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From the Pulpit.....

RESTORATION IS AT THE DOOR. Governor Parson has issued a limited opening to begin May 4th. The elders have worked out a plan so that, with care, we will gather in worship of God on Sunday, May 10 at 10:30 am. A letter containing more details will be sent to you soon. If you are struggling with some challenge right now, please phone, text or notify one of the church family immediately. Watch for news of our revised scheduling.



“CIRCLES OF FIVE” notices have been sent to all of the church family that we have addresses for. Some of you noticed that there are more than five households in your group. That’s because we have faith in you. Please contact your fellow group members to; pray for each other, check to see if there are any needs (food, health, work, projects, etc.), work together to meet those needs or locate resources to do so, encourage each other, prepare some plans to some day have a “freedom” celebration, and/or prepare plans to serve someone else in need. Use your phones, electronics, voice, or even pen and paper in your efforts to love one another as Christ has loved you.

Are you utilizing some of your time for feeding your soul? Set a schedule. Improve your plan and stick to it as you draw closer to your Creator and Redeemer.

LIVE STREAM ON FACEBOOK, LIVE ON RADIO, AND, POSTINGS ON YOUTUBE: We continue our efforts to improve our recordings. Our volunteers deserve a “Thank You” for all of their work. We continue to work through the electronic challenges with our limited equipment and experience. Listen at 10:30 AM to live services on radio KNEM-KNMO 97.5. We begin the Live Stream on the First Christian Church of Nevada Missouri Facebook page a few minutes earlier to give a few local updates in the church family. We are also posting (by Monday afternoon) an edited service on YouTube (look us up: First Christian Church, Nevada, MO).

THE 2020 PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH, COMMUNITY, Nation, neighbors, family, and so much more are still needed. Set aside a specific time and stick with it, seeking God’s plan in our decisions. God’s plan is usually totally different from our desires, but our Lord Jesus will always be in control! READ PSALM 2. Note the final three verses and pray accordingly.

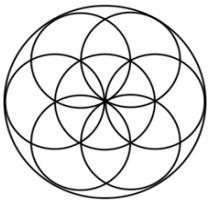
ALL GROUPS continue to be on hold at this time. Set a goal to read certain books of the Bible, or the entire collection, being open to the surprises God has in store for you.

Walking with Jesus,
David Rorabaugh

Group Worship Returns Sunday, May 10 at 10:30 am



With the governor's announcement regarding re-opening things, **First Christian Church will start holding open services beginning Sunday, May 10 with one service at 10:30am.** No Sunday school or other activities will start at this time. A decision on these activities will be communicated at a later date. Further details will be posted on the church’s Facebook page, as well as a letter that will be sent next week to all of our church family. Please be aware and respectful of social distancing requirements as outlined in the governor’s communication that was recently released. May God bless everyone with good health and safety as we transition into the re-opening of our church.



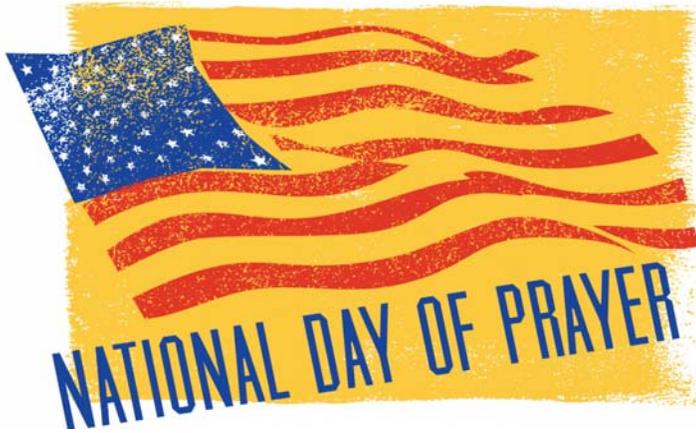
Circles of 5

Thank you for participating in **Circles of 5**. We pray this will bring blessings to you and the whole FCC family.

The Youth Garage Sale will happen some time in the future. We are still welcoming donations. Please call Becky Butterfield at 417-684-7403 to make arrangements. **Please, No clothes.**



Save Your Items for Our Rummage Sale



Thursday, May 7, 2020



Puzzle!

Use the code to find out what these biblical people may have taken on a picnic.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

(Genesis 3:6)
Adam and Eve 6 18 21 9 20

(Genesis 25:28)
Isaac 23 9 12 4 7 1 13 5

(Genesis 25:34)
Esau 19 20 5 23

(Numbers 11:5)
Israelites in Egypt 3 21 3 21 13 2 5 18 19

(Ruth 2:1-4)
Ruth 7 18 1 9 14

(1 Samuel 14:2)
Saul 16 15 13 5 7 18 1 14 1 20 5 19

(1 Samuel 14:29)
Jonathan 8 15 14 5 25

(Daniel 1:12-16)
Daniel and friends 22 5 7 5 20 1 2 12 5 19

(Matthew 3:4)
John the Baptist 12 15 3 21 19 20 19

(Matthew 14:17)
The 5,000 people 2 18 5 1 4 & 6 9 19 8

Answer: fruit, wild game, stew, cucumbers, grain, pomegranates, honey, vegetables, locusts, bread & fish



To help support our local **Community Outreach Food Pantry** we are collecting non-perishable food and dry goods. A box is in the parlor for collection. **Suggested May products:** Mac & cheese, canned veggies, pork & beans, mustard, canned fruit, pancake mix, and pancake syrup.



Anyone needing 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.**

