE: 8:00 A.M. ~ 60 10:30 A.M. ~ 132

FINANCIAL REPORT THIS WEEK

GENERAL \$6105 | TO DATE: \$6105 NEW BUILDING \$580 | TO DATE: \$580



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS REPORTS

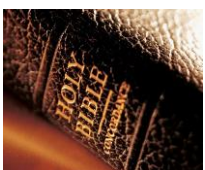
There were 5 present Sunday in the **Opportunity Class**. They had 4 who brought their Bible and 4 daily readers. Continued prayers requested for Steve and Cathy Spangler ~ Ruth Allen ~ Barbara Craig ~ Nelda Potter ~ Mike Burns ~ Donna Banman (friend of Mary) and all those fighting cancer ~ leaders and military and pastor and family. Praise for Rosie Jordan's sister – she is home with her daughter. Mary Hamilton opened the class with prayer then led the class lesson "God Creates Heavens and Earth," Genesis 1:1-13. The class closed in prayer.

There were 15 present in the **SOS Class** Sunday with Miranda Thummell joining them. They had 12 with their Bible and 8 daily readers. Prayers requested for Peggy Anderson (daughter of Norma Hermreck) and New Life minister. Continued prayers for Troy Hart ~ Roger & Phyllis Adams ~ Barbara Craig ~ Mike Burns ~ Lillian Wilcox ~ Bea's daughter Valerie Todd ~ Steve Spangler ~ Juanita Kellerman ~ George & Jeanine Zentner ~ Nelda Potter ~ Gary & Linda Benjamin ~ Loydene Wests' son Dean Wolfe brother Maurice White and wife and niece Tonya. Burke Rogers opened the class with prayer and led the lesson Chapter 2 on "The Call," Paul's Journey by Adam Hamilton. Next week we will start "Unshakable Hope" by Max Lucado.



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

Sharon Pruet, Springfield, MO daughter of George & Jeanine Zentner ~ Chris, grandson of Rick & Marlene Woolsey and great grandson of Milt Greiner ~ Anna Ward, mother of Kimmy King ~ Dwight & Gaylene Wiehl, Hutchinson, KS parents of Nate Wiehl ~ Colwyn & Taryn Cadwallader grandchildren of Charlie & Becky Allen ~ Marjorie (Mack) Baade, Denver, CO & Chloe Moore guest of Suzanne Finn family



Interactive Holy Bible Discussion Study Group will begin Tuesday, September 11th at 6PM. This will be a 1-hour discussion group for any person interested in digging deeper into their Bible. Most of the study will be found in the New Testament. This is not a teaching class, it is a discussion time where all will benefit from speaking into the conversation. The conversation will be guided by David Leitch and a few FCC board members. Hope you can make it.

THIS WEEK AT FCC

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 THRU MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Tuesday, September 4

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

Happy Birthday to Dan Benjamin

Wednesday, September 5

Happy Birthday to Gary Stapp

Happy Birthday to Twyla Duryea

Happy Birthday to Nathan Wiehl



Thursday, September 6

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

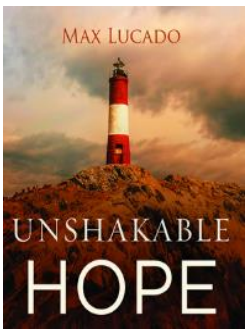
Friday, September 7 ~ No Activity

Saturday, September 8

Happy Birthday to Tarry Miller



Sunday, September 9



• FCC Fall Message Series: Unshakable Hope -Trusting in God's Promises begins. Sunday, September 9 Worship Services will be as follows:
8:00 a.m. Worship Services will be in the Sanctuary – no changes.
10:30 a.m. Worship Services will take place in the New Family Life Center.
If you are interested in following the 12 Week series of "Unshakable Hope" in a Sunday School Class setting you may join one of these classes: New Creations (Annex); SOS (Fellowship Hall) and Great Expectations (Library)

- Pastoring Committee meet following 10:30 a.m. Worship Services
- Finance Committee meet following 10:30 a.m. Worship Services
- The Elders meet 4:00 p.m. ~ Board meet at 5:00 p.m. in the Annex
(Take Note the time change for the Elders and the Board Meeting)



- The Garnett Ministerial Alliance is hosting a night of Worship called "Ignite", beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Anderson County High School Auditorium. A local Gospel Jam group will lead us in some old hymns followed by the message which will be brought by Al Aceves who was a former leader of the Mongols, the rival gang of the Hells Angels. Refreshments and fellowship following the event.

Monday, September 10

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

Happy Birthday to Roger Adams





Congratulations on the birth of your beautiful baby girl!

The family of Ben & Kimmy King, Hudson, Heidi and Sampson are “absolutely over the moon in love” with their newest addition to their family. Gwendalyn Alice Rebecca King was born Sunday, August 26, 2018. She weighed 6 lbs 11 oz. Grandparents are Rick and Becky King of Garnett, KS, Anna Ward of Pittsburg, KS and Phil and Cara Ward of Pittsburg, KS. Great-Grandparents are Earl and Betty Ward of Pittsburg, KS.

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 | **Richmond Care:** Velva Wilson, Pat Buzzard



Extended Family & Friends Long Term

Phyllis Adams | Linda Benjamin | Mike Burns | Ardis Comfort (Gayla Corley) | Barbara Craig | Lois Gebert | Eugene Grimes (nephew of Judy Tisor) | Clarence Hermann | Jim Jordan | Willis Kramer (dad of Sandy Lewis) | Jo Lowe (Ken & Barbara McMillan / Judy Tisor) | Jim McAllister | Wilma McIntosh and all my family | Debbie (Kent) Miller (cousin of Vicki Hulett) | Waunita Porter (Larry Porter) | Nelda Potter | Steve Richardson (son of Reed & Carol) | Becky Roush (Carol Hermreck & Carolyn Schuster) | Bill Thornton, Sr. | Steve Watkins | Maurice & Carol White (brother / sister in law), Tanya (niece), and Dean Wolfe (son) of Loydene West

Our Church Families / Friends

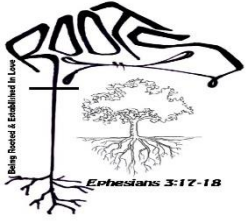
AFTER 3 WEEKS, YOUR PRAYER REQUEST WILL BE REMOVED UNLESS YOU WRITE ON THE SUNDAY FLAP,
PHONE OFFICE: 785-448-3452 OR EMAIL MARSHA DULIN: MARSHA@FCCGARNETT.ORG

Week 1, September 2: Retha Burnett ~ John Dumond (uncle of Connie Meyer) ~ Mark & Sondra Grieshaber (travels to AZ)

Week 2, August 26: Kathy Lindsay Nelson, Walt Zehren, all Military, Police, Highway Patrol & families, God Bless America (Rose Mary Turner) | Troy Hart (brother in law of Debbie Poire) | the family of Judy Meyer (Nancy Horn) | Donna Banman (friend of Mary Hamilton) | Cameron Shilling & Mike Guinn (Gayla Corley)



See You at The Pole will be celebrated on Wednesday, September 26. The 2018 theme verse this year is Ephesians 3:14. "I fall on my knees before the Father." SYATP students and interested parents will meet at 7:00 a.m. at the Anderson County Junior High/High school flag pole and enjoy a time of prayer, singing and fellowship before school starts. **Donuts and juice will be provided!**



Roots Program: The Roots planning team is gathering to put our kids program together for this year. **We need adults!** Please sign up on the flap or contact the office if you want more details or are willing to serve this year. Our goal is to kick off the Roots program September 26th.



All-Church Campout is October 5-7th. We will be camping at the North Lake and still have several camping spots available. If you would like to reserve a camping spot, please contact Marsha Dulin. The cost for camping is \$24.00 and will need to be paid prior to September 30. Tent campers are encouraged to come out at no fee.

Friday- Campground is available all day! Come as you please!

Saturday- 8:30am North Lake Fishing Derby; **10:30am** FCC Family Disc Golf Tourn.; **3:00pm** Family Game Time (Husband Wife Lawn Mower, Obstacle Course, Ladder Ball, Horse Shoes); **5:30pm** Potluck Dinner - FCC will provide hamburgers / hotdogs / cups, plates, napkins, silverware and drinks. If your last name begins with A-M please bring a side dish and if your last name begins with N-Z please bring a dessert to share. In the event of rain Saturday evening the meal will be held at FCC; **6:30pm** Campfire Worship & S'more's

Sunday- 8am Traditional Service at FCC; **9:15am** Sunday School at North Lake and **FCC 10:30am** Contemporary Service at Northlake (**Take Note that there will be NO 10:30am services at FCC**). In the event of rain Sunday Morning the church services will be held at FCC. Hope you will come out to enjoy the festivities!



Hidden Haven Christian Camp Ladies Retreat—Oct 12-13, 2018 **Theme: "Finding Peace in All Seasons"**

Host Church is Thayer Christian Church and Worship is Dearing Christian Church. This year's speaker is Lora Jones. Special Features will include a Book Swap and Silent Auction (proceeds for HHCC). Ladies Retreat shirts will be on sale for \$15.00. The Camp Cost: \$30 for both days \$15 for one day. Please REGISTER online at hiddenhaven.org. FCC Contact: Natasha Goetz 971-241-2520

We want and need you to spread the word and excitement about the Ladies Retreat. Most importantly, we ask for your prayers: for our speaker, the worship team, the planning team, and that God would prepare the hearts of every person who chooses to attend. We pray that hearts will be strengthened, souls will be refreshed, and that God's peace will provide comfort in all seasons of life.



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