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CHRIS' CORNER

Greetings, my friends in Christ! I hope and pray that this edition of the Christian Caller finds you doing well. As I write this, I am working a week of Christian Camp. We have about one hundred campers and God be praised, things are going well. I am always struck how God works in amazing ways. Even when things do not work according to our plans, God is still able to accomplish HIS plan.

On my office desk, I have a Max Lucado devotional calendar. Lucado is one of my favorite authors and I find this calendar to be a wonderful addition to my morning devotions and Scripture reading. A devotion from a few days back really touched my heart as I thought about our desire to reach those who do not know Jesus, both young and older. Lucado writes:

The gospel is an easily understandable and transmittable message. The whole gospel can be brought down to one phrase: The kingdom of heaven is near! There's a King and there's a kingdom, and you can be part of it. The choice is yours.

What Max Lucado is saying is what each of us should already know. The message of Jesus Christ is a simple one. One does not need to be a scholar or a theologian to figure it out. All we have to do is accept the King! King Jesus is coming again! None of us know how soon it will be, though. It could be a matter of days, or it could be many years until the Son of God returns to take us home. The point is that we cannot get comfortable in the fact that He has not returned yet!

Lucado also explains that the choice is yours. My hope and prayer is that every person reading this article has made the choice, and that choice is to be part of the Kingdom of God by preparing ourselves and others for Jesus' return. If you know that Jesus is your Lord and Savior, great! Let's now take steps to teach the lost people with whom we are in contact. Sadly, many that we know and love have no idea about the hope we find in Jesus. That's where each of us come in. We need to reach out and tell everyone about Jesus so they at least have the chance to make their own decision. So, make the commitment! Commit today, and everyday God gives you to serve Him, you will reach out to those who do not know Jesus. The price has been paid and the invitation from God has been extended. People just need to know about it.

I look forward to getting home this weekend and worshipping with each of you on Sunday! May God always be praised and adored because He is so worthy of it!

Love in Christ,



Sunday School: 9:30am
Morning Worship: 10:30am
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web address: doverfcc.com e-mail: fccdover@verizon.net
Senior minister, Chris Mulpas: cell 330-401-3708
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Upcoming Events

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 13 -18th, 6:00 – 8:30 pm

Outrigger Island



LIVING GOD'S UNSHAKEABLE TRUTH – PSALM 86: 11

Friday evening closing program and Luau.

(All congregation and friends are invited. This Luau is in place of our church summer picnic.)

Any questions, please see **Joe or Julie Stephon.**

Come, join the fun. 2 years old – 6th graders. **New! New! New!** Adult Bible Class.

CHANGE FOR A CHANGE II

**MONEY COLLECTED IN THE WATER JUG WILL
GO TOWARDS THIS YEAR'S VBS MISSION—**

CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S HOME OF OHIO.



Congregational Meeting – July 24 @ 6:00 pm

Board Meeting – July 24 @ 7:00 pm

Crochet/Knitting Class

July 24 @ 7:00pm.



ROUND LAKE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

Check "The Ripple" on the table in the foyer. Sign up for your week of camp. The church pays half tuition of each youth camper and half for a friend.

FUNERAL DINNERS

More help is needed in the preparing and serving of funeral dinners. Presently only a limited number are helping to prepare or provide the food. We want to enlist more people who are able and available to provide a dish of food when needed. This is a service to God and His people when they have experienced a great loss. Our support is very meaningful when they are emotionally distraught. Families are always grateful.

A sign up sheet will be passed to give the opportunity to serve. Please sign up if you will make yourself available to prepare or provide food when called. If you are already on the list, please reaffirm your willingness to serve by signing up again. Additional people are also needed for serving the meal.

Nursing Care Centers:

Winona Gilbertson – Park Village
Laura Eames-Luyster – Park Village
Edgar Evans – Park Village

Shut-Ins:

Annabelle Vandevort – home
Margaret Lamb - home
Velda Kistner - home

Dover First Christian Church

Our Elders:

Ray Beal
Dan Oswald
Ken Parrott
Charles Raffle

Our Deacons:

Bill Leeper
Travis
McClelland
Ray McClelland
Sr.
Paul Mowrey
Mike Metzker
Joe Stephon

Our Trustees:

Bob Anders
Darrell Douglas
Brad Fuller
Phil Miller
Chuck Snyder
Keith Stutzman

Treasurer:

Julie Stephon

Wee Worship:

Linda DeVore
Ouna Goins

Youth Group:

Joe & Julie
Stephon

Nursery

Coordinator:

Cathryn Neidig

Table Greeter

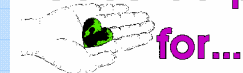
Coordinator:

Carlene
Swinderman

Secretary:

Judy Thomas

Please be praying



for...

Glen McCreery – eye surgery July 7, home recovering
Betty Ecenbarger – (Shirley's friend) in New Dawn following a stroke
Jane Huff – (friend of Herb & Marge) surgery at Cleveland Clinic
Cindy Long – (Ed's mom) starting radiation treatments in Oklahoma
Noah McClelland – surgery July 3rd, Akron Children's, went well
Mrs. Stutzman – hip surgery June 23rd, at Hennis Nursing
Easton Dillon – tendon surgery June 25th, doing well
Gladys Marker – (Jim's grandmother) 96, surgery to put pin in hip
Surgery went very well.
Barry Oiler – Cataract surgery on July 8th and July 15th
Aaron Royer – (Barb Boso's son) motorcycle accident, serious condition
Jim Snyder – surgery June 18th went as expected
Cinda Eaton – dealing with TIA, tests to follow June 23rd
Gabe Wherley – 6 yr. old boy, pacemaker inserted June 6
Drew Wherley – twin to Gabe, pacemaker surgery June 24
Dylan Tucker – (Kathy Metzker's student) Hodgkins Lymphoma
Steve Unger – (co-worker of Wayne Thomas) serious cancer condition
Winona Gilbertson-Health concerns
Russ McHenry Jr.-Diagnosed with Non- Hodgkin's disease, fourth stage
Margaret Lamb- Having a very difficult time with pain

Thank You

Thank you very much for the lovely flowers you sent during my recent hospital stay with flu and pneumonia. The flowers are still as beautiful as the day I received them.

Thanks to Chris for the many visits and to everyone for their prayers.

Jill Heimbigner

THANK YOU

Thank you Dover First Christian for my graduation gifts. They were very thoughtful and will be put to good use. Thanks for being such an important part of my life. When I think of church family, I think of you and know I am blessed.

Matt Thomas

PRAYER POWER

You are invited to be a part of powerful force. Beginning Sunday, June 22 at 8:30 a.m., we will be meeting in the sanctuary for a time of prayer. The importance of prayer is affirmed throughout the Bible. As a church, we are committed to pray – your needs are important to us. Please share your requests so we may include your petition in our prayer time. Please come and pray.

Acts 12: 5prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

James 5:16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

Luke 10:2"pray therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth laborers into His harvest."

Matthew 7:7-8 "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you: For everyone that asks, receives; and he that seeks, finds; and to him that knocks, it shall be opened.