

Quality Time Away

This past week was a time for us to ponder how we and our church family can most effectively serve the LORD Jesus. Our study resource was entitled, *That the World May Know*, which included both DVD lessons and comprehensive study guides.

Our study began with a focus on Philippians. Like the Roman Empire, today's governments or organizations can become centered on power and believe their messages are the "good news." As Christians, we're called to proclaim God's name in all the earth (1 Chron. 16:8), but how do we to do that in the midst of false gospels?

We pondered how Paul communicated the Good News of Christ to Philippi, a Roman colony that worshipped false gods. Can we *live* the message as Paul did while he encouraged the church in Philippi to consider itself a colony of heaven, not Rome? We contemplated our heavenly citizenship, and the message we convey to the world.

Then we proceeded further in Acts, as we considered how to live in a culture where the worldview conflicts with Christianity. We learned from Paul as he presents his beliefs to the most powerful court in Athens and settles among the Greco-Romans of Corinth, who valued wealth, worship of multiple gods, and pleasure seeking above all else. How can we live in our own Athens or Corinth—an increasingly secular Western world - in a way that glorifies God?

We came away from this study with both questions and valuable insights. Thank you for allowing us to get away for a bit of prayerful reflection, relaxation, and fun.

We appreciate you!

Les and Debbie

Upcoming Events

Thursday, August 22
6:00 p.m. – Deacons Meeting

Sunday, August 25
9:00 a.m. – Bible Study
10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time
10:15 a.m. – Worship Service

Teacher Schedule

August 25, 2019

Nursery
Hellen Steffen/ Jessica Bynum

Kids' Time
Deb Klopfenstein / Darcy Isch

LOL
Loren Wanner

Stewardship Report

August 18, 2019

Giving Toward:

Current Expenses	7,618.00
Missions	65.00
Building/Maint Fund	65.00
Match Fund	25.00
Pool Rental Refund	220.00

Total	\$ 7,993.00
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Student Addresses

We would like to stay up-to-date on our addresses of college/trade school students. Please let the church office or Jan Jones know of current addresses. Students or others may text Jan (260-413-9035), just make sure you include the student name along with their address.

Thank You

Thank you for the lovely cards, kind words, and expressions of love as we celebrated the years God has given us together. Judy & Loren Wanner

Street Fair Parking

If you still need a Street Fair Parking place, we recommend you one get this Sunday. Reservation envelopes are on the foyer table. We will open up the remaining parking spaces to the community on Monday, August 26.

Favorite Hymns

A couple of weeks ago, we had a hymn sing where everyone got to write down the name and page of a hymn. In case you would like to know what we chose – here they are! The number is if it was picked more than once.

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| #4 How Great Thou Art – 3 | #433 Sweet Hour of Prayer |
| #11 My Tribute | #452 Make Me a Blessing |
| #43 Great is Thy Faithfulness | #463 Precious Lord Take My Hand |
| #47 God Will Take Care of You | #473 Victory in Jesus – 2 |
| #186 The Old Rugged Cross | #474 We Will Stand |
| #188 At the Cross | #493 It Is Well With My Soul – 2 |
| #195 Nothing But the Blood | #505 Love Lifted Me |
| #198 Wonderful Grace of Jesus – 2 | #528 No One Ever Cared for Me
Like Jesus |
| #202 Amazing Grace – 3 | #548 Beyond the Sunset |
| #213 Because He Lives | #549 Face to Face |
| #282 Family of God | #554 I'll Fly Away |
| #330 Only Trust Him | #563 Count Your Blessings |
| #415 He Giveth More Grace | |
| #425 In the Garden – 3 | |

214 pairs of shoes were distributed



**GOOD NEWS SHOES
2019**



202 West Cherry Street
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Homebound Members

Christian Care

Mildred Huss – Room 219B

Clyde Shady – Room 228B

Phyllis Shady – Room 254

River Terrace

Eulis West – Room 114

Home

Ed Goetz

Rose McCormick

K Casper Life Center

Judy Bierie – Room 268

Markle Health and Rehabilitation

Larry Gilly – Room 210

Help People Follow Jesus

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Pastor: Les Cantrell

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This Sunday

9:00 a.m. – Sunday School

10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time

10:15 a.m. – Worship Service