

The VISION — July 2017



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Circle of Friends Ranch

Sun., July 9 - Thurs., July 13 6—8:45 p.m.

(Registration is at 5:45 p.m. each evening for new students.)

Students from Nursery through Grade 5 are invited to attend.

Invite family, friends, and neighbors to come!

Join us for a rip-roarin' good time! And, learn about being friends with Jesus.

There will be Bible lessons, crafts, snacks, outdoor activities, and much, much more!

ALL CHURCH INDIANS GAME SAT., JULY 29

Let Luke know by Sun., July 16 if you plan to attend and pay your \$10 to him by that day.

Meet at Victory Field at 6:30 p.m. Tickets will be at the "Will Call" booth. Game starts at 7:05 p.m.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Office will be closed on Tues., July 4.

SOFTBALL GAMES

Support our Center Community Team by attending the following games at Hummel Park.

Tues., July 11 at 7:15 PM on Diamond 2

Thurs., July 20 at 6 PM on Diamond 2

Thurs., July 27 at 6 PM on Diamond 3

IMPACT PRAISE SERVICE

Sunday, July 23 at 6 p.m.

YOUTH & FAMILY EVENT

Plan now to spend the day at Spring Mill State Park on Sat., July 22.

Meet at CCC before leaving at 9 a.m.

Bring: Money for concessions & pack a lunch.

See Luke Jackson for more info.

13th Annual Pop Tab & Coin Drop for The Ronald McDonald House

Please bring your pop tabs to be donated by Wed., July 12th for the Drop on Friday, July 14th on the Circle in Indy.

(Those brought are combined with ones collected in the Recycling Project.)

SAVE THE DATE

BACK TO SCHOOL SOX BOX

Please bring new socks between Sun., August 6 and Sun., August 27 and put them in the Sox Box.

These will be donated to Cookson Hills Christian Children's Home.



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From Roger

Going Home

I recently went back to Shreveport to check on my family's graves and make arrangements for my own when the good Lord decides to take me home. We all face that time when we shall one day face the end of our days on Earth. And while it is very common for anyone to fear that time, we do not have to live in that fear.

I remember a time when my father and I went fishing in a small fishing boat barely big enough for two or maybe three people. I was 8 maybe. We had been fishing on Toledo Bend, a man-made lake that is noteworthy of both being very large and filled with dead trees from the flooding that created the lake. All day long and into the evening, we fished. Finally it was time to head home. The small boat only had small green, red, and white running lights. There wasn't any bright light to light the way. My dad put on a headband lantern so he could see to drive.

As we made our way back to the boat ramp late at night, my dad drove the boat with confidence in the pitch black of night. Around bends and trees, he never hesitated. I wondered how he didn't get lost in the vast expanse. Each time he turned his head his light illuminated a gnarled dead tree with limbs that seemed to reach out to grab us. I was scared, but then I just focused on my dad. My dad knew the way. My dad lit the path before us. My dad knew the way home, and there was nothing to be afraid of.

My dad has recently taken that journey to that place beyond my earthly sight. But I am confident he knew the way home just as he did that dark night on Toledo Bend. He knew the way because his Lord and Savior shone His light and led the way. All we need to do is focus on Him. He will make sure we make it home.

John 14:2-4 "2 My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. 4 You know the way to the place where I am going."

Dear Church Family

As U.S. citizens, we celebrate our freedom on Independence Day—thanking our founding fathers for giving us our liberty. As Christians, we also celebrate our freedom in Christ and the sacrifice He made to set us free from sin and death.

As American Christians, we take so much for granted. We have freedom of speech; we have freedom to worship; we can attend the Church of our choice. As Americans today, we are free to choose how we live, what we say, and how we believe. But even though we have all of these earthly freedoms and have been declared independent, are we really free?

When God created us, He gave us freedom of choice. We can choose to believe in Him or not, to sin or not, and there is no gray area. But when we live for God, we become free from sin and our spirit is renewed.

This freedom is a precious thing, bought with the sweat, toil, and blood of countless Americans who initially fought to obtain it. Gratitude fills my heart when I consider the brave men and women of the American military who, this Fourth of July, will be fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan to combat the tyranny of terrorism. But even as we appreciate our freedom as Americans, we have a greater freedom, our freedom in Christ. There is no greater feeling of liberation than to experience this freedom from sin and death that is provided for us through Jesus Christ.

Today, our heart and soul are free to praise God and for this we are very thankful. On this Independence Day, we are reminded of all those who have sacrificed for our freedom, following the example of God's Son, Jesus Christ. Let us not take our freedom for granted. May we always remember that our freedom was purchased with a very high price. Our freedom cost others their very lives. Lord, bless those who have served and continue to give us our freedom.

But true freedom comes when we allow Christ to rule our hearts. This is the way to enjoy true freedom. He is the One that died on the cross, shed His blood, and paid the penalty for your sins so you could have that free gift of eternal life.

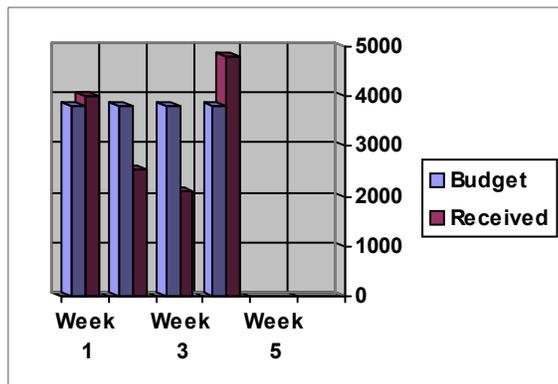
Happy Fourth of July Everyone, Dave Mejean for Ministry & Council

Stewardship S.S. A.M. General Fund

5/14	33	156	\$ 3,991.00
5/21	31	112	\$ 2,552.00
5/28	30	104	\$ 2,116.00
6/4	31	114	\$ 4,779.00

BUILDING FUND (as of 5/31/17) \$249,361.36
 (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—Life Centers

One of the Missions we support regularly is Life Centers. The mission of Life Centers is to affirm the value of life by providing a network of care to those experiencing pregnancy related crisis and by compassionately presenting Biblical truth resulting in changed lives to the glory of God. In 2016, 1962 babies were born to women that visited Life Centers and 117 people gave their life to Christ in our centers. The total number of women and babies served in our centers in 2016 was 7,799 with 19,053 free services. Some of the services provided are: peer counseling, pregnancy tests, ultrasounds (when appropriate), information on abortion risks and alternatives, 24 hour Help Line, support items (diapers, bottles, clothes, toys, furniture, etc., Bibles and Bible literature, post abortion support groups, and referrals for medical services, financial resources, and adoptions. There are seven centers located in the Indianapolis area. We can be proud that our church is a part of this very needed ministry in our area. You can learn more by phoning, 1-317-280-2635 or by going to www.lifecenters.com.

—Chuck Elston, Missions Ministry

**ALL CHURCH BABY SHOWER
 FOR ISOBEL BROER**



Sat., July 29 at 2 p.m.
 in the Fellowship Hall



All Ladies and Girls are invited to attend.
 It's a girl! She's registered at: Target

VBS MISSION

We want everyone to know that the V.B.S. Mission this year is to raise money so that more people in India may have a Bible to read. Each New Testament costs \$10.00. Our goal this year is to buy 60 Bibles/\$600.

This is going to be fun and exciting!

**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 PROJECT

**ONLY METAL
 AND ALUMINUM CANS
 ARE NOW BEING RECYCLED!**



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



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

	<u>July 2</u>	<u>July 9</u>	<u>July 16</u>	<u>July 23</u>	<u>July 30</u>
Service Leader	J. McWhorter	J. McWhorter	J. McWhorter	J. McWhorter	L. Jackson
Pianist	C. Lane	C. & C. Mitchell	C. Lane	C. & C. Mitchell	K. Steckler
Special Music	L. Dubak M. Newlin	T. Clark	H. Avery R. Hines	J. Harlan	Youth
Communion Meditation	D. Moran	C. Elston	L. Jackson	A. Thorpe	D. Kehoe
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	R. Jackson
Nursery	J. Harlan	A. Gray	T. Belcher	J. Mitchener	S. McWhorter
Greeters	G. Jones J. Heald E. Heald	G. Jones L. Capps J. Bennett	G. Jones K. Ellis C. Ellis	G. Jones K. Wilhite P. Adams	G. Jones T. Reinhard S. Davis

"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)
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***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.