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**Calling all Ladies ~ Come join our
MCC Scrapbooking Fellowship**

Friday, September 21st 6:00-9:00 pm
Saturday, September 22nd 9:00 am-noon

Our time will begin on Friday with a meal and a devotion. Afterwards there will be time both Friday evening and Saturday morning to work on your projects. Please bring your scrapbooks, pictures, tools, and papers with you. If you have never done any scrapbooking before just bring along any pictures you would like to scrapbook. Tracy Socci will be here to help get you started. You are welcome to come even if you just want to see what scrapbooking is all about. If you have any questions please see Nancy Sloan or Selma Kuchenbrod. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board if you are planning to attend.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Sept 15thWork Day 8:00am-noon
- 21stYouth Night
Keystone Christian Church
- 21stScrapbooking Fellowship
6:00-9:00pm
- 22nd Scrapbooking Fellowship
9:00am-noon
- 28th-30thFall Revival with
Aaron Davis
- 29thRevival Fellowship
Meal 4:00pm
- Oct 13thCorn Maze – Details on
Youth bulletin board
- 17thYouth Service Project –
College Goodie Boxes

THANK YOU CARDS – Posted on the bulletin board in the main vestibule from Pat Vento.

FOOD CUPBOARD NEEDS – Canned tuna & chicken, peanut butter and soups.

MONROEVILLE MESSENGER

Art's Comments:

THREE THOUGHTS I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU THIS NEWSLETTER, ART

FIRST, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU!!!!!!

We have many faithful people who help keep the church doors open, who are always in their place every time the church assembles for worship or study. I know you don't do it for thanks or praise but I want to "THANK YOU" anyway. "THANK YOU" because you are a pillar to the church. "THANK YOU" for setting a good example. "THANK YOU" because you are an encourager to preachers, teachers and to fellow workers. Also, I want to commend many of our young people and young families. I know you could be somewhere else. Those of you with young children who are always in the services, "THANK YOU". Imagine where our body of believers would be if enthusiasm for the Lord's Church increased. To those who do show that faithfulness and enthusiasm for the Lord's Church, "THANK YOU".

SECOND, "THE LOST"

We who are Christians are taught to care about "THE LOST". That is how we are to think of the unsaved. We observe from the Bible that Jesus came to seek and save "THE LOST", Luke 19:10. In Luke 15 we read about the lost sheep, the lost coin and the lost son. Each parable teaches that we who follow Christ have work to do. In our state, in our community, our streets are filled with "THE LOST", the rich and the poor, educated and uneducated, and different races, successful and unsuccessful; all have people who are lost, people who do not know Jesus as their personal Savior. So we have an important job to do. Let's tell people how to be saved, let's share the gospel, let's pray for strength, wisdom and courage to carry out this task. Let's do what Jesus said to do for "THE LOST": "Go, preach, teach, baptize and teach some more", Matthew 28:19, 20.

THIRD, be sure to clear your schedule for our revival September 28-30. I look forward to seeing you at all four sessions.

Serving the King,
Art

EVANGELIST'S MOMENT

“Who Needs a Revival?”

I hope all of us can see that we need a great revival in America and the church today. Every one of us needs to repent and go back to God and to the basics that made us great. David the Psalmist tells us to ask God to revive us again. (**Psalm 85:6**) says, “Will You not Yourself revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?” We all need to ask God to revive us individually and corporately as a body of believers. Well, what does it mean to be revived? To revive something means that you are restoring it to use, acceptance, vigor or activity after a period of obscurity. If for some reason you have not been living the Christian life the way that the scriptures instruct us and you have slipped away from the assembly and meeting around the Lord's Table it is time to repent and be revived. While we have breath in our lungs and before Christ returns for His church we all have time to change and to be useful to Christ and His kingdom. We can be faithful to the assembly of the saints, we can be a good example to others, and we can evangelize the lost and tell them of the good news of Jesus. We can start helping others through various ways of service to bring glory to God and His church. “Who needs a revival?” every one of us needs revived and that spark and fire needs to be rekindled in our heart and mind so that we work while it is still day because the night is coming when no man works.

Our Fall Revival meeting will be September 28-30 with Aaron Davis, an Evangelist and Revival Speaker in our brotherhood. Aaron is a faithful preacher of God's Word and New Testament Christianity. We are looking forward to having him and his wife Stephanie and their 3 children here for our fall revival and we are excited to be able to hear Aaron expound upon the word of God.

Revivals are a great time to come to the assembly and hear impassioned preaching to

reawaken our spiritual life and bring us back to a state of activity and usefulness that Christ wants for all of us to have in His Kingdom. Well, what can we do to have a great fall Revival?

1. **Pray:**
 - a. That souls will be revived.
 - b. That souls accept Christ for the first time.
 - c. That our coming Evangelist (Aaron Davis) will preach messages that we need to hear.
2. **Prepare:**
 - a. Ourselves to be here every night. (Free up time & schedule it on your calendar now.)
 - b. Invite and tell others to come each night.
3. **Participate:**
 - a. If you can sing ask to do a special song one night.
 - b. If you can cook, make something for our dinner.
 - c. If you can serve in the nursery or toddler room volunteer.


Who needs a revival? We all do! But please, if you need revived, start now do not wait for our Fall Revival. All of us need challenged, encouraged and convicted by God's Word to live as Christ would have us. Therefore, pray, prepare and come and participate in our Fall Revival and you will be revived. Have a great day!

Dave

In His Service,

YOUTH NIGHT – Keystone Christian Church – Friday, September 21st from 6:00-8:30pm – CALLING All Youth in 1st thru 6th grade to attend a night of great fun, games, pizza and fellowship.

“Shout for JOY to the LORD, all the earth.....”
Psalm 100:1



FALL REVIVAL

Friday, September 28th at 7:30pm

Saturday, September 29th

at 4:00pm Fellowship Dinner &

6:00pm Revival Meeting

Sunday, September 30th at 9:30 & 10:30am

Guest Speaker

Aaron Davis

Aaron and his family reside in Pikeville, KY. Aaron serves as Evangelist to the East Point Church of Christ, as a Trustee of Person to Person Ministry, as Co-Chairman of the National Prayer Clinic, and as guest speaker for events through the eastern U.S. Aaron loves Bible passages about the greatness of our God and the power, authority, and glory of the Christ. His favorite passage is Colossians 1:15-18. Aaron is a Professional (Civil) Engineer and he and his wife Stephanie practice law together at The Davis Firm, PLLC.

Come, bring your family and friends to hear this dynamic speaker!

Preparing for the Storms

I have always loved singing with my dad and brother. There is one song that we love to sing entitled, “In the Shelter of His Arms.” The chorus of the song goes like this: “There is peace in the time of trouble. There is peace in the midst of the storm. There is peace though the world be raging; in the shelter of His arms.” Psalm 46:1b says, “God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble.” Nahum 1:7 explains, “The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble.” Psalm 9:9 tells us, “The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.” Unfortunately, we often try to take on hardships all by ourselves when the very first place we should go is on our knees for help from the Lord. The storms of life will come. There is no avoiding the fact that a tough situation is just around the corner for any one of us. How we handle it will depend on how we have prepared for it.

A hundred years ago, homes were not built to any specific building code. Whenever a severe storm came through, it would cause catastrophic damage on a grand scale. Sadly, many more homeowners died and many more houses were lost than what we experience now. Since the introduction of uniform building codes, structures are built to better withstand the extreme nature of storms. Do we still have serious storms? Yes, but we are more effectively prepared when the storms come. It is no different in our Christian life. If we spend our days and weeks preparing—reading and studying God's Word, praying, and serving Him—then our mind will be focused on the right things. The storms of life will cause us to draw closer to Him rather than be a source of discouragement. Truly, we must stay focused on the Lord and His work even in the midst of a storm. Luke 2:52 tells us, “Jesus grew in wisdom, and stature, and in favor with God and man.” Have we ever prayed that we will grow individually in this way? From a young age Jesus was intent on doing His *Father's business*. This should also be our desire—our purpose in life. Having a defined purpose will bolster us to our shelter, the Lord, when the storms come.

Are you preparing for the storms? Do you have a clear vision or purpose? If not, why not? Maybe you could write down what you are doing currently, and then write down what you plan to do to carry out God's will for your life and your family. Mark Batterson in his book, *Play the Man*, writes, “You don't combat sin by not sinning. You need a vision that is bigger and better than sin.” When the Lord and His will are the defining vision and purpose for our lives, it will show through how we weather the storms. Worldly fame, worldly success, power, and wealth will never in and of themselves prepare us adequately for the adversities of life. Heeding the words of 1 Corinthians 16:13, we will “stand fast in the faith” and “act like men” who are strong if we have prepared for the storms.

In His Service, Covey