



KOINONIA DESERT SPRINGS COVENANT CHURCH

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"Quenching the Thirst of all Generations"

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We pray it regularly. Sometimes privately. Sometimes publicly, It is a declaration of our true allegiance to the country we belong. It expresses the longing of our hearts. It surpasses allegiance to any earthly nation, kingdom or political system. We pray: "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Doing so, we place all of our resources--life, energy, time, money, talents - to participate in God's great mission to bring this about until that day when "every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord" and "the kingdoms of the earth have become the kingdom of our Lord and Christ".

As we have learned in our study through the Book of Acts of the Apostles, the work of Jesus to bring heaven to earth continues today. We are God's change-agents to bring about His will upon earth. We have been made and anointed to be a kingdom of priests to create a "house of prayer for all nations-people of every ethnic group". We are commissioned as his servants to "go and make disciples" who, in turn, "go and make disciples" that learn and obey the teachings of Jesus and are baptized into his name.

This should challenge all of us! We are part of a bigger story and mission than what we can possibly imagine or accomplish on our own. We must hear from heaven God's directions and sense his promptings if we are going to accomplish His will so that it is "done on earth as it is in heaven". Proudful presumption ignores prayer and seeking God, thinking that we can accomplish anything on our own: "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it."

As such, this should also chide us into a deep sense of humility. It is not about us--what we want, our preferences (likes or dislikes), what we think should or should not happen. Kingdom purpose and living always leads us to the cross where our lives are laid down in obedience to God. After all, we either choose to accomplish what we are able to do in our own strength with our own resources or to accomplish what God is able to do with His strength and resources. It is risky to leave behind doing our own thing in our own ways! It is a leap of faith to wait upon the Lord and then go and do what He calls us to do. It is a step of faith to take time to wait, listen, hear and obey.

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BUY - A - BED CAMPAIGN

"Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish, and you feed him for a lifetime"

In like manner, teaching and enabling a person to garden results in empowering them with the means to provide nourishing food for their family.

The Desert Springs Community Garden is off to a fantastic start! We had 16 people attend the initial planning meeting 25 August. We met for a 2nd meeting on 29 September with an attendance of 8 people. We are currently "selling" raised bed gardens. By purchasing a bed, in essence you are "sponsoring" a garden for a family in need. Master Gardeners of Benton-Franklin Counties and Chiawana High School are partnering with us in this ministry outreach.

Broadmore Apartments and Silver Creek Apartments are the two complexes that are our "target areas." With a total of almost 500 units, it is our goal to minister to 20 families through gardening. (continued on Pg. 2)

A Certificate of Appreciation was given to Veronnica Meaders at worship, Sunday Sept. 28 for her exemplary leadership, commitment and faithfulness in serving in the Youth Ministry of Desert Springs Covenant Church.

Beverly Eads, Moderator, Nolan Wilcox, Vice Moderator, Marge Mutch, Clerk, Beth Bodeau, Treasurer, Al Akerson, Financial Secretary, LEADERSHIP TEAM: Stephanie Bradbury, Dave Guyll, Pat Wright, Jason McCollum, Mark Richart

Pastor Ron....continued

To prevent twisting our prayer and purpose into "my kingdom come, my will be done", I want to call all who call Desert Springs "their church" to spend time in prayer with their brothers and sisters for our church, asking the Lord to reveal His will, to open doors and close doors of opportunity, to add to our number, to give our congregation favor with our cities, and to help all of us grow up to become fully mature disciples who "make disciples who make other disciples who make disciples." Let our prayer times on Sunday evenings, in our home church groups and ministry groups develop within all of us a big dream for God's great kingdom and the faith to make it happen!

(Buy a garden continued) In the literal sowing of seeds, we hope to sow spiritual needs as well.

Please, join us as we plan the gardens, construct the raised beds, prepare them for spring planting, and reach out to the hungry in our community.....the physically hungry as well as the spiritually hungry. Work days will be announced soon.

Donations may be placed in the offering on Sunday mornings by indicating "Garden" on the memo line. Contact Leanne Gyll (430-9374) or Beverly Eads (554-4061) if you have ideas, questions or for additional information.....Beverly

Women's Ministry Will be meeting Sat. Oct. 18 at 10 am ---Please bring a "snack" to share.

We will be having a "book exchange" and bring your favorite Christian book to share with others Cindy Broughton will be sharing about the Lord's faithfulness through her recent health issues.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 2014

Worship and Children's Church Sundays
10:00 A.M.

Mondays: Tae Kwon-Do 6:00-7:00 pm

Thursdays: Tae Kwon Do 6:00-7:00 pm

Saturdays: Tae Kwon Do 3-4 pm

Sunday Evenings: 6:00 pm prayer at church

Small Groups:

Please check with Dave Gyll or your Small Group Leaders for your October meetings.

Wed. Oct. 1 - Girl Scouts 6-8

Sunday, Oct 5 - Special Congregational Meeting after Worship

Monday: Oct. 13 - Women's Ministry Planning mtg. at Phyllis Clark's 7:00 pm

Oct. 13 -- Columbus Day

Tuesday: Oct. 14 Leadership Team Mtg. 7:00 pm

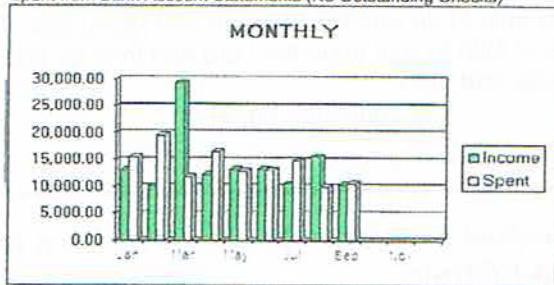
Friday, Oct. 17 **Free Movie "FLYWHEEL"**

Saturday: Oct. 18 Women's Ministry Mtg. 10:00 a.m.

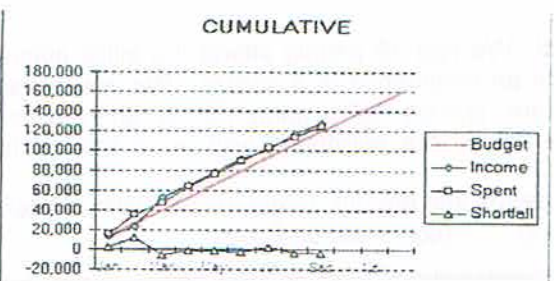
Coming: Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale

Saturday, November 15 9 am-2pm...Contact Veronnica Meaders 366-3979

Income from Financial Secretary's Records Spent from Bank Account Statements (No Outstanding Checks)



Budget Approved by Congregation = 160,000
Shortfall = Spent - Income



Budget Line Represents Total Budget Spread Evenly By Month.

Sept. Special Giving: \$550.00 Community Garden Beds, 269.00 Men's Ministry, 190.00 Don Mutch Memorial, 81.00 Men's Retreat (Scholarships), 58.38 Kids Mission Fund (Water Fund), 53.00 Benevolence.

Last Free Movie for the 2014 season will be shown Friday, Oct. 17. Come join us. Thank you to Brent and Kim Terlson for taking on this outreach.