




Notes from Beau

What is the first thought that comes to mind when asked what your most valuable resource is? Money is the shout of the weary, worldly worker. Time may be the answer from someone more in touch with the fact that the scriptures describe our time on Earth as a mist, vapor, or a puff of smoke that is here for a little while and then disappears. I will argue that our youth is the most valuable resource that we have been blessed with. The young people in our lives are the way in which what we believe will be passed on to future generations. Most of us have witnessed firsthand how young children display an uncanny ability to sponge every word and deed we model for them. I am thankful for the body of believers at FCC and CCC who have been vigilant in the protection and development of our kids. I am speaking for the youth leaders at these congregations in saying THANK YOU to those who have supported our youth. We are thankful for volunteers who have carved out time from their busy schedules to supervise youth events. We appreciate every dollar that has been given to support our ministry financially. We also love when members of our community and congregations take the time to speak into our youth in an encouraging fashion. Most of all, we are thankful for the beautiful examples our children witness in the members of our congregations. It is no wonder that we have some amazing kids in our youth programs because of the examples that they have had the opportunity to follow. These kids are the fruit that Jesus talks about in Matthew 7:16-20. Our children are learning that not everyone is easy to get along with, but they have examples who keep the peace because that is what we are called to do. The kids have learned that some service projects are hard work, but they see the mentors in their lives rolling up their sleeves because of their love and appreciation for Jesus Christ and his sacrifice. From the ages of 1-19 and beyond, the youth in our lives are absorbing all they see and hear. Thank you all so much for the witness you are providing for them. Proverbs 22:6 *Beau Scott*

 Congratulations to Colin and Caley VanDeventer on the birth of their son, Elias, born on April 30th. **IT'S A BOY!** Congratulations also to big sister, Elleree, and grandparents, Mark and Cindy.

Men's Church League Softball. Any male high school age or older wishing to play softball on the church team please call Dolo (the coach) Wishard at 217-259-8504.



Worship Times and Places

May 9th

8:30 and 10 am at FCC

May 16th

10 am at FCC

May 23rd

10 am at FCC — Youth Sunday

May 30th

8:30 and 10 am at Central Community

June 6th

10 am at FCC

June 13th

8:30 and 10 am at FCC

June 20th

10 am at FCC

June 27th

8:30 and 10 am at Central Community

Thank You Notes

Our family wishes to thank our Church friends for the prayers, calls, cards, food, flowers and donations for Mitch's wrestling memorial scholarship in the passing of his dad, Van. A special thank you to the deaconesses for providing the desserts for our lunch at the Catholic Church. Counting our blessings for our Church and Church families.

Doris Webb and family

Donna and I would like to express our appreciation to the FCC Deaconesses for remembering Donna, she really like sweets!

Gary Maninfor

Thank you everyone for the prayers and home visits during my illness, I believe I am getting better even though I don't know what I have. Hopefully, I can get back to the choir soon. I have never heard of Encephalitis but hope I don't again. Lots of Love.

Bonnie James

I want to again thank my church friends for all of the cards, visits, and support. I had my last chemo treatment on April 22nd. So, hope I can get back to church once I rebound from this last treatment. Thanking you again.

Judy Smith

- 1 Arlene Betty
- 3 Kamdyn Dunn
- 8 Jean Bergfeld
- 11 Bob Clark, Gretta Kearney, Dianne Porter
- 13 Bob Morgan, Michelle Mathews
- 14 Sally Dickerson
- 17 Tom Dickerson, Gary Gergeni
- 18 Steve Lane, Ernie Webb
- 22 Joey Dickerson
- 26 Mitchell Gergeni
- 29 Julie Allen



- 6 Fred and Kayla Grissom
- 14 Ron and Annetta Kerans
- 27 Jack and Jan Little
- 31 Phil and Marilyn Purcell



Mission of the Month

Our Mission Partner for the month of May is the Salvation Army. They support two summer programs for kids starting June 1st.

Day Camp is for ages 4-12 where children are fed breakfast and lunch but also spend classroom time learning Bible lessons and singing Christian music and participating in group activities and field trips.

The second program is *Food On The Move*, which also starts June 1st in which food is cooked on site at the Richmond Ave facility and then taken out to 7 locations in the community. Fridays are promoted as "Grab Bag" days, and extra snacks and treats are provided for weekends!

Volunteers are always welcome to assist with any of these activities, plus churches are more than welcome to help supply treats for one of the Friday "Grab Bag" days!

Be in prayer to see how God might use you for volunteering with these good folks at Salvation Army!

Church Life

Saturday, May 8th

6:35 am Devo with Stevo on Facebook

Sunday, May 9th—Happy Mother's Day

8:30 am Unity Worship at FCC

10:30 am Unity Worship at FCC

No Student Meeting

6 pm Men's Small Group at Truth & Grace

Monday, May 10th

10 am Staff Meeting

6 pm Ladies Small Group at FCC

6 pm Christian Ed. Meeting

6 pm Trustees' Meeting

7 pm Church Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 11th

6:35 am Devo with Stevo on Facebook

7 am Prayer Meeting

9 am Men's Small Group at the Crossover Church

10 am Ladies Small Group at Central Community

Wednesday, May 12th

5 pm Bell Practice

No Bible Journaling

Thursday, May 13th

6:35 am Devo with Stevo on Facebook

6 pm Praise Team Practice

6 pm Men's Small Group at CCC

7 pm Mission Committee Meeting

Saturday, May 15th

6:35 am Devo with Stevo on Facebook

Sunday, May 16th

10 am Worship Service at FCC

1 pm Student Meeting

6 pm Men's Small Group at Truth and Grace

Monday, May 17th

10 am Staff Meeting

6 pm Ladies Small Group at FCC

Tuesday, May 18th

6:35 am Devo with Stevo on Facebook

7 am Prayer Meeting

9 am Men's Small Group at the Crossover Church (*last one*)

10 am Ladies Small Group at Central Community