# MESSENGER

**APRIL 2022** 

## Launching

by Dr. Jody Bowser, Senior Pastor



"One of our greatest joys in life is in helping others succeed. We see things in each other that we would never see in ourselves." One of our greatest joys in life is in helping others succeed. Watching children grow into all that God made them to be is, without question, the greatest joy a parent can experience. Reaching out to help others in their time of need brings enormous joy. Teachers and coaches absolutely live for the joy of seeing their students and players succeed and shine. I was watching an episode of *American Idol* the other night. One of the judges made the comment that the reason they do what they do is to be a small part in helping the singers on the show improve and achieve their dreams. We are wired by God to find joy in serving and inspiring others to live up to their God-given potential.

One of our core values here at King Street Church is to be missionally engaged for Christ, which is an essential component of our mission to engage and bless our community with the Gospel. If we're not careful, though, these words run the risk of losing their meaning. They can sound awfully lofty. They might look good when written on the wall or appearing on a poster, but we may not know how to actually live them out in our daily lives.

This is why I have grown to appreciate and embrace the word

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"launching." Not "lunching"—although I like that word too. Several years ago, just before the pandemic, we introduced a ministry here at the church that we call L3 Groups. As you probably know, an L3 Group is a small group of between six to twelve people who get together a couple of times a month for the purpose of growth and encouragement. When our staff was dreaming about what we wanted these groups to accomplish, there were three words that seemed to best express our intentions: Loving, Learning and Launching.

We wanted the people in these groups to be relationally connected by Christ, showing deep and meaningful care for one another (love!). We also wanted the people in these groups to grow spiritually with one another, particularly in knowledge of God's Word (learning) and the Lord's intention for our lives (discipleship and maturity). The third and equally important goal was for the people in these groups to experience great joy in helping the others in the group succeed in living out God's intended purpose for their lives. The word we settled on to best express this was the word "Launching." It seemed to pair nicely with the other two "L" words (hence L3!). But more than that, it truly captured our passion to become a church family that is actively and intentionally growing in our understanding of how the Lord has uniquely gifted each of us and then using those gifts to build God's Kingdom.

Launching has several significant definitions: "To set or thrust in motion; To begin a new venture or phase; To embark; To send forth with some force; To start on some new course or enterprise; To send out." Launching takes the concept of being "missionally engaged" and makes it intensely personal and active. It takes our church's mission and makes it memorable. It takes the command of Christ (to "go and make disciples") and involves each and every one of us in this process. You see, launching is something that we do on behalf of others. I launch you. You launch me. I help start you off

on some new course or enterprise. You help me begin a new venture or phase. We help set each other in motion. We help to send each other out.

This brings me back to where I started in this article. One of our greatest joys in life is in helping others succeed. We see things in each other that we would never see in ourselves.

We were talking about this the other night in my L3 group. Several of us shared, remembering very specific times in our lives when we heard words of encouragement that, when we look back on it, were very clearly God's words launching us into a new phase in our lives. I'm sure that each of us could tell a story like this.

In the very same episode of American *Idol* that I mentioned a moment ago—one of the contestants was a young man in his early twenties who had a job hanging drywall. As he worked, he would often sing. One of his co-workers was so impressed by this young man's voice that he sent in an application for the show without even telling him. Another young gal in her teens was working as a babysitter. The mother of the child overheard this teenage girl singing to her daughter as they worked on a craft and secretly recorded her singing. The mom then showed the video to this teenage girl and asked her permission to share it on social media. She did and almost overnight the video received over 18 million views. The producers of American Idol saw the video and called her to see if she would audition for the show. Both of these stories are excellent examples of launching—when other people see things in us that we would never see in ourselves.

I tell you all of this as your pastor to say that I AM SO EXCITED to see how this value of launching is being lived out in the life of our church family! I am literally seeing examples of this every single day. I am seeing people encourage one another and these words of encouragement are having a significant impact. We are truly wired by God to find joy in serving and inspiring others to live up to their Godgiven potential. Step into that joy!

#### 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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Adam Keath, Director of Restoration and Recovery
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#### May 2022 Messenger Deadline

Articles and information for the May 2022 issue should be submitted by April 20 to Susanna Allen: sallen@kschurch.org.

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# February 2022 Board of Administration Meeting Highlights

The Board of Administration met on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 in the KSC Choir Room. Chairman Glenn Watson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Carolyn Chenaille opened the meeting with devotions and prayer. Following are highlights from that meeting.

#### **Executive Pastor's Report:**

Pastor Steve Flint reported that three people will be baptized on February 27. Partnership classes will be held at 11 a.m. on March 6 and 13. The Ash Wednesday service will be on March 2 at 6 p.m. There will be devotional materials that will be available to the congregation in the foyers during the time of Lent, leading up to Easter.

#### **Elder Team Report:**

Greg West advised the Elder Team met in January and they discussed some big picture ideas for the future and prioritized them. Greg mentioned the desire to have the elders, staff and board members align closer, looking at ways to have even better communication between the three groups.

#### **Co-Mission Reports:**

- Adult Ministry Mark Willson shared the upcoming "Roar Like a Mother!" Conference in mid-March is already sold out with a capacity of 302 attendees. Mark announced that the Night to Shine event will be held at Antrim BIC on February 11. Mark shared that the Disciples Sunday School Class has "adopted" the ConnectAbility Class to help provide funds for activities for special needs families.
- **Children's Ministry** Cheronda Williams requested prayer for the creation of the spring program as Renee Hall would always rework

the program from the materials received from our vendor. Also, please pray for the planning of this year's VBS event.

- **Finance** Brad Etchberger advised that the Finance Co-Mission will be meeting on February 21 and during that meeting Dave Rotz will share the results of the Annual Financial Audit. Dan Gehris reviewed the January financial results. Undesignated income for January came in over budget. Expenses came in under budget. Capital expenses included two current projects: Baker Center sound system upgrade and HVAC automation.
- **Local Outreach** Sharon Bowers shared the Local Outreach Co-Mission met on February 1 with 16 local ministries present. The evening was a wonderful time spent sharing experiences, challenges, blessings and prayers. Sharon advised the Local Outreach Co-Mission unanimously voted to affirm Beverly Sollenberger, partner of KSC, as a new member of the co-mission.
- **Missions** Alyssa Heberlig shared the Missions Co-Mission met on Monday, January 24. Alyssa advised that there were funds sent at the beginning of the year to repair 40 homes in Haiti and another distribution of funds was sent last week to help repair another 40 homes there. Alyssa referred everyone to the *Messenger* for before and after photos of the homes damaged in Haiti.
- **Personnel Relations** Aaron Smith expressed great appreciation for Kim Shatzer's leadership of the PRC. The PRC is in a holding pattern right now regarding the Preschool Coordinator, Creative Arts Associate, Worship Pastor and Bilingual Pastor open positions. Aaron stated that he and Pastor Steve are having conversations regarding the planning of additional leadership training sessions for the supervisors on staff.
- **Property** Dale Forney stated that the Property Co-Mission met this past Monday, February 7. Building automation equipment

- installation has been completed. Quotes are being sought for a commercial refrigerator/ freezer for Deb's Café. Materials for a sneeze guard in Deb's Café have been received. The Ministry Center project (Room C6) is being worked on as staff is available. There was a kick-off meeting to discuss the KSC Security Plan.
- **Student Ministry** Penny Poorman shared that the Student Ministry Co-Mission met on January 24. They are thrilled to have two new members on the co-mission: Lisa Moore and Lori Mace. Penny shared there has been strong consistency in attendance regarding Sunday school and Street meetings with new people coming each week. The basketball team ministry is moving forward and is going very well. Upcoming events include Small Group Night on February 23 and Road Crew Training on March 6.
- Worship Arts Carolyn Chenaille shared the Worship Arts Co-Mission met this past Monday, February 7. Carolyn stated that the new sound board has been installed and there has been positive feedback on the quality of the new board. Bryce Mentzer will be greatly missed. Carolyn advised the Adult and Children's Choirs, as well as the Bell Choir, all have upcoming performances. They are looking forward to a Worship Team Night in March and hopefully a Night of Worship to be scheduled for some time in April or May.



# Sunday, April 10

Communion offerings will go to the United Brethren Global Fund, to be used for International Missions.



Easter is a great time to invite someone to attend church with you. Consider inviting someone who might be blessed by a vibrant worship service and the hope of Christ! For complete details on all things Easter, see our special page at kingstreetchurch.com/Easter.

#### Easter Flowers

Dedicating Easter flowers *In Honor of or In Me*mory *of* a loved one is a cherished tradition at King Street Church. To order a plant (\$10 each), use a form from the lobbies or order online at kingstreetchurch.com/flowers. Deadline for orders and payments is Monday, April 4. Flowers can be taken after the Easter Sunday services or in the Baker Lobby on Monday, April 18.

#### Maundy Thursday Service

April 14, 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary

On Thursday, April 14, you are invited to join us for a Maundy Thursday Communion Service at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We celebrate Maundy Thursday to remember the Last Supper, to reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus and to meditate on this commandment to love and serve others. The service will feature Scripture, a responsive reading, prayer and the sharing of elements.

#### Good Friday

April 15, online at your convenience

On Good Friday we will offer an online "Stations of the Cross" self-guided journey that is designed to help us better understand Christ's sacrifice. The time includes a podcast, "Stations

of the Cross Prayer Service," and a booklet "An Invitation to Walk with Christ," which will offer Scripture, prayers and songs for each part of Christ's journey. You can pick up a copy of this booklet in the lobbies or download a PDF. Our Easter page contains the link to both the booklet and the podcast.

#### • Easter Worship Services

We are excited to remember Christ's sacrificial death and celebrate His resurrection together! Pastor Jody is preparing a message titled, *Plot Twist*, which will remind us that when all seems lost, God still has a magnificent plan. Here is the schedule for Easter worship services:

#### **Saturday**

• 6 p.m. Baker Center (contemporary)

#### Sunday

• 8 a.m. Sanctuary (traditional)

• 9:30 a.m. Sanctuary and Baker Center

(contemporary)

• 11 a.m. Sanctuary (united, relaxed

traditional)

• 11 a.m. Baker Center (contemporary)

Nursery and preschool classes will be offered at 9:30 and 11 a.m., but elementary/student/
adult groups will not meet.



#### February 27

Offering (General Fund): \$52,022.66

#### March 6

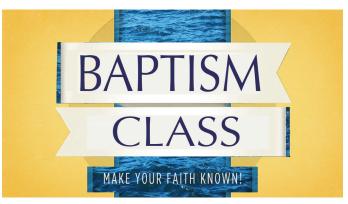
Offering (General Fund): \$56,643.10

#### March 13

Offering (General Fund): \$41,929.53

#### March 20

Offering (General Fund): \$66,627.66



Our next baptism service will be held on Sunday, April 24. If you are interested in being baptized or in learning more about baptism, plan to attend the baptism class at 11 a.m. on Sunday, April 3 in M31/33 or email Molly Shull at mshull@kschurch.org.



Rhodes Grove Camp provides a Christ-focused summer camp experience for kids in grades 2–12. The church will pay a portion of the fees for regular attendees for one week of camp. Get details at kingstreetchurch. com/camp.



Your help is needed ASAP for these ministry opportunities:

- **RESET** is looking for childcare workers on Monday evenings from 6:25–8:30 p.m. Help care for a small group of children; a stipend is available. Contact Molly at mshull@kschurch.org for details on how to help in this way.
- **Good News Club** is experiencing growth and needs more adult volunteers. To see how you can be involved in impacting children with the love of Christ, contact Dan Russell at cefoffice@franklincef.com.



## **Once More Ministries Report**

#### from the OMM Leadership Team

Spring has sprung and OMM is ready for a new year of opportunities with our ministry! Our first distribution of the year was set to be on Saturday, March 12, but we had our first-ever postponement due to weather. With a 100% probability of a few to several inches of snow forecasted, OMM leadership decided to reschedule the distribution to Saturday, March 26. We will update our readers in the May issue of the *Messenger* to let you know how it went.

Although weather was an issue we've not yet had to contend with for our previous outdoor distributions, we look at this delay as an oppor-

# ... OMM needs your help to meet the needs of our neighbors.

tunity to do a couple of things: to serve our regular attenders on a (hopefully more springlike) day that's more easily accessible for all of us and, also potentially, to reach people in our community we may not have otherwise encountered. We pray that serving our community in this way will have a real and tangible impact for the Kingdom of God and that the postponed schedule will actually allow the impact to be more far-reaching than we could imagine! We have watched the Lord provide and work in the ministry in ways we knew could only be God's own hand, so we wait expectantly to see how He works this time.

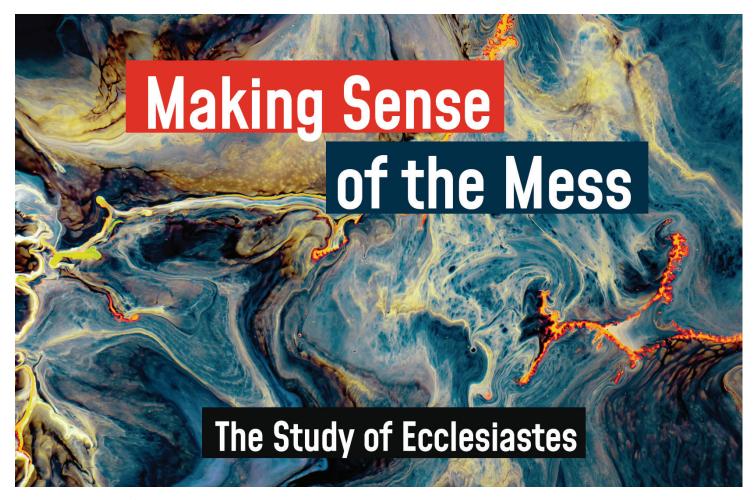
With that said, OMM needs your help to meet the needs of our neighbors. Like all retailers, the one we use to purchase any supplies we aren't able to collect through your donations has had to increase their prices by 25%, which in turn, increases OMM's cost. Would you prayerfully consider how you might help in the Lord's mission to meet these needs?

Your donated supplies for our quarterly distributions can be placed in the bins in the Baker Center Foyer, the Rotz Foyer or the Sanctuary Narthex. Below is the list of items we regularly collect. As a reminder, items should be in new, unopened condition.

- Feminine hygiene products
- Laundry detergent and dryer sheets
- Dishwashing (liquid) detergent
- Toothpaste
- Men's and women's razors
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Bar soap
- Men's and women's deodorant
- Individually-wrapped paper towels
- Small 4- to 6-packs of toilet paper
- Facial tissues

If you would like to serve with OMM, there are multiple times and ways you can serve in the days leading up to distribution day as well as on distribution day itself. Remember: It takes only one special skill for all of the tasks—*a love for people*.

For more information about OMM or volunteering, please email us at omm@kschurch. org. This email account is monitored weekly, so please don't be discouraged if you don't receive an immediate response. Rest assured, we will reach out to you soon!



Right after Easter, Pastor Jody will be starting a new series with us in the book of Ecclesiastes. This series will be called "Making Sense of the Mess." Below Pastor Jody gives us a glimpse into why he chose Ecclesiastes and what the messages will be about:

We're all overwhelmed with the magnitude of what is happening in our world. How stressful it is! How quickly things are changing! The word turmoil is defined as "a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainly." I would say that sums our world up pretty well. Which is precisely why the Book of Ecclesiastes is perhaps more important today than ever before. Ecclesiastes is a completely different book from any other in the Bible. It looks at life and says, "Yeh, you're right. This world really can seem like a train wreck." And yet, somewhere from the middle of all of that God speaks. Not in simple "pretend like it doesn't exist" answers. There is a

true acknowledgment of the mess. "Utterly meaningless" are the words that are used. It's all wind. Vanity. You work your whole life, and for what? That's the place that the "narrator" of Ecclesiastes speaks from. He speaks from experience, too. He takes you down a long journey into the mess. But (thanks be to God!) that's not the end of the story. There is hope. There is truth. There are meaningful answers. But these answers don't come easily—and they don't come early. Does that sound like the kind of message your soul would be helped to hear? We'll be starting the journey the Sunday after Easter. I hope you can join us. I think you need to hear what God has to say.

# SC STUDENT MINISTRY EVENT



HERSHEY EXCURSION

Sunday, April 10th Meet at church at 1pm Return at 5pm

Please bring money for a meal on the way home. Contact Pastor Rob (rgunkelman@kschurch.org) or Lauren (Idukehart@kschurch.org) if you would like to come.







#### Dorothy "Dot" Leedy Celebrated Her 100th Birthday

On January 21, 2022, Dorothy "Dot" Leedy celebrated her 100th birthday. Representative Rob Kauffman presented her a beautiful bound citation from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives celebrating her 100 year birthday. Dot was received into membership of King Street U. B. Church by Dr. Clyde W. Meadows in November 1951. Using her talents for the Lord, she was very active in the Buds of Promise Sunday School Class and in many other areas of ministry over the years.

Dot was married to Isaac "Jim" Leedy who passed away January 31, 1980. Dot has three children – Rebecca Bigler, Susan Davis and Michael Leedy. Dot has seven grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren, with a sixteenth one to be born in June.



The Board of Directors of the Chambersburg Cold Weather Drop-in Shelter wishes to thank King Street Church for providing personnel and food for this past shelter season. Your sacrifice helped make this past season a great success. God bless all of you.



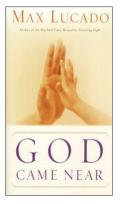
We are currently looking to hire for several positions:

- Facilities Custodian/Maintenance Technician (full-time, second shift)
- Pre-school Coordinator (part-time)
- Interns for Children's Ministry and Creative Arts

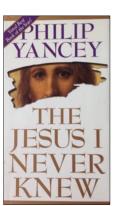
See details and application requirements at kingstreetchurch.com/staff.

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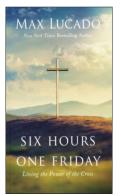
With the coming of Easter, here are a few suggestions to help you focus on this time of year. See our special display shelf with these and other books:

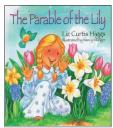






- God Came Near by Max Lucado
- The Cross by Rod Parsley
- The Jesus I Never Knew by Philip Yancy







- **Six Hours One Friday** by Max Lucado *Especially for kids*:
- The Parable of the Lily by Liz Curtis Higgs
- That Easter Morn text based on an Easter hymn and art by Chi Chung

# PASTORAL CARE

If you are in the hospital or would like to request a visit or prayer, please call the church office at (717) 264-4651 or email Molly Shull at mshull@kschurch.org.



**SUNDAY, MAY 15 AT 10 A.M.** 

One of our core values at King Street Church is to be relationally connected by Christ. It's with that in mind that we've planned an all-church worship service outside on Sunday, May 15 at 10:00. We're excited to come together as one large church body to worship God, to hear Pastor Jody deliver the Word and to celebrate how God is at work at King Street Church.

We hope you will bring a chair and join us in the Baker Center parking lot for this very special service, which will replace our normal Sunday schedule. We have invited some food trucks to join us on site after worship and are planning a children's activity, so we encourage you to stay for lunch and connect with others.

# **APRIL 2022**

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# **JUST FOR KIDS**



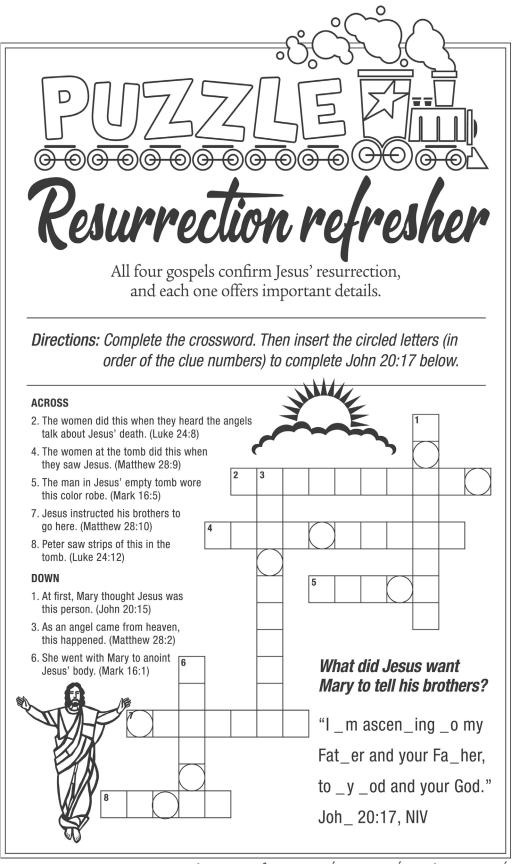
Create this craft to share the events of Holy Week with a younger sibling or friend.



- Clear bottle or jar with lid
- White rice
- Small items that symbolize Holy Week events

#### What you do:

- 1. Pour rice into bottle or jar so it's about two-thirds full.
- 2. Add the small items. Ideas: leaf, donkey, cup, towel square, praying hands, coin, bird, nails, thorn, cross, dice, stick, lamb, stone, white fabric.
- 3. Fasten the lid. Then shake and turn the bottle to "spy" each item.



Answer: ACROSS 2. remembered, 4. worshipped, 5. white, 7. Galilee, 8. linen; DOWN 1. gardener, 3. earthquake, 6. Salome; "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." John 20:17, MIV

#### **ROAR Like a Mother!**

# An Update on Our Women's Conference by Susanna Allen, Communications Coordinator

On Saturday, March 19, about 325 women from 46 churches gathered in our Baker Center for our "ROAR Like a Mother!" Women's Conference. They came—some from more than four hours away—to be challenged in the sobering work of raising their children to be wise and devoted followers of Christ in a culture that is constantly seeking to draw them in the other direction.

At 8 a.m. when the doors opened, there was a joyful, vibrant energy as the ladies streamed into our space. The conference committee had



decorated the lobby and Baker Center with hand-painted murals proclaiming Scripture, color-coordinated garlands and dramatic balloon displays. Each volunteer was wearing their blue ROAR themed shirt and a bright smile. Everyone chatted over coffee, pastries and fruit.

The excited energy stayed high throughout the day, as Nick and Kathryn Randle led worship; as Pastor Jody welcomed our guests and his wife Caryn opened in prayer; as the guest speaker, Hillary Morgan Ferrer, founder of Mama Bear Apologetics, took the stage for each of her powerful sessions and as our own Eloisa Rice shared on the subject of "Radical Motherhood." At lunch the tables bonded over salads and sandwiches, then chewed over the most compelling points that had been made in the previous sessions.

Each break brought an opportunity to visit the Fellowship Room, where local vendors like Grayce Gardens, BrandAsh Bleats & Teats, and Kaitlyn Shadle Photography offered beautiful and nourishing gifts for sale. Inside the Baker Center, ministries that serve women and children were featured including Good News Club, Pregnancy Ministries and Sweet Grace Ministries.

The teaching brought difficult realities—that our children are being influenced by the world around them in increasingly deceptive ways. But the day also brought hope, inspiration and resources for every woman. They were challenged and equipped to combat the

world, rely on the power of the Holy Spirit, infuse their children with the Word of God and stand against Satan's worst intentions.

When the women were leaving that afternoon, many thanked the committee members for the conference. Several shared that they felt encouraged by the opportunity to meet with other like-minded

women of faith, that it felt good to connect with others and know that they weren't fighting the good fight all on their own.

Please pray with us for all the women who heard this teaching, that God would use it to draw their hearts into deeper relationship with Him and that He would work in their lives in a mighty way as they continue to process the truths that they have heard.

We praise God for His hand of mercy and blessing over the women's conference and we are grateful for the team of women who planned it and brought it to life. We believe God is going to continue to work through the community that was created through these efforts and through the fire that has been lit within those who desire radical motherhood.

# KSC SERVICE CENTRAL

#### **APRIL 2022 SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

Visit https://serve.kingstreetchurch.com for more information.

#### **CROSS | Cumberland Vista**

Cards of Encouragement 9 Openings

#### **CROSS | Grace Home**

Cards of Encouragement 9 Openings

#### **CROSS | Griffith House**

Cards of Encouragement 10 Openings

#### **DiscipleMakers**

Pray for College Ministry at Shippensburg University 246 Openings

#### **Good News Club**

Volunteers 15 Openings

#### **Habitat for Humanity**

Open Build Days 100 Openings

#### **Pregnancy Ministries, Inc.**

Cleaning Team
1 Opening

#### **Sweet Grace Ministries**

Baby Bracelets 4 Openings

#### **Sweet Grace Ministries**

Mother's Day Card Writing 8 Openings

# **Shook Home Retirement Community**

Cards of Encouragement 5 Openings

#### **King Street Church**

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#### **Crosswalk Elementary**

Elementary Volunteers 15 Openings

#### **Crosswalk Nursery**

Nursery Volunteers 14 Openings

#### **Crosswalk Pre-School**

Pre-School Volunteers
13 Openings

# Media & Production Team Media and Lyrics Operator

5 Openings

# Media & Production Team Online Service Host

8 Openings

# Media & Production Team Video Camera Operator

5 Openings

#### **Once More Ministries**

OMM Needs Your Help 100 Openings

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Community Giveaway Thank You Cards 45 Openings

#### **RESET**

Childcare 4 Openings

#### **RESET**

Leadership Team 3 Openings

#### **RESET**

Support Crew 3 Openings

#### RESET

Support Group Facilitator 4 Openings

#### The Street

Child Care for The Street Student Meetings 2 Openings

#### Welcome Team-8:00 Service

8 Openings

#### Welcome Team— 9:30 Services

19 Openings

#### Welcome Team-11:00 Services

22 Openings

#### **Worship Team**

Worship Team Audition 16 Openings



#### **2022 GRADUATES**

One of our favorite annual traditions is honoring our graduates. High school and undergrad students who wish to be included should forward a digital picture (preferably a senior photo/high quality image) to Lauren Dukehart, Student Ministries Administrative Assistant: Idukehart@kschurch.org. Include details about what school you have graduated from and any future plans. The deadline to submit is May 15; Graduation Sunday is June 5.



Dig deeper! In your personal journal, consider answering these questions as part of your daily devotional time:

- Identify one **FACT** that stands out to you from the reading.
- Consider how you **REACT** to this fact. What is God saying to you specifically? How do you think or feel about it? Personalize the truth to your own life.
- What is God calling you to **ACT** upon? How can you put God's Word into practice in your own life? What will you do about this truth today?



HAVE LUNCH.
BRING A FRIEND.
BEGIN A CONVERSATION.

Thursday, April 14
12:10–12:50 p.m.
KSC Fellowship Room

Table Talk is a monthly lunch hosted by Pastor Jody. Consider inviting someone to this casual discussion about faith in Christ and the Christian life. This spring Pastor Jody's discussions center around events in our culture and how we can view them through a biblical lens. We are asking that *everyone* pre-register by using the link on our website or by emailing Molly Shull (mshull@kschurch.org). You can bring your own lunch or you can request a sandwich (\$5) or salad (\$10) if you register before noon on Tuesday, April 12.



## **VBS** is June 26-29!

This year our theme will be "Discovery on Adventure Island." Children will learn how God's light shines in the lives of familiar biblical characters and how God invites us to shine His light in a world that needs it now more than ever. We hope you will save the date for this important annual outreach event and begin to pray about how you can take part. "Arise! Shine! Your light has come, the LORD'S glory has shone upon you!" (Isaiah 60:1)

# Questes of the Week

"Jesus' blood and sacrifice is greater than any ritual, any good work, any act of devotion or worship service we could ever come up with. Jesus is greater than all our sin, past, present and future. He loves you, He gave Himself for you and He is coming back for those of us who are waiting for Him."

Pastor Matt Gish February 27, 2022



"From the beginning of creation, God's plan has always been to use Jesus Christ and His sacrifice to accomplish His plan of redemption."

> Pastor Rob Gunkelman March 6, 2022



"Faith acts—but not blindly. Faith anticipates—often sacrificing the present advantage to gain the future. Faith dares to take risks—even when it's not rewarded in this life."

Pastor Jody Bowser March 13, 2022



"God is committed to growing us up in Him—and a lot of times He uses pain and disappointment to do it. God's love is a fatherly love; a disciplining love; a love that forges our character and grows us up into maturity."

Pastor Jody Bowser March 20, 2022

# PRIMETIMERS UPDATE

# Celebration of Life Memorial Picnic

to honor

## George Herbert

Sunday, May 22 from 3-5 p.m.
Greene Township Park, Pavilion #3
Chambersburg, PA 17202
PrimeTimers—come share

RSVP to Jeannine at 717-860-1952 or dogncatdoc@comcast.net

your memories









#### **POTTERY EXHIBIT**

Sunday, April 24 9 a.m.–12:15 p.m. KSC Courtyard

Projects created in the Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and evening classes











### **Emily Schoenleber**

March 10, 2022

(Serving in Wilmore, Kentucky with Frontier Alliance International)

#### **Finding New Rhythms and Community**

I am so grateful to be continually covered in prayer by all of you. The recent months haven't been easy, but the Lord is faithful to guide and sustain. I have been learning again what it looks like to yield to the Lord and His timing, whatever season I may find myself in.

I am happy to report I recently made a really good friend here in Wilmore and it was a bit of a connect the dots to meet her. But it's a fun story. There's a missions sending organization here called Cornerstone International. I heard they have a prayer and worship meeting every Thursday morning for two hours. I have really been missing the prayer room community I was a part of in California, so I jumped right in to the prayer meeting at Cornerstone. I was quickly introduced to the handful of other people in the room before we started the meeting. There was a girl there who was getting ready to move to Ethiopia.

Some of you may remember that I actually visited a YWAM (Youth With a Mission) base in Ethiopia back in 2018 and the nation holds a special place in my heart. I wanted to talk to this girl and connect her with my YWAM friends, but she left the meeting before it was over. I ended up meeting and talking with her

mom afterwards because her mom mentioned that her son was trying to decide on a YWAM base. So we started talking and she said, "Well my daughter is actually getting ready to move to Ethiopia with YWAM." Of course, she was shocked to hear that I had visited the exact same base and knew the leaders!

We swapped numbers and she told me that she knew her daughter (Abby) would love to connect with me. A few days later, we grabbed coffee and shared our stories. A week or so later, Abby invited me to an open house she was having and while there I met a young couple around my age who are from San Diego, California. They moved here last year for the husband to go to seminary. San Diego is less than two hours from where I used to live, so we quickly bonded over that. The wife and I made plans to meet up for coffee last week and we ended up spending almost four hours together! It felt like we had been friends for ages. And she also invited me to join the small group she and her friends have. I am thanking the Lord for such a sweet new friend.

#### A Bit of Background on FAI

Leading up to FAI's founding in 2011, its founders were actually living in Tauranga, New Zealand. This should look familiar to most of you because it's actually where I spent close to four years of my life. FAI's founders were living there and working with the house of prayer in our city. The Lord asked them to lay down their work in the South Pacific and begin to engage the Islamic world. Shortly before Christmas that year, Dalton was reading a biography about missionary Hudson Taylor's life and his China Inland Mission. There were three specific things that stuck out to Dalton that became the foundational infrastructure for FAI—international, regional and local.

Hudson Taylor had a passion for the local evangelization and discipleship of the unengaged Chinese. But to be able to reach the Chinese people in day to day discipleship, Taylor needed to train and mobilize pioneering leaders in the region. Leaders who shared the burden to see the unreached and unengaged encounter Jesus. But Taylor didn't stop there. He traveled to and from China (by ship!) many times for the sake of international recruitment and advocacy—sharing about the people, the need, and the work in China and inviting others to say yes to the command of Jesus to "go and make disciples of all nations."

#### Where Do You Fit?

Drawing from Hudson Taylor's model and strategy, FAI has teams on the ground in some of the most unreached locations and workers are living day in and day out amongst a foreign people group for the sake of evangelization and discipleship. FAI is committed to reaching those who do not yet have the Gospel.

At the same time, FAI is also committed to resourcing those who already do have the Gospel. One of the three core mandates remains to be international recruitment and advocacy. This is done through many avenues: film, publishing, training, etc. Telling the stories about what's happening on the field, better equipping the Church to engage in prayer and just as Taylor did, inviting others to say yes to Jesus' command. One of the big ways we have engaged and trained people over the last few years has been through a course called Emmaus Online. It is a nine month course where students from all over the world gather together around the "bonfire" of scripture and learn and grow together.

I recently took over the responsibility of doing the administrative work associated with this course—anything from student enrollment, facilitating weekly Zoom calls, sending out the course content, updating the website, etc. I have such a heart for overseas missions, but I also have a desire for the discipleship of the western Church and seeing people awakened here and stepping into the fullness of God's calling on their life. As much as I would love to be on a foreign field right now, it's my joy

to play a part in catalyzing others to say yes and take their own step of faith to a foreign field. I think it was YWAM's founder, Loren Cunningham, who said something along these lines, "He is the Lord of the harvest. It's God's harvest fields, not ours. He tells us what part of the field we're supposed to work in."

#### **Simple Obedience Changes History**

Something we say often in Circuit Riders (the ministry I worked with in California) is this little phrase: "Simple obedience changes history." All of these great heroes in the faith probably didn't think they were doing anything remarkable in the moments that we now look to for inspiration and encouragement. They were just obeying the Lord and taking one more step forward. All of these small, seemingly insignificant moments in our life are actually where history is made. What's waiting for us on the other side of our obedience? What is the Lord waiting to do through our humble "yes?"

I'm praying that the Lord continues to lead me in the mundane day to day life here in Kentucky and that He would lead me to the right people and open the right doors. I'm praying that I would be able to engage with the lost and disciple people to Him, even as I'm helping train and advocate for the work being done amongst the unreached.

#### B and SP

March 4, 2022

(Serving in Lincoln, Nebraska with Christar)

#### **Team Happenings**

Our teammates' daughter was in a head-on collision in Kansas with a car that was trying to flee police. PRAISE GOD she is alive, but we are praying as there is much pain and a long road ahead to full healing and function of her mouth and eyes. Pray for her heart most of all.

#### **English Class Shift**

Attendance has been lower with our Yezidi

students lately for different reasons: deaths in families necessitating times of mourning and/or overseas trips, attained citizenship that discourages them from continuing and avenues where others can get English five days a week. Simultaneously, Nebraska has welcomed 1220 Afghans so far, 400 to Lincoln and 1600 folks with regular refugee status from other countries, just since October. We are going to open the class to other people groups but start first within existing relationships. Every week this year we do a bit of stretching and then a Bible story in super simple English before we get to the regular English lesson. It has been rich.

#### **Arabic Church**

Some nights are super strange. Our Yezidi lady, "Ellie," with five of her children in tow was afraid she was being followed on the way to church. (She is the one who fled from an abusive husband.) One of our teens got ill during the evening, later being diagnosed with food poison. A taxi driver dropped off Afghan men at church who wanted to talk to our men afterwards. Our church later learned that they have five and seven kids apiece and felt dropped by their caseworker and had only received \$150 for groceries. May God draw more to Himself!

#### **Thanks for Praying:**

- 1. This Sunday *B* will share at a partner church in Ellington, CT.
- 2. The clean out of *B*'s dad's house starts Monday, March 7 and they expect it will take four days.
- 3. We need wisdom so that no details would be forgotten in the probate process.
- 4. We anticipate *B* returning safely on March 14. Pray for his physical health but more importantly, his emotional health. It has been grueling for him.
- 5. *S* has visits to help out Yezidis and Muslim families next week. Pray for open doors.
- 6. Pray for God to bring more men back to the Arabic church and strengthen struggling families.

#### Karli Frelin

March 23, 2022

#### (Serving with Campus Outreach, UNC-Charlotte)

#### **Family and Friends**

Thank you all for your constant prayers and support! As the semester has gone on, I feel like I am getting into the swing of campus life, seminary and life outside of ministry. However, I do still feel like I'm in a transition. Please pray that I would take refuge in God and truly believe that the Lord is my safe place.

A few weeks ago we had a joint campus meeting with NC State. These meetings are more evangelistic and the Gospel was clearly presented. The speaker, Ben Uthe, asked the question, "What are you searching for?" He answered that question by sharing about how Jesus is ultimately the one who we are searching for and the only one who satisfies us. Please pray for the students who came to this meeting. Pray for the Lord to continue to reveal Himself to students at NC State and UNC.



Gracie and Jennifer

Gracie is a sophomore who Jennifer has built a relationship with this school year. I've had the privilege of joining them in reading through a Bible study this semester. I really feel like God is pursuing Gracie's heart and she asks really good questions about Jesus. Please pray that Gracie would really see the heart of God and trust in Jesus as her Lord and Savior.

Camila recently had a birthday! Please pray for her. She has been struggling a lot with anxiety. Please pray for God to meet her in her anxiety.



Camila



Victoria, Kiara, Raquel and Sontia

Victoria, Kiara, Raquel and Sontia are all seniors at UNC. Please pray for them as they prepare to graduate and ask for the Lord to lead them in making post-grad decisions.

#### **Personal Prayer Requests**

- Thank you for praying over my MRI. Everything is looking good in my head and there are no lesions on my spine. Praise God!
- I am currently looking for a place to live. Please pray for the Lord to provide a place for me to live around Chapel Hill.
- Please continue to pray that I would really believe that Jesus is with me and constant even in the midst of transition.

#### Messenger Announcement

With this issue I will now have served 40 years as the editor of the *Messenger* and have decided that now is a good time to retire. I would like to thank the many individuals who helped make the monthly publication of the newsletter possible. This list would include the pastors and staff who contributed inspirational articles, Sunday school and church leaders who contributed articles and news reports, those who agreed to be profiled, proofreaders and church staff and volunteers who helped prepare the newsletter for mailing and many others. A special thanks goes to my wife, Mary, for her support over the years.

The production of future editions of the Messenger will now be in the capable hands of Susanna Allen, our Communications Coordinator and Marsha Spangler, our Communications Assistant. Susanna has been extremely helpful with contributing to the newsletter with graphics, information, news items and articles since she joined the staff. Marsha recently has been putting together a listing of announcements and news for the Messenger. This list has been very helpful in knowing what to include in each issue. Together they make a great team. I know the future of the *Messenger* is in good hands.

In closing I would like to add that I am grateful to have served my church and my Savior in this small way. Thanks for all of the support that you have given me over these 40 years.

Don Burkholder



