

PASTOR'S
PERSPECTIVE

JULY 26, 2026

FRIENDS OF FAITH,

WE ARE SO GLAD TO SEE YOU HERE TODAY! We have such great news for you. Our Great God loves you with an everlasting love, He offers you an everlasting salvation, and He promises that His everlasting arms will never fail to uphold us.

We have had a wonderful CRUSADERS FOUNDER'S WEEK at our home church in Urbana, Illinois. The attendance has been good, the services have been blessed, and the outreaches (VBS and GREAT COMMISSION) touched many with the Gospel.



It's not too early to be praying for our 30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, SEPTEMBER 16-20, 2026. We are thrilled that EVANGELIST NATHAN KLINE will be preaching, THE JEWETTS will be singing, and we will have a FANTASTIC 30TH CELEBRATION with Dinner on the Grounds and Community Singing. Mark it on your calendar and join us.

IT WAS 54 YEARS AGO TODAY, I was 13, when we met as CRUSADERS for the first time. It was exciting to see how many would come to our first service. There were 67, and best of all the Lord promised He would be with us--and He was, and He has been, and He will always be with those who preach and live, "ALL THE BIBLE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE!"

BE STRONG AND OF GOOD COURAGE!

Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee... JOSHUA 1:9

Thirty years ago, Samuel Huntington warned that wars in the 21st century would not be fought over territory and resources, rather there would be A CLASH OF CIVILIZATIONS. He could not have been more right. What would God say to His people who today are confronted with the Clash of Civilization, Retreat by the Church, and the spirit-flesh conflict within their own hearts?

BE STRONG..If we are weak it is not because our God is weak. The weakness of God is stronger than men. Our God--JEHOVAH--is the King of Glory! He is the Lord strong in mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

We are urged to exercise ourselves unto godliness, to pray that we would be "*strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man.*" (Ephesians 3:16).

Paul testified, "*I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I've committed unto Him against that day.*" The hallmark of the Spirit of Holiness is CONFIDENCE. When attacked on so many fronts, it is vital that God's people are STRONG IN CONFIDENCE, STRONG IN CONVICTION, STRONG IN CONSECRATION, AND STRONG IN COMMITMENT.

BE COURAGEOUS! Not only does God want us to be strong, He wants us to use our strength to do great exploits for Him. Strength without courage is pathetic and apathetic. God's people are to be neither.

Our destiny is not determined by fear, but by victorious faith. We prize the destiny more than the damage we may suffer.

BE GOING! Unless we get up and get going we will never arrive. The challenges before us, around us, and within us are not insurmountable.

MAY WE AS CRUSADERS, BE STRONG, BE COURAGEOUS, AND BE GOING! May our legacy be one of strength, courage, and fidelity to the call God has given us.

All the Bible for All the People.
54TH ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

Sunday, July 26, 2026



Urbana, IL



St. Louis, MO



Bloomington, IL



Danville, IL



Decatur, IL



Chicago, IL



CRUSADERS

CHURCHES OF AMERICA

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2026

Welcome to FCC!

*We trust you sense God's presence & that you feel very welcome here.
 Please let us know how we may help you.*

10:15 a.m. ADULT BIBLE CLASS	5:30 p.m. PRAYER GATHERING
11:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP	6:00 p.m. PRAISE & PREACHING

– THE CRUSADER’S CREED –
 I believe in God the Father Almighty,
 Maker of Heaven and Earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; descended into the grave, the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the inspired infallible Word of God the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

Scripture of the Month

Each month we are encouraging God's people to memorize a passage of Scripture

ACTS 2

38 *Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.*

39 *For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.*

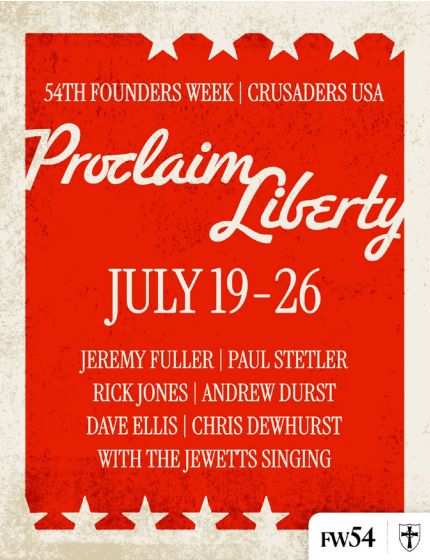
FCC NEWSLINE
 Important Announcements and Updates

■ **THANK YOU FOR COMING!** Thanks for checking in with Christy in the lobby. You may text (314) 607-1424 or e-mail: PastorRick@FCCStLouis.org, or fill out a contact card on our welcome table.

■ **JOIN US THIS THIS MORNING FOR THE ADULT BIBLE CLASS (ABC) WITH RODGER YOUNG** 10:15.a.m

■ **THANK YOU FOR GIVING TO THE LORD** The Lord loves cheerful givers. You can not outgive God!. GIVE ONLINE WWW.FCCSTLOUIS.ORG or at FCCStLouisMO@gmail.com, or 2969 N Lindbergh, St.Ann, MO 63074.

JULY YEAR TO DATE 2026 GOAL ATT. 6/28
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■ **FOUNDER’S WEEK 2026** We are thrilled to invite you to attend the 54th Crusaders Founders Week this week in Urbana, IL. We will be leaving with teens for GREAT COMMISSION FOUNDER’S WEEK at noon tomorrow.

The services will be livestreamed. You will enjoy the music ministry of the Jewetts and the preaching every day. You can log on to <https://www.youtube.com/@FCCUrbana>

2026 FOUNDERS WEEK Crusaders Churches of America		
Date	10 Min or AM Sunday	Sermon
Sun, July 19	Evang Paul Stetler	Evang Paul Stetler
Mon, July 20	Pastor Steve Durst	Pastor Jeremy Fuller
Tue, July 21	Pastor Marsh Jones	Pastor Charles Durst
Wed, July 22	Pastor John McGovern	Pastor Rick Jones
Thu, July 23	Pastor Tyler Huckle	Pastor Chris Dewhurst
Fri, July 24	Pastor Marsh Jones	Pastor Andrew Durst
Sat, July 25		Pastor Dave Ellis
Sun, July 26	Pastor Beto Gray Pastor Dave Ellis	Pastor Marsh Jones

FCC PRAYER & PRAISE
 Reports of Answered Prayers and Your Requests

■ RALPH BULLAR is recovering at home. Remember him and Darlene in prayer.
 ■ KRIS CAMPBELLS FAMILY
 ■ TRESSA is improving.
 ■ ART HASSINGER appreciates our prayers at the loss of Debbie.
 ■ NICOLE CASSELL
 ■ CHARLOTTE COLONNA
 ■ JOE EARLE
 ■ KRIS MAUER is improving.
 ■ YVONNE MASON’S MOTHER
 ■ MARISSA EARLE GRISHAM is the happy mother of McCoy!
 ■ REMEMBER THE SPIRITUAL NEEDS in our church family.
 ■ DIANNE LYTLE BEVERLY
 ■ JOSIE’S FAMILY
 ■ ALEC KUSMANOFF
 ■ RALPH BULLAR
 ■ PRAY FOR TODAY’S SERVICES.
 ■ PRAY for our NATION,
 ■ RICK FEGER
 ■ SCOTT FEGER
 ■ RON FEGER
 ■ BENJAMIN EARLE
 ■ BROTHER GARY OLIVER’S

SISTER NORMA
 ■ CHARLOTTE LOCKHART
 ■ CHRISTY DODSON
 ■ BLANCA ALMANZA
 ■ The recently bereaved families of STEPHEN GIBSON, BARBIE SHREVES, SHARON KLOPOTOSKI, MAGGIE SOHN’S SISTER, , PEGGY KING, MARY HOWSDEN, TAMMY LEWIS,
 ■ LEA KILLAM .
 ■ ADELINE GREAVES
 ■ JANE FEGER
 ■ YVONNE MASON
 ■ DIANNE’s brother MARK LYTLE
 ■ DAISY GOODRICH
 ■ DIANNE BEVERLY.
 ■ JODY OLIVER
 ■ MIKE & BETTY JOBBINS
 ■ NORMA OLIVER
 ■ ED HENDRICKSON
 ■ SHARON NICKELSON
 ■ DONNA HURLBUT
 ■ SISTER BETTY OGLESBY
 ■ DEBBIE FULLER
 ■ KRIS CAMPBELL
 ■ CURT & JANE DACUS.

■ **GREAT COMMISSION FOUNDER’S WEEK** was a great blessing. 28 Young people joined us on the streets to invite over 3,000 families to Know Christ and Connect with Crusaders. Pictured are some of our St. Louis group that attended Friday Evening. L-R Shelfan, Hailey Dodson, Kris Campbell, Tressa Jones, Kameron Dodson, PR and Vickie, Clinton, Derek Carroll, Tanshire, Bill Wilson, and Paul Parmley. Not pictured is Clarke Parmley.



■ **BACK TO SCHOOL SUNDAY WILL BE AUGUST 16**
 We would like to be sure every student has supplies. We will have a special prayer.