

TEEN MINISTRY

Our Next Food Giveaway will be on Saturday, April 27th, and the food will be delivered on Thursday, April 25th. Last month, we learned a lot during the packing process. This month, I promise things will go a lot smoother. We will need plenty of help on Thursday at noon to pack boxes. Anyone who wants to help unload the trucks and set up the pallets can come at 11 am. Then, on Saturday, we will need many boxes packed and people to put the boxes in the vehicles. Volunteers on Saturday, please come at 7:30 am. Please be patient as we continue to learn and make this process more efficient. Even as we are learning and growing, let's be sure not to lose sight of our main focus, Jesus, and serving Him. I know sometimes things can get out of balance, seem awkward, and even sometimes burdensome when we are overwhelmed with people seeking food or as we try to organize the food. This is very similar to our own lives sometimes. No matter how difficult or worrisome things seem to be, we must continue to focus on Jesus and spreading the Gospel. Thank you to all of our volunteers for the hard work you dedicate to this ministry.

Our Work Retreat at NWOCYC is approaching very quickly. On May 3rd, 4th, and 5th we will be working at the camp preparing for this summers sessions. I will be there all day on Friday, so feel free to arrive at any time. Carol will have food prepared, so as you arrive, supper will be waiting on you. We have a list of projects posted in the foyer, and we can add other projects to the list if you have one in mind that you would like to complete. We need lots of hands to cut, split, and stack firewood. Make sure to bring work gloves and a jacket for the cool nights. There are two other congregations that will be joining us, so there will be time for fellowship as well. There is a schedule posted in the foyer, but be flexible as it may change. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you plan to attend so that our Kitchen staff can prepare plenty of food.

Camp is also approaching fast. The week of June 16-22, we will have our Camp Week at NWOCYC. Registration is now open! Go to nwocyc.org and find Josh Ball's Week. Get signed up, then invite your friends! Our staff has been preparing for a great week of bible classes, crafts, skits, songs, and break-out sessions. The Kitchen staff has been preparing meal plans and snacks, so we will, as always, be well fed! I am so excited for this year's camp! Kimberly has had her bags packed for about 6 weeks now! Our next camp staff meeting will be May 8th in Room 11 after Bible Class.

June 2nd will be Graduation Sunday here at Richland Road. On that day, our teens and youth group will be leading the service. There will be young ladies greeting all our members as they enter and handing out bulletins. Our young men will be ushering and serving communion. Finally, Mathew Bellamy will be preaching on that day! Mark your calendars for this special day!

-Josh



Friends Day
Sunday, May 19
Invite your friends and family!

Basic Instructions on How to Live A Godly Life **BECOMING FULLY ALIVE!**

Ephesians 4:17-24

LEAVE THE _____

Without _____.

- Ephesians 4:17-18a
- Romans 1:21-22
- 2 Corinthians 4:4

Without _____.

- Ephesians 4:18

Without _____.

- Ephesians 4:18-19a
- Hebrews 3:13
- Jeremiah 6:15
- I Timothy 4:2

Without _____.

- Ephesians 4:19
- Ephesians 2:3

LIVE THE _____

Change of _____.

- Ephesians 4:21-22
- 2 Corinthians 4:6

Change of _____.

- Ephesians 4:23
- Colossians 3:10
- Philippians 2:5

Change of _____.

- Ephesians 4:24
- 2 Corinthians 5:17

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Ephesians 4:17-32

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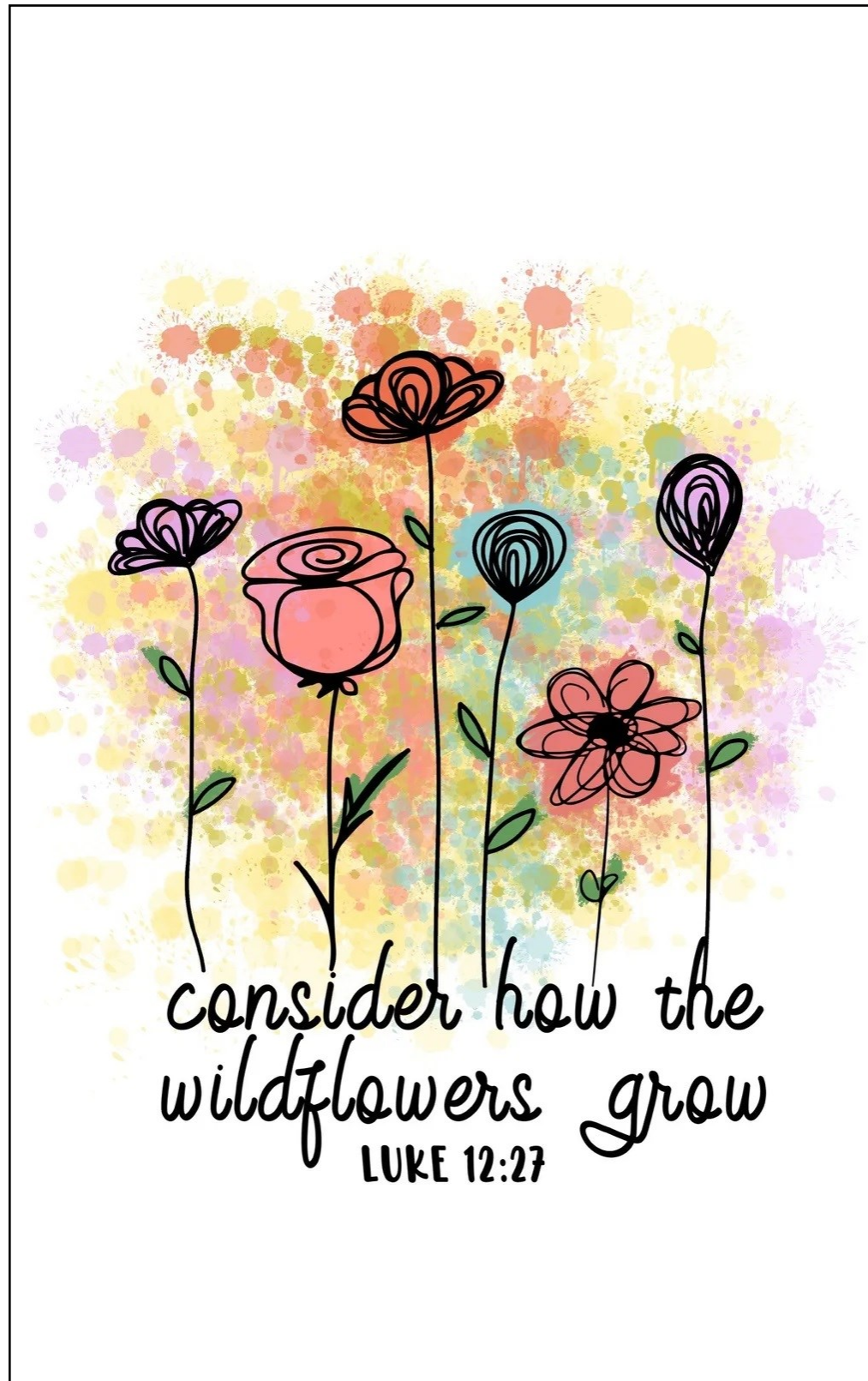
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Ed Nice
Seth Rossiter

Richland Road

Church of CHRIST

April 14, 2024



Just Between Us

WOW! THAT WAS AMAZING! For all who experienced the solar eclipse on Monday, you experienced something only God could do! Talk about impressive. It was an awe-inspiring beauty. I do not think I have witnessed anything in all of God's creation as inspiring as the eclipse! From a Christian perspective, the solar eclipse reminded us of the intricate tapestry of creation woven by the hand of God. It was amazing to look at the sun when the moon completely covered it. It was amazing how, with just a sliver of light, the sky was still lit up. But once the moon covered the sun, darkness immediately covered the earth, like the sun was setting. Then, as soon as the moon moved, and that sliver of light burst through, once again, there was light! As Christians, we are to be that "light" that is shining in the dark world that draws attention to the ultimate light – Jesus (John 8:12)! As Christians, are we letting the light shine through us, or are we blocking others from being able to see Jesus? Together, let's let our light shine!!

"BASIC INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO LIVE A GODLY LIFE" is the title of our new Sunday morning sermon series that begins today. We are not who we were. God has given us a new identity and has called us to follow a radically different way of living. In our new sermon series based on Ephesians 4 & 5, the Word of God gives us guidance on how to live a godly life. A godly life is a life lived to God's glory, motivated by the love He has shown to us in Jesus, and reflected in our lifestyle that imitates Jesus. As we become more like Jesus, our mindset naturally changes to reflect what is true. And as our internal mindset changes, our external language begins to display that reality. Through this, our lives illuminate the heart of God, and we see the world differently than others. Our standards change to not just pursuing what is good but what is pleasing to God. Make sure to join us each Sunday for the next few weeks.

30 YEARS AT TWO WORSHIP SERVICES. It was in the spring of 1994, that the elders at that time stepped out in faith to begin a second Sunday morning worship service at 8:30 AM. Through the years having the earlier service has helped us to continue to grow. Most churches stop growing when the seating capacity reaches 80%. While it was difficult to make the move back then, it has proven to be very helpful for our continual growth.

KELVIN HOOVER OF ORPANS LIFELINE will be with us next Sunday morning, April 21, during our 9:45 AM Bible Study. The Orphans Lifeline International has been able to rescue and care for thousands of orphans in 9 countries including Haiti, India, Mexico, Pakistan, Philippines, Russia, Liberia and Uganda. Make sure to be present next Sunday to see how you might become part of this important ministry.

GENERATIONS TO COME UPDATES. The following information is from Todd Buckland about the schedule of activities concerning replacing the carpet and the pews with new carpet and chairs:

- April 14-28 - Sign up to be part of the four different work crews**
- April 17 - Generations to Come Committee Meeting -after Bible Study**
- April 28 - 1:30 PM - 6:00 PM - Remove pews in the auditorium**
- April 29 - 9 AM to 1 PM - Remove classroom furniture**
- April 29- May 4 - Auditorium closed for carpeting**
- May 4 - 9:00 AM - Classroom furniture replaced in classrooms**
- May 4 - 12:00 PM - Place new chairs in the auditorium**

FRIEND'S DAY MOVED TO MAY 19TH. With our carpet and pews being replaced with new carpet and chairs from April 29 to May 4, we have decided to move **Friends Day** to Sunday, **May 19**. This will give us more time to invite more of our friends and family. There has never been a greater need for Christians to invite their friends and families to church!

- Russell

INFORMATION & EVENTS

LIFEGROUPS

MEET TODAY



WE REJOICE with the angels in heaven that Kait Dieble was baptized into Christ. Kait is a friend of Jay and Sarah Long.



DIRECTORY UPDATES—For the next few weeks, if you have never had your picture taken or would like to have an updated photo for our online directory, we will be taking pictures in the north foyer, in front of the rainbow mural, before and after worship.



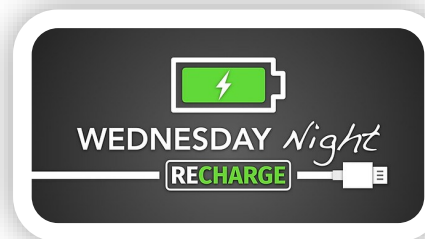
BABY SHOWER—There will be a Baby Shower in honor of Michael and Trisha Ponziani today, immediately after the second service. See Diane Howard or Jeannie Rogers to give towards the group gift.



MINISTER SEARCH COMMITTEE—There will be a committee meeting tomorrow in Room 11 at 6:30 PM.



WEDNESDAY EVENING INVITATION TALK—Men, there is a sign-up sheet in the foyer, where you can sign up if you're interested in giving a short invitation talk before bible class on Wednesday evenings.



WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Great Chapters of the Bible

Russell Howard, Matt Dahm & Roger Hornbaker
@ 7 PM in the Auditorium



GENERATIONS TO COME—There will be a committee meeting on Wednesday in Room 11 after class.

ORPANS LIFELINE—Next Sunday, a combined Adult and Teen Class will be in the Auditorium with guest speaker Kelvin Hoover from Orphans Lifeline. Learn more about this organization at orphanslifeline.org.

QUILTING MINISTRY—The Quilting Ministry will meet on Tuesday, April 23, at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.



CONGRATULATIONS to Ben Collins who recently retired from Galion LLC.

PICK UP AN APRIL PRAYER LIST IN THE FOYER

Bible Hour and Junior Worship will be offered at the 2nd service

FOR THE RECORD - April 7, 2024

BIBLE CLASS.....	75	WEDNESDAY.....	91
SUNDAY AM.....	312	CONTRIBUTION.....	\$8,542.53
SUNDAY PM.....	71	BUDGET.....	\$7,100.00



ELDERS & MINISTERS MEETING—On Wednesday, April 24, the Elders and Ministers will meet in Room 11 @ 9 AM. If you want to address anything with the Elders, all are welcome to attend!



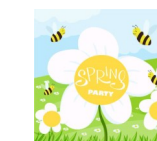
WOMEN OF PURPOSE—The Women of Purpose will meet on Wednesday, April 24, at 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please see Terry Fawley for details.



HELP HAND OUT APPOINTMENT TICKETS in the Fellowship Hall on 4/22, 4/23, or 4/24. Contact Kahlan Sargent to help.

HELP UNLOAD & BOX THE MID-OHIO FOOD on Thursday, April 25 @ 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

THE FOOD GIVEAWAY is on Saturday, April 27. Contact Josh Ball to volunteer to help. Volunteers, please be here by 7:30 AM.



CHILDREN'S SPRING PARTY—There will be a Children's Ministry Spring Party on Saturday, April 27, from 3:00—4:30 PM. All children from preschool age to 5th Grade are invited for a time of food, crafts, and fun. See Ryan or Misty Hoggatt for details.



THE AUDITORIUM WILL BE CLOSED FROM APRIL 29—MAY 4 TO HAVE NEW CARPETING INSTALLED.

LOADING...

WORK IN PROGRESS

OUR AUDITORIUM REFRESH IS ALMOST COMPLETE!—Most of the updates have been completed, and now we are to the carpet and chairs! We are going to need the help of many people in this last phase.

PEW REMOVAL—Help is needed on Sunday, April 28, from 1:30—6:00 PM to remove all the pews from the Auditorium. Please sign up in the foyer if you are willing to help.

CLASSROOM CLEANOUT—Help is needed on Monday, April 29, from 9:00 AM—1:00 PM with removing everything from the classrooms. Please sign up in the foyer if you are willing to help.

CLASSROOM SETUP—Help is needed on Saturday, May 4, from 9:00—11:30 AM to move all classroom furniture back into its appropriate classroom. Please sign up in the foyer if you are willing to help.

CHAIR SETUP—Help is needed on Saturday, May 4, at Noon to move and set up all the new Auditorium chairs. Please sign up in the foyer if you are willing to help.



CHURCH CAMP WORK WEEKEND—If you are interested in helping up at Church Camp the weekend of May 3-5, please sign up in the foyer. See Josh Ball for details.



MYSTERY DINNER—Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 11! More information will be available soon!