

TODAY:

5:00 PM – Fellowship hall reserved

THIS WEEK:

Wed.: 6:30 PM – Elder Board Meeting

Sat.: Fellowship Hall reserved

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 19: BIC Graduation

Following Worship – Mission 117 Kickoff Luncheon

June 7: 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Ladies Picnic at Shelter House

June 9: Men's Shoot-Out at Laurens Sportsmen's Club

June 10-13 – Hidden Acres Day Camp

July 1-5: Sr. High students at Challenge in Kansas City

PRAYER AND PRAISE: Please pray for:

Missionaries: Darwin & Darlis Anderson, International Messengers

Church Families: Scott & Rachael Holland

Andrew & Christina Hopkins, Calvin, August, Haddie

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

Today 9:00 AM – Jill K., Andrea P.
10:00 AM – Betty E., Kelsey R.
Jazmin D.

May 12 9:00 AM – Stephanie A., Brenda S.
10:00 AM – Michelle W., Janeen H.,
Jessa H., Ella F.

USHERS FOR MAY: Denny Feeley, Reid Prins, Chris Ruthart, Tim Waters

Pastor Jason is providing his **AUDIO DEVOTIONALS FOR MEN AND WOMEN**. Every Tuesday I send out a 10-minute devotional by text, and I'm happy to say I'm opening to both men and women now! Starting the week after Easter, I am going to start a verse-by-verse study of the book of Daniel. If you would like to receive these, please text me directly at (417) 709-2505. I'd be glad to add you to the list!

ON-LINE GIVING is available for those who choose to use it. Just go to www.myfreechurch.com and click on the "Give" tab!

Today is **MISSION SUNDAY**. All undesignated offering will go to the Mission Fund.

Registration is open for our **HIDDEN ACRES DAY CAMP June 10-13!**

Students entering 1-6th Grade can register online at hacamps.org. Use the code ACEFC100 at checkout for free camp! PreK – K students can register through the church office. *There is a sign-up sheet at the welcome desk for providing food for the noon meal and snacks.*

Have you registered for **SUMMER CAMP?** This year's theme for Hidden Acres is **WORTHY**. You can register online at www.hacamps.org. Check out the bulletin board by the church office for more information. Our Christian Education Committee gives **EVERYONE** scholarships! Contact Chris or Stephanie Archer (712) 358-1025 if you have any questions and let us know when you have signed up.

INTERNATIONAL MESSENGERS is offering a short-term mission trip this summer (July 12-23) to Hungary to encourage our friends Zoli and Helga Dan. More information on this trip is available at the welcome desk. If you are interested or have questions, please talk to Shane Carlson (712-260-9548) or Roger Sommerlot by May 1.

We could use a few more willing hands to join a rotation to serve in our **NURSERY** on Sundays. This Sunday after church in the Fellowship Hall, our Nursery Coordinator, Andrea Rubel, will lead a *short informational meeting* for those interested. This meeting is also required for all who currently serve in the ministry. Thank you for making a safe and happy place for our children!

Our **"D-Groups" (DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS)** are all about helping you learn to better walk with Jesus each day. They are gender-specific groups of 4-6 that regularly meet to encounter God's Word and hold each other accountable. For more information check out our [website](#). With most Life Groups ending for the Summer, NOW is a great time to join one! If you are interested, reach out to Pastor Jason by email at jasonmharms@gmail.com.

THANK YOU for all the wonderful gifts and love we received at my bridal shower on April 20th! I felt an overwhelming amount of love and encouragement as Kobi and I step into this new season of life. Thank you for all your support, guidance and care that you have poured into me, and even now as we look to seek what the Lord has planned for us through our marriage.

NEW MINISTRY ALERT! MISSION 117 is a new Family Advocacy Ministry (FAM) being started through the Promise686 organization. Our focus is on 1) supporting local families in need to keep kids out of foster care, 2) growing the spirit of adoption and foster care within our church, 3) providing care and support to families who are adopting or fostering, and 4) supporting local widows & encouraging their involvement in the FAM. We will be having an informational kickoff event on May 19th following worship. We are looking for additional leaders of the ministry as well if this is an area you feel led to serve in.

TODAY'S MESSAGE
"The Expansion of the Gospel into Samaria & Judea"
Acts 8:1-25

Acts 8:1-3 Focus on **Saul**

Acts 8:4-8 Focus on **Philip** going to Samaria. (Persecution scattered the church)

Acts 8:9-13 Focus on a false teacher named **Simon**, whom they called "the Great Power of God"

Acts 8:14-24 Focus on **the Holy Spirit**, Who was sent to indwell not only to the Jewish believers, but also the Gentile believers!

Acts 8:25. "So, when they had solemnly testified and spoken the word of the Lord, they started back to Jerusalem, and were preaching the gospel to many villages of the Samaritans."

Remember: Acts 1:8 "but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

TODAY'S WORSHIP
May 5, 2024

"Nothing but the Blood of Jesus"
"Goodness of God"
"What a Beautiful Name"
"Praise"



WELCOME! We are so glad you have joined us today. Scan the code to connect with us! We would love to hear from you!

Pastor Jason Harms