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Come to Know.....

Come to Love.....
Come to Serve.....

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Prayer Breakfast

Our prayer breakfast is Saturday, October 2nd at 9:00 a.m. Our speaker is Jennifer Love. We would love to have all of our ladies attend. If you volunteered to help or bring food, please be here by 8:45 am. Thank You!

Ladies Night Out at Lake James

Ladies mark your calendars for October 11th for the Ladies Night Out at Lake James. You can sign up on line or call the camp at 260-833-2786 to make your reservation. You can also let Jan Hauenstein know and she can call the camp and make the reservation for all. Need to know by Sunday, October 3rd, if Jan is calling for you. **COST:** \$12 for ages 6-12, \$15 for ages 13+. **TIMES:** Continuous Dinner 5:15-6:45, Worship at 7:00p.m.

WCS meeting

October 12th is our WCS meeting. Hostesses for this meeting are Anita Keller and Jan Hauenstein. Devotions will be given by Connie Towers. Our projects are a silent auction and the Ladies Prayer Breakfast. All Ladies are welcome. We meet each month on the second Tuesday in the church office at 7:00 p.m.

Updating Directory

I am in the process of updating the directory and the calendars for 2022, if anyone has an address update or want their birthday and anniversary on our calendars, please give me the information in writing. I need them as soon as possible to get books and calendars updated before the first of the year. Thank You, Jan Hauenstein.

Affirmation of Leadership for 2022

All positions were re-affirmed.

Elders; Tim Hickman, Bob Martin, Milan Towers, & Greg Vogel

Deacons; Eric Allen, Randy Allomong, Tyler Chapin, Mitch Stanley, Charlie Stomm, Mike Zimmer **Offering Secretary;** Milan Towers **Asst.** Mitch Stanley **Trustees;** Milan Towers, Tim Hickman & Greg Vogel

Pumpkin Carving

As in the past we will be doing pumpkin carving with the kids on Wednesday Evening, October 27th. We will not have Bible Study on this Evening so that the adults can join our youth in an evening of Creative fun. Adults, help is needed on this evening, so please come out and help with the youth.

Are we bold enough to pray?

- Jeremy S. Jones

This is a moment in our country's life when we as the church need to rise up and support our youth. Every day they are bombarded with ideals and thoughts that are contrary to Scripture. Everything around them screams, "God is not real and my emotions and what I can explain with my 5 senses is real." It is no wonder that by the time they finish high school they no longer want anything to do with God or the church.

And then, we have moments like this past Wednesday, where students were "legally" allowed to come together around their school's flag pole and pray. October 7th is another one of those moments. On October 7th, students are encouraged to bring their Bibles to school. And not just bring them, but have them visible with the hopes that they then can share their faith.

We sit back and complain at how messed up this country is and how doomed we are because "lazy, emotionally driven youth of today" are the ones that will one day be running this country. But, have we ever stopped to take moments like last Wednesday and October 7th and come along side our youth? Encouraging them to stand bold for their beliefs, and not only to stand bold, but to stand with them. To pray for them? To pray with them?

It has been said for many generations, "If we do not raise our children, someone else will." And that could not be more prevalent than it is right now. Scripture tells us time and time again, what a blessing children are. It then follows with how we are to train them, prepare them and send them out well equipped into the world to continue the work of spreading the Gospel message.

This cannot be done, if all we do is harp on them and make them pay attention to a religion that is not their own. Instead of showing them beautiful relationship they can have with Christ. Will you put away your parental-child differences and stand with your child? Will go with them to the Father's throne and kneel in prayer with them? Will you show them that you too need the saving grace of a Savior on a daily basis?

And I would encourage you that no longer have children in your home or those of you who have no children to come. Come along beside the youth in this church, come along beside your grand kids, come along beside the neighborhood kids, come along beside my kids.

Will you come?

The children need us.