# MESSENGER

**AUGUST 2019** 

### What Does It Mean To Be a Disciple?

by Dr. Jody Bowser, Senior Pastor



... if we don't really know what it means to be a disciple—how can we confidently affirm that we ARE one?

Let's start off with a little Bible quiz. How do you answer these three questions:

- 1. What is the "Golden Rule"?
- 2. What is the "Great Command"?
- 3. What is the "Great Commission"?

OK, now let's see how you did.

The term "Golden Rule" doesn't actually appear in the Bible. It's a phrase that has come to be attached to a verse in "The Sermon on the Mount" (Matthew 5-7)—specifically Matthew 7:12, "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets." Jesus knew the human heart and its selfishness. This "rule" provides a standard that naturally selfish people can evaluate their actions: actively treat other people the way they themselves like to be treated.

Jesus DID actually use the phrase "Greatest Commandment." In Matthew 22:36-40, a religious leader approached Jesus and asked Him, "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the law?" Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself."

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So how are you doing on the quiz? Are you two for two?

The third question deals with the "Great Commission." And for a third time, the answer comes out of the Gospel of Matthew. Much like the "Golden Rule," the term "Great Commission" doesn't actually appear in the text (although it is the heading that appears over Matthew 28:16-20). These are the last words that Jesus spoke to His disciples and they articulate in very clear and direct words the JOB

## What does it mean to be a disciple? ... I'm going to do everything in my power to help you answer this question.

that Jesus was giving them to do. "Go," Jesus said, "and make disciples of all nations." Wow—talk about a big job! This is a massive task on a global scale. These 11 disciples (as is stated in verse 16) are being commissioned by Jesus to go (I hope you like to travel!) into every village and city and country on planet earth, and "do unto" others what Jesus has been doing with them. They are to MAKE disciples in the same way that Jesus has MADE them disciples.

It's important to note some other things about this commissioning. One, they are going with the AUTHORITY of Jesus. It's actually difficult to completely wrap your mind around what this means. It makes me think of law enforcement officers who carry a badge and have authority to take control of any situation. Jesus gives the disciples this kind of authority on a global scale. Secondly, the specific job is to baptize and teach. This is the work of evangelizing (bringing people to faith) and educating (teaching people the Word). Thirdly, Jesus encourages them with the reassurance that they are never alone. Jesus promises to always be with them and this would continue to be true up until the moment when Jesus physically returns to this earth at the very end of the age.

So that's it. That's the quiz. How did you score? Even if you didn't get 100%, my hope is that you'll remember these things moving forward.

But I want to add a fourth question. I think it's very possible to get these first three questions right—and still not have a good answer to this fourth question. Here it is: What does it mean to be a disciple?

I suppose the 11 disciples that received the Great Commission would have had a good answer to this question. They had just spent three years with Jesus BECOMING disciples. Jesus is simply commanding them to go and do unto others what Jesus has done unto them. But here we are 2000 years later. I'm afraid there's a lot that gets lost in translation so to speak. We become so accustomed to the phrase "make disciples," that we don't really have any clue what it actually means.

For many years, Pastor Don Baker has led our Partnership Class (or Membership Class). It has been his habit to begin the class by asking two questions. The first question is simply: "Are you a Christian?" As would be expected in a membership class, every hand goes up. Don then asks a second question: "Are you a disciple of Jesus?" What do you think happens? A smattering of hands go halfway up. Rarely, if ever, does someone shoot their hand up to affirm that, yes, they are a disciple of Jesus.

Why do you think that is? I think the primary reason is that we don't really know what it means to be a disciple. And if we don't really know what it means to be a disciple—how can we confidently affirm that we are one? And worse yet—how can we ever go about MAKING disciples if we don't have any clue what it even means to be one?

I'm going to do everything in my power to help you answer this fourth question. Beginning September 8, I will be leading us through a three-month series here at King Street that I'm calling "Bet The Farm On Discipleship." We'll be talking about discipleship in very specific and practical terms. Included in this will be a

### KING STREET CHURCH

Mission Statement: Engaging and blessing our community with the Gospel.

We believe that becoming a transformed disciple of Jesus involves three core values:

Spiritually Alive in Jesus Relationally Connected by Jesus Missionally Engaged for Jesus

Who are you worshiping? Who is your community? Who are you serving?

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September 2019 *Messenger* Deadline Articles and information for the September 2019

Articles and information for the September 2019 issue should be submitted by August 21.

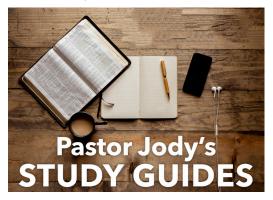
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vision for discipleship that lies at the very heart of what we believe God wants to accomplish in all of our lives in these upcoming years.

It's exciting. It's vitally important. And, it's exactly what Jesus has sent us to do!

## Delve deeper into the Sunday messages with



Each week Pastor Jody writes questions and thoughts that aid in deeper study of the Sunday morning message. Download them for personal study or in your Sunday school class/small group. You can find the guides on our website, www.kingstreetchurch.com under "Watch & Read." They are available every Friday afternoon. Paper copies are also available in the lobbies.



Offering goes to our elementary outreach ministry.

## Back-to-School Backpack Giveaway

by Jeanie Helman Children's Outreach Coordinator



Can you believe that it's time again to think of going back to school? Unbelievable...but there are over 450 book bags here waiting to be filled! Last year over 460 children in 167 families were blessed by the generosity and hard work of many people in our

church. Here is a list of what will be needed for this year:

- 250 pencil boxes
- 750 glue sticks
- 500 pocket folders
- 2700 pencils
- 400 pens
- 250 sets of markers
- 660 highlighters

- 200 spiral bound notebooks
- 600 1" binder or 200 3" binders
- 200 packs of notebook paper
- 200 scientific calculators

Please prayerfully consider using this opportunity to engage and bless our community. Cards will be on display July 14—August 4. You will have two options: choose a card for an age group to fill a whole bag (list of supplies are on the back of the card) or pull card(s) to buy specific supplies. Over the years I have been asked what is needed most and it would be supplies to fill whole bags, especially for the upper grades. Our goal is to have 300 people buy supplies to fill a book bag. Have fun and be sure to pray for those who will receive a bag.

Don't want to buy supplies? Monetary donations are always accepted and appreciated! We will use that money to buy additional supplies to fill the bags. Other ways to help are organizing the supplies, stuffing book bags on August 7 or helping with distribution on August 8. All leftover school supplies were donated to Ben Chambers Elementary, Stevens Elementary and CAMS last year.

Thank you in advance for loving our neighborhood children!



### **Vacation Bible School Report**

by Michaela Olson Elementary Coordinator



We held our annual Vacation Bible School June 23-26. This year, we went "To Mars and Beyond" to learn that with God, we can go "beyond" with faith, boldness, hope, kindness and thankfulness. We had an average of 265 children each night

in preschool and elementary. Each night the elementary kids did a service project. Flipflops were decorated for Operation Christmas Child, "thank you" cards were made for local police and firefighters, who keep us safe every





day, and kindness gift bags were prepared for people who are battling physical ailments. Some of our local police force, firemen and community members who are in the healing process have already been blessed by the gifts created by our elementary kids this year at VBS. Preschool and elementary kids brought in offering each evening that benefited Beautiful Family Ministry in India. The kids raised over \$2700 for people with leprosy in India. It was great to see the many smiles and the excitement kids had each night to learn about God and to



be engaged in His Word. This ministry would not have been possible without all the amazing people of all ages who helped us create, decorate and organize to prepare for VBS and those who served each night of VBS. Thank you to all who made VBS possible!







## Once More Ministries Report

Once More Ministry's next distribution will be held on September 14, 2019.

Thanks to your donations, Once More Ministries is able to reach our neighbors with the Gospel along with a generous gift of toiletries. This blessing is not possible without your prayers and continued support and contributions.

OMM volunteers are preparing for the upcoming distribution and our store room is again being restocked with your donations.

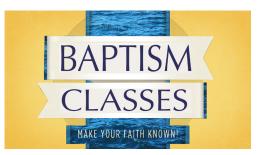
We are in continuous need of the following items:

- Toilet paper (individually wrapped or small multi pack)
- Paper towels (individually wrapped or small multi pack)
- Feminine products
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Deodorant (men's and women's)
- Dish soap
- Bar soap
- · Laundry detergent
- Fabric Softener
- Toothpaste
- Tissues
- Razors

Thank you for your support of this life changing ministry!

We serve an awesome God. All praise and glory to our Lord and Savior.

Thank you, OMM



### Sundays, August 4 and 11 Connection Hub

following each worship service



Sunday, September 1 as part of our

as part of our evening church picnic

### The Band of Brothers Men's Ministry is hosting our ...











This will be a great time to get to know other families here at King Street Church.

Watch for sign-up details coming soon.

# Meet Our Ministry Partner: Coalition for Christian Outreach



The last week of each month we are going to spotlight one of our partner ministries by inviting them to set up tables in the sanctuary and Baker Center lobbies.

On August 25 Coalition for Christian Outreach, a college campus ministry at Shippensburg University, will be featured. Some information on CCO is below.

#### **About Coalition for Christian Outreach**

"The CCO calls college students to serve Jesus Christ with their entire lives.

- We share the Gospel with students and develop passionate disciples of Jesus Christ.
- We serve together with the church and invite students into the lives of local congregations.
- We give students a vision for serving Jesus Christ in their studies, jobs, communities and families."

#### **Our Vision Statement**

"Our vision is to see a generation of college students transformed by the power

of Jesus Christ and His Gospel, in partnership with the local church, reaching the world for the glory of God.

Students in CCO ministries reflect the greatness of God's Kingdom people from every tribe, nation, and tongue, saved out of sin and death, empowered by the Holy Spirit to live out the public implications of their personal transformation in every sphere of life. They love Jesus intimately, view the world biblically, live obediently, join in Christ's restoration of all things and invite others to do the same.

They become the next generation of leaders in the Church for the life of the world. Our communities are deeply changed because, in and through this generation of college students, the world meets the living Christ.

In the midst of national and global cultural turmoil, changing demographics in the church and a shrinking presence of faith on college campuses, we find the Lord calling us to a time of new growth in the CCO."

#### Our Strategic Plan

"Churches from across the country, and even the world, have realized the need for direct ministry to college students—the next generation of leaders in the church for the life of the world. These churches are inviting us in record numbers to partner with them to reach college students.

Our strategic plan outlines our vision to see a generation of college students transformed by the power of Jesus Christ and His Gospel, in partnership with the local church, reaching the world for the glory of God.

Make a point to stop by on Sunday, August 25 to visit one of the tables and learn more about their work in our community to the glory of God."

## Serving in Love with the Chambersburg Project!

by Faith Frank Communications Intern



The Chambersburg Project took place July 14-19. Students from KSC served alongside other teens to love people in our community. They helped people who weren't in a place to help themselves, by repairing houses and landscaping. They also interacted with the

homeowners and showed them the love of Christ. In this way, the Chambersburg Project serves the community both physically and spiritually.

There was a total of 66 students and 45 adults serving this year at the Chambersburg Project. Of those people, 28 students and nine adults were from King Street Church. The 11 teams ended up helping at more than 40 job sites, each one representing a family.

The Chambersburg Project is a great way to engage and bless our community! The stu-

dents who served really cared about helping others and they lived out their faith by putting others first. The students brought joy to the homeowners as they made serving more than just physical labor. We are looking forward to next summer for the students to serve the community again!







Chambersburg Project volunteers

## The Shoebox Supply House Is Now Open

### by Rick Bradford Shoebox Supply House Volunteer

The time to pack shoeboxes is fast approaching. Operation Christmas Child's Collection Week is November 18–25. Over 168 million shoebox Christmas presents have been delivered to needy children overseas since 1993, but each year there are too few shoeboxes and too many children who do not receive one. Come to the Shoebox Supply House—we'll help you pack more shoeboxes.

The Shoebox Supply House, a non-profit partner ministry of Operation Christmas Child,



Exterior view of the Shoebox Supply House

is now open at 208 Lurgan Avenue in Shippensburg. The expressed purpose of the Shoebox Supply House is to multiply the number of shoeboxes packed by providing inexpensive items for children's shoeboxes. A wide array of products is available; many are fun and colorful. Others like t-shirts, combs and toothbrushes are very practical. Many folks from up and down the east coast have already come to fill their boxes.

The Shoebox Supply House is staffed by

many retired volunteers who invest their time, making these products available. Younger adults and youth groups have visited to better understand how the process works, help to make school kits, fold t-shirts, bag pencils and fold socks. Several Sunday school classes and other church groups are scheduling times to help as well. It is a great place to share your time and talents.



Shoeboxes ready to be filled.

The more shoeboxes we ship, the more opportunities there will be to share the Gospel message with children around the world. After receiving shoebox gifts, many children are invited back to participate in a discipleship program, *The Greatest Journey*. Through this 12-lesson course, which includes Bible stories and Scripture memorization, they learn how to



Shoebox Supply House volunteers

follow Christ in their daily lives as they share Him with friends and family. We trust during this shoebox packing season you will find ways to bless children. We hope to play a part in helping you do that.

Please contact Rick Bradford for more information: jbradford01@comcast.net or 717.504.9594. Below are calendars with dates and times whenever the Shoebox Supply House is open during August and September.

SHOEBOX SUPPLY HOUSE CALENDAR:	AUGUST, 2019
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#### SHOEBOX SUPPLY HOUSE CALENDAR: SEPTEMBER, 2019

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## SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

for Emily Schoenleber

Saturday, September 14

Baker Center
5 – 7 p.m.

Cost is by donation

Menu:

Spaghetti with Marinara Sauce, Salad, Rolls and a Variety of Desserts

Please sign up in the Rotz and Baker lobbies

This is a great chance to enjoy a delicious dinner and invest in a young missionary from our church.



Emily has been serving on staff with Circuit Riders, a division of Youth with a Mission (YWAM) and will share about her experiences at 6 p.m.

## AUGUST 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
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Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1, NRSV

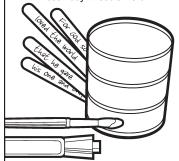
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WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	9:15 a.m. Exercise Class (SMC)	3
10:00 a.m. Back-to-School Backpack Giveaway Preparation 7:00 p.m. Summer Street Meeting	8 3:30 p.m. Back-to-School Backpack Give- away Distribution	9:15 a.m. Exercise Class (SMC)	10
14	15	9:15 a.m. Exercise Class (SMC)	17
21	22	9:15 a.m. Exercise Class (SMC)	24
28	29	9:15 a.m. Exercise Class (SMC)	31

## **JUST FOR KIDS**

Play this memory game to start each day in God's Word.



#### What you need:

- Paint and paint brushes
- Stickers
- An empty, clean tin canPermanent marker
- Bible
- Wooden craft sticks

#### What you do:

- 1. Paint and decorate the outside of the can.
- 2. With marker, write a Bible verse on several sticks (only two or three words per stick).
- 3. Put the sticks in the can, and set it in a spot you'll see daily. As you eat or brush your teeth, practice unscrambling the verse and placing sticks in the correct order.
- 4. When you've memorized the verse, repeat with a new one.

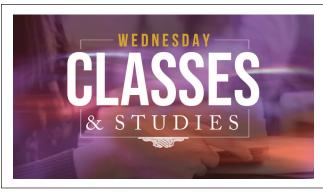
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## **KSC STUDENT MINISTRY EVENTS**





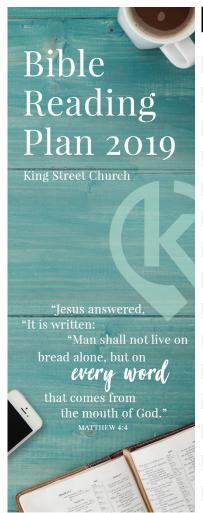


## SAVE the DATE

## **Wednesday classes**

are expected to begin on Wednesday, September 4.

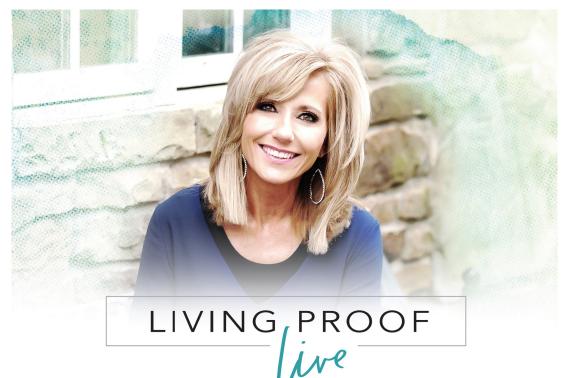
A full list should be available in mid-August, with sign-ups available on our website.



### **AUGUST**

1	Job 1-2	Proverbs 17:1-7	1 Thessalonians 1
2	Job 3-4	Prov. 17:8-14	1 Thess. 2:1-12
3	Job 5-6	Prov. 17:15-21	1 Thess. 2:13-20
4	Job 7-8	Prov. 17:22-28	1 Thess. 3
5	Job 9-10	Prov. 18:1-6	1 Thess. 4
6	Job 11-12	Prov. 18:7-12	1 Thess. 5:1-11
7	Job 13-14	Prov. 18:13-18	1 Thess. 5:12-28
8	Job 15-16	Prov. 18:19-24	2 Thessalonians 1
9	Job 17-18	Prov. 19:1-7	2 Thess. 2:1-12
10	Job 19-20	Prov. 19:8-14	2 Thess. 2:13—3:5
11	Job 21-22	Prov. 19:15-22	2 Thess. 3:6-18
12	Job 23-24	Prov. 19:23-29	1 Tim. 1:1-11
13	Job 25-26	Prov. 20:1-7	1 Tim. 1:12-20
14	Job 27-28	Prov. 20:8-14	1 Tim. 2
	Job 29-30	Prov. 20:15-22	1 Tim. 3
16	Job 31-32	Prov. 20:23-30	1 Tim. 4
17	Job 33-34	Prov. 21:1-8	1 Tim. 5:1-16
18	Job 35-36	Prov. 21:9-16	1 Tim. 5:17—6:2
19	Job 37-38	Prov. 21:17-24	1 Tim. 6:3-10
20	Job 39-40	Prov. 21:25-31	1 Tim. 6:11-21
21	Job 41-42	Prov. 22:1-8	2 Tim. 1:1-7
22	Ecclesiastes 1-2	Prov. 22:9-16	2 Tim. 1:8-18
23	Ecc. 3-4	Prov. 22:17-29	2 Tim. 2:1-13
24	Ecc. 5-6	Prov. 23:1-9	2 Tim. 2:14-26
25	Ecc. 7-8	Prov. 23:10-16	2 Tim. 3:1-9
26	Ecc. 9-10	Prov. 23:17-25	2 Tim. 3:10—4:5
27		Prov. 23:26-35	2 Tim. 4:6-22
28	Song of Songs 1-2	Prov. 24:1-10	Titus 1
29	Song 3-4	Prov. 24:11-22	Titus 2
30	Song 5-6	Prov. 24:23-29	Titus 3
31	Song 7-8	Prov. 24:30-34	Philemon

## KSC-Women's MINISTRY





### with BETH MOORE

Worship with TRAVIS COTTRELL

Theme for 2019: "Strong Sisters," with Scripture from Proverbs 31

Save the date for the Beth Moore Simulcast which we will host on **Saturday, September 28 in the Baker Center.** 

Details will be available soon.

Make plans now to attend this inspiring women's event.

## PRIMETIMERS UPDATES

### September

## Minibus Tour of Antietam Battlefield and Boonsboro Washington Monument

- Wednesday, September 18
- Departure time: <u>7:30 a.m.</u> from Weis parking lot (Note time change)
- Cost: \$22
- Final payment/cancellation date: August 18
- Bus tour of the battlefield with a step-onquide
- See the first Washington Monument in the nation via a 10–15 minute walk up a gentle incline on gravel
- Bring an umbrella if chance of rain
- Lunch at your own expense at "Bonnie's @ The Red Byrd"
- Three openings available

#### October

## Bollman Bus Trip: Pennsylvania Grand Canyon and More

**CANCELED** 

#### November

## Bollman Bus Trip to American Music Theater "Joy to the World"

- Wednesday, November 13
- Departure time: 9:30 a.m. from Weis parking lot
- Cost: \$97
- Includes a lunch buffet at Bird in Hand Restaurant
- Due Date/Cancellation Date: October 2

#### December

#### **December Christmas Luncheon**

- Wednesday, December 11
- 12:00 Noon (Arrive a few minutes early)
- Kauffman Ruritan Club and Community Center, 7289 Ruritan Drive, Chambersburg (Note location change)
- Menu: Oven-roasted chicken, baked ham, green beans with ham, mashed potatoes with gravy, applesauce, pepper slaw, rolls, cake, ice cream and coffee
- We will take the minibus for a limited number of folks who cannot drive.
- More details, directions and cost will be in the September Messenger.
- To sign up, make checks payable to KSC
   PrimeTimers and mail to Frances Humelsine,
   408 Benjamin Drive, Chambersburg, PA 17201.
   Include a note with your name, address, phone
   number, e-mail, check amount, date and for
   which event(s) you are paying, if not sending a
   sign-up sheet.
- Deposits at time of sign up: Day trip \$10;
   Overnight Trip \$50.
- Call Frances Humelsine at 717-263-8633 for more information.
- Cancellation Policy: The final sign up /final payment date and cancellation date are all the same date. There is NO refund of deposits or final payments after this date. If you have to cancel after this date, you will need to find a replacement unless there is a waiting list.
- All trips will depart from Weis parking lot on Wayne Avenue, Chbg. Arrive BEFORE Departure time.
- All PrimeTimers trips and events are open to all adults, including non-KSC attendees.

## **Outreach and Relationships**

by Faith Frank Communications Intern



This summer King Street Church has an intern in a new position, Local and Global Outreach. Quintin Graves was the candidate chosen for the role. He has been working with pastors Jay Brown and Don Baker. I was able to interview Quintin about

his internship experience.

One of the ministries he has been working with is our Agape English Ministry. Agape English helps to teach members of the community how to speak and read English. Quintin quickly learned that, "Even in small town set-



Sue Marshall, Agape English Ministries Coordinator, working with some of her students.

tings there is a very diverse world." He admires that people really have a heart for serving at King Street and in Chambersburg. Quintin has made many relationships just by serving alongside the Agape Ministry. He is inspired by long-time volunteer and recent church hire, Sue Marshall, who is now the official Agape English Ministries Coordinator. Quintin appreciates how her love for God and His children overflows into anyone she comes into contact with.

Quintin noticed that many of those who do not know English do not know where to get help and they lack the confidence to reach out for help. Agape English gives confidence to all those who enter the program. Volunteers go beyond simply teaching English. They also help to translate bills and government documents, especially for those who are seeking to become





citizens. They help parents to register their children for school, communicate with landlords/realtors and help to get cheaper health care options. As Agape English helps people get steady on their feet, they teach them English so that they are able to gain that confidence in the community around them.

Quintin has learned through his internship that the most important part of outreach is relationships. Proper outreach needs to have healthy relationships to walk alongside one another. Quintin states that, "Outreach needs to be from love and the love we represent from lesus."

He also witnessed this kind of love in three of our other outreach ministry partners: Circles, NETwork Ministries and Celebrate Recovery. Circles is a ministry that helps to support families who are seeking to overcome poverty. They pair participants who are struggling with allies who are financially stable. The allies are able to come alongside the participants and give guidance. Quintin was able to relate to those in the Circles because he had a similar experience growing up. The difference was that he did not know of a group like Circles who could come alongside his family. He is inspired that there are ministries like Circles, that are there for people who are working hard to make a better life for themselves.

Celebrate Recovery meets on Monday nights in the SMC at 6:30 p.m. and Quintin says about CR, "I love being part of a ministry where the sole focus is saying, 'Hey, bring your hurts, habits, and hang ups, bring your brokenness, bring your doubts, fears, and convictions, and let's lay that in God's abundant grace together. That's beautiful!"

The hardest part of outreach is experiencing emotions because outreach is dealing with people. Quintin has experienced struggles and joy with this internship. He is learning that God will break your heart for what breaks His if you ask Him. Outreach is walking alongside people and being there for them through it all. Quintin remarks, "We invite God to bring a lot of vulnerability, humility and heartache into our lives when working with people in outreach, but really these are just blessings that help us see the heart of God and feel what He is feeling. I love experiencing that daily."

After interviewing Quintin I see that he has a passion for serving others. He loves the people he comes in contact with and he cares deeply for their needs. He is an inspiration to us as we observe his growth with this internship, even if most of his work is done behind the scenes.

## **God Works Through Russia Trip**

by Quintin Graves Outreach Intern



In June King Street took a missions team led by John Smith to Ivanovo, Russia to work with Orphan's Tree Ministry. In Russia Orphan's Tree is an organization that helps to teach young adults, unadopted orphans, how to live whole and successful lives.

One member of the team, Andrea Mowen, was heavily impacted by her trip to Russia. Leading up to the trip, God was working in Andrea's life; she saw the



Members of the Russia Missions Team

Russia video and felt a conviction to go. She prayed about it and after talking to family, she told them, "I need to go to Russia." The Lord has only continued to bring peace and joy from that choice.

Being adopted herself, Andrea was really impacted by the thought that these orphans had a sense of once you're an orphan, you're always an orphan. This is something that is on her heart daily and she remembers this as she prays for each child in Orphan's Tree's care. Andrea says she also remembers Ephesians 1:4-5 (NLT), where it states, "God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure." This really exemplifies that God has adopted us as his children and none of us, especially orphans, are truly alone because of this.

Andrea loved the relational focus of the trip because she simply loves people. She was able to bond with students, Orphan's Tree staff and other members on the team in very deep ways. Andrea loved getting close to the team and continues to meet with them regularly to talk about each other's lives and how the trip



A group of students involved in the Orphan's Tree program.

has had an impact on them. She is able to keep tabs on some of the children through email with the Orphan's Tree, especially a young, nine year old boy she really bonded with and came to love him like a son.

She said she was also impacted by Orphan's Tree's loving staff and is in the process of planning a Thirty-One party to be able to send bags to all the staff at Orphan's Tree. Andrea recalls, "I bought a Thirty-One backpack with an "M" on it for the trip. Once I got to Russia, I met the director of the Ivanovo Ministry whose name was Marina. Marina loved my bag and so I gave it to her at the end of our trip to say

thanks for all she did for us. When I got home, Thirty-One sent me a second backpack with an "M" because of a misorder and I knew the Lord was up to something."

After only a few short months, Andrea longs to go back and be with the people in Russia. She states that she hopes to make a trip yearly to visit Orphan's Tree in Ivanovo, but she jokes, "My husband might think otherwise." She loves to talk about her experience here in the States, and she loves to find new ways, like her Thirty-One party, to impact the Orphan's Tree Ministry because it impacted her so much.

When I asked her to give advice to anyone that might be on the edge of going on an international trip, she stated, "Trust God. I never felt afraid the whole time I was on the trip or before." Andrea felt constant peace through the entire process of the trip because she knew that's right where God wanted her.

If you feel that God is calling you to serve through a Russia trip or any of the other international missions opportunities, please email Pastor Jay Brown at jbrown@kschurch.org for more information.



### Sunday, August 18

Our children and students will be moving up to their next class or grade.

Parents, be sure to check your child's check-in tag for their new classroom assignment and allow extra time to get your child to their space. Thanks!



Mom2Mom is a group for moms of infants, toddlers and young elementary children. Childcare is provided so we can focus on building relationships and growing together in faith and the journey of motherhood. Our group meets here at King Street, every other Thursday, from 9:30–11 a.m. and runs September–May.

We meet in a large group to share refreshments before splitting into small groups to discuss a short devotional and share about our lives. We would love to have you. If you are interested in signing up for 2019–2020, please contact Jen Sherald at jenny.sherald@comcast.net.

To help our group run smoothly, we are also looking for childcare volunteers. We need help on meeting days from 9:15–11:15 a.m., and are looking for people who can help twice a month, once a month or anyone who is willing to be a substitute. You will need your clearances, but we can help you obtain them. There is a \$10 stipend per meeting, if desired. If you are willing to help, in any capacity, please e-mail Jen (e-mail listed above).

## Qu@tes of the Week

Each week we post a "Quote of the Week" on the KSC's Facebook and Instagram accounts. This quote is most often taken from the Sunday sermon or Pastor Jody will choose a Scripture verse or quote from another author. Be blessed as you consider these important words of wisdom.

"Because Jesus is alive and has sent the Holy Spirit, you and I have great power to proclaim Christ no matter the shortcomings of our past."

Pastor Adam Keath, June 30, 2019



"The good news is that Jesus died for your sins, comes back from the dead, offers you forgiveness and says come and die with me so you can find your life in me. This is the invitation of the Gospel. It is letting Christ live in you.

This is the hope we have." **Pastor John Shadle, July 7, 2019** 



"So how do you know who to trust and what to believe? How do you keep from getting lost?

- 1. The Word!
- 2. The Holy Spirit.
- 3. Wise Godly Counsel."

Pastor Jody Bowser, July 14, 2019



"The invitation stands. Jesus is calling you. The door is open. But it might not be open tomorrow. And if you miss it, you miss everything."

Pastor Jody Bowser, July 21, 2019



### K and RW

July 9, 2019

#### (Returning in the Middle East)

We are so thankful for all of you, your words of encouragement and your prayers for our current situation. We believe we have seen an answer to prayer this morning before leaving for the Middle East. Just as we woke, we received a document from the government which clarifies that *K* cannot get back into the country where we served without a special visa issued by the government.

*K* has not been banned, but he has been put into a category that requires special permission for re-entry. We believe that he will be permitted to enter the country for only a short time. Therefore he is staying behind today and will apply for this visa from the country's consulate here in the USA. Meanwhile *R* flies back to close down our apartment. Pray that all of that business would go easily and well.

Pray for *R*'s safe trip. Pray that *K* will be granted the visa and that the visa will be for a full three months (the maximum that can be given).

We are most likely going to open a court case to get this code expunged, but the result will come in a few years. Pray for us as we seek His will; we want to stay working where we served as missionaries for as long as we can, even if it means via technology.

## **Emily and Bryan Gerlach**

July 23, 2019

### (Serving in Thailand with TEAM Global Missions)

#### The Whirlwind Tour

We made it back to the US and the kids did great on the long trip. Since then, we have spent nights in PA, NC, SC, GA, AL, IN, and MI. It has gone as well as can be expected, which is to say that there have been some bumps along the road, but we are all in one piece. We will be returning to PA at the end of July, fairly busy through August and September will see us settling into a farmhouse in PA for the fall.

It has been so amazing to be able to spend time with family and dear friends. We have also had the opportunity to connect with some supporting churches and feel blessed to be so loved.

We had a good meeting with the TEAM finance department which resulted in us not needing to raise quite as much before we return home. However, we do still have some significant financial needs, so please pray for that and consider donating if the Lord puts it on your heart. For those who we have not seen yet, we can't wait to connect with you! Please keep praying for us!

#### **Praises:**

- We made it back to the USA!
- Cool Shade of Life is purchasing land!
- It has been so much fun to see family and close friends.

#### **Prayer Requests**

- For us to stay healthy in this time of travel and transition.
- For Jameson to be able to adjust to all the change.
- We need to raise additional ministry support before we can return to Thailand.
- For CSL to be able to raise money to purchase land.



