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Come to Know.....

Come to Love.....

Come to Serve.....

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### **Fifth Sunday Offering Next Sunday!**

**The funds from this offering will be going into the Youth Minister Fund.**

### **Baby Shower for John Anthony Hancock**

**Next Sunday, the 30<sup>th</sup> we are going to have a gift shower for Angelina Kuhn & Joe Hancock's baby. We will set up a table in the foyer for the gifts. If you would like to participate in this shower, items that they need are: Wet wipes, diapers size 3 and 4, clothing 9mo. and older, sippy cups & bowls, or gift cards, and breast milk storage bags.**

### **Save the Date!**

**September 20<sup>th</sup> we will be having a Fall Kick-off. It will be a fun time with live entertainment by the Buehrers, Games, Hay Rides and Snacks. Invite your family and friends for an evening of fellowship. We will be starting at 5:30 p.m.**

### **Affirmation of Leadership**

**September 20<sup>th</sup> will be the vote for the affirmation of leadership for our church, so please be in prayer for this vote. Those to be affirmed are: (Elders)- Tim Hickman, Bob Martin, Milan Towers, Greg Vogel (Deacons)- Eric Allen, Randy Allomong, Tyler Chapin, Mike Keller, Greg Lyon, Mitch Stanley, Mike Zimmer (Trustee) Greg Vogel (Offering Secretary) Milan Towers, Asst: Ruth Martin**

### **Kulpahar Offering**

**Their Mission Statement: The Kulpahar Kids Home and Christian School exist to provide a quality Christian Education for children of impoverished Christian families! Our purpose has always been to save the child physically; give them a safe and loving environment in which to live, and give them a good Christian education, which they would not have otherwise received!**

**As in the past, we will be taking up an offering for them on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to help them provide a good Christmas dinner and a gift for each child.**

# Let's Talk

- Jeremy S. Jones

What a crazy time we are living in!! Just when we think we have a routine down, something crazy happens and life gets turned upside down all over again. You almost have to hold your breath when you get out of the bed in the morning, because you know if something didn't happen in the night before the day is done it will happen. Our newspapers, social media feed, television, radio stations are all flooded from everything to this pandemic, riots to having no toilet paper or cleaning supplies. How much more can we take?

And on top of it all, we have televangelists and posts on social media quoting verses like:

*Esther 4:14 "For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. **And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?**" (Bold type mine)*

While this is a good verse and we can look it and know we are living in a time, during a situation for a reason, we are not Esther. And we are not supposed to be saving a generation. And yet, that's exactly what televangelists want us to rally behind. So, what are we suppose to be doing? How do reconcile all the constant, uncertainty that is going on around us?

We are to look to the one, as the children's song goes, "He has the whole world in His hands..." and trust His promises.

*Isaiah 55:6, 8 – 9 says "'Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near.... For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.'*

*Philippians 4:4 – 7 "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."*

*2 Corinthians 5:4 – 7 "For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we **walk** by faith, not by sight."*

Notice when we "Seek, Rejoice and Walk" our eyes are taken off what's going on around us and we see that God is truly in control. As Peter saw when he walked on the water, Jesus is the calm in the midst of the storm. But, we have to keep our eyes on Him or else we will sink in the crazy, chaotic world around.