



NEWS FROM THE WELL

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Operation Christmas Child

Next month we will pack our shoeboxes. National Shoebox Collection week is November 15-22. We are still lacking items needed. We need crayons, colored pencils, small notebooks, boys T-shirts (L or XL), boys' underwear (L or XL), and socks. Please pick up some of these items and put them in the box in the Narthex.

Holy Communion



We will celebrate Holy Communion on Sunday, October 3 during the Worship Service. Plan to join us in person or online for this time remembering Christ's death on the cross for our sins.



Deacon's Meeting

There will be a Deacon's meeting on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 in the Library. All Deacons are asked to be in attendance.

Women's Fellowship



The Women's Fellowship will meet on Sunday afternoon October 10 at 3:00 in the Fellowship Building. All ages of women of the church are invited to come and join us in fellowship.

Fall Festival

The Fall Festival is scheduled for Friday October 29 from 6:00-8:00. It will be a time of fun and fellowship for our youth and those young at heart. Put this date on your calendar. More details to come later.

October Birthdays

2 Randy Cox
4 Wayne Barber
6 Ellison Edwards
8 Calley Gunter
9 MacKenzie Baldwin
13 Terence Shepherd
14 Darah Douglas
15 Patsy Thomas
16 Abraham Berryman
20 Wendy McNeill
20 Morgan Pedley
20 Thomas Lankford
20 Kelsey Douglas
22 Wilma Truelove
23 Jolynda Adcock
23 Sammy Poe
24 Matthew Edwards
27 Mitzy Douglas
27 Lib McBride
27 Paul Thomas
29 Jill Parson
30 Lisa Kelly
30 Gabriel Harrington



October Ministry Assistants

Acolytes: Oct. 3: Abby Johnson; Oct. 10: Griff Griffin; Oct. 17: Ayden Griffin; Oct. 24: Thomas Lankford; Oct. 31: Abby Johnson.

CUOC food item: Jelly

Deacon on Call: Oct. 3: Brittany Griffin; Oct. 10: Shannon Godfrey; Oct 17: Chris Godfrey; Oct. 24: Mary Griffin; Oct. 31: Candi Adcock.

Flowers: Oct. 3: open; Oct. 10: open; Oct. 17: Mary Griffin; Oct. 24: Sammy Poe; Oct. 31: Eric Burmahl.

Trustee to lock/unlock: Kirk Pedley.

Bible Readings for October

Oct 1: Is 11-13; Eph 4
Oct 2: Is 14-16; Eph 5:1-16
Oct 3: Is 17-19; Eph 5:17-33
Oct 4: Is 20-22; Eph 6
Oct 5: Is 23-25; Phil 1
Oct 6: Is 26-27; Phil 2
Oct 7: Is 28-29; Phil 3
Oct 8: Is 30-31; Phil 4
Oct 9: Is 32-33; Col 1
Oct 10: Is 34-36; Col 2
Oct 11: Is 37-38; Col 3
Oct 12: Is 39-40; Col 4
Oct 13: Is 41-42; 1Thess 1
Oct 14: Is 43-44; 1Thess 2
Oct 15: Is 45-46; 1Thess 3
Oct 16: Is 47-49; 1Thess 4
Oct 17: Is 50-52; 1Thess 5
Oct 18: Is 53-55; 2Thess 1
Oct 19: Is 56-58; 2Thess 2
Oct 20: Is 59-61; 2Thess 3
Oct 21: Is 62-64; 1Tim 1
Oct 22: Is 65-66; 1Tim 2
Oct 23: Jer 1-2; 1Tim 3
Oct 24: Jer 3-5; 1Tim 4
Oct 25: Jer 6-8; 1Tim 5
Oct 26: Jer 9-11; 1Tim 6
Oct 27: Jer 12-14; 2Tim 1
Oct 28: Jer 15-17; 2Tim 2
Oct 29: Jer 18-19; 2Tim 3
Oct 30: Jer 20-21; 2Tim 4
Oct 31: Jer 22-23; Titus 1

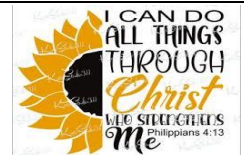


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Philippians 4:13 Explained by Eric Burmahl



The Apostle Paul expresses in Philippians 4:13 that he "can do all things through Him who strengthens me." There are two aspects to consider: what does this mean, and what does this not mean? To understand what this verse means, one must look at the context. Paul explains in verse 10 that he appreciates the gift from the Philippians. Still, in verse 11, we read he had learned to be content with whatever circumstances may arise. In verse 12, Paul states that he knew how to live humbly or in prosperity. He had learned to be satisfied with being filled or being hungry, as well as having an abundance or being in need. In verse 13, the "all things" points us to the "in any and every" of verse 12. Paul can do all things in every circumstance because of his relationship with Jesus Christ. The Greek helps us to further understand "I can do all things." First, the verb "do" is better translated as "be strong, powerful, able prevailing over." Secondly, the Greek translation of the preposition (ev) as "through" can cause one to miss Paul's point. We have an improved understanding that "in" Christ, we are empowered. From the Greek, we better know that Paul's strength came from his union with the Lord Jesus Christ in faith. In the Greek, "him who strengthens me," the verb is a Present, Active Participle. (the one who strengthens). It is essential to see that the focus is the ongoing, powerful work that Christ is doing in Paul's life. What the text does not mean is that we have unlimited spiritual abilities as Christians. "All things" should not be understood as "everything." We should not go jumping off cliffs in reaction to reading this verse, taking literal meaning to the individual verse. From the context, it is clear that Paul is referring to his apostolic ministry, not just anything he wishes to do. Paul knows that he can prevail in the commission he was given because of his union with Christ, whom he remains connected to daily, the indwelling Christ.

