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Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

Psalms 100:1-2

Christian Love & Sympathy

is express to Belva Stirn & family in the loss of her sister, Joyce Bird.

50th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations and Happy 50th wedding anniversary to Bobby & Martha McCandless who were married on June 29, 1962.

Church-wide Sunday School Fellowship

will be held on Sunday, July 15 at 8:45 AM in the FLC. Hosted by Agape, Jars of Clay, Disciples, Salt & Light Classes.

Offering Information

Budget Needed: \$ 11,843.00
Offering Received: \$ 11,197.30
Designated Other: \$ 631.00
Designated V2V: \$ 730.00
Total: \$ 12,558.30

Sunday School		Worship Services	
Adult	92	AM	167
Youth	15	Picnic	116
Children	17		
Preschool	15		
Total:	139		

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serving...in the name of Jesus
Christ and for His glory.*

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Calendar of Events

Wednesday, July 4

4th of July Holiday - Office Closed

No service or activities tonight

Sunday, July 8

Carmel Mission Team Meeting - 5:00 PM

Leadership Team Meeting - 7:15 PM

Deacon's Meeting - 7:15 PM

Wednesday-Sunday, July 11-15

Carmel, Indiana Mission Trip

Sunday, July 15

Church-wide Sunday School Fellowship in FLC - 8:45 AM

Business Meeting - 7:15 PM (Deacon Nominations)

Friday, July 20

XYZ Group going to see South Pacific in Corydon, IN

Sunday, July 29

V2V Focus

Lord's Supper in PM Service - 6:00 PM

Monday-Friday, July 30-August 4

Add to Your Faith Conference

Pastor's Paragraphs

Thanks to all of our faithful VBS workers! We had a great week. Our high attendance was 197. Pray that the gospel seed sown will bear fruit in the lives of the young people and families who came.

Thanks also to the ACTS Sunday school class for our annual Independence Sunday picnic. We had a great crowd packed into our Family Life Center to fellowship and to celebrate God's blessings on our country in air-conditioned comfort. We have to express a special word of thanks to Gary Beckley and Dennis Burke who grilled the burgers and hot dogs outside in the 100 degree heat.

As we reflect on God's blessings on our nation this 4th, we must remember the peculiar blessings American freedoms have given the church of Jesus Christ. The religious liberty our Christian forbears fought and died for throughout the centuries and which the founders of our nation finally recognized and hammered into the constitution of our land, is a sacred stewardship given to us. We stand on the shoulders of many faithful men and women who suffered for their faith. God has given us, in this place and at this time, these freedoms to use for his purposes and for his glory.

The best thing we can do under the freedoms that we have is to live out our faith as Christians. Christianity makes a difference in the world. Think about it. If the gospel spreads and more people come to the Lord, there will be more people who are new creatures in Christ, indwelt by and led by the Spirit of God, surrendered to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, devoted to following God's word, and living out their lives as Christians. This could solve all of America's problems. We have the solution. It is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

See you Sunday, *Bro. Russ*

The Upcoming Week

Sunday, July 8

- 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship Service
- 5:00 PM Carmel Mission Team Meeting
- 6:00 PM Worship Service
- 6:45 PM Meal provided by Jars of Clay - Mexican food
- 7:15 PM Deacon's Meeting
- 7:30 PM Activity is Basketball night

Wednesday-Sunday, July 11-15

Carmel, Indiana Mission Trip

Wednesday, July 11

- 6:30 PM Kingdom Kids
- Youth Bible Study
- Adult Prayer/Bible Study
- La Respuesta Bible Study

Thursday, July 12

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's

Saturday, July 14

- 8:00 AM Men's Intercessory Prayer Meeting

Sunday, July 15

- 8:45 AM Church-wide Sunday School Fellowship in the FLC
- 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship Service
- 6:00 PM Church-wide pitch-in - Salads Activity is Homemade Ice Cream
- 6:45 PM Message in the FLC
- 7:15 PM Business Meeting in the sanctuary Deacon nominations

Can you help?

We will need canned soft drinks for Sunday night meals during the summer.

A Word from Keith

This past week was a blessing as we hosted VBS. It is always a tiring but also rewarding time as we get to see new faces and see God working in the lives of families. This past Friday night after VBS I returned home late and discovered that my internet was not working correctly. After over an hour on the phone with the company I soon realized that I would not have the convenience of internet service in my home for the weekend. I was disappointed and realized how much I rely on the convenience of having it constantly at my fingertips. However, the bad experience I thought was to come actually turned into a great learning experience. It allowed me to have an extra sweet time of prayer and reading God's Word. I am not talking about just a normal quiet time but an extra time of meditation and prayer. There are many things in this world that try and demand our attention and focus. If we are not careful our time can become routinely given to other things and we may miss out on that sweet time with God. Technology is great and useful but it's important to not let it rob us of those special times that we can spend with God.

James 4:8a Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you..."

God Bless,
Bro. Keith



Remembering in Prayer

Kindred Rehab: Maxine Burke

Lincoln Hills: Martin Haycraft

Wedgewood: Katie Cawthorn

Providence Rehab: Jerry Sarles

Home: Annette Anderson, Marie Click, George Coleman, Brenda Gaunce, Lorene Hanking, Ione Howard, Lottie Howell, Donna Huff, Abbey Hunter, Danny Jones, Arielle O'Neill, Daphne Ryan, Kenny Sullivan, Beulah Truesdell, Calvin & Doris Wiseman,

Shut-Ins: John & Mattie Stith, Bettyruth Wilson, Juanita Zuberer

SBCI Scholarship Golf Scrambles

SBCI is a golf scramble on Saturday, August 11 at Heartland Crossings in Camby, IN. The cost for the scramble is \$60 per golfer or \$225 for a four man team with lunch provided. There will also be prizes and drawings at the scrambles. Contact Dan Fidler for more information. Deadline for registration is July 22nd. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby for the scramble.

Carmel Mission Trip

Please continue to pray for those going on the Carmel Mission Trip, July 11-15, 2012.

Snacks for the Carmel Mission Backyard Bible Club VBS in the Park

The Carmel Mission Team is looking for help with the snacks for their Backyard Bible Club VBS in the Park. We need the following ingredients for trail mix: Rice Chex, Corn Chex, mini marshmallows, M&M's, chocolate chips, raisins & small ziplock snack-size bags. We also need Rice Krispie treats (homemade due to allergy issues) & cookies baked in the shape of airplanes. As soon as VBS is over, we can supply the air4plane cookie cutters. If you are able to help with this please contact Debbie Woolsey.