

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS

10/8/17

WELCOME – We want to welcome people who are visiting today. We are praying that you will experience God's presence and sense the voice of His Holy Spirit speaking to you. Please let us know if we can assist you in any way. **A FREE GIFT IS WAITING FOR YOU IN THE FOYER AFTER THE SERVICE.**

PASTOR APPRECIATION – This week is Pastor Appreciation Week – We will be taking up an offering next Sunday for our pastors Milton Hubbard, Ryan Wheeler and Dave Rembolt. Please ask the Lord how He would have you participate in this offering.

HOME MISSIONS – Rob Sallee is recovering from major back surgery in room 120 at Diversicare Nursing Facility located at 530 W. 14th Street. They have incurred large financial expenses due to the surgery and complications. People desiring to help meet some of their financial needs, should mark their offering HOME MISSIONS. Rob would appreciate visitors and PRAYER.

ALL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14th, AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE HOME OF DUSTIN & ANGIE STANLEY – Their address is 7340 220th Road east of town. For directions call Angie at 212-3214. They will be serving ham & beans. Each family is asked to bring a side dish and lawn chairs. They will have yard games for those who would like to play.

FALL FESTIVAL CELEBRATION – Halloween is on Tuesday this year. We are moving our normal Wednesday night gathering to Tuesday, October 31st to give you an alternative. **Halloween is to the occult what Christmas is to Christians.** We are going to do a meal from 5-5:45 p.m. Children will then go to the gym for games, treats, and a movie. **Adults will meet in the sanctuary for a powerful new movie at 6 p.m.** You will not want to miss this movie. The evening will end at 8 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. Reservations must be in by Sunday, October 22. Cost of the meal is by donation, which will help cover the children's activities expenses as well. Please see the sign up sheet for items that can be donated for the children's games and goody bags.

MISSIONARY PRAYER FOCUS – Please pray for these missionaries this week: **Crystal Alexander**, France; **Casey Bratcher**, Campus Ministry; **Tyler Charvat**, Germany; **Franklin Graham**

7 p.m. WEDNESDAY NIGHT – Jesus said, "My HOUSE shall be called a house of prayer." We are making PRAYER our highest priority during the next few weeks. We will focus on corporate prayer, individual prayer, meditative prayer, intercessory prayer, and hands-on prayer. **PLEASE make this a priority. We believe it is on the heart of God. Please bring your Bibles and be prepared to share scriptures and words of exhortation if the opportunity arises.**

CHANUTE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 30 YEAR CELEBRATION – The Elders of LWA met on **June 17, 1987** and unanimously agreed to begin CCA as a pre-school and kindergarten. We will be celebrating our **30th year** on October 21st, beginning with a catered meal in the gymnasium at 6 pm. **Cost is \$25 per ticket.** Reservations are required by October 11th. There will be a **silent auction** and an opportunity to give [with NO pressure] toward **new playground equipment** and the **scholarship fund**. The evening will feature former students sharing how CCA impacted their lives along with a special guest speaker. You are invited and encouraged to be part of this special evening of celebration for the school established by God 30 years ago for the purpose of Christian education. **Tickets** may be purchased at the CCA office. Call **431-7777** for inf.

GAS LINE REPLACEMENT – We are replacing a 36-year-old gas line at a cost of **\$3,773**. This unexpected expense is not coming at a good time. If you would like to help, please mark your offering **GAS LINE**. Thank you.

SPECIAL THANK YOU – Thank you all for you love and prayers for our family. We have truly felt your prayers. We are so thankful we have all of you behind us as we go through this time in our lives. – **Michael & Shelly McMahan**

Also, please read the thank you note on the window in the foyer from **Robbie, Janet & Angela Sallee**.

Ret. Marine Col. Jeffrey Powers wrote the following letter to the NFL Commissioner. It reinforces what President Trump was saying when he started the firestorm of athletes disrespecting the flag of the United States.

Commissioner,

I've been a **season pass holder** at Yankee Stadium, Yale Bowl and the Giants Stadium.

I missed the '90-'91 season because I was with a battalion of Marines in Desert Storm. **14 of my wonderful Marines returned home with the American Flag draped across their lifeless bodies.** My last conversation with one of them, Sgt. Garrett Mongrella, was about how our Giants were going to win the Super Bowl. **He never got to see it.**

Many friends, Marines, and Special Forces Soldiers who worked with or for me through the years returned home with the American Flag draped over their coffins.

Now I watch multi-millionaire athletes who never did anything in their lives but play a game, disrespect what brave Americans fought and died for. They are essentially spitting in the faces and on the graves of real men, men who have actually done something for this country beside playing with a ball and believing they're something special! They're not! My Marines and Soldiers were!

You are complicit in this! You'll fine players for large and small infractions but you lack the moral courage and respect for our nation and the fallen to put an immediate stop to this. Yes, I know, it's their 1st Amendment right to behave in such a despicable manner.

What would happen if they came out and disrespected you or the refs publicly?

I observed a player getting a personal foul for twerking in the end zone after scoring. I guess that's much worse than disrespecting the flag and our National Anthem. Hmmmm, isn't it his 1st Amendment right to express himself like an idiot in the end zone?

Why is taunting not allowed yet taunting America is OK? You fine players for wearing 9-11 commemorative shoes yet you allow scum on the sidelines to sit, kneel or pump their pathetic fist in the air They are so deprived with their multi-million dollar contracts for playing a ... game!

You condone it all by your refusal to act. You're just as bad and disgusting as they are. I hope Americans boycott any sponsor who supports that rabble you call the NFL. I hope they turn off the TV when any team that allowed this disrespect to occur, without consequence, on the sidelines. I applaud those who have not.

Legends and heroes do NOT wear shoulder pads. They wear body armor and carry rifles.

They make minimum wage and spend months and years away from their families. They don't do it for an hour on Sunday. They do it 24/7 often with lead, not footballs, coming in their direction. They watch their brothers carted off in pieces, not on a gurney to get their knee iced. They don't even have ice! Many don't have legs or arms.

Some wear blue and risk their lives daily on the streets of America. They wear fire helmets and go upstairs into the fire rather than down to safety. On 9-11, hundreds vanished. **They are the heroes.**

I hope that your high paid protesting pretty boys and you look in that mirror when you shave tomorrow and see what you really are, **legends in your own mind.** You need to hit the road and take those worms with you.

Time to change the channel.

Powers originally sent his letter to former Florida congressman Allen West. West then posted the letter to his news website.