

September 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:45am & 7:00pm 12:00pm KC Trip Meeting 5:00pm Trustees 6:00pm Children, Youth, Adults 7:00pm Benevolence</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Labor Day Office Closed</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7:00pm Prayer & Bible Study 7:00pm Youth & Children</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8:00am-6:00pm Mission Outreach in Kansas City</p>
Rheubin L South Week of Prayer for Missouri Missions—September 1-8						
<p>8</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:45am & 7:00pm AM Service-Guest Speaker: Billy Massey 5:30pm Church Council Meeting 6:00pm Children, Youth, Adults 8:00pm Business Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Week of Prayer</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00am WMU Council Mtg.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7:00pm Prayer & Bible Study 7:00pm Youth & Children</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:45am & 7:00pm 6:00pm Children, Youth, Adults</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7:00pm Prayer & Bible Study 7:00pm Youth & Children</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7:00am Men's Prayer Breakfast</p>
Meals on Wheels—September 16-20						
<p>22</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:45am & 7:00pm 6:00pm Children, Youth, Adults</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10:30am Worship at SNH 7:00pm Prayer & Bible Study 7:00pm Youth & Children</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
Black Walnut Festival—September 25-28						
<p>29</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:45am & 7:00pm 12:00pm Fellowship Meal 6:00pm Children, Youth, Adults 8:00pm Deacon's Meeting</p>	<p>30</p>					<p>Rheubin L South Offering for Missouri Missions — All Month —</p>

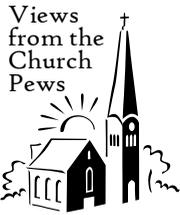
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Birthdays
of the Month

1. Jacob Wheeler
2. Asia Graham
4. Kacey Hottes
8. Terri Vance
9. Shirley Butcher
Willis Cagle
Dillon Chronister
Betty Jo Smith
11. Michelle Wheeler
16. Tony Vance
John Wilson
18. Sandy Camp
26. Anthony Vance
30. Susan Applegate

Anniversaries
of the Month

5. Matt & Rachel Noblett
6. Greg & Melinda Gumm
9. John Sam & Barbara Pate
11. David & Evelyn Barker



Views from the Church Pews

Facing Challenges

If we were to stop for a moment and think about the challenges that we have faced and are currently facing, we would admit that our Christian walk is one of many challenges! Where can we go to find wisdom and strength amidst these challenges.

I've been trying to catch-up with a few to discover challenges they might be facing. Here are just a few responses.

Miranda Applegate's post on Facebook this week said "...College band is hard! I love it though. So excited. We're playing at the Music Educators Conference in January! One of two college bands playing there: SBU and MU!"

I asked Josie Pyle what was the best and worst of her first weeks at Missouri State University. She answered, "The worst is Chemistry. The best is my new roommate. She and I are like one in the same. It's like being with myself."

Kristina Hottes posted on Facebook yesterday, "A new chapter for the girls and I. I have accepted a new position, as of 12 September, I will be starting a career at Southwest Baptist University as an Administrative Assistant." Kris has been very challenged to write resumes and interview for many openings. She was even interviewing in Texas for one position.

Rachel Wheeler said, her most difficult challenge at SBU was "finding time to sleep." Plus, she has a tremendous challenge, along with the Bearcat Cross Country team, showing they are worth being ranked first in the MIAA Pre-Season Poll.

Josh Ewing texted that his most difficult challenge at SBU was managing his time.

Another member of our church who has accepted a great challenge is Karon Burton. She has moved from teaching primary 1st grade to all of the curriculum of grades 6-8 at the Polk County Christian School.

We all face challenges! We aren't alone. There are many in the Bible who faced challenges: Noah had the great challenge of building a huge ark all by himself and the rest of the challenges that went with following God. We know that Abraham was faced with leaving his home to follow God approximately 550 miles. God also challenged Abraham to sacrifice his long awaited son, Isaac. Jacob had the challenge of earning his beloved Rachel and being

a father to twelve sons. Joseph had the challenge of being sold into slavery in Egypt and all the events that followed. Moses' infancy met challenges. God called on him to lead millions of his own people to the Promised Land. Joshua had the challenge of taking the Israelites on into this Promised Land; which involved many battles and even the miracle of shouting the wall of Jericho down. Nehemiah, Queen Esther, Ruth, David, Solomon, Isaiah, Jeremiah...on and on, all faced great challenges. Jesus faced the greatest of all. He faced the challenge of laying down his own life for us... fulfilling prophecy and promises with his whole life, from birth to death, and victorious resurrection. Eleven Apostles faced challenges during their walk with Jesus before and after His time on Earth. Paul was such a great example of facing the challenges of his tremendous ministry.

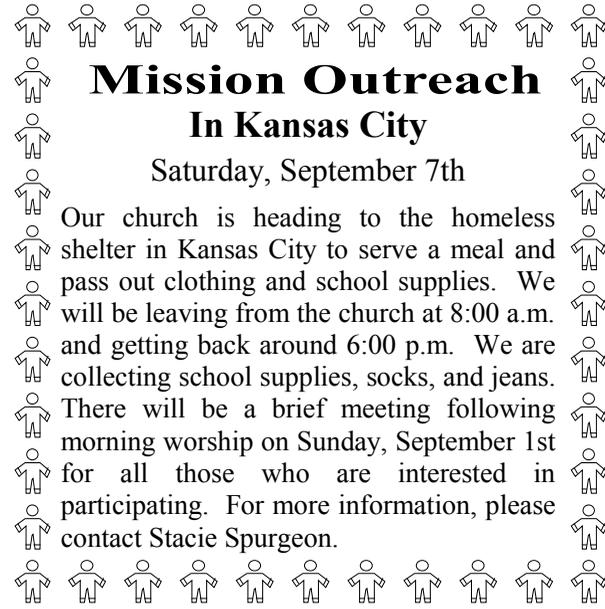
Taking this to a more personal level, our church has great challenges facing her right now! Each of us face challenges every day, every Sunday. Jesus gave us a great challenge to preach the Word, to show our devotion to Him by following His commandments. He told us to "love Him with all our hearts, minds, and strength." He said that we need to be part of the Vine. He told us to turn the other cheek, to go two miles instead of one, to feed the hungry, give water to the thirsty, clothe the naked, and visit those in prison.

He told us that He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. That's how we can know how to meet our challenges. We need to follow Him. He is the scarlet thread throughout the entire, beautiful Word we possess on our shelves, by our bed, in our church bag, or wherever our Precious Possession is stored. We can even have the entire Word at our fingertips on our I Pads, I Phones, computers, on and on.

Jeana Wilson shared her heart last week with me saying: "we have the Truth (holding up her Bible). She shared even if we filled the whole church, and weren't aware of what the Truth of the Word said, we would just be a group of people that socially came together."

Let's accept this challenge! Let's make it our extremely important challenge to discover the precious Truth of the Word and know what it says from one cover to the next! ! Let's know the Truth that can lead us through every challenge this Church faces and we personally face.

— Judy Ford



**Mission Outreach
In Kansas City**

Saturday, September 7th

Our church is heading to the homeless shelter in Kansas City to serve a meal and pass out clothing and school supplies. We will be leaving from the church at 8:00 a.m. and getting back around 6:00 p.m. We are collecting school supplies, socks, and jeans. There will be a brief meeting following morning worship on Sunday, September 1st for all those who are interested in participating. For more information, please contact Stacie Spurgeon.

Week of Prayer for Missouri Missions—Sept. 1-8

"For the ministry of this service is... overflowing in many acts of thanksgiving to God." 2 Cor. 9:12 (HCSB)



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