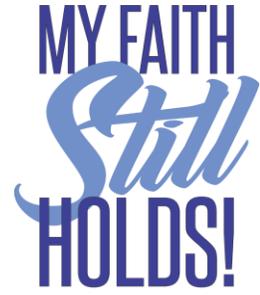


THURSDAY 29 APRIL 2021



FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH - ST LOUIS
A GREAT CHURCH OF GREAT PEOPLE SERVING
A GREAT GOD DOING GREAT THINGS!



Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering, for He is faithful!
Hebrews 10:23



MOTHER'S DAY IS MAY 9, 2021



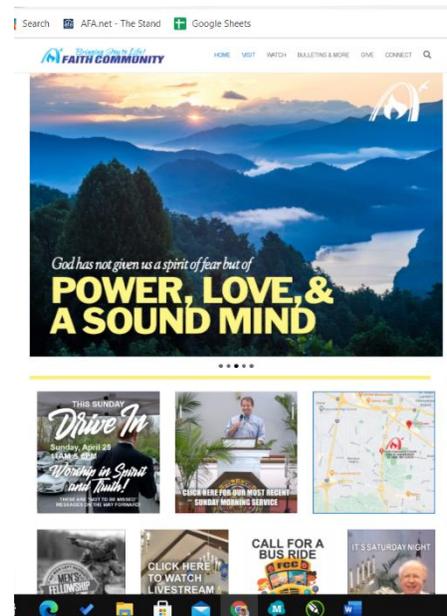
SPECIAL GIFTS FOR
The Mother with the Most Family Present (11am)
The Oldest Mother
The Mother who travels the farthest to be here!
It would be so great to welcome 25 mothers this year!



WE WILL ALSO SEND A SPECIAL
MOTHER'S DAY GIFT PACKET
TO THE MOTHERS WHO ARE IN OUR
LIVESTREAM CONGREGATION!

FOR LINKS TO LIVESTREAMS
RECENT SERVICES
GALLERY OF PICTURES
BULLETINS & PUBLICATIONS
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OUR GOSPEL CAME IN WORD, IN POWER, IN THE HOLY GHOST

May 2021



SUNDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11A WORSHIP 6P PRAISE 2	MOBERLY SERVICE 4	7PM PRAYER MTG. 5	FCC MEDIA Three times a week FCC services are LIVESTREAMED on Facebook & YouTube & soon www.FCCStLouis.org 6	7PM TEEN MEET 7	10A WITNESSING 8
MOTHER'S DAY 11A WORSHIP 6P PRAISE 9	CHICAGO SERVICE 11	7PM PRAYER MTG. 12	13	7PM TEEN MEET 14	10A WITNESSING 15
11A WORSHIP 6P PRAISE 16	MOBERLY SERVICE 18	7PM PRAYER MTG. 19	6PM DEACONS MTG. 20	7PM TEEN MEET 21	10A WITNESSING 22
PENTECOST SUNDAY 11A WORSHIP 6P PRAISE 23	CHICAGO SERVICE 25	7PM PRAYER MTG. 26	SEARCH RESCUE Great Commission 27	7PM TEEN MEET 28	10A WITNESSING 29
MEMORIAL DAY WKND 11A WORSHIP 6P PRAISE 30	BLOOMINGTON GCC 1	DECATUR GREAT COMMISSION - TENT MEETING SERVICES NIGHTLY 7PM PRAYER MTG. 2	SAVE 3	4	10A WITNESSING 5

MEET TONWEYA & JUDY SHERMAN - DETROIT MI - NEW LIFE MISSION
On Memorial Day Sunday, May 30, 2021 at 11am Service

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS:

- DARLENE BULLAR
- BABY AVA CATLETT HAD SUCCESSFUL HEART SURGERY IN BOSTON TODAY
- ANN MATLOCK, CHRISTY DODSON'S MOTHER IS IN ICU in CALIFORNIA.
- NEIL GOODRICH & DAISY APPRECIATE OUR PRAYERS.
- DUSTIN DODSON
- CHRISTY DODSON, HAILEY AND KAMERON
- YVONNE MASON
- RON FEGER
- SHARON NICKELSON
- NORMA GILLHAM
- AL LOCKHART
- RICK FEGER and HIS WIFE
- JANE FEGER'S SISTER PAT AND HER BROTHER SAM.
- JANE FEGER HAD A REACTION THAT CLOSED ONE OF HER EYES.
- TAMMY LEWIS
- LOGAN LEWIS IS MAKING GREAT RECOVERY
- BOBBY KING
- KAREN CRABTREE
- DAN STAFFORD
- MIKE MAHYLE IS OUT OF THE HOSPITAL RECOVERING FROM COVID
- KEEP ALL THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY LOST LOVED ONES in your prayers...Remember Gary Oliver and family at the loss of his brothers Sid and Earle., Darryl Jenkerson at the loss of his father Jenks, Sheryl VanLandingham at the loss of her mother Ruth George, Ashley Akers at the loss of Jeff, Yvonne Mason at the loss of Raquel, Christy Dodson and Megan Walls at the loss of Diane Noltkamper, Megan Sample at the loss of Anthony, Elisa Biondo at the loss of John, Tom and Joe and Nick at the loss of their parents, Sheri Lewis at the loss of her cousin and aunt and uncle, and there are many others who are bereaved. Keep holding them up in our prayers.
- LET'S PRAY FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and that THERE WILL BE GREAT AWAKENING IN OUR NATION!



GREAT COMMISSION CAMP 2021

In the summer of 1996 I gathered some young people together from our Urbana church and came to St Louis to

knock on 1,000 doors and invite people to our new church. We located 75 families interested in receiving more information about the church, and on our first Sunday we had 27 people attending FCC from St Louis. There were friends from out of town that brought the total to over 50.

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THE NEXT SUMMER WE ORGANIZED SOME OF THE TEENS WHO WERE ATTENDING FCC and some others from our sister congregations and again went door to door looking for prospects during the day and holding revival services in the evening. We called it MISSION AMERICA!

In following Summers we added calling for our sister churches in URBANA, BLOOMINGTON, DECATUR, DANVILLE, PEORIA, IL, LAFAYETTE, IN, FT WAYNE IN, and friends of the ministry in OKLAHOMA CITY, CHICAGO, INDIANAPOLIS, DETROIT, Over the years we have handed out over a quarter of a million

invitations and Gospel tracts. Over 200 teens have helped us over the years since launching Great Commission/Mission America.

25 YEARS LATER WE ARE STILL ORGANIZING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE SUMMER FOR WHAT WE NOW CALL GREAT COMMISSION CAMP! We always do door to door outreach. We conduct Vacation Bible Schools, Street Evangelism, Tent Meetings, Bible Clubs in Parks, Evening Revival Services, Youth Services, Singing Groups, and Seminars for Young People.

Young people who are at least Middle School age through College Age are welcome to apply to join us.

THIS YEAR GREAT COMMISSION WILL BE GOING TO...

...BLOOMINGTON, IL – June 1 – Pastor Dennis Skinner – DOOR TO DOOR & RALLY

...DECATUR, IL – June 2 – 4 – Pastor Steve Durst – 3 NIGHT TENT REVIVAL

...CHICAGO, IL –

...ST LOUIS, MO – JULY 6-9 - Pastor Rick Jones – 4 DAYS DOOR TO DOOR & VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

...DETROIT, MI – JULY 14-16 – Pastor Tonweya Sherman – 3 DAYS TENT REVIVAL & DOOR TO DOOR

...URBANA, IL – JULY 20-23 – Bishop Marsh Jones – 4 DAYS FOUNDERS WEEK & DOOR TO DOOR

...DANVILLE, IL – JULY 23 – Pastor Tom Myers – DOOR TO DOOR

...MEMPHIS, TN – AUGUST 11-13 – NEW CHURCH

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

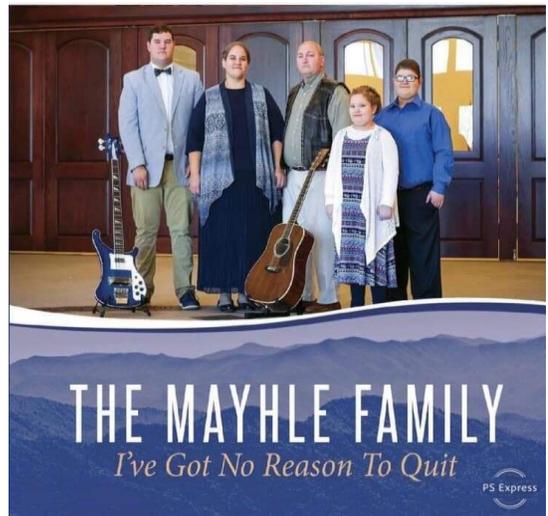
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

Together!
Philippians 1:27

We will have dinner on the grounds and an afternoon GOSPEL SINGING!

HEAR THE MAYHLE FAMILY SINGERS!

25TH ANNIVERSARY REVIVAL SEP 12-19, 2021



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SCRIPTURE TEXT: Galatians 5:16-26

¹⁶This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

¹⁷For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

¹⁸But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

²⁰Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

²¹Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

²³Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

²⁴And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

²⁵If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

²⁶Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

KEY TEXT: Galatians 5:22 "...But the fruit of the Spirit is ...joy..."

REFLECTION: Where is the joy?

The world can whip up some fun for a few moments but when the music stops, when the buzz has faded, when the lights are out, their empty souls are left longing, craving a solid happiness, and yearning for joy.

The discontented run from party to party, from partner to partner, from pleasure to pleasure, hoping that someone or something will bring joy to their longing hearts.

The disillusioned are convinced that joy is an impossible dream—unattainable in this life. They surrender to the drudgery of daily life and trudge on without God and without hope.

But Disciples of Christ, who know the pardon of sin, peace with God, the presence of the Holy Spirit, the thrill of Spirit-driven living, and the assurance of heaven, rejoice with *"joy unspeakable!"* (1 Peter 1:8).

On the first Christian Pentecost, when the disciples were baptized with the Spirit, Peter testified that he was full of the Spirit, and *"full of joy!"* (Acts 2:28).

The joy of those first Christians was a holy contagion. When the Spirit was poured out in Samaria the Scriptures tell us there was *"great joy in that city."* (Acts 8:8).

Their joy was undiminished in the midst of persecution. In Antioch they were attacked, **yet "the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Ghost."** (Acts 13:52). They sang while imprisoned, prayed while opposed, persisted though threatened, rejoiced though beaten, and continued to celebrate as multitudes were born of the Spirit. (Acts 15:3).

When the Apostle Paul was warned that he was about to face the ire of men who were determined to kill him, he said, *"None of these things move me,.. I... [intend] to finish my course with joy!"* (Acts 20:24).

The Apostle Paul encouraged the Romans, *"For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."* (Romans 14:17).

John wanted the world to know the joy of the Lord. *"These things have I written unto you that your joy may be full."* (1 John 1:4).

Jude prayed confidently, *"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen."* (Jude 24,25)

Wherever we find the fruit of the Spirit we always find joy! The same Spirit that fills the believer with love, fills us with joy and peace. *"Rejoice, and again I say rejoice!"* (Philippians 4:4)

Here are some questions for those who are longing for Joy in the Spirit. Those who truthfully answer "Yes" will certainly know the "Joy" of the Lord.

1. Have you completely repented of your sins and do you totally trust in Christ—and Christ alone for salvation?
2. Have you surrendered your life to God's absolute authority?
3. Are you obeying the Lord?
4. Are your relationships pleasing to the Lord?
5. Have you made or are you making restitution for all the things you have taken that are not rightfully yours?
6. Have you invited the Holy Spirit to fill your heart?
7. Do you treat your body like it is the Temple of the Holy Ghost?
8. Are you spending time with the Lord—praying and thinking of His Word daily?
9. Are you walking in the Spirit?
10. Are you led by the Spirit?
11. Are you listening to the Spirit?
12. Are you Spirit-driven?
13. Are you diligent to not grieve the Holy Spirit by your actions, your language, your styles and lifestyles, and your attitudes?

14. Does the Spirit witness with your spirit that you are the child of God?

15. Do you know that when you leave this life you will live forever with the Lord in heaven?

PRAYER: Our Father which art in Heaven, We are deeply grateful for the joy of the Lord. How thankful we are for the day that you sent forth your Spirit into our hearts crying Abba Father. We pray that as we turn with our whole hearts to thee, that you would “restore unto us the joy of our salvation.” May the Joy of thy Spirit be seen in us. May the witness of our lives and the testimony of our mouths be so winsome that others will follow us, as we follow you, into the joys of our Lord! In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen. *“Our Father, &c”*

