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## *IMPORTANT SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE JULY 2, 2018*

The Search Committee is excited to announce that we have entered Formal Negotiation of Terms of a Call with our top candidate for the position of Senior Minister of First Christian Church. Formal Negotiation includes agreement on a range of issues such as compensation, vacation time, performance review, job description, office hours, etc.

At the conclusion of negotiations, a written contract (or Letter of Calling) will be prepared and will be part of the Search Committee's presentation at a called meeting of the Church Board for its consideration of the candidate. The Committee will then recommend the candidate to the Board for action.

If the candidate receives at least 90% approval for a call from the Board, then a special Congregational Dinner/Meeting to Issue a Call will be scheduled with advanced notice so that as many members as possible are able to attend. The candidate and his family will attend the dinner, and he will lead a brief devotional time before the vote occurs. If the vote is affirmative, the candidate becomes the next Senior Minister of First Christian Church!

Please look for announcements in your mail and email. Listen closely in church services for late breaking developments....things may happen quickly!

Our committee is so thankful that God led us to such a special person – we can't wait for you to meet him!

**Mike & Diane Spiller, Co-Chairs**

**Sarah Cook, Caitlin Hartman, Robert Hernandez,  
Colleen James, Jerry Johnson, Judy Muir, Craig Reynolds,  
Sandra Ross, Doug Thompson, Keith Wineinger**



# Youth Ministry News!

by Josh deSteiguer

Howdy FCC Family!

After three weeks of back to back traveling it sure is great to be home! This past month was an absolute blast. For two weeks, I had the privilege of counseling camps in Athens at Disciples Crossing. Then, Last Sunday eight of our youth and two brave volunteers and I, headed to Lexington Kentucky for our youth group mission trip. I think I can speak for the youth and adults too when I say that our mission trip was an absolutely awesome week full of good work, worship, and loads of fun together.

As many of you have heard, we went on a mission trip with the Disciples Summer Mission program. This is a mission trip put together each year by multiple Disciples of Christ churches in a different city each summer. This year's trip to Lexington was comprised of roughly ten youth groups and had around 170 participating youth. The different churches all met up at the University of Kentucky where we essentially took over an entire dorm for our lodging. Each day the churches would split up to go to several different work sites, each night we would meet back together for worship, dinner, and an evening activity. I cannot say enough about what a blessing it was to get to worship together with 170 youth from four different states. The energy and enthusiasm of a huge group of young people worshipping together is an experience that I will never forget.

Our work site for the week was certainly not what I had expected. Our youth were assigned to the International Book Project, a Lexington charity that sends books to schools all over the world, sharing the gift of knowledge and a love of learning with children in need. While initially we thought it would not be much fun packing boxes and sorting books for orders, it turned out to be more rewarding than we could have imagined. I am so proud of how our youth absolutely dove into their work with great attitudes and team spirit. I loved watching the youth work together to solve problems and divide up the work load. By the end of the week it was awesome to see all that the youth had accomplished. They had helped to organize an entire warehouse, and had packed a huge order of 16,000 books for schools in Nigeria.

Looking back on the week-long trip, I am so thankful to have had this experience with the youth and adult volunteers. It was wonderful to get to do good work together with other churches and to spend time in the beautiful city of Lexington. However, the greatest gift of the trip was all of the fun we had together as a group, bonding over the seventeen hour drive there and back, and seeing our youth explore their faith through service.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the entire FCC family for all of the amazing support that made this trip possible. From the car show and taco fundraisers, to the prayer bracelets and other encouragement, all of the youth knew that they had the full support of the church

going with them on this trip. I feel truly blessed to have spent the week with such a hardworking, and fun group of youth. Lastly, I cannot say enough how thankful I am for our fearless adult sponsors, Catherine Earley and John Cook, for making this trip such a success and for putting up with me for nearly forty hours in the van!

Peace!



# FCC MINISTRY NEWS AND CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS



## FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Join Claire & Josh every Friday night in July at 6:30 pm in the FCC Theater Room. There will be popcorn and other treats during the movie to enjoy. We hope to see you there! Our movie schedule will be:

- July 6<sup>th</sup>: "Remember the Titans" (Football)
- July 13<sup>th</sup>: "Space Jams" (Basketball)
- July 20<sup>th</sup>: "Facing the Giants" (Football)
- July 27<sup>th</sup>: "McFarland USA" (Cross Country)

The **Challenger** is biweekly, so NO Challenger next week!  
 FCC Ministry News is sent by email every Monday.

The **Pulpit Supply Committee** is excited to announce the following all-star line-up of our own & guest ministers for July!

- July 8<sup>th</sup>: Josh deSteiguer
- July 15<sup>th</sup>: Rev. Dave Brummett
- July 22<sup>nd</sup>: Rev. Ben Hubert, retired Senior Minister of First Christian Church, San Angelo TX.
- July 29<sup>th</sup>: Josh deSteiguer

If you have suggestions of someone you'd like to hear, please send their name and information to Cheryl Appling - [cheryl@firstchristianwf.com](mailto:cheryl@firstchristianwf.com) - We'll be happy to see if we can arrange it!

The July gathering of **ON HOLD**, our support group for caregivers of all kinds, will be **Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, at 2414/2416 Barbados** from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Just look for the ON HOLD sign out in front. This informal, come-and-go setting includes a light meal/refreshments and conversation aimed at support and encouragement. ON HOLD is a ministry to women and men who place their own lives "on hold" while they care for loved ones--grandchildren, aging parents, or anyone in between.

### Member News:

♥**Hospitalized**: at URHCS are Kaye Holland & Patrick Jackson; at Encompass/Health South Rehab is JoBeth Mitchell; at Advanced Rehab is Sherrie Phillips; in Rehab at Dripping Springs TX is Kevin Coleman. Released and back home are Ruth Ann Hooper, Sam Maynor, Hannah Ward.

♥Our sympathies are extended to Larry Archambo & Family on learning of the death of his father, Leonard Archambo, on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

♥Our condolences are extended to Kim Ballard & Family on learning of the death of her nephew, Jarrod Reed, on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

♥We also extend our sympathies to Harry Tonemah & Family on learning of the death of his sister, Bess Yeahquo, on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

♥Congratulations to Jackie & Craig Cason on the birth of their son, Austin Jack Cason, on June 27<sup>th</sup>. Proud grandparents are Karel & Ronnie Cason, great-grandmother is Rita Cason, and grand-aunt & uncle are Linda & Larry Carr.

**First Time Guests!** We are excited to report that the following persons visited for the first time on Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>: Lamar & Jean Baer, Joe & Lucia Golding, Eric Hill, Anthony & Cindy Lovato, Karl & Barbara Milstead, Dell & Jim Rinehart, and Richard & Carolyn Sutherland.



**The Neighborhood Worship** will be back in full swing on Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>! Mija's Food Truck will be at the church starting at 5 pm selling very delicious food, and worship will begin at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Men's Breakfast & Bible Study!** Do you enjoy good conversation? How about delicious breakfast food? Bring a friend and attend the FCC Men's Breakfast & Bible Study on Friday morning, July 13<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00-8:00 am, at the Hwy Café, 2808 Jacksboro Hwy.

## Vacation Bible School

### "Hero Central"

July 23-27, 9am-Noon  
 Ages: 4 years to 5<sup>th</sup> grade complete



Register at:  
[www.firstchristianwf.com/ministries/special-events](http://www.firstchristianwf.com/ministries/special-events)

FOR THE RECORD...	
CGRM: (Tues., June 26)	.24
The Neighborhood (Wed., June 27)	Did not meet
8:40 Worship	.28
10:45 Worship	.173
Total Worship	.201
Sunday School	.87
Sunday Receipts Needed Per Week	\$16,215.67
Sunday Receipts for 7/1/18	\$15,538.00
Through July 2: Income	\$397,123.30
Expenses	\$395,044.85

## This Sunday:

"Faith and Doubt"  
 Mark 6:1-13  
 Josh deSteiguer

## OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, July 8, 2018

8:40 Worship (Chapel)  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)  
5:00-7:00 Chi Rho & CYF (Grades 6-12) (Rm 403/Gym)  
5:30-7:00 Young Disciples (Grades K-5) (Rm 402)

Monday, July 9, 2018

7:30-6:00 Children Come First "CCF" (M-F)  
9:00 CCF Music (Rm 220)  
10:00 FCC Staff Meeting (Rm 222)  
7:30 Boy Scouts Troop 15 (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, July 10, 2018

6:00 Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups:  
Anger Management (Rm 309) Parenting (Rm 305 & 306)  
Rebuilding from Broken Relationships (Rm 307)  
7:00 Outreach Ministry Meeting (Library)

Wednesday, July 11, 2018

7:00 Elders' Breakfast (Rm 405/Chapel)  
9:00 CCF Chapel (Chapel)  
5:00-6:30 Mija's Food Truck (Outside Fellowship Hall)  
6:00-7:00 The Neighborhood Worship (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00-7:00 First Kidz (Grades Pre-K-5th) (Rm 402)  
7:00-8:00 Youth Activities (Grades 6-12) (Rm 403/Gym)

Thursday, July 12, 2018

6:00 VBS Meeting (Rm 405)

Friday, July 13, 2018

7:00 Men's Breakfast & Bible Study (Hwy Café, 2808 Jacksboro Hwy)  
9:00 CCF Spanish (Rm 220)  
12:15 CCF Parent Advisory Board Meeting (Rm 405)  
6:30 Friday Night at the Movies (Theater Rm)

Sunday, July 15, 2018

8:40 Worship (Chapel)  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)  
5:00-7:00 Chi Rho & CYF (Grades 6-12) (Rm 403/Gym)  
5:30-7:00 Young Disciples (Grades K-5) (Rm 402)

Monday, July 16, 2018

Chi Rho Camp 2 (July 16-21) (Disciples Crossing)  
7:30-6:00 Children Come First "CCF"(M-F)  
9:00 CCF Music (Rm 220)  
10:15 FCC Staff Meeting (Rm 222)  
7:30 Boy Scouts Troop 15 (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, July 17, 2018

9:30-3:00 Young Disciples (Grades K-5) Mission Day at Food Bank  
12:00 Chi Rho & CYF (Grades 6-12) to Paintball  
6:00 Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups:  
Anger Management (Rm 309) Parenting (Rm 305 & 306)  
Rebuilding from Broken Relationships (Rm 307)

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

7:00 Elders' Breakfast (Rm 405/Chapel)  
9:00 CCF Chapel (Chapel)  
5:30-6:00 The Neighborhood Meal (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00-7:00 The Neighborhood Worship (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00-7:00 First Kidz (Grades Pre-K-5th) (Rm 402)  
7:00-8:00 Youth Activities (Grades 6-12) (Rm 403/Gym)

Thursday, July 19, 2018

9:00 CWF Group 3 Birthday Breakfast (IHOP on SW Pkwy)  
1:30 Knit Wits (Parlor)

Friday, July 20, 2018

9:00 CCF Spanish (Rm 220)  
6:30 Friday Night at the Movies (Theater Rm)

## SERVING SUNDAY

### ELDERS

7/8: Doug Thompson, Ricky Scales; Alice Gordon, Presiding  
7/15: Polly Tonemah, Woody Gossom; Sally Hastings, Presiding

### DIACONATE COMMUNION VISITATION

7/8: Curtis Sullivan, Twila Boydston, Hollie Murphey  
7/15: Emily Thomas, Tyler Thomas, Liz Thomas

### DIACONATE COMMUNION PREPARATION

7/8: Norma Hill & Sheila Reynolds  
7/15: Slate Westbrook & Hollie Murphey

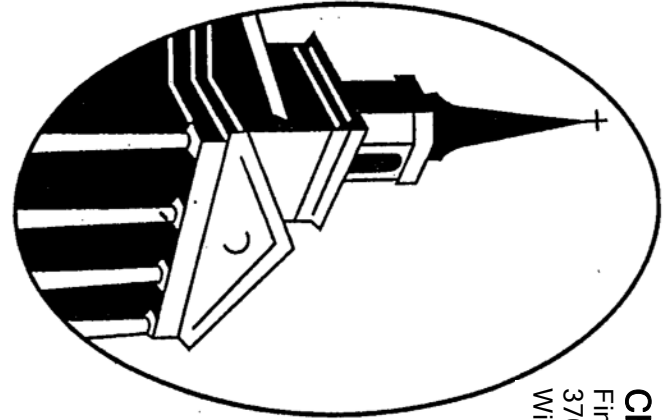
### JUNE DIACONATE SERVERS

Cheryl Caraway & John Buckley, Co-Captains

Bob & Mary Carlton, Jill Griffin, Colleen James, Karen & Terry Burross, Sandy Hay,  
Chris Showalter, Ashley & Kyle Burross, Buddy Edgemon, Lynette Gill, Scot Hafley,  
Ainslee Buckley, Braelyn Crowe.

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