

# Childrens Ministry

Hi Kids!

Today I've given myself a challenge to write this bulletin article without ever hitting the backspace key. Even if I make a spelling mistake or don't like the way something sounds. Whatever I type will not be undone. Starting right now! So far, I'm not having too much trouble with it, but I'm not really saying anything worthwhile yet either (oh no, now I've made a spelling error! TWO!) For starters, I'm going to use this free writing technique to give you this week's list of students who have recited verses or Bible facts in the last few weeks. Sheesh! I think I'd better slow down typing here. Ok. Here is the list: (sorry, I didn't mean to hit the space bar so forcefully. Slow down, Ryan) Congratulations to **Rorse Cottrill, Daisy Gray, John Ragy, Lily Gary, Violette Gary, Nowah Hensley, Miles Howart, Michelin Lewis, JR Patterson, Cassie Shepperd, Izzy Shephred, Nowah Shepherd, and Gunner Tuner.**

I'm beginning to see why I prefer writing rather than speaking. Being able to go back and fix what I say when I make a mistake is a wonderful thing, and you can probably tell I've decided to put my little challenge away for good. Wouldn't it be cool if we could go back and fix what we say the same way we do when we type? If I could choose any superpower to be mine, that is probably the one I would pick. If you think it'd be cool too, I've got some great news for you. I haven't stopped my challenge at all, I typed this whole second paragraph the same way, except for one notable difference: I took my time and thought carefully about what I wanted to say before it ever left me. Even though changing what you've already said isn't possible, you can avoid wishing you could by following those same steps. This isn't new information; the Book of Proverbs is full of advice like this. One of my favorites is "Do you see people who speak too quickly? There is more hope for a foolish person than for them" It is a hard skill to develop, and I don't claim to have it all right myself, but it's one that's worth working on! I encourage everyone to do their best this week and always to think carefully about what you want to say so you won't have to worry later about the crazy thing you actually said out loud!

Thank you so much!

-Ryan

**CLASS OF 2023**—Graduating Seniors, you should have received a letter with a list of things you need to turn in. Please have those items turned in to the church office by Sunday, April 30.



**OPEN HOUSES**

**Gracelynn Hoggatt**  
**Saturday, May 13**  
**1:30—5:30 PM**  
**Fellowship Hall**

## WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

Acts 16:25-34

### WHY DO I \_\_\_\_\_ TO BE \_\_\_\_\_?

It begins with \_\_\_\_\_ something about \_\_\_\_\_.

- Psalm 92:15
- Hebrews 6:18

We have a \_\_\_\_\_.

- Romans 3:23
- Isaiah 59:2

The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ is eternal \_\_\_\_\_.

- Matthew 25:41, 30, 46
- Ezekiel 18:23

We need \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ us!

- Romans 8:3-4
- Ephesians 1:7

### WHAT \_\_\_\_\_ I DO TO BE \_\_\_\_\_?

What some \_\_\_\_\_ tell us to \_\_\_\_\_ to be \_\_\_\_\_?

Acts 16:30-31

What did \_\_\_\_\_ and what was \_\_\_\_\_?

- Mark 16:15-16
- Acts 2:37-38, 41; 8:35-39; 16:30-33; 22:16
- Galatians 3:26-27

### WHY \_\_\_\_\_ I BE \_\_\_\_\_?

It is the \_\_\_\_\_ where I \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of eternal \_\_\_\_\_.

- John 14:6
- Acts 4:12
- Romans 6:3-6
- Colossians 2:12
- Ephesians 1:19-20

It is the \_\_\_\_\_ where I am \_\_\_\_\_.

- John 3:3-5
- Titus 3:4-5

It is the \_\_\_\_\_ where \_\_\_\_\_ me of my \_\_\_\_\_.

- 2 Kings 5:9-14
- Psalm 51:1, 2, 7, 10
- 1 Peter 3:20-22

It is the \_\_\_\_\_ where I am \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1 Corinthians 12:13
- Acts 2:41, 47

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Richland Road

# Church of CHRIST

April 16, 2023



BRING A  
**FRIEND!**  
INVITE SOMEONE YOU KNOW

FOR

# FRIENDS DAY

ON

## SUNDAY, APRIL 30



# Staying Connected

**FRIENDS DAY!** We are just two weeks away from our spring Friends Day. Invite your family and friends to be your guest on Sunday, April 30, for worship, Bible Class, and a fellowship meal. The church will provide ham (see Gwen Montgomery if you are willing to help cook), and we ask each member to bring a side dish and a dessert. Fellowship meals will be at 10:45 AM (after Bible Class) and 12:15 PM (after the second service).

**CHURCH CAMP!** Online registration for our week of church camp at Northwestern Ohio Christian Youth Camp ([www.nwocyc.org](http://www.nwocyc.org)) is open. Don't forget that Richland Road is paying for all our young people ages 7-18 to attend camp, and our week is June 17-24, but you still must **register!!** See Josh, James, or myself for the coupon code you need when registering. Each family will be responsible for paying for their own canteen and camp T-shirt.

**ARTEMIS II!** NASA announced last week that four humans are set to visit the moon for the first time in more than 50 years. Piloting the 2024 Artemis II mission will be Victor Glover, a Christian who has worshipped with Churches of Christ in the Houston area and his home state of California. Here was his reaction, "I want to thank God for this amazing opportunity, and the celebration is about so much more than the four names that have been announced. I pray that God will bless this mission."

**STOP, LOOK, AND LISTEN!** These three words are commonly used in conjunction as a warning. Injury or death can follow when we do not heed these words. Many accidents could have been avoided at railroad crossings, and intersections had these words been heeded.

They can also serve us in our spiritual walk. The Bible is full of warnings to both Christians and unbelievers. In 2 Corinthians 13:5, we read, "Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith; examine yourselves! Or do you not recognize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you—unless indeed you fail the test?" In Matthew 3:7-8 we find, "But when he (John) saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Therefore, bring forth fruit in keeping with repentance.'"

*STOP and take stock of where we are.* Are we "in Christ" where all spiritual blessings are found (Ephesians 1:3)? Have we been on the "go" so much that we have lost sight of what is most important (Philippians 3:12-14)? Demas did, according to 2 Timothy 4:10.

*LOOK around and see that we are not in this alone.* We are to be a blessing to fellow Christians, and they are to be a blessing to us (Galatians 6:1-2 & Romans 12:15).

*LISTEN to others.* Be "swift to hear" (James 1:19). It may be a neighbor's plea for help, as Jesus taught in the story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37). It may be one of our own who needs special care (1 Thessalonians 5:14). Or it might be someone under our roof whose cry we need to hear (Ephesians 6:4).

Whatever the case, if you and I **STOP, LOOK, AND LISTEN**, we will find ourselves ministering to those in need. Isn't that what Jesus did (Mark 10:43-45)? And don't we want to be like Him (Matthew 25:40)?

-Matt



## INFORMATION & EVENTS

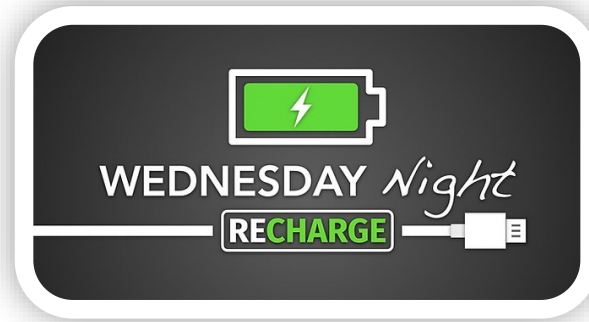
### LIFEGROUPS

MEET TODAY



**SPECIAL GIVING**—Today is the last day to give towards the Cuba Mission. If you would like to help them put electricity and a bathroom into their building, please see Russell or place your donation in the red box in the foyer.

**QUILTING MINISTRY**—The Quilting Ministry will be meeting on Tuesday @ 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall.



**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY**  
"The Book of James"  
Russell will be teaching on  
James 2:1-13  
@ 7 PM in the Auditorium

**NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**  
"A Woman After God's Own Heart"  
Taught by Teresa Tharp in Room 10  
Begins Wednesday, April 26 @ 7 PM



**VBS PLANNING MEETING**—On Wednesday, there will be a VBS Planning Meeting in Room 11 after Bible Class.



**WOMEN OF PURPOSE**—On Wednesday, April 26, the Women of Purpose will meet for lunch at Hong Kong Buffett @ 11:30 AM.



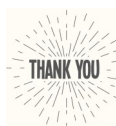
**CHURCH CAMP STAFF MEETING**—Wednesday, April 26, there will be a camp staff meeting in Room 11 after Bible Class.



**UNLOAD MID-OHIO FOOD** Thursday, April 27 @ 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.  
**FOOD GIVEAWAY** Saturday, April 29 @ 9 AM. (Be here @ 8:00 AM to help.) Contact Josh Ball to volunteer to help.



**CLOTHING GIVEAWAY**—Saturday, April 29, the Clothing House will be open from 9—11 AM.



**THANK YOU** so much for your continued prayers and love as my mother's health declined and at her recent passing. The cards have been a comfort, the meals made a hectic time much easier, and the pretty lamp and candle remind me of your care and concern. I'm filled with gratitude for my connection to such a caring family. With love, **Carol and Brian Driver**

Bible Hour and Junior Worship will meet during 2nd service.

## FOR THE RECORD - April 9, 2023

BIBLE SCHOOL.....	86	WEDNESDAY.....	106
SUNDAY AM.....	332	CONTRIBUTION.....	\$6,181.73
SUNDAY PM.....	n/a	BUDGET.....	\$6,788.00

### FRIENDS DAY

**SUNDAY, APRIL 30**

Invite your friends and family to join you for  
Worship & Bible Class!

Fellowship Meals are planned for  
10:45 AM & 12:15 PM

The church will provide ham, and we are asking  
members to bring a side and a dessert.

The sermon that Sunday will be:

**THE CHRIST-CENTERED LIFE**

The Book of Colossians



**MYSTERY DINNER DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MAY 19**—You know how sometimes you have to file for an extension on your tax return? That usually happens because you're not prepared to file your tax return by the April deadline. Well, the same thing happened to us on our Mystery Dinner, "Death and Taxes!"

That's right! The IRS has approved our request to extend the due date from April 22 to Friday, May 19. Same great dinner, even BETTER madcap mystery and suspense-filled comedy! All for the low, low price of \$15 per ticket. If you already have a ticket, that ticket is good for the May date. Of course, if you are unable to attend on 5/19, we would be happy to refund your money.

Looking forward to seeing you there!



**CHURCH CAMP REGISTRATION**—Registration is now open for our week of camp, June 18-24. All campers age 8—18 are welcome! Go to [nwocyc.org](http://nwocyc.org) to register. See Matt Dahm, Josh Ball, or James Gary for the member's coupon code.



**EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY**—In the month of April, we are asking for donations of: Boxed Sides, Peanut Butter, and Jelly.

PICK UP AN APRIL PRAYER LIST IN THE FOYER

TIMES OF SERVICE : Sunday—8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Sunday Morning Bible Classes —9:45 AM Sunday Life Groups: 12:00 PM and 6:00 PM

Wednesday Evening Bible Study—7:00 PM