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The Christian Visitor

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Not so long ago I used to be a real fitness nut. I would work out several times a week. I would lift weights, run, bike and play racquetball in order to stay fit, but I have been struggling in the last couple of years.

I got away from this routine, and I began to gain weight. I am now about 25 or so pounds overweight of where I was and where the fitness articles say I should be for my height.

As I have recently begun trying to get back in shape and to lose weight, I am seeing how hard it is. Age has become a factor, and I have allowed certain disciplines to slip. I eat differently, and I don't have the endurance I used to have. Since I am out of shape and older, the recovery time after a workout takes a little bit longer than it used to.

Working out and getting back into shape hurts. It is painful, and I am not always as emotionally charged to do what I need to do. I need some help, some instruction and someone who will help me with discipline.

The same is true of our spiritual fitness. Working out spiritually and getting into shape is sometimes painful, and we are not always as emotionally charged to do it as we might need to be.

That is what the church is for. One of the statements I made Sunday is, "in order to be spiritually fit we need the instruction, encouragement and discipline the church brings into our lives."

If you are not as spiritually fit as God might be asking you to be, the question is: Are you availing yourself to all the church has to offer?

In much love, Pastor Darrel

There is a need before us that we want to address.

Funds have been received for Kevin & Casey Gaines to have their furnace installed (installed last Thursday) and for us to build a porch with a ramp that is suitable for her wheelchair.

We are a bit indecisive on whether we should build the porch ourselves or hire someone else to build it. We would like your feedback. If you are available to help on a workday (needs to be soon due to the time of year) would you contact me, Marsha or mark the flap on Sunday. I think it would be best for us to schedule Saturday, October 29 as the build day, but we are open for suggestions.

This will be a great opportunity to serve and a great time of fellowship. We look forward to hearing from you.



Light the Night! In past years, we have attracted 400+/- a few students to our Light the Night Harvest Celebration! This year Halloween falls on a Monday which complicates things a little. We are planning on having Light the Night from 6pm to 8pm on October 31st. We have a great responsibility in our community to LIGHT THE NIGHT with Jesus in the midst of a rather dark holiday. This year FCC staff are asking that you keep this year exceptionally free from any DARKNESS in the trunk-er-treat displays or in costumes of people especially represented by our leadership. I am excited to see who God brings to this event this year. I hope you will join us for an outstanding time of fellowship, but also help us to make a non-verbal stand in saying that Halloween doesn't have to be a dark place because Jesus reins above all darkness!

Please support this event by: 1. Decorating a trunk for the trunk-er-treat portion of the event. 2. Bring Candy! 3. Help in the kitchen to serve Hot Chocolate or Cider 4. Set at the introduction table and pass out glow in the dark FCC cups. God Bless you and Thanks for the support you offer! Chris Goetz

WE HAVE BEEN THANKED

THANK YOU ADAMS FAMILY! I had in the past few weeks received a package filled with extraordinary goodies. I would like to thank you for being so generous. It means a lot to get support out here from people who don't know me but are willing to show their support just the same. I am currently in Kandahar, Afghanistan. I work on the CH-47 Chinook helicopter. I just really wanted to show you my gratitude for the package your family had sent me. It means a lot to have support.

Thank you greatly, SPC Jeremiah Schwab.

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To: First Christian Church

Thank you so much for remembering me and my family at the death of my mom. The flower arrangement was lovely. God Bless you, Doc & Doris Wilson and family

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On behalf of the Pastoring committee we would like to say a great big **Thank You** to all who helped with the First Christian Church float for Garnett's 150th Celebration parade. It really warmed our hearts to see such a HUGE participation from our congregation. We couldn't have accomplished our 2nd place finish without the following: Burke Rogers, Marilyn Artherton, Jenna Wight & Gabe, Nelda Potter, Cheryl Varvel, Mary Hamilton, Norma Hermreck, Mike & Sue Zentner, Dan & Marsha Dulin, John Thomas, Nancy Horn, Kevin & Sandy Lewis, Phyllis Cobbs, Connie Meyer, Lynette Thomas, Bella Mikesell, Darrell Herde, Jack & Jo Lowe, Orville & LaVerne Cole, Danny Roberts, Dennis Eilenstine, Reed & Carol Richardson, Jim Tarwater, the Historical Society & Tru-Value Hardware.

Thanks again, Leroy and Sandra Hamilton

WITH OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY

Those who have gone before us are blessed for eternity, and we're graced with their presence each day that we live through the gift of sweet memories.

Please be in prayer for the families of

- Marilynn Birrell, age 83, of Republic, KS. who passed away Monday, October 10, 2011. Marilyn was the mother of Michal Herde.
- Larry Mains, age 73, of Garnett, Kansas passed away on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at his home.



WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS: Ashley King and Kodie Jones with Kathy King, Marilyn Krigbaum & Ragan, Natalia & Ardan Kline of Wichita with John Alford, Mark Cole of Trenton, MO with Claron Cole, Carol Ann Feuerborn & Jesse Ray Linzay of Garnett

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Opportunity Class opened with prayer led by Marilyn Artherton. Prayers were requested for Betty Penn, June Mowat, Lloyd Sumner, Doris Null, Gladys Zwiener & Gene Sharpe (father of Opal Meyers son in law). Opal Meyers presented Sunday's lesson: "Growing Old with Wisdom" taken from Ecclesiastes 11& 12. Opal closed the class with prayer.

REMINDER: The class will be going to Green Acres for breakfast on Wednesday, October 26.

SOS Class opened with prayer led by Gary Benjamin. The class welcomed Edna Langford to the class. Prayers were requested for Pam, the family of Marjorie MacGraw (Sylva's cousin), Sara (friend of George and Jeanine Zentner), and the family of Larry Mains & Michal Herde. Gary Benjamin presented Sunday's lesson : Part 2, 3 John: "Hospitality." The class closed with "The Lord's Prayer."

PRAYER Note: Please contact the church office to correct any errors in our prayer concerns lists.

Our Church Family: Amy Aldrich, Wilma McIntosh, Opal Meyers, June Mowat, Doris Null, Betty Penn, Charlene Rogers, Joan Simpson, Lola Thornton & Gladys Zwiener

Extended Family & Friends: Gary Beauchamp, Kay Casper (sister of Carol Hermreck & Janice Tush), Denise Hamilton, Curtis Kellerman (grandson of Juanita Kellerman), Don Koontz, Nicolas Lee (grandson of Kathy King), Robert Logan, the family of Marjorie MacGraw (cousin of Sylva Apperson), the family of Larry Mains, Juanita McIntosh, David Meyer (brother of Doug Meyer), Judy Otis (requested by Rosemary Turner), Maxwell Ratliff (grandson of Bill and Barbara Ratliff), Krista Shannon (granddaughter of Bob Young), Gene Sharpe (father of Opal Meyers son in law) & Agnes Wilper

Fighting Cancer: Payton Agan (2 year old family friend of Lisa Jarett), Ron Barnett (father of Kevin Barnett), Becky Daniels, Dixie Lindsay, Ken Ferguson (brother of Earnie Ferguson), June Gaddy (sister of Norma Hermreck), Myron Harsch, Loretta Lankard, Nelda Potter, Joyce Ratliff (requested by Bill Ratliff), Addie Stark, Judy Stephens (co worker of Amy Aldrich) & Lloyd Sumner (son of Pete and Betty Sumner)

Loved Ones in Nursing Homes:

Golden Heights: Pat Draves, Olive Kline, Tena Johnson, Jeanne Higginbottom & Max Ratliff

Long Term Care: Charlie Hiestand & Roannah McDonald

Guest Homes Estates: Shelda Sapp, Lorraine Hulett, Seatta Van Donge

Serving in Military:

In Afghanistan: **A1C Kevin Thomas**, grandson of Richard & Shirley Roeckers; **PVT Jason Meeker**, Great Nephew of Curtis & Mary Ann Umbarger; **Pat Garber**, Son of Les & Shannon Garber; **Kyle R Griffeth**, son of Beth Griffeth; **LCPL Matthew Amos**, grandson of Larry & Cheryl Varvel; **SPC Jeremiah Schwab**, friend of Roger and Phyllis Adams; **PVT Tyler Alley**, husband of Jordan Alley, son of Marty & Jody Alley and grandson in law of Gary & Rosemary Turner

In Northeast Africa:

Tom Laiter, husband of Michelle Laiter; grandson in law of George & Jeanine Zentner

In Japan: **Jake Gadelman**, Son of Dean Gadelman & Son of Jeanette (Buckley) Gadelman

In Iraq: **E4 Levon Comer**, Grandson of Lillian Cash & Great Nephew of Wilma McIntosh

In Ethiopia: **SGT Shane Rockers**, son of Michael Rockers and Becky Slyder

In Military: **CW4 Kevin Harsch** – kin to the Wawrzewski family; **Dwayne Justice** – a niece's husband of Terry Finney

**Oct. 16, 2011 Attendance
Worship Service**

8:00 a.m.	53
10:30 a.m.	<u>161</u>
Total	214

General Fund:

October 16 is \$2910.25

Opportunity Class: 17 present
8 daily readers and 11 with Bibles

SOS: 26 present

9 daily readers and 22 with Bibles

Great Expectations: 12 present

Pastor's Class: 8 present

Nursery: 5 **Beginners:** 5

Primary: 6 **Juniors:** 2

Jr & Sr High: 8

Sunday School Total: 89

Sunday Schedule

Early Worship: 8:00 am
Sunday School: 9:15 am
Late Worship: 10:30 am
Children's Church: 10:30 am
At the Annex
Legacy: 5:00-7:00
In the Social Hall

Return Service Requested

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This Week at FCC

Wednesday, October 19

Staff Meeting
Community Dinner
Choir Practice

Saturday, October 22

Men's Breakfast & Devotion Time

Sunday, October 23

8:00 am Early Worship Service
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Late Worship Service

Following the 10:30 am Worship Services

Worship Committee Meeting
Jr / Sr High Legacy (until 7:00 pm)

Tuesday, October 25

10:00 am Christian Crafters
6:00 pm Evening Prayer Service

Wednesday, October 26

8:00 am Opportunity Class Breakfast at Green Acres
9:00 am Staff Meeting
7:00 pm Choir Practice

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“Being a Peacemaker,” Part 5 “God’s Discipline”

Scripture: Hebrews 12:1-11

Hebrews 12:1-11. “1Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. 2Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. 4In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. 5And you have forgotten that word of encouragement that addresses you as sons: “My son, do not make light of the Lord’s discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, 6because the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son.” 7Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father? 8If you are not disciplined (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons. 9Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of our spirits and live! 10Our fathers disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness. 11No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.”

Hebrews 11:32-35, “32And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel and the prophets, 33who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, 34quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. 35Women received back their dead, raised to life again...”

Hebrews 12: 1, ““1Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.”

1. I can be used mightily by God if...
 - a. I throw off everything that hinders me.
 - b. The sin that entangles me
 - c. I run with perseverance the race marked out for me

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Hebrews 11:35-38, “(They)...were tortured and refused to be released, so that they might gain a better resurrection. 36Some faced jeers and flogging, while still others were chained and put in prison. 37They were stoned; they were sawed in two; they were put to death by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated— 38the world was not worthy of them.”

Those who are in a race don’t carry loads.

We need instruction and encouragement and discipline.

It takes discipline to avail ourselves to instruction and encouragement.

Instruction and encouragement to run the race comes from the church.

God is going to bring discipline into the lives of the children He loves so they can become spiritually fit.

You will never grow to maturity unless you have a submissive attitude towards God’s discipline wherever it comes from.

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God’s discipline produces a harvest of righteousness and peace.