

First Christian Church of Effingham Issue 151 July 18, 2017

Behold, What Manner of Love

David McConnell-Minister 217.690.4243 pastordavefcc@gmail.com

Martín Reyes-Youth Minister 217.317.3800 pastormartinfcc@gmail.com

Cleone Bloemker-Secretary 217.342.6797 fcceffingham@gmail.com Website: www.fcceffingham.com

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, July 26th Youth (6th through 12th graders) Open church They meet from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

<u>Wednesday, July 26th</u> Young Adults (18 to 29 years old) Summer Meeting from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 29th</u> Men's Day Hangout from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. burgers & dogs, yard games & fellowship

Sunday, July 30th to Monday, August 7th Pray for all going on the Costa Rica Mission Trip to Abraham Project

Tuesday, August 1st Elders meet @ 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 3rd Oil Belt Christian Service Camp kitchen helpers are needed. Morning Shift from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. needs two more helpers

<u>Sunday, August 6th</u> Pasta or Spaghetti Sauce are due in Beebe Hall for Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

<u>Friday, August 18th</u> Youth Event (9th to 12th grades) To Be Announced

Ponderings of the Preacher...

Wow! Upwards Soccer and VBS are finished and we are heading toward fall. It seems incredible but it is true. God has blessed us with the opportunity of sharing His love with many children during this last month. There were 43 kids who participated in the Upwards program and 30 kids who came to VBS. May God continue to grant us opportunity to minister to children and to adults both in our congregation and in the community!

In order for that to happen, we must continue to have volunteers who will step forward to serve. Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped make our Upwards and VBS work. We couldn't have done it without you.

In the future, you may be asked to serve. Let me give you three good reasons to serve the Lord through your local church.

- 1. Your Christian life needs a service outlet. Nothing helps you to grow as a Christian like putting your faith into practice or teaching, singing, ushering, or serving on a church committee.
- 2. You have a testimony to share with others. The reason why you are asked to serve is that your fellow Christians have confidence in you and your ability. Your Christian testimony will be a good influence in the lives of those whom you lead and serve.
- 3. Your church needs you. There is no way for our church to get its work done unless members volunteer their time to teach and lead. When you accept a place of responsibility, you help your church move forward in the name of Christ.

I look forward to seeing you in our worship services this coming Lord's Day morning. Let's all do our best to be present when we assemble for worship and fellowship!

C U N Church, David



Serving In July

Elder: Dennis Bushue & Jon Zerkel alternating

Deacons: Chris Hutcheson, Kelvin Williams, John Donathan, Larry Thomason

Deaconesses: June Ashley & Barb Morrison

7-9-17 Attendance & Giving Total: \$4,522.74 includes Faith Promise Offering		7-16-17 Attendance & Giving Total:\$5,234.00 includes Faith Promise		
Worship:100	Sunday School:22	Worship: 95	Sunday School:17	
Faith Promise Missions: \$210.00 T-Shirts: \$35.00		Faith Promise Offering:\$180.00 T-shirts For 150th Ann.: \$47.00		
Costa Rica Mission Trip \$1,376.00 Building:\$40.00 Family Life Center Baby Bottles: \$5.48		Costa Rica Mission Trip\$ 1,441.00 Building:\$40.00 V.B.S. Mission:\$71.90		
Sunday School:\$10.0 Quast Funeral Dinne Loretta Quast Memo	er Donation:\$75.00		Oil Belt Registration \$84.00	

July 23rd Greeters: Vernon & Shirley Jamison July 23rd Home Communion: Chris Denoyer & Terry Harper July 30th Greeters: Dennis & Mimi Bushue July 30th Home Communion: John Donathan & Tom Shouse

Costa Rica Mission Trip

Donations the Church Family can send on the trip leaving July 31st. Donations can be left in Beebe Hall.

Medicinal Items

Band aids & Triple Antibiotic Ointment-(ex: Neosporin) **Girls Clothes-All Sizes**

Underwear, Socks, Onesies, tshirts, etc.

Boys Clothes-All Sizes

Underwear, socks, t-shirts **General Items**

Pacifiers, regular pillow cases (neutral/white), kids toothbrushes

Tuesday, July 25th

Come @ 9:00 a.m. to share in coffee/tea. fellowship and prayer in Beebe Hall All 50 and over are invited to come and be with us on Tuesday mornings



Youth Open Church

Wednesday, July 26th

Who: Youth (6th through 12th graders)

What: Open church Begins for the summer. **When:** We meet from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.





Prayer Requests



Homebound and Nursing Home: Marie Waddell, Bonnie Koester, Wanda Morgan, Holly Arney, Cecil "Paul" Richey, Wilma Sherrick, Marie Fulk, Harry Johnson, Don VanDeveer, Lulubelle Winn, Oneida Lewis, Elinor Wolford, Elfrieda Zerkel, Eldon Ooton, Darlene Zimdars, Agnes Simpson

Cancer: Laura Knierim, Sharon Douglas, Shirley Strickland, Ron Anderson, Tatum, Ashley Judd, Linda Smith, Paul Dempsey, Barb Eaton, Patty Willis, Alayna Plank, Renae Metke, Andy, Mike Page, Tom Koester, Brett Walker, Gary Lewis, Brandy Harper, Tiffany Dunaway, Brad Arney's Great Grandson Parker Burns, Susie Mast, Nancy Koester, Patrice Runyon, John Arnold, Carley Tull, Robert Barkauska, Jessica Baker, Nikki Szynonik, Katie Krueger, Misty Ulmer, Lanny Grove, Joshua McConnell, Rosemary Niemerg, Paula Jones, Mike Altgilbers, Ruth, Barb Gaddis, Elizabeth Weidner, Trish Couch, Wyatt Smith, Dallas Parkhurst, Ray Bushue, Bill Dentln, Darrell Raymond, Jane Ann's Friend, Joy Gamber, Gene Moeller, Angie Thomason, Cindy Thomason, Ellen Walk, Sue Heth, Ken Gilbert, Arlene Mullen, Donna Pollock, Cheryl Woodard, Joe Stoops, Roland O'Leary, Jill Fiddler, Scott Chalvant, Dallas Hurst, Caleb, Tammy Zuber, Mary Vail, Sandy Brockett, Travis Stine, Linda Packer, Diane Slone, Jim Coatney, Elizabeth-7year old, Candy Walden, Ken Roley,



Special Needs: Darlene & Gary Elliott, Elaine Griffin, Mary Muntean, Russ Mitchell, Lois Ooton, Rodney Raber, LeAnn Spruell, David Shouse, Brad Donaldson, Jeff Christianson, Dee Musgrave, Metta Karn, Angie Marsh, , Sandy Bugenhagen, Yin Ying Zhang, Callista Denoyer, Patsy Dyer's son-Joey, Sarah Gremo, John Weiffenbach, Cathy, Marvin Book, Ron Thomason, Lolita, Venezuela vote, Sheila Hutcheson's neighbor, Tracey Scoggins, Paul & Linda Richey

(These names will remain on the prayer list for one month. Then, we need an update to put their names back on this Special Needs list.)

Missions: Costa Rica Mission Trip (July 31st to August 7th)



Military: J.R. Trueblood, Troops in harms way, Tyler Cross in the Air Force

Grieving Families: June Cain Family, Leonard Miller Family, Luella Livingston Family

Young Adults Summer Meet

Wednesday, July 26th

Who: Young Adults (18 to 29 years old)

What: Summer Meeting

When: 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Young Adults will not meet during

V.B.S. on July 12th.



MARTIN							
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	phillipmartn.info Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
	1 Elders' meeting begins @ 6:00 p.m. Costa Rica Mission Trip	2 Costa Rica Mission Trip	3 Oil Belt — First Christian Church Ser- vice Day Costa Rica Mission Trip	4 Costa Rica Mission Trip	5 Costa Rica Mission Trip		
7	8	9	10	11	12		
Costa Rica Mission Trip							
14	15	16	17	18 Youth Event	19 Children's Event 10:00 a.m. to noon- Back to School party		
21	22	23 Youth & Jr. High W.O.W. begins @ 5:30 p.m.	24	25	26		
28	29	30 Youth & Jr. High W.O.W. begins @ 5:30 p.m.	31				
	7 Costa Rica Mission Trip 14	1 Elders' meeting begins @ 6:00 p.m. Costa Rica Mission Trip 8 Costa Rica Mission Trip 14 15	1 Elders' meeting begins @ 6:00 p.m. Costa Rica Mission Trip 8 Costa Rica Mission Trip 14 15 16 21 22 23 Youth & Jr. High W.O.W. begins @ 5:30 p.m. 28 29 30 Youth & Jr. High W.O.W. begins @ 5:30	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday 1 Elders' meeting begins @ 6:00 p.m. Costa Rica Mission Trip Costa Rica Mission Trip 7 8 9 10 11 12 12 13 Oil Belt — First Christian Church Service Day Costa Rica Mission Trip Costa Rica Mission Trip 10 11 11 12 15 16 17 18 Youth Event 21 22 23 Youth & Jr. High W.O.W. begins @ 5:30 p.m. 31 31 31 30 Helt — First Christian Church Service Day Costa Rica Mission Trip 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 6 6		

August, 2017 Birthdays & Anniversaries

4-Justine Reyes	BD	21-Larry Maxwell	BD
7-Delaine & Sandi Donaldson	WA	22-Don & Bev Thoele	WA
7-Martin & Justine Reyes	WA	24-Jesse Bushue	BD
9-Audrey Shouse	BD	25-Bill & Daisy Fry	WA
9-Brad Arney	BD	25-George Shouse	BD
10-Adam Wolke	BD	26-Darlene Zimdars	BD
10-Paige Wolke	BD	27-George & Marcie Shouse	WA
11-Laura Arney	BD	29-Zachariah Reyes	BD



VBS—Jesus Is The Treasure





Men's Day @ FCC

Saturday, July 29th

Who: Men's Day Hangout @ the pavilion

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

What: Burgers & Dogs

Yard Games & Fellowship



shutterstock - 169253858

July Challenge

Eliminating Biblical Illiteracy

Biblical illiteracy has increased dramatically in recent years. People including Christians know less and less about the Bible. If we claim to be a people of the Book, we should have a working knowledge of the Bible. During the next several months, we as a congregation will be working toward eliminating Biblical illiteracy by increasing our knowledge and understanding of the

Bible. Each month we will be focusing on a different part of the Bible and attempting to increase our knowledge of that part of Scripture. **In July**, our challenge is to **memorize The books of the New Testament.** Won't you join us in this worthwhile endeavor? Be sure to pick up your Bible question calendar for July.



Immeasurable Harvest

2016-2017 Faith Promise Giving Promised Given

\$38,790



\$28,108

Children's Event

Saturday, August 19th

Come, Join us for a Back To School Party from 10:00 a.m. to noon

