



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER ~ 2019

All events are at the church building Unless otherwise noted.

* Indicates an article is elsewhere in this newsletter

- Oct 2,9,16,23 – Ladies Bible Study at 6:30pm*
- Oct 5 – CAMP OZ/Greif Camp for Kids at Camp Patterson. For more info call 1-800-327-3721 ext. 4-2989
- Oct 8 – Dorcas Fellowship at 1:30pm*
- Oct 8 – Church Board meeting at 7:30pm*
- Oct 8-10 – Spire Conference in Orlando, FL www.spire.network/2019-conference/
- Oct 13 – Monthly Building Offering
- Oct 20 – OCC Kick-Off Presentation
- Oct 24 – November Newsletter articles due



LONG RANGE PLANNING

- Nov 3 – Daylight Savings Time Ends
- Nov 3 – International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church
- Nov 3 – African Harvest/Fanny & Martha Nyamutora With us for Sunday worship. Potluck/Fellowship meal after worship service.
- Nov 10 – Monthly Building Offering
- Nov 12 – Dorcas Fellowship at 1:30pm
- Nov 12 – Church Board meeting at 7:30pm
- Nov 14-17 – International Conference on Missions at Kansas City. www.theicom.org
- Nov 18-23 – OCC Drop Off Location at church
- Nov 24 – Special collection to be taken for OCC Shoebox shipping costs. Potluck Lunch and OCC packing party.
- Nov 28 – Thanksgiving Day



Randy Hardy

Reggie Camarse

PASTOR APPRECIATION

We have been most blessed to have Randy Hardy be our interim pastor twice. Randy travels from Faribault, MN to share his heart's passion for Jesus and His Church. Thank you, Randy! Reggie Camarse has gone the extra mile (literally) to assist Randy in preaching duties. Reggie works tirelessly with another congregation in Circle Pines, MN, and shares his talents with us here at Cleveland too. Thank you, Reggie!



On September 1, Jill Hardy Ensor (center) presented her mission experiences in Haiti. Pictured with her are Graydon Dickie and Betty Lloyd.

FAMILY & FRIENDS DAY 2019

Sunday, September 29 was a day full of God's blessings! Family and friends gathered in praise, and worship through song, communion and the message. We prayed over this event for weeks. We prayed for God's hand to be with us and expand our territory. (I Chronicles 4:10) We prayed for a break in the weather for our outside children's service. Over 200 people attended the services, which included the children's outside worship. Thank you to all who served: from the music team to the kitchen team, the set-up crew to the children's

ministry, all worked together to provide an outstanding guest experience. Each of you was part of God's plan for the day. God did more than we could have imagined. Now we pray for God to work His hand in the lives of those who attended this year's event.

ZOOFARI Wild Worship brought the ROAR back to Cleveland Church of Christ. While the adults worshipped inside, 30 children and 13 volunteers spent the time outside in song, interactive learning stations, skits and just plain fun learning how God is WILD about You! After a kid friendly dinner of hot dogs, chips and fruit, the children spent time in the bounce house, straw pile and face painting. And yes, there was ZERO precipitation between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm reminding us that indeed GOD is GOOD!



DORCAS FELLOWSHIP

The ladies will meet on Tuesday, October 8 at church at 1:30pm.

CHURCH BOARD MEETING

Members will meet on Tuesday, October 8 at 7:30pm at church.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

“Hebrews -The Nearness of King Jesus” by Lisa Harper – A DVD Bible study for the ladies will meet Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm – 8:00pm.



REMINDER...TIME CHANGE

Daylight Savings Time will end on **Sunday, Nov 3**. Set your clocks back one-hour Saturday evening, November 2.



God 
makes everything
beautiful
in its time. -Ecclesiastes 3:11
Happy Fall!
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OUR HEAD: Jesus Christ
OUR LEADERS: Our Church Elders
CHURCH SECRETARY: Lisa Koppelman
SUNDAY SCHEDULE
9:00 a.m. – Bible Classes
10:00 a.m. – Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

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BIRTHDAYS: October 1- Evan Koppelman; 4- Ellen Dickie; 6- Julie Rogers; 7- Art Davis; 12- Deb Ely; 14- Fanny Nyamutora (missionary to Zimbabwe); 17- Megan Ely, Patrick Ely; 19- Mary Den Herder; 23- Brady Schmidt; 24- Allie Rogers; 25- Jacquelyn Heldberg; 29- Karen Gibbs, Josten Schmidt; 30- Jacob Schmidt; 31- Jan Watkins

ANNIVERSARIES: October 12- Jim & Karen Rogers; 14- Peter & Lisa Koppelman; 15- Mike & Kim Wobbrock



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Live Courageously

By Gary Kunz – Elder

I recently saw a quote “Courage is not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it.” I really had to think about this and how true it is. I have fear, and I expect that you do also. Most of the time I can overcome my fears. As a child I had the fear of being alone at home, every noise I heard at night frightened me. As I am older those things no longer frighten me. I used to have the fear of standing up before a crowd and speaking. As I have advanced in my career I have had to speak before groups of people and I no longer have a fear of doing so. We can overcome fears by practice and by just maturing. But it takes an effort to do so.

If I am honest, I must admit I still have a fear to proclaim Christ and to be a witness for Him. Oh, it is easy at Church or at an event that is filled with other Christians. But when I am out in public and surrounded by those outside of the church setting, I can be completely different. I find myself acting like those around me. I think of those times when I am farming and around other farmers, or if am in the coffee shop and talking with the coffee shop crowd. Am I courageous and sharing Christ? Another example is when I am around construction workers. The language is colorful to say the least! How do I react? It is easy to fall into the same patterns as those we are surrounded with. Or to just hide the fact that we are set apart and different. We may just kind of step back and be in the background.

In John 19: 38 and 39 the Bible says, “Later, Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. Now Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly, because he feared the Jewish leaders. With Pilates permission, he came and took the body away. He was accompanied by Nicodemus, the man who earlier had visited Jesus at night. In these verses we see that Joseph secretly was a disciple of Jesus and that Nicodemus visited Jesus at night. These were indications that both men were fearful. They were fearful of the Jewish leaders. Those leaders were responsible for the death of Christ, so they had a legitimate fear.

In our world we really do not have to fear for our lives over our belief in Christ. So why is it that we seem to have this fear? I can’t explain it, Satan has come to deceive us and to cause us fear. It has worked! We really don’t recognize it for what it is. We are fearful and we have been deceived into thinking we will be rejected or criticized. So, we shrink back or become like those around us.

To conclude this article, I would like to encourage everyone reading this to join me and to overcome our fears! Let’s be strong in the fact that Jesus gave us hope and the Holy Spirit will give us confidence! As Cleveland Church of Christ prepares for the future and we reach out to the community we can have confidence that we have something special to share. Speak truth to those we share life with. Welcome new persons with open arms. Show that we are followers of Christ and we have something different and special to offer.

May you be strengthened and encouraged and blessed as you read this. Amen!