# Countryside Baptist Church

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**JUNE** 2022

L A M P L I G H T E R

"Making disciples by reaching the lost for Jesus Christ so that all experience help, hope, and home"



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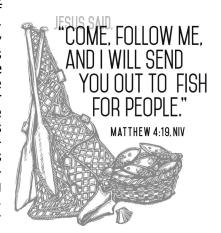
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From the Desk of Pastor Ron

Some of you who know me know that I like to fish and hunt but since it is not hunting season, have been doing some fishing. In fact, this year my wife and I took a fly fishing evening course a Wichita State extension and I have even tried my hand and tying my own flies for fly fishing. I was struck by the irony of this. A fishing fly is made from both artificial and natural materials to mimic either an aquatic or terrestrial insect or bugs that start off in the water in their larva stages but hatch out to become flying insects. The goal is to tie a fly that is close enough in similarity to the real insect that it will fool a fish into striking it. In other words, at the core it is a game of deception and I had to think to myself, is that really the business that a pastor should be in? I mean Jesus used the analogy of bringing people to Christ as fishing for people but in Jesus' day they used nets to gather. Jesus doesn't use deception, but there is someone who does, someone who flashes things before our eves that promises to feel the need not just of our stomachs but of our deepest needs and desires. The enemy often uses flashy, shiny packages that promise security, value and being wanted which is a need for love, he promises satisfaction and happiness wrapped up in a bottle,

substance, or overnight relationship but in the end that promise of a quick fix, that 'fly' turns out to have a very nasty hook attached with a barb. The hook catches on and traps while the barb makes it very difficult to get the hook out. All that the enemy promises is either a counterfeit, or halftruth, a deception that makes us worse off in the end and sometimes a slave to the one attached to the other end of the hook. God doesn't use hooks. He doesn't use deception, but Jesus demonstrates His own love for us in that while we were yet sinners He died for us (Rom 5:8). He lays down His life for the sheep (Jn 10:11). How very different from the deceiver who comes to steal, kill, and destroy.

Blessings, Pastor Ron



#### JUNE CHURCH CALENDAR

#### Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 Worship Committee 6:00 pm Prayer Meet- ing 7:00pm	2	3	4
5 Commun- ion Children's Day	6	7 Trustees Mtg. 7:00 pm	8 Bible Study 7:00pm	9	10	11
12	13	14 Christian Ed 7:00 pm	15 Bible Study 7:00pm	16	17	18
19 Father's Day	20 Membership 6:00 pm Missions 7:00 pm	21 Church Council 7:00 pm	22 Bible Study 7:00pm	23	24	25
26	27	28 Deacons 7:00 pm	Bible Study 7:00pm	30		

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. Philippians 3:20-21

#### **REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT COUNTRYSIDE**

SUNDAY Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

Morning Worship 10:45 A.M.

WEDNESDAY Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY Disciples of Wisdom Youth Group 6:30 P.M.

#### **KID'S COUNTRY VOLUNTEERS**

#### JUNE

- 5 Linda Campbell
- 12 Carol Kirk & Susie Ratzlaff
- 19 Dena Miller & Robin Lawrence
- 26 Gordon & Jane Warnken

#### **GREETERS & TECH BOOTH**

#### **JUNE**

- 5 Chris & Carolyn Moore
- 12 Judd & Heidi McCullers
- 19 Melissa King & Mykal King
- 26 Chuck & Sandy Fann

Video/Sound David Rogers

#### **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**

#### **JUNE**

- 5 Gordon Standage
- 12 Judd McCullers
- 19 Melissa King
- 26 Chris Moore

#### **DEACONS**

"Deacons are not the spiritual church's council of directors, the executive board to whom the pastor=CEO answers. They are the cavalry of servants, deputized to execute the elders' vision by coordinating various ministries. Deacons are like a congregation's Special Ops force, carrying out unseen assignments with fortitude and joy."

Taken from the book DEACONS by Matt Smethurst

#### **JUNE**

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- Gordon & Jane Warnken
- 6 Jerry Maxfield
  - Ray<sup>\*</sup>& Dena Miller Paul & Karen Potts

- 12 Jess & Sherry Brooks
- 27 Patsy Shorter
- 29 Linda Campbell
- 30 Gayle Brooks

# WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT HARMONY?

- There are 71 Bible verses about Harmony. Here are a few -
- Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in you own sight. Romans 12:16
- Finally all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. I Peter 3:8
- So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding. Romans 14:19
- May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus. Romans 15:5
- A Song of Ascents. Of David. Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! Psalm 133:1
- And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. Colossians 3:14

LET US ALL LIVE IN HARMONY!

### **HOW'S YOUR** CHARACTER?

- BOLDNESS: Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness Acts 4:29
- HUMILITY: But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." James 4:6
- GENTLE: But we were gentle among you, like a mother caring for her little children. I Thessalonians 2:7
- STRONG: Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Ephesians 6:10
- FAITHFUL: Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1
- ATTENTIVE: We must pay more careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away. Hebrews 2:1
- RESPONSIBLE: So then, each of us will give and account of himself to God. Romans 14:12

# STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT "AN EASIER GOSPEL"

"The time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires." (2 Timothy 4:3)

Paul's letter to Timothy outlines the fact that trials are normal for the dedicated believer and, as a result, many fall away and seek an easier Gospel.

This easier Gospel teaches that Christ provides a buffer from all problems and provides unlimited prosperity and the freedom to spend profits as desired. In other words, God is so blessed to have us on His team that He is forced to intercede for fear that we will get discouraged and quit (as a great many do).

The truth is, God doesn't promise to buffer us from all difficulties for two basic reasons.

First, anyone would have to be simpleminded not to follow Christ if He buffered His followers from every problem. Instead, as Paul said, our faith must be tested by fire—in other words, faith for sustaining us through trials, not paving a path around them.

The second reason for not buffering a believer from all problems is so others will witness God's peace in the midst of turmoil. The unsaved can rely on money and position during good times, but during bad times emotional chaos usually reigns.

The Lord has promised a "crown of life" to those who persevere under trial and learn to love Him even more." (An Easier Gospel by Larry Burkett)

In April, the Unified Budget giving of \$15,959 exceeded the actual expenditures by \$1,623 and giving for the year has exceeded expenditures by \$5,799. God has really blessed our church this year with strong giving and we have been able to share what God has provided with our communi-Many in our church have fáced and are facing health problems and losses that only God's peace is bringing them thorough and enabling them to persevere.

May we all remain strong as our faith is tested through the trials that we face in this life. Let us learn to love the Lord even more as we persevere. May God bless and strengthen each of you. Rich McCullum

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

<u>Unified Budget</u>	APRIL 2022	Year-to-Date
Budget Goals	\$14,880.75	\$59,523.00
Tithes & Offerings	5,959.30	62,826.91
Actual Expenditures	14,336.49	57,028.13
Overage (Shortfall)	1,622.81	5,798.78

#### FATHER'S DAY

The Christian Education Committee will be honoring the Fathers and Men of the church on June 19th in the morning worship service.

#### **CHILDREN'S DAY**

The Christian Education Committee will be honoring the Children on June 5th in the morning worship service.

## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

When you give to One Great Hour of Sharing, you deploy resources to people in need all around the world, and in our own communities. In giving to One Great Hour of Sharing, you are working alongside families to restore not only structures, but hope. Theme verse is I Corinthians 13:13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

This offering is for the month of June.

#### **BIBLE BUDDIES**

All Kids ages K-5th grade are invited to Bible Buddies Wednesdays at 6:45 PM for a fun time learning about Jesus. Contact is Jamie Standage

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 21-24

# 6:45—8:00 PM K—5th grade

Monumental—Celebrating God's Greatness

#### THE CHURCH CAMP OUT

All Campers are invited to the Church Camp Out on June 10, 11, & 12 at the SMARCH Camping Area at Cheney Lake.

Contact is Linda Campbell