



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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July 10, 2018



**VILLA GROVE COMMUNITY
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**
July 8-12-- 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**For all kids, age 4-completion of 8th Grade
Adult VBS- open to high schoolers, parents, seniors**

VBS MISSION 2018

This year's mission is...

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

The offering will go to purchase a cow for \$500. Heifer's mission is to end hunger and poverty while caring for the earth. They work in 30 countries to help families and communities become more self-reliant.



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Philippians 4:6-7



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A showing of "Suicide: the Ripple Effect" will be at the Savoy 16 theater on Wednesday, July 25 at 7:30pm. The movie is a documentary by Kevin Hines about his suicide attempt, struggle with mental illness, and the impact it's had on those he loves, and also the impact of suicide on people in general. I teach Youth Mental Health First Aid, and Kevin's story is involved with this curriculum. I have actually met him.

If you are interested in attending this film, contact me at

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SARA WILLIAMSON

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**Thank you all for your prayers and cards following my hip surgery. I am grateful to be part of this wonderful, caring church family.
Praising Him,
CYNDI REESER**



BACK-TO-SCHOOL
Project

Back-to-School Project will collect book bags for the children this year instead of monetary donations. We have plenty of cash for the supplies, but have not provided book bags for a couple of years. Donations of any size book bag (K-High School) are needed. Please bring your book bags to the church and put in the cloak room BEFORE JULY 30. The bags will be available to the children at their registration days, Aug. 1, & 2. We greatly appreciate your generosity!

SARAH CANNON & THE BACK-TO-SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Betty Cain (Juanita Dowler's sister)- health issues; now in assisted living
 Bob Dowler- in motorcycle accident, has broken leg and cut on his head; is in Carle Hospital
 Melvin Greeley (Judy Zylstra's dad)- home, doing well
 Jerry Hines- doing well
 Praise! Bradley Lacine was baptized at camp last week
 Don Taylor (friend of Joyce Ritter)- had surgery on Monday
 Praise! Brazilian boys soccer team has been rescued!!
 Vacation Bible School- successful first 2 nights! Three more to go!!



July 8, 2017

Auditorium	116	<u>Sunday School</u>		
Nursery	5	Nursery	5	Blessed Believers
Celebration	8	SMC (Age 3-1st Grade)	5	Ambassadors
TOTAL	129	King's Kids (Gr. 2-5)	10	The Fellowship
		Grades 6-8	5	Chosen Ones
		High School	9	TOTAL
				93
OFFERING:	\$3060.54			
Spendable	\$3053.54			
Worship (coffee)	7.00			

Christian Living: Some Assembly Required **7/10/18**

We found the desk we'd been shopping for at an office supply store. We paid the clerk, and drove to the loading dock to retrieve our purchase. The worker slid a flat cardboard box in my truck. The only thing that resembled a desk was the full color photo with large words that said, "Some assembly required." I probably could have paid an extra fee to have them assemble it, but that isn't my style. I would do it myself. Except, I really wasn't doing it myself. I had to read the instructions and put things together in the correct order, or I'd never get the desk pictured on the box. It took time, tools and patience but I got the desk assembled.

The Christian life is similar. We want to experience the joy, love and peace of God instantly, without extra effort. The apostle Peter points out that God knows how badly believers want to escape the corruption caused by evil. So, he describes what it takes for believers to realize the life of godliness.

Some Assembly Required.

2 Peter 1:5-8 *For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith, goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But if anyone does not have them, he is nearsighted and blind, and has forgotten that he has been cleansed from his past sins.*

Being a Christian begins with faith. Then, we build on that faith according to scripture, until our life culminates in the finished product, LOVE. To refuse to follow God's instructions results in forgetting that Jesus died on the cross for our salvation.

Mike



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MORNING WORSHIP	9:30 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL	11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY MORNING CELEBRATION (Age 4-5th Grade)	9:30 A.M.
YOUTH GROUP (7/15)	5:00 P.M.

CELEBRATION CHOIR WILL MEET AGAIN IN THE FALL.
 BIBLE STUDY WILL MEET AGAIN IN THE FALL.