

The VISION —

August 2017

YOUTH GROUP EVENT

Plan now to spend the day at King's Island on Sat., August 26.
Be ready to leave CCC at 7:30 a.m.
Money for tickets is due by Sun., August 13.
See Luke Jackson for more info.

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR JENNIFER HARLAN

Sat., August 19 from 2-4 p.m.
All Ladies & Girls are invited to attend.
Jennifer & Tim are registered at: Amazon.com, Bed Bath & Beyond, The Knot, & Kohl's

SURVIVING SUICIDE

Sunday, August 20 at 6 p.m.
Plan now to attend this special presentation.

YAG—YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Mon., August 14th at 6:30 p.m.
Come join others for fellowship, learning & fun.
Light refreshments will be served.
Babysitting is provided.

CMF MEETS AT GOODY'S

Mon., August 14th at 6:30 p.m.
All Men are invited to come for a time of food, fellowship, and a Bible Study led by Dave Mejean.

BACK TO SCHOOL SOX BOX



Please bring socks by Sun., August 27 and put them in the Sox Box. These will be donated to Cookson Hills Christian Children's Home.

SOFTBALL GAMES

Support our Center Community Team by attending the following games at Hummel Park.
Tues., Aug. 1 at 6 PM on Diamond 1 and at 7:15 PM on Diamond 3
Thurs., Aug. 10 at 6 PM on Diamond 3
Tourney: Tues., 8/15, Thurs., 8/17 & Sat., 8/19

IMPACT PRAISE SERVICE

Sunday, August 27 at 6 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE

FAMILY MEAL & CLASSES BEGIN

Meals and Classes will begin on Wed., Sept. 6th
Plan now to attend the Meal at 6 p.m. followed by Classes at 7 p.m.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

Invite your Grandparents and/or Grandchildren to celebrate with you on Sun., Sept. 10.

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Invite your family and friends to attend on Sun., Sept. 17.

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From Roger

TWO MASTERS

Once when Mark Twain was lecturing in Utah, a Mormon acquaintance argued with him on the subject of polygamy. After a long and rather heated debate, the Mormon finally said, "Can you find for me a single passage of Scripture which forbids polygamy?"

"Certainly," replied Twain. "No man can serve two masters."

When we become Christians, we submit ourselves to our Lord and (Master) Jesus Christ. It says in Mark 12:28-31: One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

"The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

Our purpose in this world is to serve Him and our neighbors. If anything gets in the way of that, there is a risk of that thing taking over the role of "Master" in our lives. And as Mark Twain had wisely spoken the words of Christ, so I leave this passage for you. Matthew 6:24: "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

*DURING AUGUST & SEPTEMBER, HADLEY ROAD WILL BE CLOSED EAST & WEST OF S CR 700 EAST.
Plan to use Center Street and turn onto S CR 700 EAST at Friendship Gardens.*

Dear Church Family

Love of Summer

I am always amazed how plants grow, bees fly and trees grow just to name a few. The plants grow because the bees pollinate them, and the trees grow to give us oxygen and consume carbon dioxide. They work together in unity to make Earth the perfect place to live. God had a plan, and it was great!

On the internet, I found Space.com, and they state the Big Bang Theory is the leading explanation about how the universe began. At its simplest, it says the universe, as we know it, started with a small singularity, then inflated over the next 13.8 billion years to the cosmos that we know today.

In their eyes, this is the only logical explanation! If we told them that we had magic beans that would keep you fed for your entire life, would they believe that? Or how about a pill that would make us fly?

As we already know, this is illogical thinking (I always wanted to sound like Spock from Star Trek). We have nerves inside us that work with our other organs. It is so sophisticated that when one part of our body goes wrong, we don't work right. However, the big bang theory says many rocks crashed together, and we got the animals, mountains, oceans and everything else in perfection. I think not! If our bodies were in a lawn mower, I could never break another one again.

Ever wonder how a person could believe in the big bang theory and yet when you tell them about God's wonder, they cannot fathom why you believe that hokum. Unbelievable!

In the very beginning of Genesis, God's very first book in the Bible, it explains how we came to be. It shows what actually happened during the first 7 days. I encourage all to start at the beginning and learn about God's love.

It is time to thank God for the wonder he created - US.

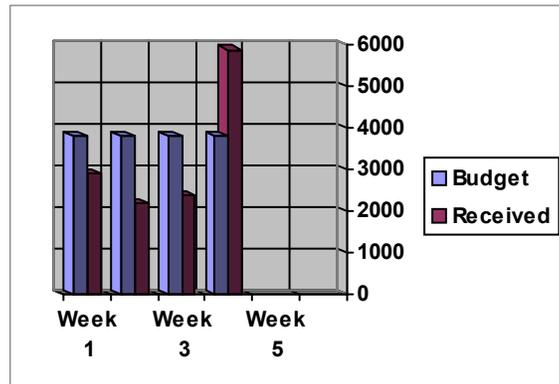
Charley Harlan for Ministry & Council

Stewardship S.S. A.M. General Fund

6/11	35	122	\$ 2,918.00
6/18	30	118	\$ 2,212.00
6/25	33	111	\$ 2,387.00
7/2	32	115	\$ 5,860.00

BUILDING FUND (as of 6/30/17) \$252,608.04
 (Includes the Recycling Fund)

*“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of His glory in Christ Jesus.”
 —Philippians 4:19 (NIV)*



From the Missions Ministry-I.D.E.S: International Disaster Emergency Service

IDES is a Christian based non-profit organization that seeks to meet the physical and spiritual needs of suffering people around the world in the name of Jesus Christ. Much of its relief effort is done through local churches and missionaries already in place in the countries needing assistance.

IDES has offered assistance in over 100 countries around the world. It was founded in 1973 by Milton Bates. The work is now carried on by his son-in-law, Rick Jett, the executive director. IDES has 9 full time staff members working out of Noblesville, IN. IDES’s focus is on 5 different areas: *Evangelism, Disaster Response, Hunger Relief, Development of Sustainability, and Medical Care.*

IDES has developed a program to utilize regional Disaster Assistance Response Teams by using participating congregations in the regions to help in areas in need of their assistance. Shed building: “Utilizing volunteers to build sheds when 10 are completed, they are shipped to local church partners within a disaster zone to be used where homes have been damaged or destroyed. IDES developed the GAP (God Always Provides) Food Packing Program for hungry and malnourishment relief.

Harvest of Talents Program, founded by Lincoln Christian Church in Illinois, expanded to several different churches and raises funds (over 3 million dollars has been raised and given through IDES directly supporting feeding programs throughout the world in India, Myanmar, Philippines, Kenya, Thailand, Egypt, Israel, Russia, El Salvador, Honduras, Haiti, Syria, Romania, (this list goes on).

SonFish Project is one of IDES most popular projects. Witnessing the devastating effects of hunger, especially on the African Continent, the SonFish program was started by Jim Willoughby, one of IDES Board of Directors. The blue iconic SonFish banks have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars that has been used to feed the hungry. IDES will make these banks available to groups or individuals.

International Disaster Emergency Service—IDES—is one of the Christian based missions supported by Center Community Church. —Ray Henderson, Missions Ministry

**WAG: WELLNESS
 ACCOUNTABILITY GROUP
 MEETS MOST SATURDAYS
 AT 10:30 A.M. FOR SUPPORT
 AND SHARING!**

GOLDEN FELLOWSHIP

**Join us at Golden Corral
 on Wed., July 5th
 at 11:30 a.m.
 Invite a friend too!**

RECYCLING UPDATE
 At this time, there will not be anymore recycling done at CCC unless someone is willing to take on the project. Many thanks to Dumpster Dude Frank Collester and Dumpster Darlings Terri Cook and Niki Smythe for their efforts over the past several years.

*Yes, the Building Fund continues!
 Yes, the Recycle Fund continues!
 Yes, a new building is still in the planning
 (when adequate money is available)!*

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Youth Group meets on
Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

Quality and Quantity

Folks often speak about quality and quantity as if they are antonyms; not being able to have one without the other. In actuality, there are times when both flow harmoniously together (and still other times when they run separate from each other).

One usually asks the question: "Which is easier to control?" or "Which is more important?" Depending on the subject matter, the answer to these questions might differ. For instance, a farmer who is growing pumpkins might be faced with the decision of either wanting a plethora of pumpkins in the patch or only a few pumpkins that might grow larger and more round. Depending on the goal the pumpkin grower has, the choice between quality and quantity might differ (and neither be a wrong choice).

From the perspective of spiritual things the answer to both is rather simple. The quality of our lives as Christ followers and our congregation is Jesus Christ - after all - "The substance of our faith and church is Jesus Christ." (Colossians 2:17 paraphrased). Let me tell you this, the quality of our lives and that of our church is perfect and complete if the full substance consists of Jesus Christ. Of course, this is the most important and the easiest to control - because - "If you do not have the Son, you do not have life" and "the free gift of God is eternal life." (1 John 5:12 & Romans 6:23 respectively)

The Bible does teach the quantity of our faith is a direct reflection of our quality/substance. We are to never limit the quantity of sharing the Gospel or feeding people spiritual food. (Reference 1 Corinthians 3:6-9). Yet, we must acknowledge the result of our faithful actions on others is not our responsibility (consider the parable of the Sower). Our duty is but to plant and water (with the Gospel) everywhere.

SAVE THE DATE

Sat., Sept. 23—Quaker Days Indoor Sale
from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sat., Sept. 30—Fall Bonfire, Olympic Games
and Bounce House. Fun begins at 5 p.m.

CHILDREN'S NEWS

In Christ, Luke

Sun., August 13th is Family Sunday.

There will also be a special Children's Sermon.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Billy and Annette Hines on the birth of their daughter, Matea Mae, who was born on Wed., June 21. Congratulations also to Matea's sisters: Baily, Katie, Ellie, and Cindy and brother Jackson. Also to grandparents Bob & Rosanne, and the other Hines and Hudson aunts, uncles, and cousins.

THANK YOU

Thanking you for your kindness, kind words, and the delicious meal you prepared and served us. All was very much appreciated. Thank you Pastor Roger for your touching service and uplifting words. My sister was truly blessed with a wonderful, loving church and church family.

In Christian love, Linda Carpenter,
sister to Nancy Caldwell

Center Community Church,

Thank you for the card and for furnishing the meal for the family.
—Randy (Caldwell) & Family

DONATIONS WERE MADE TO THE BUILDING FUND BY THE FOLLOWING *IN MEMORY OF NANCY CALDWELL*

Jerry & Jean Abbott	Max & Bev Newlin
Marcelle Abbott	Mary Roe
Harold & Linda Carpenter	Sandy & Linda Stegner
Keven Carpenter	Kelly Taylor & family
Center Community Church	Barbara & Gregory Terhune
Margaret Groves	Allen & Denyse Thorpe
Bob & Rosanne Hines	Kathy Wilhite
Shirley Joslin	Kathi Wilson & family

DONATIONS WERE MADE TO THE YOUTH FUND BY THE FOLLOWING *IN MEMORY OF NANCY CALDWELL*

Ray & Alice Henderson



GAME NIGHT

Fri., August 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Join the fun!

If you haven't ever attended this event, you have missed a great time of fun, fellowship, food, and friendship! Bring some video games, cards, puzzles or board games, **AND** you won't be bored!

Also, bring some snacks to share too!

NOTE:

Please turn in information for the Newsletter by the **FIRST** Sunday of the month.
(For the September Newsletter, items are due by August 6th.)



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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:10 a.m.

	<u>August 6</u>	<u>August 13</u>	<u>August 20</u>	<u>August 27</u>
Service Leader	A. Thorpe	A. Thorpe	A. Thorpe	A. Thorpe
Pianist	C. Lane	C. & C. Mitchell	C. Lane	C. & C. Mitchell
Special Music	D. Thorpe	J. Mitchener	J. Hardin	H. Hines A. & D. Moran
Communion Meditation	K. Oakley	J. Steckler	J. McWhorter	T. Clark
Children's Church	L. Jackson C. Harlan N. Smythe	C. Harlan S. McWhorter N. Smythe	L. Jackson C. Harlan N. Smythe	C. Harlan A. Steckler N. Smythe
Toddlers Assistant	A. Moran B. Hudson	B. Moran H. Hines	J. Mitchener B. Hines	A. Moran K. Hines
Nursery	S. Davis	T. Reinhard	B. Colleston	T. Cook
Greeters	G. Jones J. McWhorter S. McWhorter	G. Jones M. Newlin B. Newlin	G. Jones R. Caldwell M. Newlin	G. Jones S. Colleston L. Capps

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." —Matthew 5:15 (NIV)

***In response to God's love for us, as expressed in
 His Word and by Jesus' example,
 We at Center Community Church commit ourselves to:***

- * Seek and save the lost***
 - * Strengthen the saved***
 - * Send disciples into ministry***
- For the glory of God and His kingdom.***