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Sunday Worship and Study Times

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# **Facts and Figures:**

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### Something Good from Spring Fever

Even though we had several days of warm temperatures a couple of months ago (see the comments in this space in February's edition), the grass in many of our yards remained fairly dormant until the end of March. However, those of us with grass mowing responsibilities in east central Indiana have now had more than one opportunity to learn first-hand about the current condition of our mowing equipment. Of course, the sounds, sights and aromas (smells?) that our young people experience during these times often lead to a common condition widely known as "Spring Fever."

Spring Fever usually manifests its presence during weekdays in the classrooms of many school buildings. Students affected by it tend to have difficulty focusing on the lessons taught in those classrooms due to the distractions of thoughts about outdoor summer activities. Even though many have tried various methods and experiments to prevent or cure Spring Fever, it continues to have an impact on the lives of many students.

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Although I will offer no solutions here for Spring Fever, I would like to suggest that we can use its presence to remind us to help our youth and children register for church camp, if they have not done so already. In an effort to assist you, we will have a church camp registration table set up in the church building the next two Sundays (April 23 and 30).

Since Western Buckeye Christian Service Camp offers a bonus gift for those who register by May 1, we want to strongly encourage you to take this easy opportunity to complete the registration process this Sunday or next. Other than the basic information about the child you want to register, you will need their medical insurance name(s) and number(s), as well as any allergy issues and alternate emergency contact information.

As they have done for several years, the Missions Ministry group of the church family has set aside monies from the Missions Fund to pay half of the tuition for each child registered by the church. In addition, the Missions Fund will pay the entire tuition for those attending the Alpha Bits camp session. (In order to simplify the accounting process with the church camp, we ask that any remaining church camp tuition costs for your family members be paid directly to "First Church of Christ" before the camp session begins.)

For most of us, I believe, it goes without saying how valuable the church camp experience has been for us and many others. The opportunity to take some time out of your regular schedule, away from your regular

<b>April 22</b> 8:30am	ALL CHURCH BREAKFAST Meet at McDonald's in Winchester
7:30am 8:00am	LYNN COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY OPEN
<b>April 23</b> 6:00pm	"Connection Overtime"
<b>April 29</b> 10:00am	FCC Ladies' Bible Study
<b>April 30</b> 12:00pm	FIFTH SUNDAY CARRY-IN MEALapproximate time After AM Worship Service

#### ...Conclusion

environment and to focus on your personal relationship with God cannot have a price attached to it, especially for our children and youth. Very few things in this life have more value and long-term impact for them than the time to have their attention focused on God and what He means in their life. Please pray that the children who have expressed their interest in attending church camp this summer (over 20 so far) will put it on their calendars and complete their registration by the end of April!

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## All Church Breakfast

Everyone invited to join us for our quarterly "All Church Breakfast" at the Winchester McDonald's on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 a.m. Come and dine and fellowship with us!

## Food Pantry Will Be Open

The next food pantry date is Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Worship/Devotion begins at 7:30 a.m. Breakfast is at 8:00 a.m. and food will be distributed from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. If you would like to help in any way, please just show up and we can always use your service somewhere! Thank you.

## Jr/Sr High Youth to Meet

"Connection Overtime" will meet next on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for some fun, fellowship, food and studytime. All teens welcome and encouraged to attend!

## FCC Ladies' Bible Study

Bible study for the ladies will be Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Will be ready for lessons 13 and 14. Welcome All Ladies!

# Prayer Requests

Please be in prayer for our beloved Johna Yandl and her family in the loss of her sister.

#### **Health Concerns:**

**Charlie & Ruth Cole** 

Mike Collins, heart (co-worker of Jeff Boyer)

Cecilia Crowe, cancer (niece of Vicki Ratcliffe)

Zackeriah Gideon (Esther Cooper's teenage son)

Sue Haney, cancer

Emma Keesling, collar bone

**Rob Nordyke, heart (Charity's father-in-law)** 

Cy & Gene Ann Riley

Jay Toney, knee surgery

Ashley Vanderpool, tests

#### **Missions:**

Lee Bracey, Executive Director (Woodburn, IN)

**Woodburn Christian Children's Home** 

A special home that provides a Christian family environment for homeless or special needs children.

#### **Assisted Living and/or Nursing Home:**

Ambassador HealthCare: Rm #130 Helen Gesell

Autumn Hills: Helen Stewart

Brookside Haven Care Center: Karmen Kellams

Crown Pointe: Kathy Ratliff

Modoc Group Home: Rochella Newland

Randolph Nursing Home: Eula Newland

Bob Stewart

Summers Pointe: Burnita Johnting

Rm #47 Barbara Quick

Rm #38 Sue Spencer

**Ruth Welch** 

These names and concerns are updated every month. If you have a prayer request that the church family needs to be aware of, please contact the church office.

## Fifth Sunday Meal

There are five Sundays this month, so First Church is planning a Carry-In Meal for Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> right after morning Worship hour. All are invited to join us. You could bring a guest to church and have them stay for lunch!

Please bring a covered dish to share. Drinks and tableware will be provided.

# Food Packing Event

Please mark your calendar for Saturday, May 13th for a food packing event at Randolph Southern High School cafetorium. Sponsored through the FFA program, Mrs. Amy Alka and her team of students and volunteers will pack bags of Mac & Cheese for local Randolph County food pantries. Please let Amy know as soon as possible if you can help, so she can know how much ingredients to order and how many boxes to plan on packing. Time: TBA

Also, please give your money donations to Amy for purchase of ingredients needed. All money donations and/or your service in helping to pack will be greatly appreciated! Thank you.

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## Prayers for Our Children

If you have not yet taken time to ask for a 1-4-1 Prayer Pal card (see March newsletter), please contact Philip or stop by the church office right away. If you have a card from last year, please let us know if you want the same one this year or not. We still have several cards available. Thank You!

Praying for a child, such a simple yet effective way to be involved within our church family.

