



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 1 Willing Workers
- April 3 Vicki Lynn concert
- April 5 Teacher Training
- April 7-11 Meals on Wheels
- April 17 Seniors' Luncheon in Mt. Vernon
- April 20 Elders' meeting
- April 27 Board Meeting
- April 28 Kingdom Builders
- April 30 Bob Larson speaking



Sermon Titles

- April 6 "Lookin' Good!"
Matthew 5:27-30
- April 13 "Keep Your Word"
Matthew 5:31-37
- April 20 "The Other Way"
Matthew 5:38-42
- April 27 "But He Started It"
Matthew 5:43-48



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Darrel Brandon, Minister Phone 676-1164
Linda Schnepfer, Music Director Phone 689-3282
Caralyn Riley, Youth Director Phone 508-4164

Sunday: 9 AM Bible School for all ages
10 AM Morning Worship Service
6 PM Youth Program (age 3 - grade 3)
7 PM Evening Service & Youth (grades 4-8)
Wednesday: 6 PM Youth Program (age 3 - grade 3)
7 PM Adult Bible Study & Youth (grades 4-8)

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Date: April 5th
Time: 9 am - 2 pm
Trainer: Bob Monts
Lincoln Christian College

OOPS! Please note we had the wrong starting time in last month's newsletter.

Phone 618-676-1164 with your reservation by March 31st so we can know how many to plan for. A light lunch will be provided.

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Clay City Christian Church Hosts

KINGDOM BUILDERS

April 28
7 pm

Speaker:

Dr. Nash Naam

(speaking on the persecution of our brothers and sisters in Christ in other parts of the world)



this is a family service and all are invited refreshments will be served

Vicki Lynn Concert

April 3 at 7 p.m.

an evening of Gospel music

free will offering received



Attendance	
March 2	86
March 9	74
March 16	80
March 23	117

From Darrel's Desk

The old saying is that April showers bring May flowers. Another old saying has to do with saving for a rainy day. The first saying speaks of perspective and the second speaks of preparation.



I don't know for sure how these sayings originated but I'm pretty sure they equate rain with bad times or challenges. I think the sage advise is that we are to put aside what we can now for the times to come when we will really need to draw on those reserves.

And I presume that during the challenging times, we are to remind ourselves that, just as April showers bring May flowers, so some good will come from these troublesome times.

Well, it seems like it has been raining a lot lately. Troublesome times, difficult days and challenging changes seem to have assaulted us all. The wise person is the one who has prepared for this ahead of time.

Jesus taught about preparation. He told a parable about a wise man and a foolish man who both built houses. Both houses were hit with storms. The wise man had built on a firm foundation. Jesus said that the only firm foundation is his word. I hope you have prepared for the stormy days by grounding your life on the Word of God.

While that speaks to preparation, the Bible also speaks to perspective. Paul wrote in II Corinthians 4:17, "For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all." We need to remind ourselves that our troubles are accomplishing something: eternal glory.

Esther Kerr Rosthoi wrote:

"It will be worth it all
 When we see Jesus,
 Life's trials will seem so small
 When we see Christ;
 One glimpse of His dear face
 All sorrow will erase,
 So bravely run the race
 'Til we see Christ.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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|----|--------------------------|----|----------------------|
| 3 | Larry & Michele Anderson | 15 | Courtney Travis |
| 7 | Loretta Wilder | 20 | Paul Schnepfer |
| 8 | Marilyn Patridge | 22 | Michele Anderson |
| 10 | Richard & Ruth Herdes | 24 | Faith Snell |
| 13 | Sierra Roberts | 26 | Bill & Elinor Staser |
| 14 | Gary Schnepfer | 29 | Amy Thornton |



I want to thank you for the candle, and to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, calls, or anything you did for us while I was in St. Johns and at home. Especially Darrel and Sandy for being with us.
June Thomas



Thanks so much for the candle. I'll think of all of you when I burn it. It will sure smell good through the house.
*Joann Herdes and the family
 family of Mary Gray*

Thank you all for your thoughts, prayers, kind words, and the cards. I am grateful for our church family and friends.
 God bless,
*Crystal, Faith, Hunter Snell and
 Matthew Hostettler*

To my friends at Clay City Christian Church,
 Thank you for your cards, thoughts and prayers. Please keep me in your prayers as I pray for all of you.
Love, Geneva Wilson

Thank you to all who gave so generously to our special Easter offering. At this time, \$8,288.00 has been received towards our \$10,000 goal.



May 1st
 at Clay City
 Christian Church

In His Service for April				
	6	13	20	27
Greeters	Women's class	Seekers class	New Life class	Women's class
Pastoral Prayer	Darrel Brandon	Bill Staser	Gary Clark	Darrel Brandon
Reading at the Lord's Table	Gary Clark	Darrel Brandon	Bill Staser	Dan Patridge
Communion Preparation	Marilyn Patridge			
Communion to the sick	Dan Patridge			