FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - MOREHEAD, KENTUCKY



THE ECHO



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PASTORS PERSPECTIVES...

In the book <u>The Temple of Modern Life</u> by James Truslow Adams the story is told of an explorer on an urgent trip through the jungles of the upper Amazon in South America. Good progress was made for about two days, then one morning he found his native laborers and guides sitting down on the ground unwilling to move forward. "Why?" the explorer asked, and their chief explained: "The past two days we have moved very rapidly, now we are waiting; we cannot move any further until our souls have caught up with our bodies.

So is there a chance that we sometimes run ahead of our souls? Is it possible that we move so rapidly from here to there that we sometimes run off and leave our souls behind.

From time to time, I suspect, we need to give our souls an opportunity to catch up. We race along without giving very much attention to them, and sort of leave them back "there" somewhere. Part of what we are just does not keep pace with the rest of us.

Sometimes someone may say, "I need to collect myself", or someone may say to another, "Puil yourself together". It may be that a very real need is expressed here; often we need to get ourselves together again, to put all of life's components back in order to re-order our priorities.

Every week at the very least we have an opportunity to catch up with ourselves during out time to worship and to praise God. I look forward to see you in worship.

Bob

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN UPDATE

We want to give you an update on the progress of our stewardship campaign for the year 2001. So far we have received <u>38</u> estimate of giving cards totaling <u>\$83,560.00</u>. We have an anticipated projected budget of <u>\$138.674.00</u>. As you can see we still have a way to go to be able to underwrite a realistic budget for our church. If we have not heard from you, we are still hoping that we will.

GREAT HOLIDAY SEASON

With the holiday season coming to a close we are overwhelmed and grateful for the blessings that we have received. It has truly been a special time. From the decorating of the sanctuary for the season to "Main Street Christmas," to the beautiful Christmas Cantata provided by our musicians, to the bell choir presentations, to the giving of poinsettias, to meaningful worship experiences, and highlighted by our giving of Christmas baskets to the community in which just about every member of our congregation participated (special thanks needs to go to Connie Hamilton, Diane Reynolds, and Marge and Dan Thomas). Our church family pulled together to truly celebrate the coming of our Lord into the world and our lives. Thanks to all.

SYMPATHY

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the Cline family in the passing of Mary Katherine Cline on December 16th. Also our deepest sympathy are extended to Ruth Sturgill, Jean Mack, and Esther Allen in the passing of their sister Margaret Moore in Louisville, KY.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Oran and Evelyn Teater as they celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on December 24th.

CHURCH E-MAIL ADDRESS

Disciple@mis.net

DEACONS FOR JANUARY

Bill Huie Myron Doan Alta Blair Glen Buckner Fran Helpinstine Dan Thomas

JANUARY BIRTHDAY'S

Samantha Davis s	1/2
Jane Holbrook	1/4
Elwood Pernell	1/8
Glenn Johnston	1/16
Joel Link	1/17
Debbi Glass	1/21
Tommy Griffith	1/25
Don Blair	1/26
Virginia Etherton	1/27
Mickey Reffitt	1/27
Joey Thomas	1/27

JUST A REMINDER

When you are at the church and upon leaving Please make sure all doors are locked before You depart.

POINSETTIAS IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

Ann, Ben, Kenton and Frances Penix

From: Penix Family

Austin, Gene Austin and David Lee

From: Lurlene Atfrey

Dorothy and C. D. Corley

From: Donna Corley

Bill Mack

From: Jean Mack

Rondal Hart

From: The Family

Ken Hall

From: Kenny and Betty Hall

In Memory of Mother, Anna Clay And Brother Dr. S. E. Reynolds

From: Peggie Reynolds

Glenn Walke From: Family

Alice Cox

From: The Ravenscraft

at Atkinson Florist

George Burgess

From: Tray, George, Chas and Taylor

Mr. & Mrs. Wathan Gullett

From: The Family

C. G. Clayton

From: The Clayton Family

Edith, Murvel Crosley and Dr. John Crosley From: Helen C. Patrick

Raiph Cassity From: The Family

Mr. & Mrs. Otto Carr

From: Family

Dr. Louise Caudill From: Susie Halbleib

Barold, Ten, Britteny, : Sydney Giles of these years! Thanks again, to support us even after all family began there and continues place in all our bearts. My will always hold a special rose. First Christian Church Danielle Giles, with a of my daughter, Sydmy remembering the birth Thank you so much Dear FCC Members,



CAN YOU FIND 16 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE?

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PASTORS PERSPECTIVES...

"Blest be the tie that binds," many of us have sung this. Well, there is such a tie; and it is blest.

In the early church that tie was very strong. The first Christians were like an island community in a vast, hostile sea. Fellowship was important and precious, and there was strength in it.

A follower of Christ, might meet a stranger on the road, and not knowing if that stranger was a Christian or of some persecuting group, would often with his staff make the shape of a fish or a cross in the dust at his feet, watching for any reaction from the other person. If the stranger registered no reaction to these signals, than the conversation moved in casual channels, and soon each person went on their way. But if the sign was identified, then there was an embrace and great rejoicing right there on the road. A Christian had meet another Christian.

The people of that time needed one another desperately. And the fellowship that they shared with each other meant a great deal to them. Should our fellowship with each other mean any less to us? In worship we share fellowship together. This is a gift given to us through Jesus Christ. Let us not take this privilege for granted or lightly; we never know how long we will travel through life together. Sunday is another opportunity to share in and celebrate this gift of fellowship we have been given. I look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely, Bob

RETREAT

February 2, 2001, Carter Caves State Park

POTLUCK DINNER

February 11, 2001 Persons in Darlene Perkins flock will be hosting a Potluck Dinner following the Sunday morning service. Bring your favorite dish or dessert. And join the fun and fellowship. Drinks will be provided.

CONGRATULATIONS

Kristi Davis Skaggs and Jeremy Skaggs on their marriage on January 20, 2001

BOARD MEETING

WEEK OF COMPASSION FEBRUARY 18TH- 25TH

There was a time when you really needed help. When you needed hope. When you needed a reminder of the fullness of God.

If that could happen to you, think of the people in Bosnia and Kosova. Honduras and Nicaragua. Angola and Mozambique. And, yes, Georgia and North Carolina.

To people who feel depleted and forgotten, your Week of Compassion offering is a reminder of our God's bountiful love.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Lent is one of the most significant seasons of the church year and goes a long way in helping us to celebrate Easter.

Please mark your calendars now for February 28, 2001 when we will share in an Ash Wednesday service together.

ADDRESS

Betty Walke's mailing address: 2911 DryCreek Road Clearfield, KY 40313

DEACONS FOR FEBRUARY

Myron Doan Debbi Glass Neva Griffith Dianna Reynolds Bill Huie Ronnie Caudilt

ACOLYTE

Joseph Hamilton

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY'S

Barbara Thomas	2/3
Joseph Hamilton	2/9
Peggy Reynolds	2/9
Glen Buckner	2/17
Betty Hall	2/17
Hedy Caldwell	2/18
Elizabeth Davis	2/21
Billie Jean Clayton	2/26

Please help me update if your name has been left out call church. Thank You, Nora



Habitat for Humanity

A talent search is happening!

Where do your talents lie?

Be a part of our ministry!

Join the fight to eliminate poverty housing!

Committee are the heart of Habitat's ministry in Rowan County.
Please contact us at 784-8408 for more information about what these committees do or turn over the page.

Habitat for Humanity is seeking energetic volunteers!

- Church Relations Committee
- Construction Committee
- Family Support Committee
- Family Selection Committee
- Finance Fundraising Committee
- Public Relations Committee
- Volunteer Committee

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Where do your talents lie?

Please contact the Habitat office at 784-8408 for more information.

<u>Church Relations</u>: Ensure that community churches are informed of the work of the affiliate. Encourage faith communities to become involved in our work.

<u>Construction Committee</u>: Provide construction and site development leadership and guidance to the affiliate. Work with the Executive Director and other committee chairs to ensure that construction is completed in a cost-efficient and timely fashion. Ensure that homes built by the local affiliate reflect the decent, affordable philosophy of Habitat for Humanity.

<u>family Support Committee</u>: Provide guidance and support to partner families before, during and after the construction process. Committee volunteers design and implement partner family trainings; identify and train family sponsors; monitor sweat equity hours; design and maintain a Homeowner Manual and work to establish a supportive Christian community among Habitat homeowners.

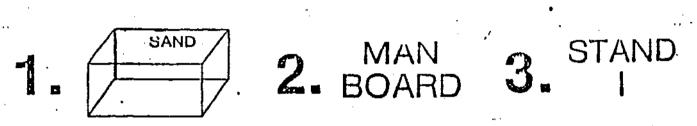
<u>Family Selection Committee</u>: Responsible for soliciting, reviewing, and acting upon applications for Habitat homes. Volunteers screen credit reports, calculate household income and perform home visits to determine eligibility.

<u>Finance-Fundraising Committee</u>: Responsible for overseeing the financial affairs of the affiliate. Volunteers provide fundraising leadership to the Board of Directors through the creation of planned giving campaigns and grant writing. A subcommittee is responsible for special fundraising events.

<u>Public Relations Committee</u>: Provides leadership and oversight for all external communications produced by the affiliate. The committee will create an annual public relations plan. Committee members will generate all press releases, public service announcements, brochures and other publicity items needed by the affiliate. The committee will evaluate public relations efforts and make corrections as needed. Committee volunteers will produce a periodic newsletter.

<u>Volunteer Committee</u>: Responsible for developing, training and supporting a volunteer pool of workers to assist with construction and other work of the affiliate.

BRAIN TEASERS



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THANK YOU

Please express our thanks to the church for the lunch. It meant a lot to be able to spend some time together with family and friends. We certainly appreciate your kindness and caring.

Mary Ann, Karen, and Martha (Mary Katherine Cline's Family)

BOARD MINUTES

Minutes for November 22, 2000 board meeting are posted on the bulletin board.

BOY SCOUTS

Boy Scout Sunday is February 4, 2001

CONSECRATION: DEDICATION

You must keep in mind not what you are, but whose you are.

In the economy of God we have to give in order to have riches and die in order to live.

A useful life can't be entirely peaceful and carefree.

Some things are ruined when broken, but the heart is at its best when broken.

There would be less falling from the Lord if there were more calling upon the Lord.

Even if I knew tomorrow would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple seed.

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.

God judges us not by what we give but by what we withhold.

He who walks close to God leaves no room for anything to come between.

No life is hopeless unless Christ is ruled out.

LECTIONARY READINGS

February 4th

Isa. 6:1-8.(9-13) Ps. 138 1 Cor. 15:1-11 Lk. 5:1-11

Feb. 11th

Jer, 17:5-10 Ps. 1 1 Cor, 15:12-20 Lk. 6:17-26

Feb. 18th

Gen. 45:3-11,15 Ps. 37:1-11,39-40 1Cor. 15:35-38,42-50 Lk. 6:27-38

Feb. 25th

Ex. 34:29-35 Ps. 99 2Cor. 3:12-4:2 Lk. 9:28-36,(37-43)

NEW MEMBERS

Bob and Elaine Bradley have been visiting our congregation for quite a while now. Even back when Bob was the senior minister at First Christian Church in Ashland, KY., they would visit when they were in the area. Since retiring they have moved to Morehead and have become very involved in the life of this congregation. This past Sunday they transferred their membership from Ashland to officially become a part of this church family (we have felt like they were for quite a while). We rejoice at the decision they have made. Bob and Elaine have been added to Don and Alta Blair's flock. The Bradley's address and telephone number are the following: 215 Sweetgum Lane, Morehead, KY 40351, 784-2090

Let them hear a word of welcome from you.

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PASTORS PERSPECTIVES...

The evangelism and membership committee is very busy with some exciting plans for the congregation. One that I want to lift up to you is a plan to reach out to our community and thank some of the groups that help and protect us. This is such a large group that we have had to schedule two different Sundays to do it. The first one is Sunday, March 25, 2001 and the second one will be April 29, 2001. The following is an excerpt from a letter we have written to some of our community helpers:

"We have decided that we want to honor and say thank you to all of the men and women who provide fire protection. We realize that you undergo extensive training and may be called upon to literally put your life on the line to protect schools, churches, businesses, homes, and our lives. We are extremely granteful for the sacrifices you make and never want to be indifferent or take for granted the work you do.

To express our appreciation we would like to invite you and your family to worship with us on Sunday, March 25, 2001. During the worship service you will be recognized and after the service be our special guest at a function in our fellowship hall. We have some excellent cooks."

Please make sure you are here on this Sunday to welcome and say thank you to these folks.

Sincerely, Bob

MARCH BIRTHDAY'S

Jim Fred Cassity	3/4
Melanie Hatfield	3/6
Pucky Bradley	3/8
Lola Belle Blair	3/9
Lee Chaney	3/9
Dana Quesinberry	3/9
Linda Bryant	3/11
Cheisea Allen	3/12
Regina Mack	3/14
Allen Thomas	3/16
Vivian Carpenter	3/19
Ron Walke	3/26

BOARD MEETING

LECTIONARY READINGS

March 4th

Deut. 26:1-11 Ps. 91:1-2,9-16 Rom. 10:8b-13 Lk. 4:1-13

March 11th

Gen. 15:1-12,17-18 Ps. 27 Phil. 3:17-4:1 Lk. 13:31-35

March 18th

Isa. 55:1-19 Ps. 63:1-8 1Cor. 10:1-13 Lk. 13:1-9

March 25th

Josh. 5:9-12 Ps. 32 2Cor. 5:16-21 Lk. 15:1-3, 11b-32

DEACONS FOR MARCH

Wayne Caldwell Linda Bryant Connie Hamilton Neva Griffith Lee Chaney Debbi Glass

ACOLYTE Chelsea Allen

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 22, 2001 minutes are posted on the bulletin board

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MEETING

April 6, 2001 the Rowan County Domestic Violence Council, St. Claire Medical Center, Gateway Children's Advocacy Center and MSU are hosting a training at the Adron Doran University Center between 8am and 4pm. They have extended an invitation to the congregation. If interested you may contact Katherine Bustos at 784–4161.

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Members and friends of First Christian Church have many opportunities to share in the meaning of the Lenten Season. The following are some of them:

February 28, 6:30 – ASH WEDNESDAY

Join us as we gather for a light meal and some fun Lenten Bingo to get us thinking about Lenten themes and events. This is for children and adults.

February 28, 7:30 – ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE in the sanctuary, for children and adults to experience anointing with ashes and to begin our individual Lenten journey at worship.

WEEKLY TWELVE OR TWENTY-FOUR HOUR FASTS

Opportunity for any who wish to fast for twenty-four or twelve hours, one day a week during the 7 calendar weeks of Lent. Materials are available to explain fasting and fast-day helps have been written to guide us in making the most of our experience.

Two sharing sessions are planned for any fasting who may want to talk over their experience with others. The sessions are:

7:00 P.M. March 4th 7:00 P.M. April 1st

PALM SUNDAY, April 8th.

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 12th 7:00 P.M. Service

GOOD FRIDAY, April 13th

8:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. Chain of Prayer, 24 people needed to take half-hour time segments.

12:00 Noon - Community Good Friday Service at First United Methodist

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE, April 15th 7:00A.M., First Baptist 8:00A.M., Community Breakfast

EASTER SUNDAY, April 15th

10:45 Easter Service, in the setting of special Choral Cantata presentations

Twelve Hour Prayer Vigil

From 8:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M. on Good Friday, April 13th the opportunity will be offered for members and friends of First Christian Church, Morehead to participate in a Prayer Vigil or a Chain of Prayer at the church.

A Prayer Vigil is continuous prayer by many persons during a certain period of time. Our vigil will be for twelve hours, and will be divided into half-hour segments. So we will need 24 people who would be at prayer for a half hour each.

Our vigil is a link in a vast chain of prayer in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Some person in the Christian Church, some place on this continent, is at prayer, at all times between New Year's Day and Easter. We will be in the Chain of Prayer with about 750 Disciple Congregations.

A Prayer Vigil sign-up form is available in the church office every day. You may call the office and sign up by phone. For your convenience the sign-up form is posted near the entrance to the sanctuary on Sunday mornings.

Please sign up early. The week of the Vigil you will be sent a letter to remind you of your time, and some materials to help you in your preparation.

FASTING RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Those planning to particicate in a one-day fast each week in tent may pick up resources of (1) Questions to consider each fast day. (2) Thoughts and scripture for meditation.

They may be picked up at the church Mon. - Fri. 9AM - 2PM.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Morehead, Kentucky

LENT BEGINS

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 28th and goes through Good Friday, April 13th. For Christians, Lent has traditionally been a time of self-evaluation and discovery, as we seek to be more faithful and sincere followers of Jesus, the Christ. Sometimes Christians use this forty-day period to begin a more disciplined spiritual life, which they hope will last into their continuing journey as Christians. May this Lenten season be such a beginning for you.

WHY CHRISTIAN SPIRITUA L DISCIPLINES?

The word discipline is an imposing word even when it is used with a word we are comfortable with, Christian. Because rny dad disciplined me when I lied or when I ran out into the street and almost got hit by a car, and because that discipline hurt, I have been leery of discipline much of my life.

But experience has taught me that discipline can be a very good thing when it is selfimposed and reasonable, and when it leads me to a deeper understanding of myself, my relationship to God and my calling as a Christian. I am prone to live superficially. My life follows the shallow, easy way toward instant satisfaction. The disciplines of the Christian spiritual life call me to move beyond surface living to the depths. Through the years I have believed that the disciplines of the spiritual life are just for spiritual giants or mystics I would never understand. My more reasoned conclusion today is that God intends the disciplines of the spiritual life be for ordinary human beings, children, youth and adults of all ages. My sincere hope is that disciplines be exercised in the midst of our primary relationships, with our husband or wife, our families or friends, with the support of Christian brothers and sisters.

The primary requirement of spiritual discipline is a longing after God. "As the hart (deer) longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for thee, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God". (Psalm 42:1,2)

As a gardener I am helpless to grow a bountiful garden. All I can do is try to provide the right conditions for the growing of my crop. I can cultivate the ground and plant and water and tend my garden. But central to what I do is to wait and to surrender to natural forces beyond my understanding for the transforming harvest.

This is also the way with the spiritual disciplines — they are a way of sowing to the Spirit. Our role is to introduce the various disciplines into the soil of our lives so God can work within us and transform us. God has ordained the disciplines of the spiritual life as the means by which we place ourselves where God can, by grace, bless us.

Spiritual disciplines are NOT the means of earning God's favor. They are the means by which we may open ourselves to the love and strength God offers freely. Fasting is one way of achieving this openness.

THE SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE OF FASTING

In scripture, the normal means of fasting involves abstaining from food, solid or liquid, but not water.

We read of the spiritual discipline of fasting being observed throughout the bible. We are told that Jesus fasted in wilderness (Luke 4:2). Sometimes what could be considered a partial fast is described; that is, there is a restriction of diet but not a total abstaining from eating. In the book of Daniel we read, "I ate no delicacies, no meat or wine entered my mouth, nor did I anoint myself at all" (Daniel 10:3).

There is no command in the bible to fast. But our freedom in the gospel offers us the opportunity to fast. The apostle Paul was involved in fasting (Acts 9:9). Jesus said, "When you fast do not look dismal But when you fast amoint your head and wash your face (look normal) that your fasting may not be seem by men, but your father who is in secret; and your father who sees in secret will reward you" (Matt. 16ff).

Another statement of Jesus about fasting comes in response to a question by the disciples of John the Baptist. Perplexed over the fact that both they and the Pharisees fasted but the disciples of Jesus did not, they asked "why?" Jesus replied, "Can the wedding guests mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? The days will come, when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast" (Matt. 9:15). That is perhaps the most important statement in the New Testament on whether or not Christians should fast today.

THE PURPOSE OF FASTING

What is our motive? Fasting must center on God. Every thought of my fasting during the day is to remind me of God and is a moment of centering and strengthening.

Fasting is to remind each of us that we are sustained "by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4). Therefore, in experiences of fasting we are not so much abstaining from food, as we are feasting on the word of God. FASTING IS FEASTING. When the disciples brought lunch to Jesus, assuming that he would be starving, he declared, "I have food to eat of which you do not know ...my food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work" (John 4:32,34). Jesus was, in fact, being nourished and sustained by the power of God.

THE PRACTICE OF FASTING

As with all disciplines, it is wise to learn to walk well before we try to run. Thus, we begin with a liquid fast of twelve or twenty-

four hours. Many have found funch to lunch to be the best times. You would not eat two meals, supper and breakfast in the twenty-four hour period. Drink all the water you can, with a little lemon juice if you wish. Fresh fruit or vegetable juices are excellent to drink during the fast. Since I am a diabetic, may fasting cannot be a total abstaining from food. Diabetics, the elderly and others, including children, should do a partial fast, which is still an effective experience for me.

If your family obligations permit it, devote the time you would normally use eating to meditation and prayer, or use the time to discuss or write down your feelings, discoveries and learnings.

It is important that none of us call attention to what we are doing. Jesus said that if we call attention to our fasting people may be impressed, and that will be our reward. The reward of fasting is the feasting on the presence of a God who speaks to us through the experience. Fasting can bring breakthroughs in the spiritual realm that will never happen in any other way.

WHAT IS THE PLAN?

During the Lenten season you are invited to join with fellow church members, adults, youth and children, to choose one day in each of the seven weeks of lent, beginning Feb. 28th, to enter into the spiritual discipline of fasting. You will be provided with some suggestions you may follow, questions you may think about, thoughts you may meditate on, prayers you may pray. As the eastern saying goes, "WHEN THE STUDENT IS READY, THE TEACHER WILL COME".

Task Force on Spiritual Development Betty Hall and Bob Bradley

Morehead First Christian Church Board Minutes February 26, 2001

President Al Evans called the meeting to order on February 26, 2001 at 7:30. Rev. Robert Franz opened the meeting with prayer. Attending the meeting were Al Evans, David Perkins, Ron and Natalie Caudill, Glen and Anne Buckner, Dan and Marge Thomas, Dianna Reynolds, Betty Hall, Linda Bryant, Scharline Whidden, , Jeanne and Bill Huie, Wayne and Hedwine Caldwell, Fran Helphinstine, Mickey Reffitt, Joe Macke, Glen and Eva Johnston, Ron and Di Walke, Don Blair, Neva Griffith, Larry Fannin, , Shirley Parker and Rev. Franz.

The minutes (with corrections) from the previous meeting were approved after a motion from Fran Helphinstine and a second by Di Walke.

The Treasurer's report was approved after a motion from Fran Helphinstine and a second by Linda Bryant.

CWF: Natalie Caudill reported that monthly CWF meetings were no longer being held. The CWF planning committee consisting of members Mabel Reynolds, Neva Griffith, Linda Bryant and Natalie Caudill met in January to discuss and prepare the project list for 2001. This list and information will appear in the March Echo and the first two Sunday bulletins in March.

ELDERS: Larry Fannin advised that the Elders met and Bob Bradley attended to explain about the Prayer Vigil and the Day of Fasting. The Prayer Vigil will be held for 12 hours on Good Friday. At least 24 people will be needed to cover each half hour time segment. Larry expressed his appreciation to Bob Bradley and Betty Hall for their leadership in the spiritual building of the church. The board was reminded that a bean dinner to be held on Ash Wednesday starting at 6:30 p.m. Bob Franz would be starting a pastor's class for young people. Each young person would be assigned a Mentor of their choice. The Elders also discussed the hope that better communications would evolve among the flocks.

LIVING MEMORIAL: Shirley Parker reported that we had received gifts in memory of Chiotean Calvert and George O. Jackson (Katherine Caudill's brother).

EVANGELISM: Anne Buckner advised that March 25 would be the day to honor the Morehead Fire Department personnel and their families. There will be a dinner held in fellowship hall after the Sunday Morning Service. April 29th has been the date set aside to honor the Police Department and the Emergency workers and their families.

PERSONNEL: Al Evans advised that Nora had requested April 29 through May 4 as vacation. This request was approved. Myron Doan's resignation as a deacon was accepted.

PROPERTY: Mickey Reffit had agreed to service as Interim Property Chairman until the Whiddens took over for the next fiscal year. Discussions on several capital projects were discussed. Larry Fannin moved that \$500 be appropriated to do projects deemed necessary right away. The committee could come back to the next board meeting with further recommendations. Wayne Caldwell seconded the motion.

PULPIT: Ron Caudill advised that the pulpit committee was meeting every Tuesday after Bible Study. Currently three or four resumes were being considered.

OUTREACH: Don Blair reported that the Outreach Committee would be chaired by Donna Corley for the new year. Alta and Don would remain on the committee.

WORSHIP: Jeanne Huie reported that Lenten Season plans were in place. Good Friday services would be held at the Methodist Church. The Sipleys and the Caldwells would sing at the March 18 church service. College Students would sing at the Palm Sunday service. The choir would perform a Cantata on Easter Sunday.

There were no reports from the following committees: Stewardship and Education.

Rev. Franz expressed his appreciation for the work of the various committees. He felt that many items were lifted up at the retreat held in early February. He noted that there was a nice turn out for the board meeting.

In new business, Marge Thomas reported the Bosnian family sponsored by the church seven years ago had be come United States Citizens. Flowers were sent to the ceremony. She asked that payment of those flowers be approved. Fran Helphinstine made this motion and it was seconded by Di Walke. Motion was approved.

Al Evans asked that the standing nominating committee be convened for nominations for the new year. The members from last year are Linda Bryant, Shirley Parker, Larry Fannin, Fran Helphinstine, Scharline Whidden and Donna Corley. Two members will go off per the by-laws and two new members will be selected. The nominating committee will recommend new Deacons, Committee Chairs and Executive Board.

Di Walke moved that the meeting be adjourned. Wayne Caldwell closed the meeting with prayer.

FUND RAISERS

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2001 Disciples Women Spring Conferences Sponsored by Kentucky CWF Cabinet

I Corininians 12:4

<u>Date:</u> April 27 Location: Central, Lexington Keynoter: Stephanie Paulsell, Dir. Ministry Program, Univ. of Chicago Div. School

"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ."

I Corinthlans 12:12



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PASTORS PERSPECTIVES...

Each week we come together for a very special observance. We gather to share in the Lord's Day, the Christian Sabbath. It was on the day of the week, Sunday, that Jesus, having been crucified, arose from the dead. His disciples and friends began almost immediately, on the first day of each week, to celebrate his resurrection and his continuing presence with them.

With only a few exceptions, those people were Jewish, worshiping in their synagogues on the seventh day, Saturday. After Jesus' resurrection, his followers continued to take part in the synagogue worship; and then on Sunday they would meet again, just the disciples themselves, for their own special celebration of the resurrection of their Lord.

Persecutions began, and as these increased, the Christians were more and more unwelcome in the synagogues, and the synagogue experience was less and less satisfying to them. As their Saturday worship diminished in its importance to them, the importance of their Sunday experience increased immensely. At last, instead of having two days of worship, they had only one. It was on Sunday and they called it the Lords' Day.

On this day each week they arranged to meet in small groups somewhere, in their homes, in caves or catacombs, wherever they could. At first, ostracized and maligned by many of their own countrymen and hounded and hunted by roman authorities, and later, under whatever conditions prevailed at the time, the people of Christ have, without interruption, maintained this practice of the Lord's Day from those first days until now.

We stand in a great tradition. During the month of April let each of us try to be in worship every Sunday. I look forward to seeing you this Sunday.

Sincerely, Bob

SPECIAL THANKS

Last Sunday was a great day. We welcomed over twenty members of the Morehead Fire Department and their families to worship with. We also wanted to say thank you to them for all they do to protect our community. The Evangelism Community sponsored this event and coordinated the polluck meal after church. Thanks to all who worked so hard to make this event a success.

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Debbi Glass and Joel Link on their marriage March 4, 2001

BLESSING BOXES AND BAGS

Love gifts from your blessing box or bag needs to reach Neva Griffith by April 10th make checks payable to CWF.

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TO:

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Morehead, KY 40351

FROM:

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Associate General Minister for Administration

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In the United States and Canada

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> Donald B. Manworren Associate General Minister for Administration

DATE: February 26, 2001

SUBJECT: CONGREGATIONAL "VOTING REPRESENTATIVES" FOR THE KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI GENERAL SYNOD/ASSEMBLY

The Design for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) entitles each congregation to two (2) voting representatives in the General Assembly "plus one additional voting representative for each 500 participating members or major fraction thereof over the first 500." For example a congregation receives a third representative for 751 members and a fourth for 1251, etc.

Your congregation is entitled to 2 voting representatives, based on the participating membership of 175 as reported in the 2000 Year Book & Directory.

All clergy are "voting representatives" and will be certified as voters if they marked that they were clergy on their registration form and appear in the Year Book and Directory as having "standing." Clergy persons in your congregation do not count against the voting representatives mentioned above.

Congregational voting representatives and other non-clergy representatives will receive a voter certification form with their registration receipt. They must complete this certification form and take it to the Credentials Committee in the Registration Area of the Convention Center to receive their "voter sticker" for their name badge.

No "voter stickers" are being sent in advance except for those that have already been attached to the name badges of clergy persons.

We are looking forward to First Christian Church being well represented in this General Assembly. See you in Kansas City, July 13-17!

LECTIONARY READINGS

April 1st

isa. 43:16-21 Ps. 126 Phil. 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8

April 8th

Isa, 50:4-9a Ps. 118:1-2,19-29 Phil. 2:5-11 Lk. 22:14 - 23:56

April 15th

Acts 10:34-43 Ps. 118:1-2,14-2.4 1Cor. 15:19-26 John 20:1-18

April 22sn

Acts 5:27-32 Ps. 118:14-29 Rev. 1:4-8 John 20:19-31

April 29th Acts 9:1-6(7-20) Ps. 30 Rev. 5:11-14 John 21:1-19



WHEN:

Saturday morning, April 7, 2001

TIME:

9:00 A.M.

PLACE:

Clearfield Tabernacle First Church of God Woodrow Hall Fellowship Center On Ky. Highway 519

SPEAKER WILL BE LINDA COLLINS

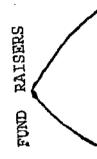
Special Music

All ladies are urged to attend!

For more information, call 784-6760

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Morehead First Christian Church Board Minutes March 26, 2001

President Al Evans called the meeting to order on March 26, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. Don Blair opened the meeting with prayer. Attending the meeting were Larry Fannin, Jeanne and Bill Huie, Neva Griffith, Dianna Reynolds, Natalie and Ron Caudill, Linda Bryant, Hedy and Wayne Caldwell, Darlene and David Perkins, Al Evans, Marge and Dan Thomas, Fran Helphinstine, Di and Ron Walke, Alta and Don Blair and Shirley Parker.

The Board approved the minutes from the last meeting following a motion from Fran Helphinstine and a second by Linda Bryant.

The Board approved the Treasurer's report following a motion from Jeanne Huie and a second by Fran Helphinstine.

VISION 2000: Nelson Grote asked the Board to consider adopting a Mission Statement for the Church. The Mission Statement to be called a Vision Statement was considered to be a basic need of the church. The Board approved this request after a motion from Ron Walke and a second by Alta Blair.

CWF: Natalie Caudill reported that an updated CWF Project list would be in the April Echo. Notification of the Women's Prayer Breakfast at Clearfield Tabernacle on April 7 at 9:00 a.m., will also appear in the Echo and the first April Church Bulletin. The Planning Committee will also meet on April 3 to discuss projects and plan the quarterly meeting and picnic. Marge Thomas offered her home for the meeting.

DEACONS: Deacons scheduled to serve for April are Linda Bryant, Glen Buckner, Natalie, Ronnie Caudill, Al Evans and Neva Griffith.

EVANGELISM: Linda Bryant advised that yesterday's service for the local Firemen was a success. She said the committee was updating information about the church.

PERSONNEL: Al advised that the custodian would like to receive an additional \$20 a month and would work additional hours each week. The Board approved this request.

STEWARDSHIP: Nelson Grote expressed his concern that the Stewardship Committee for the coming year needed to be established as soon as possible. He and Wilma would be willing to chair the committee again this year. Shirley Parker made the motion that Dr. Grote and Wilma be appointed Stewardship chairs and be given access to any and all materials needed to fulfill that obligation. Dan Thomas seconded the motion and the Board gave unanimous approval.

OUTREACH: Alta Blair reported that the committee had made arrangements for the rest of the Church year for the Minutes for Mission.

WORSHIP: Jeanne Huie advised that Good Friday Services would be held at the Methodist Church. We would have our Maundy Thursday services. She advised that the organ and piano had been serviced since the last Board Meeting. She also reminded the board that the time would change on April 1 and encouraged everybody to remember the time change and "get to church on time".

PULPIT: Ron Caudill reported that the pulpit committee was meeting every Tuesday. They were still receiving resumes. One Minister from Roanoke, Virginia visited last week and they were impressed with his visit and also with a sermon tape they had received from him. Further visits were to be scheduled. He also told us that Bob Franz' contract ended this month and Bob would like to have a month to month contract with the church. This contract would have an automatic renewal unless cancelled by either party. Fran Helphinstine moved that we accept a month to month contract with Rev. Franz. Linda Bryant seconded and the motion was approved.

There were no reports from Education, Elders, Project 2000, Living Memorial, and the Property Committees.

Marge Thomas told us that the Birthday dinner would be scheduled for Palm Sunday, April 8th.

Marge Thomas closed the meeting with prayer.

APRIL BIRTHDAY'S

Jeremy Hatfield	4/6
Agnes Williams	4/11
Jesse Pettit	4/12
Kenny Hall	4/18
Dan Thomas	4/22
Helen Patrick	4/26

DEACONS FOR APRIL

Ronnie and Natalie Caudill Linda Bryant Neva Griffith Al Evans Glen Buckner

BIRTHDAY DINNER

The annual birthday dinner, hosted by Marge Thomas and Betty Hall's flocks, is scheduled for after church Palm Sunday, April 8. Twelve birthday cakes will be provided for desert. Bring a salad, a vegetable, or meat casserole and share a cake with others of your birth month.

MEMBERSHIP/EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

The Membership and Evangelism Committee requests your assistance. Members of the committee are in the process of updating record information about our church family. Needed are your birthday, anniversary date(only the month and day) address, E-mail address and phone number. If you have not filled out an updating information form in the last month call the Church Secretary (784-4836), Linda Bryant (784-7410) or Darlene Perkins (784-8761).

Updated information will be made available to church family.

BOARD MEETINGS

April 23, 2001 Executive Board Meeting 7:00 PM Church Board Meeting 7:30 PM

POTLUCK DINNER

April 29, 2001 following the worship service a potluck dinner sponsored by the Evangelism/Membership Committee to honor the Morehead Police Department, Rescue Squad and Care Flight Pilots. Meat, bread and drinks will be provided. Please bring a vegetable, salad or desert.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

If you have a name that you would like to submit to the Nominating Committee for Deacon, please submit the name to Linda Bryant, Shirley Parker, Scharline Whidden or Larry Fannin by Friday April 13, 2001.

TIME CHANGE

Remember to set your clocks forward Saturday night. "SPRING FORWARD"

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - MOREHEAD, KENTUCKY



THE ECHO



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PASTORS PERSPECTIVES...

MAY, 2001

In I Corinthians 14:10, the Apostle Paul writes. "There are so many kinds of voices in the world". And we know that this is correct, don't we? We hear these voices all the time, all through the weekloud ones and soft ones, bright ones and dark ones, saying all manner of things, and sometimes really saying nothing at all. It's all very confusing, how to separate them, to whom do we listen.

On Sunday morning we can gather together in the church sanctuary to try to hear the voice of God. His voice is in the world, as well. In worship we draw away from all of the clamor and conflicting claims to which we are constantly exposed; in worship we place-ourselves in a position where it is easier for us to go beyond hearing to listening.

Our intention on Sunday morning is to create an atmosphere where it will be less difficult for the voice of God to come through to each of us. We want the hymns we sing, the prayers we pray, the Scriptures we read, the word we proclaim, the Lord's Supper we receive, to be the lines of communication by which the voice of God may come through to us.

As we worship here or anywhere let us be mindful of what it is we are doing: listening- trying to screen out the interference, trying to unscramble the voices, trying to hear the one voice of greater importance to us than all the others. Hook forward to seeing you in worship.

Bob

MAY BIRTHDAY'S

Sarah Chaney	5/03
Mabel Reynolds	5/04
Amy Allen	5/11
Dianna Reynolds	5/11
Michael Porter	5/14
John Quesinberry	5/15
Dianna Walke	5/16
Troy Burgess	5/19
May Evelyn Teater	5/25
Ada June Thompson	5/28
Faith Fannin	5/29
Al Evans	5/31

DEACONS FOR MAY

Bill and Jeanne Huie Dianna Reynolds Dan Thomas Scharline Whidden Wayne Caldwell

LECTIONARY READINGS

May 6th

Acts 9:36-43 Ps. 23 Rev. 7:9-17 John 10:22-30

May 13th

Acts 11:1-18 Ps. 148 Rev. 21:1-6 John 13:31-35

May 20th

Acts 16:9-15 Ps. 67 Rev. 21:10,21:22-22:5 John 14:23-29

May 27th

Acts 16:16-34 Ps. 97 Rev. 22:12-14, 16-17,20-21 John 17:20-26

GRADUATION SUNDAY

We are in need of graduation names in preparing for Graduation Sunday. If a member of your family or someone else in the church family will be graduating from high school, college or receiving an advanced degree - please call the church office with the information by Tuesday, May 1.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The annual congregation meeting and election of officers will be held Sunday, May 6 immediately following the morning service.

MOTHER'S DAY

On Mother's Day May 13. A carnation bouquet will be in the sanctuary. The (pink) carnations will be in "honor", (white) will be in "mem ory" of a very special lady. To place a carnation in the bouquet it is \$2.00. You may call/pay Neva Griffith (784-7973) to place your order.

Deadline for placing orders will be Monday, May 7.

VISITING MINISTRY

Sunday, April 29 John Dunstan a candidate from Roanoke VA will be presenting the serm on.

NEW SCHEDULE

After meeting with the Executive Committee and General Board a new weekly schedule has been decided upon for Bob Franz. He will be here Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

BOARD MEETING

May 28, 2001 Executive Board Meeting 7:00 PM
Church Board Meeting 7:30 PM

THE BEETLES...THEY ARE A COME-en

I sat down with my morning brew, Looking from a window view. Without warning, before I knew, Into my coffee, a beetle flew. OH, THE BEETLES THEY ARE A COME-en.

I emptied it out, made a new cup,
This time I managed three or four sups.
When I noticed another, as he climbed up,
So patiently I waited, then flipped his butt.
OH, THE BEETLES THEY ARE A COME-en.

I decided then I may as well dress,
I went to the bedroom and got in my sweats.
And there was another, crawling right up my chest,
I've no need to tell you, you've no need to guess.
YES, THE BEETLES THEY ARE A COME-en.

That night I laid down in bed with a sigh,
Then a crazed beetle flew right into my eye.
I blinked and I rubbed, thought I would die,
Used a bottle of visine, then sat down and cried.
THE BEETLES THEY ARE A COME-en.

They tell you, don't stomp them, or squash and don't spray, To bag the little darlings, then let them fly away. But I'm here to tell you, so listen I say, They're producing by millions, they'll not go away. YES, THE BEETLES THEY WILL KEEP A COME-en.

You bake them in bread, you cook them in stew. You toss them in salad, and freeze them in cubes. They sleep in your bed, they nest in your shoes, They're in the closet, and the sock dawer too. OH, THE BEETLES THEY'RE DRIVEN' ME CRAZY.

They've called for the doctor, and ask him come soon, 'Cause I sit and flip beetles, night, morning and noon. But I've called NASA and they said there's room, If I'd wear this jacket I could fly to the moon. OH, THE BEETLES CAN STAY, I'M A LEAVE-en.

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PASTORS PERSPECTIVES...

During the century of westward migration in America, the trading post was a familiar landmark in every frontier town. To the trading post came the hunters, trappers, miners and homesteaders with such things as furs and gold, and they traded for things they needed — food, tools, weapons and clothing.

Someone has said that coming to church in like coming to a trading post. On Sunday mornings when we come to church some things may be put down and left, and others may be picked up and taken. We may bring our cares and fears, our sins and guilt, and we may take forgiveness, joy, and peace.

When you come to church I hope you can leave something here that you may have brought with you all anxieties or enslaving doubts or unbearable burdens. If you bring any of these, put them down leave them here. When you leave I hope you can take something that perhaps you did not bring; hopefully you can take more love, a greater measure of peace, a stronger faith, and increased strength for you journey.

I look forward to seeing you in worship this Sunday.

Bob

JUNE BIRTHDAY'S

Scharline Whidden	6/01
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Philip Brown	6/07
Jo Ann Wells	6/12
Perry Allen	6/13
Betty Walke	6/15
Wayne Caldwell	6/26
Susan Whidden	6/29

DEACONS FOR JUNE

Alta Blair Glen Buckner Lee Chaney Al Evans Fran Helphinstine Bessie Pernell

FATHER'S DAY BOUQUET

On Father's Day, June 17, a carnation bouquet will be in the sanctuary. The (red) carnations will be in honor, (white) will be in memory of a very special man. To place a carnation in the bouquet it is \$2.00. You may call/pay Neva Griffith (784-7973) to place your order.

Deadline for placing orders will be Monday, June 11, 2001.

SHELTER TUB

Vacation time is upon us. Remember your travel toiletries for the "Shelter Tub".

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN

Attention all women of the church! Quarterly meeting and picnic at the home of Marge Thomas; Sunday, June 24, 2001 at 4 PM. Please bring a salad or dessert. Drinks will be provided.

BOARD MEETING

June 25, 2001

Personal Meeting

6:30 PM

Church Board Meeting

7:30 PM

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Education Committee would like to thank those who volunteered to teach Sunday School classes during the past year. A donation has been made to the Heifer Project in their honor.

Thank you to: Wayne Caldwell, Rex Chaney, Debbi Glass, Neva Griffith, Betty Hall, Connie Hamilton, Eva Johnston, Glenn Johnston, Joel Link, Dariene Perkins, Dianna Reynolds, Dan Thomas, Dianna Walke, Linda Bryant and Jack Whidden

The summer schedule for Sunday School is in the planning stages. Anyone interested in volunteering to teach the youth class for the summer, please notify Dianna Walke (784-8106). The summer schedule begins June 10. You may volunteer for one or two Sundays or more.

Living Memorial Fund Gifts for the current year

In Memory of George O. Jackson – 2001 Shirley Parker Mabel and Paul J. Reynolds Phyllis and Bill Bradley Fran Helphinstine Betty and Kenneth Hall Regina Mack Glenn and Eva Johnston Ruby Vencill Ron and Natalie Caudill Pearl Patton Tommy and Neva Griffith

In Memory of Amy Pierce Manning – 2001 Glen and Anne Buckner

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Fran Helphinstine

In Memory of Ruth Pelphrey –2001 Jack and Peggy Bizzel

<u>In Memory of Goldie Hamilton – 2001</u> Stephen and Patsy Wright

In Memory of Fern Hayden – 2001 Fran Helphinstine Tommy and Neva Griffith

In Memory of Kenneth Hall, Jr. – 2001 Asa Hall

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Linda and Ival Bryant Hubert and Delia Allen

Faith Fannin

Pearl Patton
Ed and Ann Scott
Jack and Scharline Whidden
Shirley Hamilton

In Memory of Helen Crosley Patrick – 2001

Pearl Patton

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Elizabeth Fraley

Nelson and Wilma Grote

Gracie Cassity

Ken and Betty Hall

Paul and Mabel Reynolds

Shirley Parker

Emestine Drummond

Ron and Natalie Caudill

Mary Margaret Reynolds

Ida Wallace

Tommy and Neva Griffith

Glen and Anne Buckner

George and Mary Frances Cunningham

Don and Linda McAllister

Ruby Rigsby

Vivian Carpenter

Bill and Margaret Davis

Troy Burgess

George and Kathy Burgess

Fran Helphinstine

Harold and Jane Holbrook

Agnes Williams

G. M. and Eva Gumbert

Betty, Steve and Mark Lewis

Joyce Mobley Grymes

Sarah McAllister

Bill and Janet Litton

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Buntin, Jr.

Clay Snedgar

In Memory of Helen Crosley Patrick - 2001

Regina Mack

Mary Lou McGarey

Rex and Sarah Chaney

Proctor and Bobbi Caudill

Loreda Hall

Vinson and Patti Watts

Ada Mae Gregory

James and Etta Jane McCarty

Susie Halbleib

James and Alice Reynolds

Betty H. Blair

Pauline Bishop

Hubert and Delia Allen

Ruth Paving Corporation

East Kentucky Paving Corporation

Shirley Hamilton

Larry and Barbara Fannin

G. B. and Ruby Collins

Katherine S. Patrick

Paul W. Blair

In Memory of Dora Hutchinson Williams - 2001

Glen and Anne Buckner

Kevin and Tiffany Clark

Mrs. George Evans and family

Nadean Plank

Volena Evans

In Memory of Thomas Queen -2001

Agnes Williams

Shirley Parker

Tommy and Neva Griffith

The gifts to the Living Memorial Fund go to the Principal of the fund. The interest earned on the Principal is used to make capital improvements to Our Church.

Morehead First Christian Church Board Minutes April 23, 2001

President Al Evans called the meeting to order on April 23, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. Larry Fannin opened the meeting with prayer. Attending the meeting were Ron and Natalie Caudill, Dianna and Ron Walke, Hedy and Wayne Caldwell, Jeanne Huie, Linda Bryant, Scharline Whidden, Anne Buckner, Al Evans, Connie Hamilton, Neva and Tommy Griffith, David Perkins, Larry Fannin, Mickey Reffit, Shirley Parker and Rev. Bob Franz.

The Board approved the minutes from the last meeting following a motion from Wayne Caldwell and a second by Linda Bryant.

The Board approved the Treasurer's report following a motion from Ron Walke and a second by Jeanne Huie.

The following committee reports were given:

CWF: Natalie Caudill reported that many women had volunteered for the CWF projects, but still more volunteers were needed and there would be a telethon recruitment program to obtain more volunteers. Mabel Reynolds, Dianna Walke and Kathy Williams attended the CWF meeting in Lexington. Neva Griffith will be collecting money for the flowers for Fathers' Day and Mothers' Day. The quarterly meeting of the CWF group would be held on June 24th at 4 p.m. at the home of Marge Thomas.

DEACONS: Deacons scheduled to serve in May are Wayne Caldwell, Jeanne Huie, Bill Huie, Dianna Reynolds, Dan Thomas and Scharline Whidden.

ELDERS: Tommy Griffith advised that the Elders had not met since the last Board Meeting. Larry Fannin expressed his gratitude to Rev. Franz for his leadership in making the Advent season a great spiritual experience.

EVANGELISM: Anne Buckner advised that on Sunday we would have the appreciation dinner for the City Police and other workers. She asked that each one of us try to double our recipes so that we would have plenty of food.

LIVING MEMORIAL: Shirley Parker reported that numerous gifts were given in memory of Helen Patrick. David Perkins shared the quarterly report of the Living Memorial Fund. The Fund generated \$4788 income for the first quarter of 2001. The Living Memorial has \$31,194 in unspent income and the Inez Faith Humphrey has \$9210 in unspent income.

WORSHIP: Jeanne Huie expressed her appreciation for the Choir's Easter program. An appreciation dinner was held last night for the choir. The lilies purchased for Easter were ready to be taken home. Those that were not taken home would be planted in the churchyard. Jeanne reported that many people had requested that the Penix Room be made into a prayer room. Tommy Griffith recommended that the Penix Room be

temporarily used as prayer room and if usage of the room was frequent, we could then make plans to permanently make the room a prayer room.

PROPERTY: Mickey Reffit advised that the lawn needed to be rnowed. The Board decided that a lawn service should be obtained to care for the lawn this summer.

PULPIT: Ron Caudill reported that Rev. John Dunstan would be with us on Sunday morning, April 29th. Rev. Franz would do the framework of the service and Rev. Dunstan would deliver the sermon.

NOMINATING: The committee chaired by Wayne Caldwell presented the following slate of Officers and Deacons as nominations to be voted on at the annual congregation meeting on May 6, 2001:

President

- Al Evans

Vice President - Wayne Caldwell

Secretary

-Shirley Parker

Treasurer

- David Perkins

Assistant Treasurers - Shirley Parker, Glenn Johnston, Ron Walke, Wayne Caldwell Deacons - Jim Fred Cassity, William Davis, Sr. Margaret Davis, Mickey Reffit, Elizabeth Reffitt, Donna Corley and Pat Adkins. Ron Caudill and Connie Hamilton would fill two unexpired terms.

No reports were received from Education, Personnel, Stewardship, World Outreach, and Project 2000.

Mr. Proctor Caudill delivered a check for \$150,000 from the estate of Louise Caudill. According to the Caudill will: "A gift of \$150,000 shall be given to the First Christian Church of Morehead. This money, I would like to be used for the advancement of the church in Morehead." After a lengthy discussion, the Board decided that this gift should be a part of the Inez Faith Humphrey Fund on a motion by Tommy Griffith and a second by Mickey Reffit. Mickey Reffit moved that \$100,000 be transferred to Peoples Bank of Sandy Hook (Morehead Branch). This motion was seconded by Ron Walke and passed by the Board. The remaining \$50,000 would be invested with the Christian Church Fund.

Rev. Franz expressed his appreciation for a lovely Easter service. He asked that we all pray for Rev. Dunstan and the church. The church should try in every way to make Rev. Dunstan feel welcome. Rev. Franz' request to have each Wednesday off was also approved. The appropriate salary adjustment would be made.

Al Evans reported that the church phone lines had been hit by lightening and that Nora's husband had been working on the problem. The Echo will be sent our early this month due to Nora Mullins' vacation.

Dianna Walke closed the meeting with prayer.

Morehead First Christian Church Board Minutes Special Meeting May 9, 2001

President Al Evans called the meeting to order on May 9, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. Anne Buckner opened the meeting with prayer. Attending the meeting were Betty Hall, Shirley Parker, Glenn and Eva Johnston, Ron and Natalie Caudill, Linda Bryant, Kay and Al Evans, Scharline Whidden, Dianna Reynolds, Debbi Glass, Rex and Sarah Chaney, Mickey and Elizabeth Reffitt, Wayne Caldwell, Connie Hamilton, Katherine Caudill, Peggie Reynolds, Mabel Reynolds, Anne Buckner, Bill and Jeanne Huie, Alta and Don Blair, Neva and Tommy Griffith, Pearl Patton, David and Darlene Perkins, and Larry Fannin.

Ron Caudill reported that the Pulpit Committee had met for the last fourteen months in their search for a new minister and expressed his appreciation for all the prayers during that time. He informed the Board that the committee was recommending Dr. John Dunstan for the position as Morehead First Christian Church Minister at a salary of \$60,000 per year.

After lengthy discussion and deliberation, a motion was made by Rex Chaney and seconded by Tommy Griffith that the Board recommends to the congregation that Dr. John Dunstan be hired. The motion was passed and the recommendation will be made at the Congregational Meeting to be held after Sunday services on May 13, 2001.

Linda Bryant closed the meeting with prayer.

LANDSCAPING UPDATE

The Landscaping Committee completed Phase II of the approved design that includes the front and side part of Friendly Place. We, also, replaced mulch in front of the church and planted a Pink Dogwood Tree. The Landscaping Committee includes: Eva Johnston, Natalie Caudill, Scharline Whidden, Darlene Perkins, Kay Evans, Connie Hamilton and Peggy Reynolds.

Also, a very special thanks to Glenn Johnston, Ron Caudill and Al Evans who along with Eva, Kay, and Natalie who helped plant and landscape on Monday, May 21.

The Landscaping Committee has exciting plans for the Phase III project. This includes our "Memorial Garden with a Brick Courtyard". Each Brick will be "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a loved one. The cost of each Brick will be \$30. To place your order you can call the church office (784-4836) or see any member of the Landscaping Com. Make your check payable too: First Christian Church Memorial Garden and please note if it is "In Honor" or "In Memory" of your loved one.

LECTIONARY READING

June 3rd Acts 2:1-21 Ps. 104:24-34,35b Rom. 8:14-17 John 14:8-17(25-27)

June 10th 1Kings 17:8-16(17-24) Ps. 146 Gal. 1:11-24 Luke 7:11-17

June 17th 1Kings 21:1-10, (11-14),(15-21a) Ps. 5:1-8 Gat. 2:15-21 Luke 7:36-8:3

June 24th 1Kings 19:1-4,(5-7),8-15a Ps. 42:43 Gal. 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - MOREHEAD, KENTUCKY



THE ECHO



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JULY, 2001

PASTORS PERSPECTIVES...

In the Old Testament the psalmist wrote: "My cup runneth over!" That's a wonderful thing for anyone to be able to say. But, there is an implication here. The implication is that the cup has been held open-side-up under a flowing stream. A cup is not going to fill if it is bottom-side-up on a cabinet shelf some-where. The stream may be flowing abundantly, but the inverted cup is only a barrier that turns it away.

When we come to worship on Sunday mornings, we are asked to bring our cups; and to turn them upright and hold them firmly under the stream of God's outpouring goodness. Let's make sure we do this each Sunday. Let's align our lives to receive what God is tying to give us. Let's take our cups and lift them up to the Lord as though we expect them to be filled. It is an act of faith to do this. If we bring our cups to the Lord and hold them up before him, I strongly suspect that in due time we will say as the psalmist did: "My cup runneth over!".

The psalmist said this as though suddenly surprised to discover how utterly full that cup was. As we lift up our cups and hold them before God, we too will have the joyous surprise of discovering how wonderfully full they are. This is worship the time of the uplifted cup. I look forward to seeing you in worship this Sunday.

Sincerely, Bob

DEACONS FOR JULY

Linda Bryant Neva Griffith Debbi Glass Scharline Whidden Dan Thomas Bill Huie

JULY BIRTHDAY'S

Rex Chaney	7/03
Liz Reffitt	7/03
Eva Johnston	7/07
Grace Cassity	7/08
Tiffany Clark	7/13
Donna Corley	7/14
Gail Tingle	7/21
Yvonne Baldwin	7/23
Ruby Vencill	7/25
Lurlene Alfrey	7/30
Bill Bradley	7/31

Living Memorial Fund Gifts

In Memory of Helen Patrick Crosley -2001

Jack and Peggy Bizzel
Mary Ellen Helwig
Glenn and Eva Johnston
Pat and Jean Serey
Carol Hall
Mike Hogge
Ruby Vencill
Martha Leigh Hall
Terry and Nancy Jackson
George and Mary Alfrey
Byron and Helen Wentz
Faye P. Singleton

In Memory of David Brewster-2001

Tommy and Neva Griffith
Ron and Dianna Walke
Glenn and Eva Johnston
Ival and Linda Bryant
Fran Helphinstine

In Memory of Arnold Griffith -2001 Kenneth and Betty Hall

In Memory of Heloise Hurt – 2001
Pearl Patton

In Memory of Dixie Helphinstine - 2001

Kenneth and Betty Hall
Tommy and Neva Griffith
Shirley Parker
Pearl Patton
Regina Mack
C. Nelson and Wilma Grote
Larry and Barbara Fannin
Dan and Marge Thomas

In Memory of Thomas Queen – 2001 Glenn and Eva Johnston Ivel and Linda Bryant

Ival and Linda Bryant Fran Helphinstine

The gifts for Helen Crosley Patrick were inadvertently left out of last month's Echo.
Please accept my apologies for this error. - Shirley Parker

The gifts to the Living Memorial Fund go to the principal of the fund. The interest earned on the principal is used to make capital improvements to our church.

THANK YOU

The family of Dixie Helphinstine thanks all of you for the prayers and prayer circle, telephone calls, hospital visits, and communion and devotions at the hospital, that lifted her up and sustained her and us during her nearly three month illness as well as your loving support of us during the celebration of her Christian life which followed.

THANK YOU

To the wonderful congregation of FCC:

i want to express my thanks and appreciation for all the good food, visits, cards and letters and telephone calls that we received during my extended illness. Mostly, I want to thank you for your prayers and to ask that you continue to pray for the healing of the bone. What a wonderful reception I received the Sunday I returned to Church! Thank you for your caring and continued support.

Nelson Grote

DONATIONS

Deadline for donations for gently used luggage for foster care children is July 15. Contact Natalie and Ron Caudill at (784-7118).

************* **BABY SHOWER** * × WILL BE GIVEN: * ¥. * * X FOR: Kristi Skaggs * × * * WHEN: Thursday, July 12, 2001 * at 7:00 PM × X * * ** * * X * WHERE: Fellowship Hall acknowledges with grateful appreciation

your kind expression of sympathy;

Dear Friends of The Christian Church in Morehund. Thanks so much for the Lam and paper goods you sent When John passed on. We miss our friends and Church but have found Crestevood to be a second I can remember when I was a small seel my grandfather lengten taking & me to bunday seal, there, Elmore Kyle married Jon and myself there - it will The 53 years togo This December, I was boplinged Thue when I was twelve one then came Joon, Jelourd ho no head for me to say Severely Gernow.

RULES FOR TODAY

DO NOTHING THAT YOU OULD NOT LIKE TO BE DOING WHEN JESUS COMES

GO TO NO PLACE WHERE YOU I OULD NOT LIKE TO BE FOUND WHEN JESUS COMES

JAY NOTHING THAT YOU JOULD NOT LIKE TO BE SAYING WHF. FILL LILAE

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>>> Subject: Moses
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>>> The Biggest Mathematical Miracle In The World
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>>>> Moses and his people were in the desert, but what was he going to do
>>>> with them?
>>> They had to be fed, and fed is what he did, according to the
>>> Quartermaster General in the Army. It is reported that Moses would
>>> have to have had 1500 tons of food each day. Do you know that to
bring
>>> that much food each day, two freight trains, each a mile long, would
>>>> be required!
>>>> Besides you must remember, they were out in the desert, so they
would
>>>> have to have firewood to use in cooking the food.
>>> This would take 4000 tons of wood and a few
>>> And just think, they were forty years in transit.
>>>> And oh yes! They would have to have water. If they only had enough
>>> drink and wash a few dishes, it would take 11,000,000 gallons each
> day,
>>>> and a
>>>> freight train with tank cars, 1800 miles long, just to bring water!
>>> And then another thing! They had to get across the Red Sea at night.
>>> (They did?) Now, if they went on a narrow path, double file, the
line
>>> would be 800 miles long and would require 35 days and nights to get
>>>> through. So, there had to be a space in the Red Sea, 3 miles wide so
>>>> that they could walk 5000 abreast to get
>>> over in one night.
>>>> But then, there is another problem. Each time they camped at the end
>>> of the day, a campground two-thirds the size of the state of Rhode
>>>> Island was required, or a total of 750 square miles long...think of
>>> it! This space just for nightly camping.
>>>> Do you think Moses figured all this out
>>>> before he left Egypt?
>>>> I think not!
>>> You see, Moses believed in God.
>>> God took care of these things for him.
>>> Now do you think God has any problem taking care of all your needs?
>>>> I ASKED THE LORD TO BLESS YOU......
>>>> I asked the Lord to bless you As I prayed for you today,
>>> To guide you and protect you As you go along your way....
>>>> His love is always with you,
>>>> His promises are true,
>>> And when we give Him all our cares,
>>>> You know He will see us through.
>>>> So when the road you're traveling on
>>> Seems difficult at best,
>>> Just remember I'm here praying
>>> And God will do the rest.
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GENERAL MINISTER & REGION PROFILE SURVEY

Part of the process of calling a new General Minister for our region requires we create a profile of the region and of the position of General Minister. In order to do that, we need input from as many people as possible.

We are asking you to complete the very short survey below and to provide this survey to members of your congregation if applicable. This can be accomplished as an insert in your bulletin/newsletter, by giving time in Board meetings to discuss these questions or by whatever other means you find appropriate.

The more input we receive, the better chance we have of calling the right person to lead our region. We really can't emphasize how important it is that we receive this information.

We would like to have your responses by July 1st. Responses can be mailed to Bill Bramblet, Chair, General Minister Search Committee, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) In Kentucky, 1125 Red Mile Rd., Lexington, KY 40504.

What do you see as the strengths of our Region?

What are the areas in which you think our Region could improve?

What characteristics/qualities do you think we should be looking for in our next General Minister?

Are there any other comments you would like to make that might help us in our search?

Morehead First Christian Church Board Minutes May 28, 2001

President Al Evans called the meeting to order on May 28, 2001 at 7:40 p.m. Anne Buckner opened the meeting with prayer. Attending the meeting were Ron and Natalie Caudill, Dianna and Ron Walke, Scharline Whidden, Anne and Glen Buckner, Al and Kay Evans, Neva and Tommy Griffith, David Perkins, Larry Fannin, Shirley Parker, Sarah and Rex Chaney, Peggie Reynolds, Betty Hall, Mabel Reynolds and Dianna Reynolds.

The Board approved the minutes from the last meeting following a motion from Dianna Walke and a second by Peggie Reynolds. The board approved the minutes from the May 9, 2001 special meeting following a motion from Ron Walke and a second by Sarah Chaney.

The Board approved the Treasurer's report following a motion from Peggie Reynolds and a second by Glen Buckner.

The following Committee reports were given:

CWF: Mabel Reynolds reminded the board that vacation time was upon us and to remember the travel toiletries for the "Shelter Tub". Neva Griffith would be collecting money for the flowers for Fathers' Day. The quarterly meeting of the CWF group would be held on June 24th at 4 p.m. at the home of Marge Thomas. Drinks will be provided and each attendee should bring a salad or dessert.

DEACONS: Deacons scheduled to serve in June are Alta Blair, Glen Buckner, Lee Chaney, Al Evans, Fran Helphinstine and Bessie Purnell.

EVANGELISM: Anne Buckner reported that we had a successful Sunday dinner for the rescue squad and city policemen. Larry Fannin expressed his appreciation for Rex Chaney's involvement in making our guests feel welcome.

LIVING MEMORIAL: Shirley Parker reported that numerous gifts were given in memory of Thomas Queen, David Brewster, Dora Hutchinson Williams and Helen Patrick. A summary of gifts for the current year will appear in the June Echo.

PERSONNEL: Larry Fannin advised the board that the credit report on Dr. Dunstan had been received. We have also received the criminal report from the state of Kentucky. We are to receive the criminal report from the state of Virginia. The Board discussed the reports received in detail and determined there was nothing that would prevent him from performing his duties as our Minister. Al Evans reported that Rev. Bob Franz would stay with us until Dr. Dunstan arrives on July 17, 2001.

No reports were received from Education, Stewardship, Elders, Worship, Property, World Outreach, and Project 2000.

Rev. Franz was unable to attend the meeting, but left a brief report with the Board. He urged the congregation " to continue checking on those who miss worship and continue to invite new persons to come to church with us"

There was no old business discussed. Under new business, Kay Evans suggested that we do something for Rev. Bob Franz. Rev. Franz has requested that we not do anything elaborate, therefore Kay suggested a coffee before Sunday church services. The Board decided to delay this decision until the next meeting.

Natalie Caudill closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Parker, Secretary



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AUGUST, 2001

PASTORS PERSPECTIVES...

Have you ever watched a symphony orchestra as a performance is about to begin? The musicians sit and stand about, strumming on strings, blowing into horns, beating on drums. There is a lot of noise, but no music. Then the conductor enters. He or she walks to the podium and steps up onto it. Their eyes sweep the scene before them, all the musicians and their instruments. The baton is lifted, the downbeat is given. Instantly there is music, all instruments blending into one harmonious whole.

Our human spirits one a lot like symphony orchestras. Within us there may be discordant elements, differing factions that pull us in a variety of directions, and we are out of focus, out of tune. We are just not together within. As an orchestra needs to be pulled together, so do we.

When we worship and commune with God, we turn the whole focus of our attention to our Lord. Acknowledging that he is in command, we yield all our instruments to him.

Each of us does this, each person within. And within each of us a kind of music is made, the kind which can be produced only in the human spirit, the kind that, even there, only our Lord can make. In the days ahead I continue to urge you to turn the whole focus of your attention to the Lord.

It has been a very real privilege to serve with you in these past few months. I wish you, John Dunstan, and his family God's richest blessings in the future.

Sincerely, Bob

DEACONS FOR AUGUST

Bessie Pernell Ronnie Caudill Lee Chaney Glen Buckner Donna Corley Elizabeth Reffitt

COMMUNION

TIME TO SIGN UP TO PREPARE COMMUNION

The September 2001- August 2002 sign-up sheet to prepare communion is in the office. You may sign up there, or you may call Betty Hall, 784-9185, or Nora Mullins, 784-4836

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

We know it has been a while since you last heard from us. But, that does not mean we have been unconcerned about this area in the life of the church. We are deeply concerned as well as excited and hopeful about the future as a church. We want to begin by encouraging you to remember that summer is traditionally a slower time, program-wise, attendance-wise, and activity-wise. But, it is not a slower time when it comes to bills coming in, salaries being paid, and mission needs. Please do not forget to keep up with your giving during this time.

We all know that we are about to welcome a new minister and his family. It is important that our stewardship response be strong during this crucial time. We want to give John all the tools he will need to do his work. This reminds us that our stewardship response involves, time, talent, and treasure. Please continue to prayerfully consider what you will give to the Lord.

FLASH! We have fallen behind in our contributions for Church Operations by \$8147.23 as of June 30, 2001. This should be a concern for all of us. Watch the weekly report in the Sunday Bulletin. Remember, special funds cannot be used for operations and are reported separately.

FLASH! Although our Church year begins on July 1st, our Fiscal (Financial year) began on January 1, 2001. This fact may be confusing to some.

Your Stewardship Committee Wilma & Nelson Grote, Co-Chairs

AUGUST BIRTHDAY'S

Rob Slore	08/04
Rob Sloss	
Margaret Davis	08/08
Heather Arthur	08/09
Pauline Porter	08/09
Connie Hamilton	08/10
Kaitlyn Reynolds	08/10
Jeff Bizzel	08/17
Lara Allen	08/18
Ival Bryant	08/20
Peggy Bizzel	08/21
Paul J. Reynolds	08/21
Charlie Tingle	08/25
Hope Brown	08/26

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Wanted

Choir Director (Part-Time)
Morehead, FCC. Send
background information
to: FCC, 227 East Main St.
Job description available
in church office 9-4, M-F
Application deadline,
August 15, 2001

PHOTO NEWS



Di Walke and Mabel Reynolds represented FCC at the CWF Spring Conference held at Central Christian Church in Lexington.



At a recent board meeting, Proc Caudill presented a check from the estate of Dr. C. Louise Caudill to Board Chairman, Al Evans.



Glen Johnston (r) watched as participants in Parents'
Night Out tackled the Memory Game. Above: Joseph. Knitlyn. Tyler, Chelsie and Abby rested after a fierce round of Nighterawier. Other adult supervisors included Di Walke and Darlene Perkins.



INTERIM CHOIR DIRECTOR CONCLEDES WORK

Jason Robbin's term as our Interim Choir Director concludes July 29th. We are grateful for the contribution of his ministry with us.

The Worship Committee is advertising for applicants interested in the more permanent position of Choir Director. With the coming of our new minister, John Dunstan, we hope that finding someone long term in the music ministry will strengthen it and undergird our worship and the community's awareness of the church.

Jason is on vacation the last two weeks of July, but will be recognized at a reception on July 29th, at the same time we recognize our Interim Minister, Bob Franz.

CHOIR TO RESUME REHEARSALS

The Sanctuary Choir will resume rehearsals on July 29th at 6:00. At that rehearsal we will be preparing for John Dunstan's first service with us on August 5th. This is a great time for new singers to join the faithful in anticipation of our fall program and the calling of a more permanent Choir Director.

CANE RIDGE THE GREAT GATHERING August 4-12, 2001 (200 Anniversary of the Cane Ridge Meeting)

The nine day event at Cane Ridge looks to be an inspiring time for "Disciples", Independent Christians and Churches of Christ members. Some of us will be there. Join us!

Schedules are available in the church office. It looks as though both weekends, Saturdays and Sundays, will be the best times to go, and the Monday-Tuesday panels and group discussions look to be interesting for history buffs.

Food vendors are on site during weekend events.

(For information call 1-859-987-5350)

Living Memorial Fund Gifts

July 2001

In Memory of David Brewster-2001

Jack and Scharline Whidden

Glen and Anne Buckner

In Memory of Dixie Helphinstine – 2001

Jack and Scharline Whidden

Glenn and Eva Johnston

Ron and Natalie Caudill

Glen and Anne Buckner

In Memory of Robert Walther -2001

Fran Helphinstine
Mary Margaret Reynolds
William and Phyllis Bradley
Pearl Patton
Tommy and Neva Griffith
C. Nelson and Wilma Grote
Regina Mack

In Memory of Harold Jackson –2001

Ron and Natalie Caudill
Tommy and Neva Griffith
C. Nelson and Wilma Grote
Glenn and Eva Johnston
Fran Helphinstine
Shirley Parker

In Memory of Arnold Griffith—2001 Glen and Anne Buckner

In Memory of Thomas Queen - 2001
Glen and Anne Buckner

The gifts to the Living Memorial Fund go to the principal of the fund. The interest earned on the principal is used to make capital improvements to our church.

THANK YOU

To: The First Christian Church Morehead, KY 40351

Please accept my sincere thanks and appreciation for your support during the death of my brother-in-law, Robert G. Walther, Sr.

Bob was a member of my family for over 51 years and seemed like a brother, than a brother-in-law. He attended Morehead State University in the late 40's on a football scholarship. He met my sister Mary Jo at that time.

Mary Jo was baptized in the Morehead First Christian Church in 1947. She too would like to relay her appreciation to the congregation for remembering Bob.

Thank you,

Shirley Mobley Parker Mary Jo Mobley Walther

THANK YOU

Natalie.

Thank you so much for the food. M'Shoe was delighted. The church has been so good to us please help me spread my appreciation.

Love, Penny Alderman

THANK YOU

A very special thank you to all the people that have touched and shared in my life the last few weeks. Thank you for your cards, food, words of encouragement and prayers. I truly felt the power of Gods love in our church. Because of your encouragement and my faith in God I was able to face each day.

God Bless You, Linda Jackson Bryant

WELCOME

Dr. John Dunstan and his wife Molly, first Sunday with us will be Sunday, August 5, 2001.

Please make every effort to be here to welcome them into our church.

Morehead First Christian Church Board Meeting June 25, 2001

President Al Evans rapped the salt shaker at 7:30 p.m. to call the meeting to order. Betty Hall opened the meeting with prayer. Those attending were David and Darlene Perkins, Dan and Marge Thomas, Sarah Chaney, Natalie and Ron Caudill, Wayne and Hedy Caldwell, Di and Ron Walke, Jeanne Huie, Donna Corley, Linda Bryant, Betty Hall, Tommy and Neva Griffith, Mickey Reffitt, Larry Fannin, Don and Alta Blair, Glen Buckner, Al Evans, Fran Helphinstine and Shirley Parker.

The Board approved the minutes from the last meeting following a motion from Dianna Walke and a second by Fran Helphinstine. The Board approved the Treasurer's report following a motion from Fran Helphinstine and a second by Jeanne Huie.

The following committee reports were given:

CWF: 19 women attended the picnic held at the home of Marge Thomas on June 24th. They discussed having a "Meals on Wheels" program for the elderly and for people at home after hospital stays. On July 29th, a coffee at 10 a.m. will be held for Rev. Bob Franz. Sunday school will be canceled on that morning. The committee members for the coffee will be Kay Evans, Betty Hall, Marge Thomas, Peggie Reynolds and Sarah Chaney. On August 5th, there will be a dinner after church to welcome Dr. John Dunstan. The Pulpit Committee, Ron and Di Walke's flocks will be in charge of that dinner. A baby shower will be held on July 12th for Kristi Davis Skaggs. The CWF is planning several day trips and those will be announced later. The new co-chairs of the Bereavement Committee are Donna Corley and Connie Hamilton. They will take over January 1, 2002.

DEACONS: The Deacons for the month of July are Neva Griffith, Linda Bryant, Scharline Whidden, Dan Thomas, Bill Huie and Debbie Glass.

ELDERS: The Elders will meet on Sunday, July 1st for a short meeting immediately after church services.

PERSONNEL: Final Draft of Dr. Dunstan's contract was received. He will be here on August 1st.

PROPERTY: Mickey Reffit advised that we had been having telephone problems and that Verizon had offered the church a maintenance contract for \$187.50 a year. The Board approved the contract following a motion from Ron Caudill and a second by Ron Walke.

LIVING MEMORIAL: Shirley Parker reported that gifts were still being received in memory of David Brewster, Thomas Queen and Dixie Helphinstine.

WORSHIP: Jeanne Huie advised that Bob Bradley would be the new Worship Chairman effective July 1, 2001.

There were no reports from the following committees: Education, Evangelism, Stewardship and World Outreach.

Under old Business, Wayne Caldwell advised that we had not yet received the Virginia criminal report on Dr. Dunstan.

Larry Fannin asked for continued commitment to church during this last month of Bob Franz' tenure. He said the greatest gift we could give Bob was to reaffirm our commitment.

Ron Caudill closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Parker, Secretary

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SEPTEMBER, 2001



FRIENDS TAKE FRIENDS TO CHURCH:

Most of us do not like pushy salesmen. Almost as soon as they start talking we hunker down for a battle. Usually we choose to get out of that confrontational situation as soon as possible. Often we are thinking to ourselves, where can I get what I need from a kinder, gentler, more understanding and pleasant salesperson.

The other day I was in a store. The person who helped me seemed to have a genuine interest in what I needed for my home. He gave me ideas. He showed me how to work things. He listened. We had a good time. He even smiled as he helped me put the stuff in the car. When I got home I was shocked at how much stuff he helped me purchase. But, I needed every bit of it. Over the next year or so I would have bought the same stuff. He got one big sale rather than 50 little ones. Because of <u>His</u> attitude that affected <u>me</u>.

FRIENDS TAKE FRIENDS TO CHURCH:

The scientific law is as true for people as it is for rocks, toys, books, and church attendance. "An object at rest remains at rest unless acted upon by an outside force".

Perhaps it is time for us to put a little more energy and interest in helping our friends find more of what they need in a church home.

Giving people a loving nudge in the Lord's direction is not really a nuisance, it maybe just what they need to fulfill their lives.

You will never know unless you try . Just say Yes.

In His Service, Dr.: John Dunstan

ACOLYTES NEEDED

Any children who are willing to serve this year please sign up on the attendance pad on Sunday morning, or call the church office. Please give your name, address and phone.

Any adults willing to be a coordinator of the Acolytes please contact Bob Bradley or Eva Johnston, or call the church office.

THANK YOU

The Worship committee asked Hedy Caldwell and Myron Doan to help it coordinate the choir rehearsals and present the anthem on Sunday, July 29th through August 26th, in the absence of a choir director.

They did that and more, and have received your praise and gratitude for the super work they did. This is just an official "THANK YOU" from us!

CHRISTIAN BELIEVER CLASS

A class entitled <u>Christian Believer</u> will be offered this fall by J.D. Reeder. He is inviting members of several denominations to join the 30 week study group. This is a classical doctrines of the Christian faith aimed at presenting, explaining, and interpreting Christian doctrine as the basic teaching of the church to the end that informed believing leads to committed discipleship.

The cost of the class is \$38 which covers the cost of the reading package.

The class will meet on Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 beginning Sept. 25 and Thursday 6:00-8:00pm beginning Sept. 27. You may choose which session you prefer. Deadline for enrollment will be Sunday, Sept. 2.

If you are interested, check with Nora in the church office for registration forms and also a more complete explanation of the study sessions.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Woodrow Barber	09/07
Jack Whidden	09/11
Bessle Pemell	09/14
Kevin Clark	09/19
Ruth Sturgill	09/21
Abbey Allen	09/23
Anne Buckner	09/23
Bea Landreth	09/24
Amanda Riddle	09/27
Ron Caudill	09/27

CHOIR DIRECTOR APPROVED BY BOARD

Dr. Sandra E. Derby was approved by the church Board on August 27, 2001 as the Choir Director of First Christian Church.

Sandra is a member of the music faculty at Morehead State University working extensively with choral ensembles, directing a choir and preparing Music Education Majors to teach in choral settings.

She comes to us with a diverse church ministry experience in worship, liturgy, youth, music and spirituality, and even today she leads workshops and keynotes retreats and conferences on these subjects.

Our contract with her recognizes that her primary employment and responsibility is with Morehead State University, and states our understanding that her commitments to that primary employment will require her to travel and schedule teaching and performing possibilities elsewhere. She openly came to us with several such commitments scheduled in the next twelve months.

Even so, your worship committee was so impressed with her personality, maturity, and music and church background, that we offered a contract which leaves her free to see to those commitments and take vacation on nine Sundays (weeks) spread out through the year, and that commits her to be with us the other forty-three Sundays (weeks).

We pray for a long and satisfying relationship and ministry with Sandra, and we thank God for leading us to her at this moment in our church's journey.

BOARD MINUTES

Church Board Minutes for the July 23, 2001 meeting are located on the bulletin board in the foyer for your viewing.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Where: Lafayette Golf Course, Falls of Rough, KY

When: September 21, 2001

Time: 11:30 AM

Cost: \$40/person (registration forms posted on bulletin board in fover)

PASTORS OFFICE SCHEDULE

Sun. Sunday School & Worship Service

Mon. 1pm - 4pm Tues. 9am - 12pm Wed. 9am - 12pm Thurs. 1pm - 4pm

Fri. Off

Sat. Off / Sermon & Worship Eve.

"The Changing Church"

Men's Fall Retreat #2

October 5-7, 2001 Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park Mount Olivet, KY

> Registration: \$35.00 Single Room/night - \$46 + tax Double Room/night - \$56 + tax Cottage (sleeps six/night) - \$104 + tax

> > For Reservations Call 1-800-443-7008

Our culture is changing.

These changes are putting pressure on our congregations to change if we want to keep our witness vital and relevant to our culture. This year our Regional Fall Men's Retreats will focus on three areas of change that seem to loom larger than all the rest:

Worship, Music and Women in Ministry.

The retreat format will be both <u>conversational and experiential</u>. It will be a great opportunity to find out what all the fuss is about!

Come join us, and bring a friend!

Retreat Leaders:

Contemporary Worship
William Bingham,
First Christian Church, Frankfort

Women in Ministry
Diane Zehr,
Co-Pastor, Florence Christian Church

Contemporary Music
Robert Kemp-Baird,
Minister of Music, Florence Christain Church



Dear Board and Church Members,

I want to express a special thank you to the "Appreciation Coffee Reception" Committee. Both Rev. Bob Franz and Interim Music Director Jason Robbins shared with me how much they enjoyed mingling and visiting with our church family, on Sunday morning July 29th, at the reception.

Thanks so much to the committee for their creative ideas, the lovely table decorations and the delicious pastries, fruit and breads. The Coffee Reception Committee members include: Sarah Chaney, Faith Fannin, Betty Hall, Eva Johnston, Peggie Reynolds and Marge Thomas.

It was so warming and gratifying to see our church family enjoying fellowship in such a loving way ———— may this feeling and expression of Christian love extend throughout the year.

With Kindest Regards,

Kay Evans, Coffee Reception Chairperson

SHELTER TUB

PLEASE HELP FILL THE SHELTER TUB

Vacation time is over and the tub is nowhere near full. We need your help! Please bring toiletry items (any size) and place in the tub. We have designated Sunday, Sept. 9th as the final day for contributing to this project. The shelter tub will be located in the foyer on this Sunday. If you would like to help fill the tub, please bring your items with you to church on this Sunday and place them in the tub as you enter for worship. Suggested items for the tub include: deodorant, tooth-paste, tooth-brush, soap, and shampoo, lotions, etc.

SANCTUARY FLOWER COORDINATOR

The Worship Committee is delighted that Yvonne Baldwin has agreed to be the Sanctuary Flower Coordinator. Anyone wishing to place flowers on a given Sunday, please contact Yvonne to let he know. Groups or individuals wanting to place flowers may also use the "Flower Chart" in the downstairs hallway (by the elevator) to sign up. Yvonne will be checking that chart regularly. THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

Living Memorial Fund Gifts

August, 2001

In Memory of Rev. William Huie-2001

Jack and Peggy Bizzel
C. Nelson and Wilma Grote
Ronald and Natalie Caudill
Shirley Parker
Thelma Brown
Rex and Sarah Chaney
Glenn and Eva Johnston
Fran Helphinstine
Tommy and Neva Griffith
Hubert and Delia Allen
Kenneth and Betty Hall
Paul J. and Mabel Reynolds
Agnes Williams

In Memory of Minnie Swader-2001

Fran Helphinstine
Tommy and Neva Griffith
Rex and Sarah Chaney
Glenn and Eva Johnston
Kenneth and Betty Hall

In Memory of Harold Jackson -2001

Billie Jean Clayton

Peggie Reynolds

Regina Mack

Rex and Sarah Chaney

In Memory of Dixie Helphinstine – 2001 Billie Jean Clayton

In Memory of Robert Walther –2001

Katherine Caudill

In Memory of David Brewster
Rex and Sarah Chaney

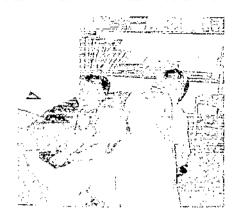
In Honor of Rev. Robert Franz-2001
Peggie Reynolds
Shirley Parker

In Memory of Kim Anne Moultin-2001 Pearl Patton

The gifts to the Living Memorial Fund go to the principal of the fund. The interest earned on the principal is used to make capital improvements to our church.

CHERTH ACTIVITIES PRINTS









Vacation Bible School





Paul J. Reynolds celebrating his 80th birthday.

Tuesday Bible Study



L to R: Irene Botts, Paul J. Reynolds, & Katherine Caudill

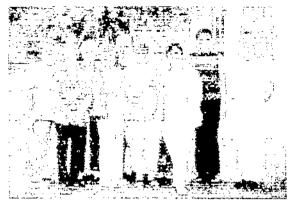


Lito R: Paul J. Reynolds, Jack Bizzel & Glenn Johnston.



L. to R: Ival Bryant, Rev. John Dunstan, & Linda Bryant

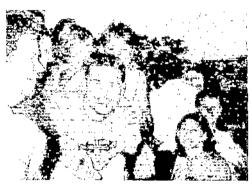
CHURCH ACTIVITIES PHOTO NEWS



CWF trip to Jenny Wiley Dinner/Threater L to R: Shirley Parker, Peggie Reynolds, Jean Mack, Mabel Reynolds, Eva Johnston, Anne Buckner, Di Walke, Linda Bryant, Natalie Caudiil & Scharline Whidden.



CWF Annual Picnic held at Marge Thomas' house. L to R: Faith Fannin, Donna Corley, Bessie Pernell, Cathy Williams, Linda Bryant & Betty Walke.



L to R: Shirley Parker, Peggie Reynolds, Connie Hamilton, Joel Link, Debbie Glass, Chelsie Link & Joseph Hamilton

Lexington Legends Baseball Game



L to R: Anne Suckner, Natalie Caudill, Ron Caudill, Kenny Hall & Betty Hall



Vacation Bible School



OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Just a Reminder:

Fifth Sunday offering will be taken on Sept. 30. This offering goes to support the Christian Church Homes. Also remember if you would like to make a contribution in memory or honor of someone we are still working on the purchase of an ark for Heifer Project. We are over half way to our goal!

Outreach Committee, Donna Corley, chair Betty Hall Connie Hamilton Marge Thomas Don & Alta Blair

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The Stewardship Committee believes that the congregation needs to be knowledgeable about the church finances. We do not want inaccurate or incomplete information circulated that confuses the membership. We begin with a brief description of the Living Memorial Fund. We called upon Shirley Parker to help us understand one of our endowment funds. As an endowment fund we can only spend the interest and must preserve the principal.

On December 10, 1979, the Church board established the Living Memorial Fund. Randy Wells started The fund in memory of his first wife, Jean Christy Wells. The endowment allows the church to spend the interest earned on capital improvements. During the past ten years, the interest has been spent on choir robes, the telephone system currently used, the remodeling of the kitchen, landscaping and other improvements to the church. The Board felt that the "funds will produce income to be used for but not limited to, capital property improvements, scholarship funds, assistance to other Brotherhood Churches, Christian Church (DOC). Scholarship funds shall be limited to a person attending a Disciples of Christ Seminary."

The balance in the fund as of June 30, 2001 was \$265,027. The amount currently on hand from interest is \$34,703. These funds cannot be used for general operations.

Committee Membership: Joyce Hart, Soni Lytle, Joe Macke, Gayle Tingle Al Evans, Ex-officio, John Dunstan, Ex-officio Nelson Grote and Wilma Grote, Co-chairmen.

FISH FRY

ATTENTION:
All Church Fish Fry
September 30, 2001
4:30 pm, At The Church
Bring a vegetable, salad or
dessert.
Come and enjoy the fun,
games and fellowship.

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PASTORS PERSPECTIVES....

FAITH, HOPE, LOVE, ABIDE THESE THREE:

These famous words written by the Apostle Paul seem so strong for these times. Being attacked by terrorists requires a strong response.

As a pastor I am sensitive to the reports that come from the medical community. Americans suffer from record numbing attacks of anxiety, depression, isolation and drug dependence. Now, we are being attacked by Terrorists.

Perhaps as never before the church needs to step up and proclaim God's message. In these days if we need anything, we need in our communities faith, hope and love. Without these qualities how can a people live, work, and thrive in our times?

Sometimes churches get complacent. We have been preaching and teaching the same things for so long they get too familiar and we lose the energy and will to put them forth with gusto.

God Bless America is a popular slogan these days-May He Bless us with FAITH, HOPE & LOVE for these times-

> In His Service, Dr. John Dunstan

Report from the Stewardship Committee

In our continuing effort to help the Congregation better understand our financial resources, we have asked Ron Walke to assist us.

THE INEZ FAITH HUMPHREY FUND

The Inez Faith Humphrey Fund (IFHF) is an endowment fund that was created in May 1986 with the proceeds from the sale of the First Christian Church parsonage. The parsonage was sold for \$29,800.

The Board of Directors stipulated that the proceeds from the sale of the parsonage be invested and that <u>only the interest earned from the investment could be spent</u>. All expenditures from the IFHF must be approved by the Board. There are no other restrictions regarding expenditures from the IFHF.

In recent years, the Board of Directors has added the following to the principal of the IFHF:

\$5,000 from Maggard estate 1998 \$10,000 from the Calvert estate 2000 \$150,000 from the C. L. Caudill estate 2001

As of 6-30-2001, the principal amount in the IFHF was \$195,800 and the amount available for spending was \$10,567.70.

ASSETS THAT BELONG TO THE OPERATIONS ACCOUNT

Certificate of Deposit at Firstar Bank (approximately \$7,000). The source of these funds is unknown.

198 shares of IBM stock held by Soloman Smith Barney (per share price at the close of business 9-10-2001 was \$96.47). The stock has been given, over a period of several years, by a member of the congregation.

We are pleased that Ron Walke has joined the committee as our Financial Resource person.

Wilma and Nelson Grote, Co-Chairs



LANDSCAPING UPDATE

The Landscaping Committee has planted hardy mums and pansies in the area of our dogwood tree near the rear of Friendly Place House. We hope you will enjoy the Autumn splash of color.

We will be adding a new landscaping design, to the area near the street and next to the parking lot, during the month of October. The area will include iris, lilies, greenery and other perennials.

The Memorial Garden with the Brick Courtyard is a great success. We have over 35 names of people that are being honored or memorialized. Many more people have expressed they will be sending in names with their money soon. We have thus far collected over \$1,000 for the Brick Courtyard. The project will continue until early spring 2002. At that time, we will complete the Memorial Garden and the Brick Courtyard at the rear of Friendly Place.

Submitted by, Kay Evans, chairperson

Dear Fellow Church Members,

We both very much enjoyed reading these answers from "real kids". We hope it brings a smile to your faces as it did to ours.

Have a good laugh.

With Warmest Regards, Al and Kay Evans

Kids were asked questions about the Old and New Testaments. They have not been retouched or corrected.

- . Norah's wife was called Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark, which the animals come on to in pears.
- . Lot's wife was a pillar of salt, by day, but a ball of fire by night
- . Moses led the Hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients.
- . The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert.
- . Afterwards, Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the ten amendments.
- . The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.
- . Moses died before he ever reached Canada. Then Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.
- Jesus enunciated the Golden Rule, which says to do one to others before they do one to you.
- . St Paul cavorted to Christianity. He preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage.
- . Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.

Recent events that have occurred in our country certainly have increased our level of stress and tension. I sound the results of this Duke study, "Peace of Mind," to be very information and may be helpful to use if we reflect on these points both now and in the future.

Respectfully submitted, Hay Evans

THOUGHTS TO PONDER

Several years ago the sociology department of Duke University did a study on "Peace of Mind". Several factors were found to contribute greatly to emotional and mental stability. They are:

- I The absence of suspicion and resentment. Nursing a grudge was a major factor in unhappiness.
- 2 Not living in the past. An unwholesome preoccupation with old mistakes and failures leads to depression.
- 3 Not wasting time and energy fighting conditions you cannot change. Co-operate with life instead of trying to run away from it.
- 4 Force yourself to stay involved with the living world. Resist the temptation to withdraw and become reclusive during periods of emotional stress.
- 5 Refuse to indulge in self-pity when life hands you a raw deal. Accept the fact that nobody gets through life without some sorrow and misfortune.
- 6 Cultivate the old-fashioned virtues love, honor, compassion and loyalty.
- 7 Don't expect too much of yourself. When there is too wide a gap between self-expectation and your ability to meet the goals you have set, feelings of inadequacy are inevitable.
- 8 Find something bigger than yourself to believe in. Self-centered, egotistical people score lowest in any test measuring happiness.





Baby Shower
For
Dianna Pettit Reynolds
And
Tiffany Buckner Clark
October 9, 2001
7:30 PM
Fellowship Hall
F.C.C.





Living Memorial Fund Gifts

September, 2001

In Memory of Rev. William Huie-2001 Joseph & Dianna Reynolds

In Memory of Forrest Wells-2001
Tommy & Neva Griffith

The gifts to the Living Memorial Fund go to the principal of the fund. The interest earned on the principal is used to make capital improvements to our church.

HELP NEEDED

I will be on vacation Oct. 8-12, we need volunteers for the office on these days. I have a volunteer from 9-12 on these days if you can help out from 12-3. A sign sheet will be in the office on my desk.

Thanks, Nora

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Several committees still have vacancies. See John or Al if you are interested in serving on a committee.

REMEMBER

Welcome our visitors both young and old.

INSTALLATION SERVICE

Please circle October 28th on your calendar. We will be having an installation Service for Dr. John Dunstan. Jan Ehrmantraut will also be in attendance for this service.

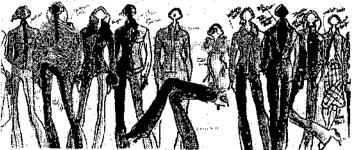
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Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson Rt. 1 Box 777 West Liberty, KY 41472





Something for Everyone...



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FUTURE DAY TRIPS

"One Lump or Two"

Plans are underway for a Day Trip to the Greentree Tearoom in Lexington, KY. We will tunch at the tearoom and then tour the Headley-Whitney Museum. Where we will view the exhibit, Traditions in Elegance, 100 Teapots from the Norwick Castle Museum in England.

This 18th and 19th century exhibit tells the history and emergence of the British porcelain manufacturers through such themes as tea service, hot-water urns, teaspoons, sugar nips, porcelain teacups, saucers and replicas of 18th century Twinings tea packets.

The Tearoom Trip is planned for Friday, October 19th. Please call the church office to reserve your place. Transportation will be provided. (784–4836) Reservations need to be made by Monday October 15th.

Our November trip will be an overnight stay with a shopping spree to Gatlinburg/Pigeon Forge Resort area. Also, an early December day trip will take us to Cincinnati to tour the beautifully decorated, Conservatory with its Christmas lights and theme. Watch for upcoming dates and details in the church Echo and bulletin for these trips.

Remember to make plans today for our day trip to the Greentree Tearoom in Lexington. We, also, have planned a "surprise stop" to end-up our trip in Lexington. Call 784-4836

A. Guy Waldrop Retirement Worship and Celebration Schedule

December 15, 2001

14:50 p.m. (ES1) Gaine	ring Music at Haggin Auditonum, Transylvania University
•	The campus is at 300 North Broadway and can be reached from 1-75 by
	taking exit # 113 into Lexington. Off-street parking is available at 4th Street and Upper and at 4th Street and Broadway. Map available upon request.
1:00 p.m Worsh	nip at Haggin Auditorium
2:45 p.m Recep	tion at W. T. Young Campus Center, Transylvania Campus

In Honor of A. Guy Waldrop

You have the opportunity to bonor Guy Waldrop by:

- 1. Attending the December 15 event.
- 2. Making a donation to establish the A.Guy and Nell Waldrop Fund for the enlistment of persons to ordained ministry.
- 3. Making a donation to be presented as a love gift to Guy at the Reception.
- 4. Writing a letter to be included in a Book of Letters to be presented to Guy at the reception. Individuals are invited to send personal letters of congratulations for inclusion in the book. Also, churches are invited to send any resolutions passed honoring and celebrating Guy Waldrop's ministry. Letters or resolutions should be on paper no larger than 8½ x 11, and should be sent unfolded to:

Attention: John Wesley Christian Church (DOC) In Kentucky 1125 Red Mile Road, Lexington, KY 40504-2660

Cut here (To insure suffi	Response cient reception arrangements, please return by	November 15, 2001.)	
☐ I/We will be present. ☐	J/We cannot be present.		6
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I have enclosed \$	for the A. Guy and Nell Waldrop Fund.		
I have enclosed \$	for a love gift for Guy Waldrop.		

You may send one check made out to CCK for any fall of the above. Your tax deductible gift will be acknowledged by receipt. This form and your check should be mailed before November 15 to: Christian Church In Kentucky, 1125 Red Mile Road, Lexington, KY 40504-2660.



The Christian Church In Kentucky Invites You to a

Worship Service and Celebration

In Honor of the Ministry and Retirement of

A. Guy Waldrop

Regional Minister Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) In Kentucky

Mitchell Fine Arts Center — Haggin Auditorium Transylvania University Campus 300 N. Broadway Lexington, Kentucky

> Saturday, December 15, 2001 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Reception Following At 2:45 p.m. at William T. Young Campus Center

R.S.V.P. by November 15, 2001

THE ECHO

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH MOREHEAD, KY

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Pastor's Pen

Thoughts For Thanksgiving

"i Have Learned to Be Content"

Paul, in Philippians, delivers to us a very mature idea: Contentment.

To be sure, Paul was a driven spirit, type A personality, perfectionist, persecutor and a chosen instrument of God. Paul had folks out to kill him and endured shipwreck, gossip, prison and beatings. Within the arena of Christian life he dealt with all of it. A lot of people think that in the end he was put to death in a very rude fashion.

Paul's story is not a parable or a myth. The reality is that he learned to be content, in Christ.

I don't know if someone can learn to be content or not without Christ — I've never really tried.

The Thanksgiving turkey will pass away. Learning to be content and thankful for things that do not pass away is a pretty o.k. goal.

Give it a try this Thanksgiving season.

Happy Thanksgiving, Rev. Dr. John Dunstan

A REPORT FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Using the magic of e-mail that knows no limits of distance, the committee accomplished a great deal of work in September and early October. Committee meetings on August 29, October 16 and 24 were very productive. Tentative dates have been set for each step of the process. There are two dates for you to put on your personal calendar.

1st, a Congregational Stewardship Luncheon will be held on November 11 and will be hosted by the 2002 Stewardship Committee. Meat bread and drinks will be furnished. Bring your favorite vegetable, salad or dessert. This will be your opportunity to ask questions about the materials you will have received in the mail.

2nd, Plan to bring your Estimated Gift Card and your Time and Talent cards with you on Sunday, November 18th for the Special Dedication service.

Remember, our financial (fiscal) year begins January 1, 2002 and we need to have made our commitments so that we can have a banner year following the success of Bob Franz and now John Dunstan. We can go forward with pride and determination.

We have fallen behind on the number of pledges in recent years (from 62 in 1999 to 39 in 2000) and we have lost some of our better supporters so it is necessary for the rest of us to pick up the slack. Remember, if you have given the same amount year after year, that it has less buying power over time. For example, it would take \$130.32 to have the same buying power in 2001 as \$100.00 had in 1991. Be prayerful as you make your decision in support of your church.

Nelson and Wilma Grote Co-chairs 2002 Stewardship Committee

ARTICLES AND ACNNOUNCENTS

PRACTICES FOR FAITH FORMATION

by Karen West

What does it mean to be a person of faith? Sixteenth-century reformer Martin Luther thought that it meant to be a "theodidacta, a "person taught by God." This suggests that faith is a gift from God that transforms the spiritual lives of Christians just as a bit of yeast leavens a whole loaf of bread. Yet the transformation of flour and other ingredients into bread dough requires kneading veast into the dough if the bread is to rise. In like manner, living a Christian life requires that we engage in practices that invite God to knead faith into all that we are and do. Saint Francis de Sales, a seventeenth-century French priest. knew about human doubt and weakness, he developed a simple six-step spiritual discemment

process that many find helpful. The steps are:

- * Begin with the expectation that God reveals God's will.
- * Seek God's will in silent prayer.
- * Be predisposed to implement God's will when it is revealed.
- * Consult with trusted persons about what God seems to be teaching.
- * Make a decision to respond to God's will in a particular way.
- * Live out the decision, trusting God to reveal whether and how it is right.

Practicing discernment is how god teaches us who we are and how we might best live in relation to God and to others. It reveals to us our purpose in life.

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CWF PROJECT WELL RECEIVED

The Christian Women's Fellowship recently completed their "toiletries project" for the Gateway House. Gail Payne, director, said, "Many thanks for your generous donations of shampoo, soap, tooth brushes and other personal items.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM ALIVE AND WELL

The 30 plus people who attend Sunday School regularly will tell you that our Christian Education program is "alive and well" and that more people need to come join the fun of singing and engaging in stimulating discussion. Dan Thomas and Gien Johnston teach our two adult classes. Rex Chaney teaches a class for young adults and college students. Neva Griffith is teaching the Multi-age class for kindergarten through eighth grade. Every Sunday begins with fellowship and singing led by Wayne and Hedy Caldwell in Fellowship Hall. We celebrate birthdays and sing some old and learn some new songs.

Sunday School begins at 9:30 with donuts, juice and coffee and ends at 10:30.

There is a place for you. Come join those 30 who have already found their spot.

ATTN: FRIENDS IN CWF AND OTHER WOMEN'S MINISTRIES OF KY.

The regional Christian Women's
Fellowship Cabinet has been given a
wonderful opportunity to have a booth
and a workshop for teenage girls at the
Triennium in Lexington, November 9
-11. The CWF Cabinet wants young
women to know about their organization
and

how it can nurture and bless their lives. There will be many booths and workshops at this event. Over 1,600

youth are expected to attend. One of the things the CWF Cabinet would like to do is to give away homemade cookies at their booth; young people love them. If the women your church would like to help bake cookies for this event please contact Kathy Williams, District Representative with the CWF Cabinet, at 780-4784 or Mabel Reynolds, Member of First Christian Church in Morehead, KY at 784-9792 by October 31st.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, November 10th from 8-10 in the basement of the First Christian Church there will be a Pancake Breakfast and a bake sale. Proceeds from the breakfast will go for the Veteran's Wall. Proceeds from the bake sale will go to the Christian Women's Fellowship. Tickets for the Pancake Breakfast will be \$3.00 each and can be obtained by calling Neva Griffith at 784-7973, Sarah Chaney at 780-0827 or First Christian Church at 784-4836. So come and join us for breakfast and help raise money for the Veteran's Wall and the CWF.

LIVING MEMORIAL FUND GIFTS

October 2001

In Memory of Gladys Tuttle – 2001 Fran Helphinstine

in Memory of Martha Belle Mays – 2001 Barbara Calvert Davis

In Memory of Barbara Sparks – 2001 Pearl Patton The gifts to the Living Memorial Fund got to the principal of the fund. The interest earned on the principal is used to make capital improvement to our church.

CARD OF THANKS

Flowers were sent to the church in memory of Lottie Glover Goodykoontz. She is the daughter of Stella Glover and the late Henry Glover.

Flowers were sent to the church in memory of Wilma Bate Caudill. She is the daughter of Sophia Stone Bate and Harry Bate, the sister of Mildred Molten of Morehead, Kentucky and Della Maye Ashby of Indianapolis, Indiana.

MAIN STREET CHRISTMAS

Make your reservations now for an evening of community spirit on Saturday, December 1st as we celebrate the beginning of the holy season with our friends from First Methodist Church and First Baptist Church. Main Street Christmas will be a progressive dinner beginning with appetizers at First Christian Church, continuing with the main course at First Baptist and concluding with dessert at First Methodist. Morehead Tourism is sponsoring various activities on Main Street this year from 5:00 - 8:00. Watch the newspaper for information regarding this event. Transportation will be provided for those unable to "stroll." Please let your church office know if you would like a ride. Call the church office for reservations at \$8.00 per person by Monday, November 26. There are only 165 places for all three churches, so don't delay! Festivities will begin

at 5:30 in the basement of the First Christian Church.

CHRISTMAS TIME GOODIE TRAYS

Home made goodies trays will be prepared by the ladies of The First Christian Church. The price will be \$10.00 each. To place your order call First Christian Church at 784-4836, Linda Bryant at 784-7410, Natalie Caudill at 784-7118 or Scharline Whidden at 784-9779. The Last day to place orders will be November 31st. The trays will be ready to pick up December 5th.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY'S IN NOVEMBER

Randy Wells	11/01
David Perkins	11/01
Abby Hamilton	11/04
Neva Griffith	11/05
William A. Davis	11/05
Marge Thomas	11/06
Courtney Riddle	11/09
Darlene Perkins	11/14
Jane Caudill	11/15
Kay Evans	11/23
Irene Botts	11/30

God Bless You

Secretary's Notes

Don't forget, there is approximately 54 days left until Christmas. Better get that shopping done while you still can.



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Pastor's Pen



Following The Star

I had never been in that part of Kentucky. We were going about 55 miles per hour. I didn't know the countryside, and the destination was a new one. I was headed farther and farther from where I knew people and places. I was on an adventure.

Fortunately the car in front of me contained some friends and a driver who knew the countryside. My job was to follow. If I lost sight of the leader my situation would get much more difficult and insecure. I was glad I had someone to follow.

All the great Christians I know are followers. It is a tough job finding one's own way through the universe forever. I think I'd rather follow.

The important thing about being a follower is to choose the right person or thing to follow.

The Wise Men followed the star. Their following brought them to the place where Jesus was. That's a very good place to spend a long long time.

Let's follow the Star this Christmas Season. And see where His Spirit leads us.

> Merry Christmas, Rev. Dr. John Dunstan



A REPORT FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

As of November 26, 37 people or family units had made a financial commitment to the 2002 budget totaling \$81,636. This compares to 39 pledges generating \$85,360 in 2001. If you intend to make a commitment and have not taken the time to do so, the Church Board needs to know very soon. Thanks!

We also have a serious and growing problem. We have substantially fallen behind (\$19,170.56) on our contributions to the 2001 Budget that ends on December 31. While some of the shortfall can be covered through internal transfers, we simply cannot afford to start the New Year with a deficit. Check your giving records or call David and if your are behind, try to catch up as soon as possible.

John Dunstan reports that 38 of our congregation have indicated that they would like to give more of their time and talent next year. There is much to be done and lots of unused talent in our wonderful congregation.

Make that commitment one of your New Year's Resolutions.

As co-chairs of the Stewardship Committee, we want to thank the members of the committee and others that worked so hard to make this years drive successful.

Nelson and Wilma Grote

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Jean Hill invites the women of the church to a Christmas Open House in Ashland. It will be Saturday, Dec. 8th at 2:00. Please contact Kay Evans, Eva Johnston or the church office at 784-4836.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mark **December 9**th on your calendar. That's the date of the after-church Christmas dinner. Turkey, dressing, homemade rolls, and drinks will be provided. Bring your favorite vegetable, salad or dessert and enjoy the food and fellowship during this special time of the year.

DAY TRIP

A day trip is planned to visit the Krohn Conservatory and Cincinnati Art Museum on Thursday, Dec. 13th. Please contact Kay Evans, Eva Johnston or the church office at 784-4836.

POINSETTIAS

If you plan to place a memorial or honorary poinsettia in the sanctuary for the holidays, please have it delivered to the church between 8:30 AM and 2:00 PM on Friday, December 14. Please instruct your florist to use white paper and white ribbon. Notify the church office at 784-4836 so that a list can be prepared for the bulletins.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR ADVENT

<u>December 2</u> – Personal care items (Shampoo, soap, toothpaste, lotion, deodorant)

<u>December 9</u> – Toy list sign-up in Fellowship Hall.

<u>December 15</u> – 9:00 AM – Wrap gifts for family Christmas. Everyone Welcome!

<u>December 16</u> – Food item: Canned fruits and vegetables, beef stew, macaroni, etc.

DEACONS FOR DECEMBER

Albert Evans Glen Buckner Bill Davis Donna Corley Margaret Davis Mickey Reffitt

LIVING MEMORIAL FUND GIFTS

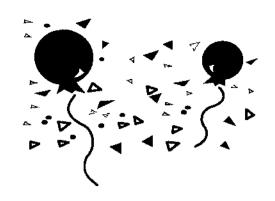
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In Memory of Russell Kent Dorton-2001 Pearl Patton

In Memory of Rev. William Huie-2001 Glen and Anne Buckner

In Memory of Oran Teater-2001 Glenn and Eva Johnston Fran Helphinstine Rex and Sarah Chaney Joseph and Dianna Reynolds Jack and Blandena Landreth Paul J. and Mabel Reynolds Tommy and Neva Griffith Ron and Natalie Caudill Peggie Reynolds Jack and Peggy Bizzel Shirley Parker John E. Collis **Tom Daugherty** Kenneth and Ruby Vencill Harold and Jane Holbrook Mr. & Mrs. M D Glasser Mr. & Mrs. Proctor Caudill Jr. Dr. & Mrs. Ted Pass II Regina Mack Rowan Co. Science Dept. **Debbie Howes** Claudia Hicks

Arv Allen Claudett Edie Tammy Collins



HAPPY BIRTHDAY'S IN DECEMBER

Alta Blair	12/1
Katherine Caudill	12/1
Pearl Patton	12/2
William Davis, Jr.	12/3
Larry Fannin	12/6
Jack Bizzel	12/19
Ryan Brown	12/27
Kristi Davis	12/28

God Bless You

Secretary's Notes

Don't forget only 24 shopping day's left!

May everyone have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!





Please come and join us for Worship of our Lord.

Bible Study-Tuesdays at 12:00 Sunday School – 9: 45 a.m. Church Service – 10:45 a.m. Christmas Eve Service – 10:00 a.m.

THANK YOU

The family of Oran C. Teater thanks you for many kindnesses to us all during the last week. Our physical family is small but our spiritual family is large because of you.

In Christian Love, Evie, Di, Ron, Lee Ann, Daryl, Cece, Charlotte, and Charlie