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The
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November 2016



Worship Opportunities		
Sun	9:30	Sunday School
	10:30	Morning Worship
	11:45	Reflection Groups
Wed	5:30	Fellowship Dinner
	6:00	Wednesday Night Worship
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*"Proclaiming Christ's salvation
 by evangelizing the lost,
 nurturing and equipping the
 saved to lead others to Christ."*

**Corner House cordially invites you to our annual
 Thanksgiving Dinner
 Sunday, November 20th
 (following morning worship)
 We request each family bring a side dish
 or dessert to share.**

FROM DAVE'S DESK...

Our worship attendance at Corner House isn't always where I'd like it to be. Does it come as a shock to you that a minister might be a little concerned about worship attendance? While we are actually up a couple on average from 2015, with the number of guests we welcome to Corner House on a quarterly basis, often as many as 6-8 new people, we should be growing at a more rapid pace. Don Cooper and I were having a general conversation about church growth the other day and he mentioned that guests in your church building should never be left alone. We may look friendly towards each other, but if others are excluded from the circle they aren't feeling the love. Rule number one is don't be shy. Don't hesitate to introduce yourself to people on Sunday morning, even if you think you may know them, ask their name. You say, Hello, I'm Dave. I think we've met before, but please remind me of your name. Then respond by repeating their name back to them. That will help you remember their name easier the next time you meet. Then take a moment to introduce them to someone else. If they happen to be charter members of the church (born before 1828) just excuse yourself and have a little lite laugh with them. Tell them, you are fairly new and don't know everybody by name yet. It's always better that we speak to others rather than to let anyone be by themselves. Offer to sit with someone who is new to the church, especially if you invited them. Please be willing to give up your regular seat on a Sunday morning. Your seat will be of no value in the eternal life to come, but your willingness to give up your pew will make God and the heavenly hosts smile down on you.

Finally, be sure to point out the Corner House particulars to a guest. Our main restrooms are in the basement. Don't just tell friends how to get there, take them. You don't have to go in with them, but do wait on them if possible. Introduce them to Judy Yorks, our former ministers' wife, who is one of our greeters. Introduce them to one of our elders. Take them to meet Jane Gainard at the welcome center. Let them know the worship team begins with a prelude at 10:25am followed by announcements. Make sure they get a church bulletin. Be as familiar with your church as possible so you can personally answer any questions our guests may have.

Folks, we are concerned about numbers, but more importantly we want to see measurable growth at Corner House because we believe we are an extension of the body of Christ. When it comes to the church we have a love/hate relationship with data. Yes, we count worship services, offerings, worship attendance, small group ministries, baptisms and membership, but deep down inside we resist measuring ourselves. I suspect it's because we fear we don't measure up. I get it. Measuring ourselves is hard. We experience that every time we step on the scale. If our weight is high, we're bummed. Paradoxically, our response is to want to eat more. On the other hand, if it's low, we take it as license to indulge. We're stuck either way. Data shmata. Jesus said, And You shall know me by my fruits. What fruits are we as a church producing? We have to measure ourselves to find out if we are producing adequately. I know, it is possible to get too caught up

Do you have something to put in the Crusader?

Deadline for Crusader submissions is the 20th of each month.

Email:

churchoffice@cornerhouseecc.org

or

Drop off your info at the church office.

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Our Website: www.cornerhouseecc.org will now be maintained by Monica Baker. If you have something you wish to include, please email her at: mosartcreations@yahoo.com.

Christian Joke of the Month



CHCC Vision, Mission & Core Values

Our **Vision:** Connecting through Faith, Family and Fellowship.

Our **Mission:** Proclaiming Christ's salvation by evangelizing the lost, nurturing and equipping the saved to lead others to Christ.

Our **Core Values:** A declaration of what we believe to be vital at Corner House:

- † Bible/New Testament Centered
II Timothy 3:16
- † Worship
Psalm 29:2
- † Forgiveness/Grace
Mark 11:25
- † Prayer
I Thessalonians 5:18
- † Giving
Acts 20:35
- † Relationships (Family/Marriage)
John 13:34-35
- † Leadership (Mentoring/Equipping)
Matthew 20:25-28
- † Discovering and Using Spiritual Gifts
I Peter 4:10-11
- † Evangelism (Reaching the Lost)
Matthew 28:19-20
- † Growth/Education
II Peter 3:18
- † Service/Outreach
Mark 10:45
- † Authentic Living
Hebrews 13:18
- † Baptism
Acts 2:38



Prayer Requests

The family of Mary Bean	Charles Fox	Dewey Graham
The family of Peg Adkins	Elaine Deiger	Lloyd Haddenham
The Family of Edith McMinn	Tim Balluch	Keith Boron
Helene Reinhart	Georgia Bosley	Ken Sherrod
Bill Longley	Geri Revis	Carol Conn
Mary Shelton	Tina Dunkerley	Gerda Mitrovich
John Custer	Myles Balluch	Anthony Porrizzo, Jr. & Sr.
Janet Cetor	Roger Jones	Military:
Teresa Kuhl	Kelly Deegan	Bill & Jennifer Robinson
Dorothy Gibbs	Larry Deegan	Josh & Emily Murphy
Anna Stambolia	Ginger Davis	Sarah Weber
Janet Corll	Jill Altieri-Hoover	Hunter Herzberger
Lauren Dillon	Felicity Cook	Dalton Gibson
Ann Carla	Ron Jordan	Kevin Yakshich
Irene DeStasio	Ron Savach	Jason McCoy
Harry Cracraft	Matt Kuhl	Dawson Rentz
Alice Christy	Betty Morgan	DJ Dripps (Police Officer)
Marty Thornton	Peggy Strimbu	The United States of America



in the numbers game. You can't measure the growth of a soul or the impact of a sermon like you can attendance, right? Yet all of these things should be important to us.

I say if we're not willing to measure ourselves we're not serious about our vision to be a church that provides an atmosphere that fosters faith, family and fellowship in the greater picture of making disciples of all nations.

I can't imagine Michael Phelps practicing the freestyle or the backstroke without a timer? Or Simone Biles executing dance moves without a judge? Is it even conceivable that Usain Bolt would, well, bolt, without clocking his speed? They count on that information to guide their performance. There's only one way to know if we're actually making disciples or transforming the world, folks. And that's to count. It starts with counting the right stuff. Growth always starts with you and me. Is God growing me in the fertile soil of his word? Please, above all else, be people of the Word.

I love you all. It's a joy to serve with you at CHCC.

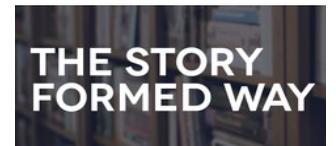
Dave



CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

For you or a friend or a family member

Don Cooper will make himself available **Fridays from 1-4 P.M.** to do personal counseling at CHCC: 6954 Chestnut Ridge Rd., Hubbard, OH 44425 (corner of Chestnut Ridge and Route 7). Session fees are negotiable with CHCC, but will typically be set at \$20.00 per 45 minute sessions. You can contact Don directly at: **(330) 382-1151**, or you can leave a message for Don at the church office.



Sunday Nights: 6:30 pm

(in the church foyer)

Monday Mornings: 10:00am

(at the home of Herb and Donna Good
648 Moore St. Hubbard 330-534-2685)

The groups are always open to new members, and we would encourage you to attend.

Happy Wanderers Annual Holiday Dinner

Everyone is welcomed to celebrate our Lord's holiday season with us on the evening of:

Friday, Nov. 18th at the Gentry

Buffet served at 5:30 pm

It is not necessary to attend meetings or travel with the group to attend this dinner. The S·L·I·M· Brothers will provide a program that includes a variety of music including holiday songs.

Cost is \$21.00 per person. Reservations can be made by calling Mabel Bancroft 330-534-2759

Deadline to reserve your seat is November 10th

FROM THE PULPIT

Sunday, Nov. 6 - Keep Your Eyes on the Road

Text: Joshua 10: 6-14

Joshua succeeds in keeping to the task of possessing the land. Victory is for the taking, because God will help us defeat our foes. We just need to keep our eyes on the prize by staying on the right track.

Sunday, Nov. 13 - The Experienced Navigator

Text: Joshua 14:6-15

Israel chose to wander in the wilderness, but one man among them had other ideas. He was the experienced navigator because he navigated his life on faith and fully trusted in the promises of God. His name was Caleb and we can follow him to a life of faith.



Scenes from the Book of Joshua - A Byzantine Plaque, 10th Century

Sunday, Nov. 20 - Finding Grace on the Journey (The Cities of Refuge)

Text: Joshua 20:1-9

A city of refuge was a place of grace where those accused of murder could go and take shelter to guarantee a fair trial. The church mobilized needs to act as that city of refuge for the world but with one exception. We are to be a mobile place of refuge to the lost and dying world.

Sunday, Nov. 27 - The End of The Road

Text: Joshua 23:1-8

We need to have the commitment of Joshua. A commitment that endures, insures, and assures.

December Sermon Series: "UNEXPECTED"

THANKSGIVING IN AMERICA

Thanksgiving is an important holiday in the United States, celebrated on the fourth Thursday in November. It originated as a harvest festival. Thanksgiving has been celebrated nationally on and off since 1789, after a proclamation by George Washington. It has been celebrated as a federal holiday every year since 1863, when, during the American Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national day of "Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens,".

The event that Americans commonly call the "First Thanksgiving" was celebrated by the Pilgrims after their first harvest in the New World in 1621. This feast lasted three days, and - as accounted by attendee Edward Winslow - it was attended by 90 Native Americans and 53 Pilgrims. The New England colonists were accustomed to regularly celebrating "thanksgivings" and days of prayer thanking God for blessings such as military victory or the end of a drought.



HARPER'S WEEKLY - November 20, 1869

Harper's Weekly A Journal of Civilization, was an American political magazine based in New York City. Published by Harper & Brothers from 1857 until 1916, it featured foreign and domestic news, fiction, essays on many subjects, and humor, alongside illustrations.

MISSIONS

CCHO (Christian Children's Home of Ohio) Recently a baby was born who had been exposed to drugs in utero. She was born addicted. Because of the fear regarding drug exposure, the first foster family wanting a newborn said no. A second foster family was called and they said yes. The baby is doing very well and thriving in a Christian home environment. Thank God for those that are willing to step out in faith. Matthew 18:5 *Whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me.*

Orchard Group Three new churches. Alleluia!

1. Paris - Etienne and Laurence Koning (planters)
2. Lagos, Nigeria - Femi and Tasin Osunnuyi (planters)
3. Johannesburg, South Africa - Louis and Yolandi Scheepers (planters)

I.C.B.M. The Smiths have finally moved to Grayson, Kentucky and have settled into their apartment. They will be setting up in their new location soon.

IDES With the arrival of more refugees into Kabul, Afghanistan due to the Taliban, the city needs help to feed them. IDES was able to feed 193 displaced families by sending non-perishable food staples, enough to feed a family for 7-45 days. Each package includes flour, cooking oil, beans, rice, sugar, salt and tea leaves. 1. \$5000 sent to Myanmar providing food for 67 families. 2. \$2000 for goats for a mission in India. 3. \$4000 to Haiti for food for children to have 2 meals a day. 4. \$12,500 for 250 refugee families in Thailand. 5. \$7,200 to mission in Haiti providing uniforms for 1600 children, drilling a well and replenishing medical supplies to a clinic.

Please do not forget to put \$20 aside for a bag of rice or \$30 for a blanket. We will be collecting this Thanksgiving/Christmas offering on November 20th. These gifts will go to a mission in North Korea.



There are so many needs and we can only help a little, but God will make it increase to meet their needs. We do our part and God will take care of the rest. May God continue to bless Corner House.

Judy and Helen

Mark the Date! The **J.O.Y. Class** will hold a Christmas luncheon on **Sunday, Dec. 4th** following morning worship, and would like to invite all who wish to join us to contact either Joyce Dripps or Mabel Bancroft to let us know that you plan to attend. Watch the Sunday bulletin for further details.



Wednesday Night Worship

Every Week at Corner House



- ◆ 5:30p Fellowship Dinner
- ◆ 6p Worship Activities
- ◆ 7p Bible Reading/Group Worship and Dessert

Sunday, December 4th

Corner House Café at 6:30 P.M.

- We will enjoy Christmas carols, food, fellowship, and displays of **nativity sets**. Please see Judy Longley if you would be willing to put your favorite nativities on display that Sunday.



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		1	2 Wednesday Night Worship - 5:30pm	3	4	5 Men's Breakfast - 8:00am @ CHCC
6 Story Formed Way - 6:30pm @ CHCC	7 Story Formed Way - 10:00am @ Good's Elder's Meeting - 6:30pm Soul Sisters - 7:00pm	8  Traveling Sisters - 11:00am @CHCC	9 Wednesday Night Worship - 5:30pm	10	11	12 Little Dresses for Haiti - 10:00am
13 Story Formed Way - 6:30pm @ CHCC	14 Story Formed Way - 10:00am @ Good's	15	16 Wednesday Night Worship - 5:30pm	17	18 Happy Wanderers Holiday Dinner @ the Gentry - 5:30pm	19 Men's Unity Breakfast - 8:00am @ Church of God
20 Corner House's Thanksgiving Dinner Story Formed Way - 6:30pm @ CHCC	21 Story Formed Way - 10:00am @ Good's	22	23 No Wed. Night Worship	24 	25	26 Little Dresses for Haiti - 10:00am
27 Story Formed Way - 6:30pm @ CHCC	28 Story Formed Way - 10:00am @ Good's	29	30 Wednesday Night Worship - 5:30pm	Notes: Adult Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Worship: 10:30am Sunday Reflection 11:45am Wednesday Night Worship 5:30pm		



BIRTHDAYS

- 4 – Shirley Christy, Madison Copley
- 6 – Noah Sayre
- 7 – Matt Christy, Judy Yorks, Genene Rudes
- 9 – Jane Gainard, Mark Yarian
- 11 – Josh Bentley, Marilyn Jacobs, Ray Roskie
- 12 – Wendy Trickett
- 12 – Leandra Scott
- 13 – Mabel Bancroft, Dave Coxson
- 18 – Mila Gainard
- 20 - Ashley Cunningham
- 23 – Morgan Bodmer
- 27 – Dick Osberg
- 29 – Cathy Nickelson
- 30 – Alice Wray



ANNIVERSARIES

- 13 – Anthony Sr. & Paula Snyder
- 26 – Patrick and Kata Gainard
- 28 – Denny and Joyce Dripps