

THE BEACON

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Wayne Jeans and Rick Jones.

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2023 MISSOURI CHRISTIAN CONVENTION

A two-day conference to equip the FAMILY to live and love like JESUS.

March 10th-11th

Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake of the Ozarks MO



Good speakers! Good worship! Good workshops! First Christian will pay the admission fee for all from FCC who attend. If you plan to attend, please sign up on the list provided at the Welcome Center. However, because the Churchwide Registration fee has increased, FCC will pay for individuals unless more than 8 people plan to attend. If more than 8 people sign up to attend, FCC will pay the Churchwide Registration. So....if you want to attend, please sign up on the list and let the office handle your registration. If you have any questions, please call the office at 417-667-3540.



In response to the major earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, we will take a special offering on Sunday, February 26. Offerings collected that day will be sent to IDES (International Disaster Emergency Services). "IDES partners are actively working to assist those affected by this earthquake. Will you join us in providing Help and Hope?"

ICOM is on tour and will be visiting Nevada, MO for dinner on Monday, March 13. The team will give us a look at the International Conference on Missions coming to Oklahoma City on November 15-19, 2023. Dinner will be at 6:00 pm in the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall. A sign up sheet for dinner is on the Welcome Center in the parlor.





Have you ever asked yourself “Am I good enough Lord? Do I measure up?” Well, the video series “Approved” will answer your questions. Come and join with other women and be encouraged! This six week women’s Sunday Morning Study Series will start on Sunday, March 26 and continue through Sunday, April 20 during the Sunday School hour. We will be in the small classroom in the Fellowship Hall. It is the first door on the left when you enter the building. **A sign up sheet will be in the parlor at the Welcome Center.**

You can call Vickie McCarter at 417-448-4335 or the Church office at 417-667-3540 for more information. All you need to bring is your Bible. All other supplies are provided.



Highlights from the Board

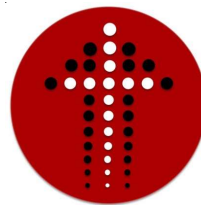
At the February 8, 2023 Board meeting, the following items were discussed. Our income in January was less than budgeted, but so were the expenses. Pastor Jeff Robinson

noted that average Sunday attendance in January was 112 as contrasted to 97 in January of 2022. He has spent much time with the onboarding process with new Directory of Student and Worship Ministries, Patrick Corn. He proposed a special offering for IDES to address the destruction of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. He also proposed that FCC pay for the registration for members and attendees for the Missouri Christian Convention. The Board agreed to both proposals. The special offering for IDES will be collected on Sunday, February 26. Director of Children’s Ministry, Tammy Clark announced that Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 23-28, 2023. The theme is “Stellar; Shining Jesus’ Light”. The hours for VBS are 6:00 to 8:30 pm each night. Sharon Webb reported that the Deaconesses are working on updating the classroom that is used by the Kum Dubl Sunday School class. Plans include hanging pictures of the history of First Christian, housing historical documents and installing new curtains.



Stellar 2023 Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 23-28. In preparation for that, Children’s Ministry Director, Tammy Clark is requesting

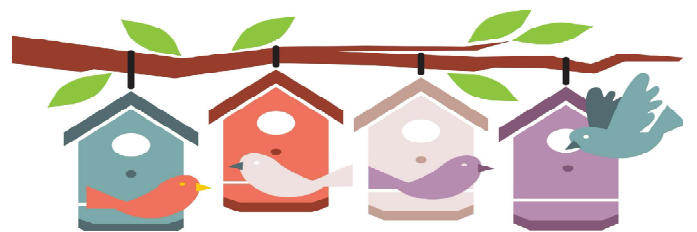
that everyone save their boxes on the next few months. They will be needed for decorating.



Upcoming SeekerGen Youth Group Events

Thursday, February 23 at 5:00 pm - Skating in El Dorado Springs. Students need to bring \$7 for admission plus food and drink money.

Saturday, March 25 at 10:30 am - 54 Highway cleanup with lunch afterwards.



2023 Radio Broadcast Sponsorship - We still have nine (9) dates available!! You may sign up to sponsor a weekly worship service broadcast. **A sign-up sheet is available**

in the parlor for you to choose a date that is important to you. You may also call the office at 667-3540 and we’ll help you. **The cost is \$55.00 per broadcast.**

If you need a ride to Sunday School or Church in our vans, please let us know by calling the church office at 667-3540 **BEFORE NOON on FRIDAY.**



Community Outreach Food Pantry is collecting non-perishable food and dry goods. A box is in the parlor for your donation.

Suggested February products: Tuna, canned veggies, jelly, pancake mix, pancake syrup, peanut butter, canned fruit, dishwashing liquid.



Ways to Give: Online at www.fccnevada.org/give; from your phone at www.fccnevada.org/give; or by check by mail or in the offering bucket.



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HELPING HANDS - March 2023



If you cannot serve on the date assigned, please trade with someone on the list. Thanks!

COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Marita Pippin



Hospitality Ministry

When you see a visitor say "Howdy" and be sure to give them a Gift Bag from FCC filled with goodies!

VAN DRIVERS

Adults and Children

- Mar 05 - Max Baxter
- Mar 12 - Eddie Deming
- Mar 19 - Mike Whitfield
- Mar 26 - Randy & Tracy Ellifrits



To help support our local Community Outreach Food Pantry, we collect non-perishable food and dry goods. A box is located in our parlor for collection.

YOU CAN HELP



Suggested March products: Mac & Cheese, canned veggies, mayonnaise, oatmeal, jello, pork & beans, rice, cooking oil.

Join Us For Adult Bible Studies and Small Groups

- Monday - Jones/Platt SG - see bulletin for location
- Tuesday - Young Disciples @ 6:00 pm, Church Parlor
- 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month - Genesis Bible Study @ 1:00 pm, Parlor
- Wednesday - Bible Study @ 6:30 pm, Parlor
- 3rd Wednesday each month - Hour of Prayer @ 6:30 pm, Sanctuary



Leaders: Tammy Clark & SeekerGen students



Leaders: Angie Moore and Jenny Ring

The next issue of **THE BEACON** will be available on Sunday, March 5, 2023. The deadline for information for that issue is the prior Tuesday, February 28. Information or articles about your committee or project can be sent to lyndaj@fccnevada.org or brought to or called into the church office at 417-667-3540.

First Christian Church worship service is Sunday mornings at 10:30 am. Sunday School for all ages is Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. Small groups happen throughout the week. For those of you who prefer to take part in our 10:30 am Sunday service from home, please tune into KNEM/KNMO 97.5 radio or follow the First Christian Church of Nevada, Missouri Facebook page.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| 3/01 Jo Testman | 3/20 Max Baxter |
| Larry Testman | Brandon Deming |
| 3/04 Tracy Shumaker | Lula Shaw |
| 3/05 Susan Swearingen | 3/22 Sandy Braswell |
| 3/06 Erica Bernhardt | 3/23 Victoria Bagg |
| 3/07 Sharon Koopman | Ed Tyler |
| Shirley Allard | 3/24 Jim Soukup |
| 3/11 Teresa Brewer | Jeff Robinson |
| 3/12 Ganga Fernando | 3/25 David Rorabaugh |
| 3/14 Matthew Thornhill | 3/26 Amanda Butler |
| 3/16 Don Andersen | Jackie Rider |
| 3/17 Kolby McClure | 3/27 Penny Reynolds |
| 3/18 Patrick Christie | 3/28 Emily Cauthon |
| | 3/29 Sarah Riley |
| | 3/30 Kaden McClure |



