

# MESSENGER

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## I Could Never Do That! Embracing the Call to Make Disciples

by Dr. Jody Bowser, Senior Pastor



**I envision a day  
when all of us are  
wholeheartedly  
embracing the call to  
make disciples.**

Most of us—and by “us” I mean anyone reading this—are familiar with the Great Commission. We find it in the very last chapter of Matthew, when Jesus commands us—and by “us” I mean the eleven apostles as well as all disciples throughout the generations—to go and make disciples of all nations. Nod your head if you’re familiar with the Great Commission. Right ... I thought so.

I’ve mentioned in previous articles, as well as from the pulpit, that when the question is asked in our partnership (new member) classes: “Are you a Christian?” the room is filled with raised hands. But when asked the question: “Are you a disciple?” hardly a hand goes up.

I actually want to press this a bit further. What do you think the response would be if the question was asked in those classes: “Are you currently making other disciples?” Crickets. I’ll ask YOU that same question right now: Are you currently making other disciples? I’m guessing there aren’t too many of you sitting there with your hand in the air.

Do you find it interesting that the one thing Jesus told us to do

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prior to His return to heaven (going and making disciples!) is something most life-long Christians struggle to do? As ironic and sad as this is, there are actually some plausible explanations as to why.

1. We have an enemy named Satan who is doing everything he can to keep us from doing the one thing he knows will lead to his downfall and defeat. As we make disciples, the church is built up and grows. As the church is built up and grows, the kingdom of God expands to fill the whole earth. When the church grows and fills the whole earth, Jesus will return. And when Jesus returns, Satan is bound and banished to everlasting torment. No wonder Satan wants to keep us ineffective in our attempts to make disciples.

2. Church history hasn't helped on this one. Over the course of time there developed a distinction between "the clergy," and "the laity." These are terms that are commonly used today to refer to "the person in the pulpit" verses "the people in the pews." The problem is that you won't find this distinction anywhere in the Bible. While it's true that believers have different callings and gifts, we are ALL servants of the Lord. The apostles never talked in terms of "us" and "them" in the context of serving Christ. They considered themselves to be fellow laborers with all believers in the church. Sadly, we have come to a point, at least in our current American church culture, where many of us in the pews view the work of making disciples as something only the "paid professionals" do.

3. A consumer mentality has plagued the church. Given our human nature, I'm sure this has always been a factor. But there is no question that in the last 20-30 years, consumerism has taken deep root in the American church. I believe this mindset figures heavily when it comes to a reluctance or self-perceived inability to make disciples. Quite often church has become a spectator sport. There are twenty-two people on the field and a thousand people in the stands. We show up, we give an hour or two of

our week and we get back to our regular lives. The notion of making disciples doesn't even register as a blip on the radar screen.

4. Along with the consumer mentality comes the "I don't know enough" syndrome. I believe Christians shrink from the call to make disciples because of a fear that they'll get in over their heads. "What if they ask a question I can't answer?" or, "Who am I to think that I have anything to offer an unbeliever?" It's not uncommon for someone to attend church and Sunday school for over fifty years and never once share the Gospel with another. I believe the root of this is often a pervasive sense that "I don't know enough." We're scared before we even start.

These are issues that I want us to tackle head-on in the months and years ahead. Our vision as a church is that in the next ten years, King Street Church will create and establish clear and intentional pathways of discipleship development, so that each and every one of us recognizes our spiritual gifts and are living out the unique call that God has placed on each of our lives. I envision a day when all of us are wholeheartedly embracing the call to make disciples. And even when the voice of the enemy whispers in your ear, "You can't do that," you rise up with a confidence in knowing that not only CAN you do it and not only ARE you doing it, but that Jesus is with you and the Spirit is IN you every step of the way.

**WORLD  
COMMUNION  
SUNDAY**

**October 6, 2019**

**UB Global Ministries**

Thank offering—Money goes to UB  
Headquarters for missions.

## 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 worshipping? Who is your community?

Who are you serving?

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### November 2019 *Messenger* Deadline

Articles and information for the November 2019  
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## Board of Administration Meeting Highlights

The Board of Administration met on  
Wednesday, September 11, 2019, in the Admin-  
istrative Office Conference Room. Chairman  
Glenn Watson called the meeting to order at  
7 p.m. Brad Etchberger opened the meeting  
with devotions. Following are highlights from  
this meeting:

### Senior Pastor's Update:

On Sunday, September 15, Emily Schoen-  
leber is to share her story about how God is  
using her through her efforts with Circuit  
Riders. On September 22 each person who  
attends will receive a booklet that was created  
as a tool to use in classes and individually. The  
booklet includes an introduction by Pastor  
Jody and three sections entitled "Spiritually  
Alive in Christ," "Relationally Connected by  
Christ" and "Missionally Engaged for Christ."  
On October 6 at 6 p.m., a combination of the  
Vision Meeting and co-mission meetings will  
be held for anyone at any level of leadership.  
There are changes occurring to our leadership  
Core and Creative teams.

### Executive Pastor's Update:

Don Baker thanked the PRC for the recent  
hiring of Dan Gehris. Partnership classes will  
be held September 15, 22 and 29. A "text to  
connect" number is being put in place to text  
information and donations to the church. The  
initial key words will be: Prayer, Give, New  
and Next. This will allow people to easily make  
connections as needed. Celebrate Recovery will  
celebrate its one-year anniversary in October.  
There are three community/partner banquets  
scheduled that will make use of our facilities:  
Circles in September, Cross in October and  
Young Life in November. Don asked for prayer  
for the L3 leadership training as it moves  
forward.

## Board of Elders Update

Greg West was appreciative of the past elders who came out in support on August 25 for the commissioning of the new elders. The elders met on August 28 for prayer and discussed the role of the elders in our 10 year vision. An elder recommendation will be presented at the next board meeting regarding help for the Bahamas in the wake of the devastating hurricane.

## Co-Mission Reports:

- **Finance** – The Finance Co-Mission met on August 26. Operating income was well below budget for August; spending was slightly below budget. Year-to-date expenses vs. budget reports are being distributed to staff department heads for their assistance in developing 2020 budget requests. A Signature Resolution to include Dan Gehris, to be effective September 23 (Mr. Gehris' start date), was approved.

- **Personnel Relations** – Kim Shatzer announced that Ken Adams has agreed to be on standby to assist our new business manager after his retirement date of October 4.

- **Property** – Jim Goetz reported that the co-mission met on September 9. Proceeding with the campus sign as presented at last month's meeting was approved. The boiler that heats the original part of the education wing is no longer serviceable. Rodney Smith has provided options to replace the boiler.

- **Student Ministry** – The Student Ministry Co-Mission met on Monday, September 9. Penny Poorman brought forward a request for investigation into renovations to the Student Ministry Center which has not been updated for almost 20 years. A motion to obtain three estimates for the renovation of this area was approved.

- **Worship Arts** – Chuck Schussler indicated that updates to the Sanctuary lighting that were brought forth at the board meeting last month will be readdressed next month.

## Administrative Report:

Phase 2 of the organ update, installing digital voices, amplifiers and speakers has been quoted and accepted. The Organ Fund has sufficient funds to cover this upgrade. A proposal for potential web site improvements will be discussed at next month's board meeting. A lengthy discussion was held regarding the proposed hallway/Gathering Space. All voting members of the board took time to share thoughts and insights. Discussion highlights included: Is it a need or a want? How does it fit with our 10 year Vision Plan? Is the design aesthetically appealing? Will it draw people together from both the Sanctuary services and the Baker Center services? Does the cost support good stewardship? A subcommittee to assess the needs and the wants will be formed. Glenn Watson requested that each voting board member email him a list of their wants and needs, both from an individual perspective and from a co-mission perspective.

(These highlights are taken from minutes written by Rose Zook, Recording Secretary for the Board of Administration. Board meetings are open to members of King Street Church. Unabridged copies of the minutes from the September meeting will be available at the church office after they are approved at the next meeting.)

## TRAINING FOR TEACHERS

The annual PA State Sunday School Convention will be held on Saturday, November 2 at Antrim Brethren in Christ Church. Pick up a brochure from the Info Walls, and email Molly Shull to register: [mshull@kschurch.org](mailto:mshull@kschurch.org). Registration is paid for all KSC teachers.





# A Special THANK YOU



Dear Church Family,

Our hearts are filled to overflowing with gratitude in response to our 6th annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser! We are so grateful, humbled, thankful and honestly overwhelmed by the support shown by you! The longer I am in missions, the more I realize that not everyone has a home church that is as supportive as ours is! This was our best fundraiser dinner yet! We are so excited to see all that God will do on college and university campuses across the United States and the Nations in the coming year! Thank you all so much! If you wish to learn more, please email: emily.schoenleber15@gmail.com to be added to my email list.

Emily Schoenleber and family



## Once More Ministries Report

Once More Ministries' quarterly distribution was held on Saturday, September 14. Though the day was overcast with occasional showers, we were able to bless many of our neighbors with the Gospel and a much appreciated box of toiletries.

The total number of recipients at this distribution was 153 households representing 613 individuals whose lives were touched this day.

Our own KSC first graders were also part of this quarter's distribution with the beautiful art work they supplied for us to put on the boxes to let all know that Jesus loves them.

As you know this is a toiletry ministry with the primary goal of sharing the Gospel with as many of our neighbors as we can. Many of our guests are regulars and it is always exciting to hear how God is working in their lives. It is also exciting to meet new folks and to learn about their lives and then pray with them as we offer the seed of Jesus' love to them. Our prayer is that the seed will find fertile soil and bloom into a relationship with Jesus.

Thank you for your support through prayer and donations.

*For we are God's handiwork, created in Jesus Christ to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

—Ephesians 2:10

OMM volunteers



## One Year with Celebrate Recovery!

by Susanna Allen  
Communications Coordinator



One year ago, on October 1, 2018, a new ministry was started at King Street Church. Pastor Adam Keath, our Director of Restoration and Recovery, led the launch of Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered, 12 step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain or addiction of any kind. Celebrate Recovery offers a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our lives.

I choose the word “our” very intentionally, because I came into CR with my own complicated mix of depression, anxiety, shame and compulsive eating. I found a family of people who openly confess to being broken. I found a place where I can take off my “I’m ok” mask. And I found a place to dig into my heart, find those root issues that took hold years ago, and pursue lasting healing through Jesus Christ.

### What is Celebrate Recovery?

Every Monday night the Celebrate Recovery community meets in the lower level of the Baker Center in the Student Ministry area. The evening begins at 6 p.m. for those who come early to connect and enjoy refreshments. We are blessed to have awesome food, thanks to the investments of more than one experienced chef and a devoted team of volunteers!

At 6:30 p.m. the large group service begins. A live band leads worship – and the worship is amazing! Various members of the leadership team facilitate other elements of the service, such as prayer and responsive readings. Together we read the 12 steps of recovery and biblical principles for healing, along with coordinating Scripture verses. We celebrate milestones in our healing and sobriety by handing

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out chips and hearing short testimonies. Each week we hear either a life story of transformation and healing through Christ or a message from the Word of God.

Lynn Eberly, one of our men’s leaders, shares, “I really love our worship times at CR. Being able to praise God standing beside my brothers and sisters that are walking through hard things in life is very encouraging to me. I know as we praise God that the Spirit is working. Being able to celebrate recovery milestones with each other is awesome.”

Rose Zook leads a women’s open-share group. The worship service is also a highlight for her: “Monday night’s worship is a blessed way to begin our time together. I can feel the Holy Spirit lifting me out of any negative feelings that I brought with me and preparing me for a wonderful evening of fellowship and sharing.

Adam's teachings and the testimonies of people sharing their hurts, habits and hang-ups set the tone for our open share groups."

Around 7:30 p.m. the large group is over and participants head to their open share groups.

We offer two groups for men and two groups for women. Within these groups rules of safety and confidentiality are strictly maintained and vulnerability is encouraged. The inspiration behind the share groups is James 5:16, "Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed." To get the conversations started, each group begins with a few thought-provoking questions related to the message or testimony. The share groups are judgment-free zones where participants are free to describe situations from their week, along with struggles, praises, fears, confessions, worries, insights – any thoughts at all. The rules of open share groups protect participants from being censored and provide for a truly safe place for processing.

Eldon Lehman, a men's leader, shares, "When you see other people being honest about their own hurts, habits and hang-ups, you realize that this is a safe place. You can be honest here. It makes it very easy for me to be honest about my own hurts, habits and hang-ups."

Often, friendships develop through open share groups and accountability relationships are formed. These bonds pave the way for lasting success. For those who want to go even deeper with their recovery, they can join a Step Study (one for women and one for men) that meets on Wednesday evenings.

Jeremy Arnett leads a men's open share group at CR. He says, "I have seen CR change the lives of many people this past year. I know for me, without CR I would not have fully given my life to Jesus Christ and I would most likely be on the path of self-sabotage. It has helped me in so many ways but I can see the small impacts on a daily basis just in the communication between me and my wife and my kids."

Eldon feels that the camaraderie of the men's group is an instrument for good in his life: "Strength is given to us when we can meet each week and encourage each other."

Lynn describes the power of the groups when he shares, "The men's step study has become very valuable to me. I recently sent my group a text asking for prayers to overcome a heaviness and spiritual attack. Immediately, uplifting prayers and comments came flooding my way. It's like being able to call in an airstrike

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on the enemy! Satan was sent away defeated and my spirit was restored! I love the way God uses one another at CR to surround and cheer us to growth! I really believe I have developed lifelong friends that are there for me!"

### **Is CR just for those with an addiction?**

A common misconception about Celebrate Recovery is that it's just for those with a substance abuse problem, or sexual addictions. In reality, addictions make up less than 30% of attendees. Other issues that are more common include control issues, co-dependency, pride, anger, eating disorders, anxiety, depression and many more. One thing that I have noticed is that so many of our "issues" can be traced to the same root causes. Sometimes you will be sharing in the group and describing feelings of, for example, inadequacy or shame and you look around the room to see many of the others nodding. We come from different backgrounds and struggle with different problems, but at our core we experienced many of the same wounds and we fight against the same lies.

Rose has seen the power of the open-share

groups first-hand: “I co-lead the Women’s Life Issues group. When I started CR, I told myself (and everyone else) that I was attending to support my son, but it didn’t take long for God to show me that I needed the support for myself. Hearing others share their hurts encouraged me to step up and admit that I had so many hurts of my own that I had not come to terms with. My relationship with God and my ability to relate to and support others has flourished. So many ladies have come in to the group feeling very alone and down-trodden, but after being able to share their hurts in a very non-judgmental setting, they leave having started the healing process.”

Molly Shull, a recent addition to the CR team, shares “Being on the Leadership Team has made me realize that we ALL have issues that we need God’s help for. None of us have it ‘all together.’ Praise God, we serve a merciful, loving Savior.”

### **Why is CR important for the church?**

Galatians 6:2 reminds us, “Carry one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” We are all part of the body of Christ, but there is a tendency for those who are suffering or struggling to withdraw from the community. This is not the standard the Lord puts before us in I Corinthians 12:26, when He says, “If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.”

Every Monday night at CR we stand together as one, worship together as one, lament as one and support each other as one. Individuals will

even be so brave as to stand on the stage and admit a failure, share a victory, claim a chip that is given out for milestones accomplished or celebrate the overall work that God is doing in their lives. With every single comment and confession we bond a little more as the body of Christ.

Jeremy sheds light on this question: Why is CR important for the church? In reply he says, “There is a stigma that Christians and the church in general, that if a person is saved and has given their life to God that they don’t struggle. But the reality is that life is one big struggle and each of us has our own struggles that we deal with. As CR puts it, we all have our ‘hurts, habits and hang-ups.’ Those habits can be an addiction to alcohol, drugs, pornography, food etc. Often times those addictions are a result of a hurt from a family member,

friend, co-worker or even someone we don’t even know.”

He goes on to say, “Many people are hesitant to not only enter a church, but to go in with so much baggage and feeling like they are too far gone or have committed too many sins to be forgiven by God. CR allows those who are broken and have been beaten down by life the opportunity to come into God’s home and worship with others who are struggling with the same issues. It’s amazing to see how much KSC and the KSC family has been so supportive of this ministry.” Jeremy is quick to praise King Street Church in general, as a welcoming and supportive church. He says, “I am grateful for CR, but my family and I have been so blessed with the support and relationships we have

**Experience CR  
for yourself  
at the  
celebration on  
Monday, October 7,  
at 6:30 p.m.  
in the Student  
Ministry Center.  
We plan to have a  
full meal,  
special testimonies,  
extended worship  
and more!**



made since we started coming to KSC three years ago.”

Missy Ardinger, a leader with CR, shares, “It has been another avenue for people to come to know the Lord and become connected at King Street. It has been a part of engaging and blessing our community. There is a stigma attached to needing recovery. I think that this ministry has started to break down those walls and destroy that stigma by showing that we all have issues for which we need healing and support.”

### How is CR impacting lives?

So many of the testimonies share the same themes: restoration, hope, spiritual growth, forgiveness, and rich community.

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“It makes me laugh to consider that I came to CR with the idea that I could help. At the time I was unwilling to admit how deeply broken I was. I discovered a community that completely accepts me, and with whom I feel a kinship. I am now reliant upon my CR family to keep me focused on my recovery, to support me on my hard days, and cheer for me on the good ones. The beautiful miracle woven into this ministry is that I’ve been invited to serve even though I don’t “have it all together.” That has given me great hope. The Lord is teaching me to reach beyond my boundaries. It’s exciting to be involved in something where you see people being transformed on a weekly basis. I praise God for CR!”

— Susanna Allen —

### How is CR impacting lives?

“Over a year ago I was experiencing awful hurts from a broken relationship with my father over many years. CR gave me a place to open up and begin to heal. The 12 steps teaching and Scriptures really worked. I now enjoy a complete forgiveness and restoration with Dad that I never thought would be possible. It’s awesome! Giving and receiving forgiveness is possible in the hardest situations – I now believe that there is hope in every situation!”

— Lynn Eberly —

## Now that’s something to celebrate!

### How is CR impacting lives?

“Words are inadequate to describe how my involvement with CR has impacted me both personally and through the lives of others. While CR is not in place to ‘fix’ people, they leave our gatherings knowing that if they give their hurts over to God, He is always there. One of our richest blessings is seeing people come to the Lord. The support and encouragement that I can both give and receive through CR is helping me to grow into the woman that God created me to be.”

— Rose Zook —

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“I have seen new believers come to know Jesus - it’s an awesome thing to have someone say ‘I want to know Jesus! Can you help me with that?’ I have grown in my relationship with my spouse, and with others here in CR and my relationships with family members have improved because I let Jesus in to be a part of those relationships. God has shown me that giving this time helps others as well as me. I hear God’s voice in the worship music and see all around me how he is working in our lives. My heart has been softened toward people dealing with all kinds of issues. This ministry is the best thing I have ever been involved with.”

— Missy Ardinger —

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“I look forward to each Monday night now. I have made many new friends but most importantly I have come to accept the fact that Jesus died for my sins and that I am FORGIVEN! It didn’t happen overnight but my relationship with Jesus Christ is stronger than ever and growing by the minute!” He further explains, “Thanks to CR, I no longer hide behind a mask, or worry about what others may think, because I know that I am defined by my Maker, not my mistakes! And today I can boldly declare that ‘I am a believer in Jesus Christ, and I struggle with everything.’”

— Jeremy Arnett —

Everyone who was quoted in this article gave their express consent to be identified.



The launch of the fall promotions for Operation Christmas Child Christmas boxes is October 13. The final collection date for boxes is Sunday, November 10.

## Child Dedication Classes



It is an important step to dedicate your child to the Lord. If you'd like to take part in the service on November 3, attend a short preparation class on: **Sunday, October 6 or Sunday, October 20, at 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Room.**

## VISION BOOKLETS

If you did not receive a Vision Booklet, please pick one up from the Info Walls or lobbies. These booklets explain our 10-year vision, core values and markers for developing our spiritual lives as disciples of Jesus.

## Parking Update

As you may have seen, the courthouse parking has been further restricted by their ongoing construction project. We are so grateful for those who have made the effort to park outside of our main lot. There are a few hundred available spaces within a block of our building. Parking Maps are available on the Info Walls.



## Buds of Promise Sunday School Class Fall Foliage Trip

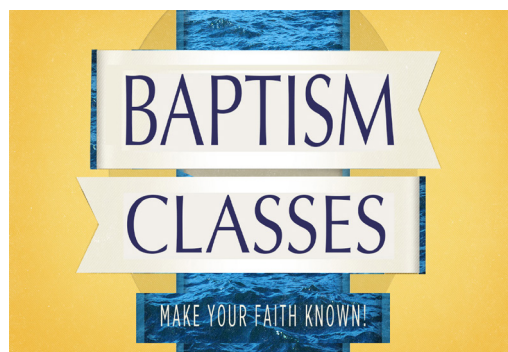
Saturday, October 19, 2019

We will leave the church office parking lot in the minivan at 9:00 a.m. and arrive home at approximately 3:30 p.m.

We will be going to Morning Star Farm Fest, just west of York and stopping for lunch. Donations will be collected for gas and for our bus driver, Dave Spoonhour.



If you are a leader or volunteer in any facet of ministry here at KSC, you are invited to come to Vision Night on Sunday, October 6 at 6 p.m. in the Baker Center. We will enjoy a time of worship, prayer, encouragement and fellowship. If you are interested in plugging in to KSC by serving, you are welcome to come and learn more about using your gifts for the Kingdom.



The next opportunity to be baptized is Sunday, October 27. If you wish to participate in this important act of obedience, plan to attend one prep meeting on Sunday, October 6 or Sunday, October 13, at 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m. or 12 noon in M17.

## Meet Our Ministry Partner:



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 October 27, Support Circles will be featured. Some information about this ministry is below.

Support Circles is a community engagement initiative of South Central Community Action Programs. Their mission statement is

“We assist families in developing their own future story and then work to support them in meeting their goals. We also take what we are learning from their experiences to build a more effective path out of poverty.”

### The Support Circles Model

We believe that together we can do so much more! Poverty is a community problem and it requires community solutions. The best way to understand the problems AND the potential solutions is to hear from the families living in poverty. This is not a “do for” program—this is a “be with” and “do with” community engagement initiative. In our model the family is the center. We firmly believe, that with time and space, families are incredibly capable of making effective changes. Allies, who walk along side of families, experiencing parts of the journey with them, can join us in effecting systemic and community change. Together we build a path out of poverty that others can follow!

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<b>2</b> 7:00 p.m. Nursery and Children's Program Youth <i>Street</i> Meeting Adult Elective Classes	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 9:15 a.m. Exercise Class, (SMC)	<b>5</b>
<b>9</b> 7:00 p.m. Nursery and Children's Program Youth <i>Street</i> Meeting Adult Elective Classes	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 9:15 a.m. Exercise Class, (SMC)	<b>12</b> 9:00 a.m. Sole Hope Shoe Cutting Party (M27/29)
<b>16</b> 7:00 p.m. Nursery and Children's Program Youth <i>Street</i> Meeting Adult Elective Classes	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 9:15 a.m. Exercise Class, (SMC)	<b>19</b> 9:00 a.m. Buds of Promise Sunday School Class Fall Foliage Trip
<b>23</b> 7:00 p.m. Nursery and Children's Program Youth <i>Street</i> Meeting Adult Elective Classes	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 9:15 a.m. Exercise Class, (SMC)	<b>26</b>
<b>30</b> 7:00 p.m. Nursery and Children's Program Youth <i>Street</i> Meeting Adult Elective Classes	<b>31</b>		

# JUST FOR KIDS

## HARVEST

### Trail Mix

This portable snack combines favorite fall flavors.



#### What you need:

- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1/8 tsp. salt
- 2/3 cup pecan pieces
- 1/3 cup roasted pumpkin seeds
- 1/3 cup almonds
- 1/4 cup raisins
- 2/3 cup dried fruit (any)

#### What you do:

1. Microwave syrup, spices, seeds and nuts for 30 seconds at a time, stirring frequently, until mixture thickens.
2. Spread the mixture on a baking sheet lined with wax paper. Let cool and harden.
3. Break the candied nuts into chunks. Combine with dried fruit.
4. Store in airtight container.



## Harvest hunt

Directions: After unscrambling each leaf's word, follow the vine to complete the Bible verse.



Peacemakers who sow in \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ reap a harvest of righteousness. James 3:18, NIV

Let us not become \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9, NIV

I tell you, open your eyes and look at the \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ !  
They are ripe for harvest. John 4:35, NIV

Answer: peace, weary, fields

## SERVE WITH OUR AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

A new season of ministry is about to begin with our After School Program. We are privileged to serve children in our neighborhood on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4:45–6:15 p.m. from October 7- April 28. They are currently looking for tutors, meal helpers, and meal preparers. If you would like more information, contact Jeanie Helman at [jhelman@kschurch.org](mailto:jhelman@kschurch.org), or (717) 264-4651, x206. Serving these children is a powerful way to engage and bless our community with the Gospel!



### STUDENT BASKETBALL LEAGUE FOR GRADES 9-12

Teams are forming for Church League Basketball for high school guys. Sign up on Open Gym Nights, October 10, 17, and 24, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Baker Center gym. Questions, call Greg West at (717) 372-0298.



### ADULT CHURCH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Anyone interested in playing in a men's church league, contact Scott Bert at (717) 254-0066.



## Orphan Care & Adoption MINISTRY of King Street Church

Our Orphan Care & Adoption Ministry comes alongside families who are accepting God's call to adopt or foster and supports them through prayer, education, and financial grants. They meet as a monthly support group which is open to anyone in the adoptive or foster care journey, no matter where they are in the process. You are welcome to attend their next meetings on **Tuesday, October 15 and Tuesday, November 19, from 6:30-8:30 pm in M27/29.** Childcare is provided. You are also invited to their **Christmas party on Tuesday, December 3, at 6 p.m.**



is a peaceful vigil to pray for the end of abortion, being held now through November 3. Jeff and Stacy Myers, partners here at King Street Church, are leading the Hagerstown effort. If you'd like to participate, contact Jeff at [jeffreymy@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffreymy@yahoo.com) or (717) 870-5181. Learn more at [www.40daysfor-life.com/hagerstown](http://www.40daysfor-life.com/hagerstown).



## NEW TEXTING NUMBER

We are excited about our new texting options at King Street Church. In a church of our size, keeping in close contact can be a challenge. We are constantly seeking new ways to communicate with the church body and provide pathways for connection. For some who attend in the Baker Center, they may not carry a pen and therefore cannot fill out a connect card. Others may be hesitant on a first visit to provide a lot of personal information. We hope that the text option will be a convenient, low-pressure way to touch base.

### How does it work?

Simply text one of the four key words to our number: (717) 401-7777 and you will receive text back that begins a user-friendly and secure process to connect.

- When you text PRAY, you will receive a message asking you for more information. This is a great way to advise the pastoral team of a prayer request during the middle of the week. Your request will be kept confidential within the pastoral team.

- Text GIVE and you will be asked how much you wish to contribute and then you will be given a link for providing your credit card information. The system is safe and simple. This information is not stored by King Street Church, but once you set up an account, you can give with only a few clicks.
- When you text NEW, you will receive a message welcoming you and a link inviting you to introduce yourself.
- Those who text NEXT will receive a link to sign up for more information or plug in to serve.



The Reflections Sunday School class invites you to a Shoe Cutting Party **Saturday, October 12, from 9 a.m.—12 noon downstairs in M27/29** (bring heavy duty scissors!). Sole Hope is a work in Uganda that helps children suffering from foot infestations of jigger fleas. We will send \$10 with each shoe kit for shipping and for the shoes to be sewn together by an African tailor. If you would like to contribute, mark your gift for “Sole Hope.” For details contact Kim Goetz at [kgoetz6601@hotmail.com](mailto:kgoetz6601@hotmail.com).



## Quotes of the Week

"Failing to speak the truth about God's love and justice is like being a lifeguard who sits motionless in their chair while people drown right in front of them."

**Pastor Jody Bowser, August 25, 2019**



"Jesus is able—to keep you from stumbling."

**Pastor Jody Bowser, September 1, 2019**



"What if being a disciple of Jesus is as much about God believing in us—as our believing in him?"

**Pastor Jody Bowser, September 8, 2019**



"What can God do through you?"

**Pastor Jody Bowser, September 15, 2019**



### 10 Year Vision

"In the next ten years, KSC will create and establish clear and intentional pathways of discipleship development to equip the church for engaging and blessing our community with the Gospel. We will shift our emphasis to become a church family where everyone is purposefully using their spiritual gifts to live our God's call on their lives."

**Pastor Jody Bowser, September 22, 2019**



## DON MOEN LIVE IN CONCERT

WITH SPECIAL GUEST  
LENNY LEBLANC

We are so excited to announce that critically acclaimed Christian singer and songwriter Don Moen will be joining us on

**Sunday, October 27,  
at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary**  
for a free concert.

We hope you will make plans to attend this inspiring time of worship. A free-will offering will be received for Worship in Action, a ministry with which Don is heavily involved.

**Visit [www.kingstreetchurch.com/concert](http://www.kingstreetchurch.com/concert) for full details.**

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# PRIMETIMERS UPDATES

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## 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

### **Christmas Luncheon (New Location)**

- **Wednesday, December 11**
- 12:00 Noon (Arrive a little early.)
- Kauffman Ruritan Club and Community Center, 7289 Ruritan Drive, Chambersburg
- Cost: \$15
- Menu: Oven-roasted chicken, baked ham, green beans with ham, mashed potatoes with gravy, applesauce, pepper slaw, rolls, cake, ice cream and coffee
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** For those who are unable to or prefer not to drive to the luncheon, please meet at 11:20 at Weis Market on Wayne Avenue. The PrimeTimers/Church minibus will depart at 11:30 for the Kauffman Community Center. When you sign up for this event, please let us know if you need to ride the minibus. The bus is limited to 24 people.
- Entertainment provided by a husband and wife team from Cumberland Valley School of Music.
- Due Date/Cancellation Date: November 20
- Directions to the luncheon will be in the November *Messenger*.

- To sign up, make checks payable to KSC Prime-Timers and mail to Frances Humelsine, 408 Benjamin Drive, Chambersburg, PA 17201.
- 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.

# Table talk

Thursday, October 10  
12:10–12:50 p.m.

Franklin County Visitor's Bureau

Consider inviting someone to this light-hearted, no-pressure discussion about faith in Christ and the Christian life.

## Bible Reading Plan 2019

King Street Church

"Jesus answered,  
"It is written:  
"Man shall not live on  
bread alone, but on  
*every word*  
that comes from  
the mouth of God."  
MATTHEW 4:4

### OCTOBER

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<input type="checkbox"/>	30	Lam. 3	Psalm 124	John 19:17-42





# MISSIONS NEWS

**Emily Schoenleber**

September 5, 2019

(Serving with Circuit Riders in Huntington Beach, California)

## A Historic Summer

As I write we are driving along the freeway in California as the sun sets and we are close to Huntington Beach. A few days ago my brother and I hopped in my '89 Honda Accord in Pennsylvania and started the journey across the country. There have been so many beautiful things we've seen and so many friends we've had the chance to see. One of the most special things was our first stop in Indiana.

We stayed with our friend Kenny in Indianapolis and all of us drove up to Huntington to see our old youth pastors from middle school and our first year of high school. It was such a surprise to run into others we knew from back in Chambersburg at College Park Church on Sunday. It was such a gift spending time with old friends. Mark and Brian, thank you both so much for investing in me (and our whole crew) back then. You two both poured into me so much, discipled me, and your investment is literally reaching the nations through myself and so many others from youth group. And to all of my Sunday school teachers, mentors, family, and my parents reading this: THANK YOU TOO. Like that saying, "It takes a village to raise a child", so many of you have poured

into me throughout the years and I would not be here without each of you.

## Such a Privilege

That has been something I have thought a lot about since we ran our 21 Project in London just a few weeks ago. The evening of arrival day, we gathered the whole school in the chapel for a night of worship and some introductions for the upcoming week. Only ten or fifteen minutes into worship, I felt such a tangible presence of God in the room. I began looking around the room knowing we had well over twenty nations represented, the majority being European. I stood in awe of God at how He can just gather



Worship during the final night of 21 Project whoever He wants, from so many nations and backgrounds, to come together and worship as family.

But even more than that, He brought us young leaders from so many nations. I thought about how these 60 leaders would be heading back to their home countries in just under a week. I saw a room of people desperate for God and I could only imagine what they would do



upon returning home. Then I had strong sense of the fear of the Lord over what He had invited us into and entrusted us with. I realized that so many moms and dads in the faith had been praying for this, believing for it, giving their lives to see a generation rise up in unity, boldness, and passion for Jesus. And here we were, just a group of Americans that said yes to God and He added us right into this incredible story He is writing in Europe.



Baptism during the final night of 21 Project

What a privilege! It is so important to recognize and honour those who have gone before us because they paved the roads we now walk on. What if Abraham hadn't listened to or obeyed God even when he didn't see the fulfillment of the promise he was believing for? He died without seeing the fulfillment of what God had said. How many faithful ones in generations gone before us believed and gave their lives for the promise we now have the privilege of seeing and walking in? I have just been so undone by the faithfulness of God. He is true to His every word and His timing is nothing but perfect.

### **On to the Fall**

I think our whole crew is so thankful to be back in Huntington Beach after an incredible, but very busy summer. Stay tuned on more updates, but this fall will mostly be dedicated

to planning and preparing for our upcoming Carry the Love 2020 Tour.

## ***B and SP***

September 15, 2019

**(Serving in the Midwest with Christar)**

### **Faithfulness Far and Near**

Being on the road a month is never easy, but we had some great meetings, meals and visits with many of you and a great conference for our North America Affinity Group for Christar. For that we are thankful. We were also grateful for rides to the airport, easy flights, and the use of our uncle's car while on the East Coast. What a blessing. The boys (and parents) were awake early with reasonable attitudes the morning after our return to start school. What a ... Miracle!

Though classes and clubs are just getting restarted this week and next, we have had enough to keep us busy. One strange day *B* went to the City Mission (homeless shelter) to pick up "Freddy," the father of a family that has been attending Arabic church. They have had some marital problems that involved the judicial system. *B* went to court with him; to the Good Neighbor Center for Freddy to pick up free food for his family; to the Matt Talbot food kitchen for lunch; to his family for *B* to deliver the food by himself as there is a restraining order against the husband; then to pick Freddy back up and take him to the library to use the wifi and troubleshoot two phones and finally to the City Mission where Freddy was staying for dinner. (Catch a breath.)

Then he left to pick up "Emily," a mother who attends the Arabic church, to the psychiatric hospital/evaluation center where her son was moved from the main prison. After she got to visit with her son, *B* had to race back to her house when she realized she left the tea kettle boiling on the stove. What a day .... Thankfully

NOT every day is like that, and thankfully, her apartment was not on fire.

May we be open to whatever task God puts before us each day and wise but bold as we share Jesus with our actions and words.

### **Let's Praise:**

- Safety in many miles of travel, like when a huge bird landed in front of us in highway traffic
- The boys like their teachers and are doing well so far in school, even if they'd rather not go.
- Getting back together with friends from the Arabic Church and great teammates
- S is feeling better after trouble that started in July and led to tests, scans and a biopsy
- The ability to network with others locally this week to help meet needs for refugee families
- The churches and individuals who are praying fervently and giving generously to Christar
- Both vans were able to go in the shop last week before we broke down in traffic (Whew.)

### **Please Pray:**

- Sunday: We learned that at least two couples faithfully attending Arabic church intend to return back to California soon. It's understandable but frustrating and sad.
- Monday: Our teammates returning tomorrow to the Middle East for three months and all that implies
- Tuesday: Wisdom, volunteers and participants as English classes start Tuesday and club next week and pray that the logistics for childcare for the Thursday class would be worked out (new location)
- Wednesday: For peace and reconciliation in several marriages
- Thursday: Both of us will likely be starting language lessons (likely Arabic but not 100% certain). Pray as we choose which one and who will teach us.

- Friday: For gentleness and wisdom in dealing with a new refugee family
- Saturday: For continued health for S and the finances for all the medical bills coming soon
- Everyday: For God's leading as we visit people and try and engage in spiritual conversations

## **Emily and Bryan Gerlach**

September 25, 2019

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

### **Furlough, Fall, Fundraising and Family Fun**

This month we were so glad to get into more of a routine. We've been enjoying our housing in Shippensburg and Jameson has been able to go to preschool two mornings a week. We are blessed by the ways our Good Father continues to provide for our needs. We are falling in love with the farmhouse that we've been in for the



Connecting with friends at King Street Church

last three weeks, and we're so thankful we can be here the remainder of our time in the US. The kids love taking walks to see cows, feed goats and pet a friendly donkey named Jellybean.

We continue to walk in the space between work and rest during this furlough time. Bryan stays busy with his MBA classes, we continue

to visit supporting churches and Sunday school classes and we are actively pursuing new supporters. We have also been soaking up time with friends and family while they are near. Time is flying by. We can't believe September is already coming to a close.

This coming week we will be in WV on a trip with Emily's family.

### **Praise**

- Housing and play set.
- Emily being invited to be part of a women's Bible study
- Jameson doing well in preschool
- Opportunities to visit family and friends

### **Prayer**

- SUPPORT. Especially for new monthly donors
- Eden to sleep well through the night
- Continued health and energy
- Upcoming Travel To WV from Sept. 26 to Oct. 2 and IN (Oct 5 and 6)

## **K and RW**

**September 24, 2019**

**(Returning to the US after 33 years ministering in the Middle East)**

### **Questions**

Since our return to the US, a question we are often asked is "Are you still on ministry support?" The short answer is "Yes." Although our feet are not in our middle eastern country, we continue with some of our former ministries.

### **THANK YOU.**

After *K*'s entry ban to the country where we served, I spent six weeks closing up our house. Saying goodbye to our friends and believers, along with co-workers was a precious part of those full days. I saw the Lord's hand and help each step of the way. He gave strength and words of encouragement. God made so

many tasks easy, including things I had never done before. Friends helped and were with me as I emptied rooms and said good-bye to the neighborhood we called home for the past 33 years. Thank you for your prayers. The Lord showed His goodness to me, and I felt the power of your prayers each day.

### **Continuing Ministry**

*K* will lead Christar work in our ministry area, about eight teams in all, until January when both fields should have new leaders there on-site.

We just completed the final editing for this year's third issue of our theological journal. We have committed to work on one more issue.

Our team needs wisdom about the future of the journal. In October the team will meet virtually with some key believers who have been vocal and practical supporters of this ministry. That meeting will have a big part to determine the future of the journal, whether it should continue and in what format. We need prayer for wisdom.

*K* is moving ahead in editing work. He checks Bible commentaries that have been translated into the area's main language. We received news this week that since January, 8000 of these books have been sold in secular on-line sales.

### **Our Future**

This week we are visiting with Christar folks in the U.S headquarters to explore ministry possibilities they know about. We also are getting word of ministry opportunities from other sources. We ask for your prayers for God's guidance.

Since the Messenger is online and available everywhere, precautions are necessary when sharing about missionaries serving in Muslim countries or other restricted areas. In order not to jeopardize our missionaries working in very challenging places, names and locations are excluded from some updates.



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Be  
Still  
*before the Lord*

*and*  
Wait  
Patiently  
*for him.*

Psalm 37:7