

Charlie's Corner

“Back to School Basics” – I was reading a devotion this week by a writer named, Marshall Segal and he was giving 5 Back to School Basics. I think they apply to students of all ages and great for classrooms in all locations.

1. **Thinking May Be the Most Critical Thing we Ever Do** – We go to school to learn how to think, not to pass tests. For a Christian, whatever we do, read, write, math, work, play ... the Apostle Paul says in I Corinthians 10:31, “that whatever we do, do it to the Glory of God.”
2. **The Most Important Book You Will Read this Fall is the Bible** – When we have assigned reading or if our calendars get full, we tend to neglect our daily time in the Word.
3. **Someone Younger Than You, Needs You** – God always places people in our path that we can be a mentor to. Use your gift of encouragement to help someone on their journey. Thank goodness, Barnabas encouraged Paul, who encouraged Timothy.
4. **Comparison in the Classroom can be the Birthplace of Pride** – James 4:6 says, “God opposes the proud”.

Beloved, that’s enough to know that pride is dangerous, really dangerous. No one who opposes God survives, much less wins. Pride can destroy and defile us.

5. **Only the Gospel Saves Everyone, even “A” Students** – No matter what your Report Card says or what your GPA is; all of us are gonna miss the mark and fail at something this semester. We’ll lose our patience with our friends, family, or roommate and we’ll act badly. Thankfully, God provided a way for salvation and redemption for us – his name is Jesus.

“Blessing of the Backpacks” – I want to encourage our students of all ages (preschool to College) bring their backpacks or book bags this Sunday. Maria will have a tag to give to our children during the Children’s Sermon; but we’ll have tags for our older students as well.

For our older students, the tags will be a great conversation starter to share about your faith. You don’t have to come up to the steps, Maria can give you those after church.

“Community-Wide Back to School Party” – The Aliceville City Council and many of our local churches are sponsoring a “Back to School” Party, this Saturday out at the City Park Gazebo. There will be free food, live Praise and Gospel music, free school supplies, and lots of fun. This will be a great time for the Aliceville community to come together. Remember it’s this Saturday, August 6th starting at 5pm.

I look forward to seeing you for Sunday School and worship this weekend.

Blessings,
Charlie



We are hoping to pack 500 boxes again this year at our packing party. We are short of some of the staple items. (Covid has hindered everyone from shopping as much.) Again, this year, we are asking for monetary donations to ensure that we reach our goal of 500 boxes. We will order these items in bulk through wholesalers. Any donations are appreciated. You can write a check to the church and add “FOR OCC” at the bottom of check on the memo line.



Be in prayer for our students, teachers and educational workers as they began a New School Year next week.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

AUGUST 11TH

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Hostesses:

Ann Harris & Carol McKinzey

Our Record



Sunday School: 83
Offering: \$11,058.07



August

- 1...Bryan Potts
- 6...Ella Craker & Kevin Potts
- 8...Abby Smart
- 9...Jean Spiller
- 13...Phil Fikes
- 17...Kathy Colvin
- 20...Cindy Lewis
Shan Schoenrock
- 22...Betty Cameron
- 22...Josh Lewis
- 23...Carleigh Cameron
- 27...Lori Fikes
- 27...Walt Russell
- 31...Libby Strawn

Calendar

Sunday, August 8

- 9:45... Sunday School
- 11:00... Worship Service
- 12:00...Deacons Meeting

Wednesday August 11

6:00 Fellowship Meal

Hostesses:

Ann Harris
Carol McKinzey

- 6:45...Youth
- 6:45...Bible Buddies
- 6:45... Prayer Meeting



Deacons of the Week

John Cameron
Cody Burkhalter

Deacon for August

Chase Gentry

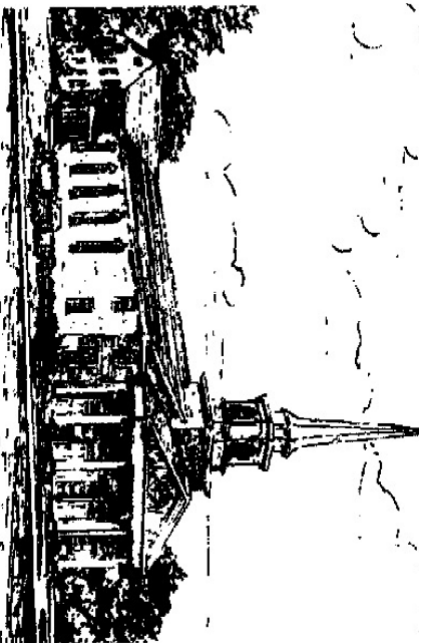
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