



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
VILLA GROVE, ILLINOIS

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June 8, 2021

Thank You!



Dear Church Family,

I want to thank everyone for the cards that you sent me. I enjoyed getting them. Hopefully, I will soon be getting my sling off and starting therapy.

LINDA STANFIELD

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the recognition of my eighth grade graduation and the generous gift, as well! I appreciate it so much!

Sincerely,
NOAH KELLY

First Christian Church...

Thank you so much for your thoughtful gift, but most importantly, the support on this long journey.

Love,
BRADEN BOYER



*Nancy Burkeen (Kate Shunk's aunt)- cancer
Ron Floyd, VFW Commander- heart attack, in Carle Hospital
Beverly Heflin- fell, doing ok, didn't need hospitalization
Family of Mike Pangburn
VBS- July 18-22 (registration info online)
Jean Zylstra (Mike's mom)- had hip replacement surgery on Monday*

JUNE 6, 2021

Worship Attendance:	87	Offering: Spendable	\$9,828.00
Sunday School:	64	Building & Grounds	65.00
Sun. Morning Celebration	6	Benevolence	2.00
King's Kids	5	Youth Group	200.00
Gr. 6-8	3	Memorial (Gentry)	100.00
High School	5	TOTAL	\$10,195.00
Blessed Believers	18		
The Fellowship	17		
Chosen Ones	10		



It seems early, but it is time to begin thinking about our annual In Thanks-Giving project.

Steven Schmidt founded *Love Packages* in 1975 when God showed him the abundance of Christian literature he had and the lack of the same in 3rd world nations. Located in Butler, IL with a second location in Decatur, AL, "Love Packages collects Bible donations- as well as donations of Christian books, Sunday school materials, and more – from people and publishers across the US and ships it to a network of distributors all over the world. They ship more than 1,000 tons of recycled literature on the mission field every year.

WHAT THEY CAN USE:

Bibles – New or used, any translation, New Testaments, portions, gospel booklets
Reference materials – any
Books – Christian adult/children, Non-fiction
Magazines, Daily devotionals, tracts – Any from Christian publishers
Sunday school materials – Adult quarterlies, Teacher's manuals, full student materials
CD, DVD, Blu-Ray – Music, movies, teachings from well known speakers (Billy Graham, Swindoll ...)
Puppets, nativity sets, etc. – Bible games, puzzles, anything to help teach the gospel

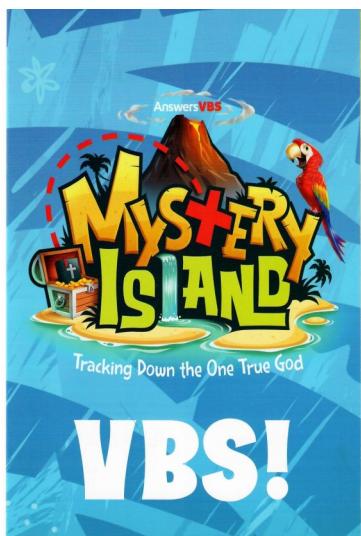
ITEMS THEY CANNOT USE:

VHS/Tapes/records/8-tracks
Guideposts
Handiwork or busy papers from Sunday school
Secular books (other than dictionaries)

Donations can be dropped off in the containers in the coat room at FCC June – October 2021. Monetary donations will be collected in September – October 2021

LOVE PACKAGES

www.lovepackages.org



**2021 Community Vacation Bible School
To be held at First Christian Church, Villa Grove**

**Sunday-Thursday, July 18-22
6:45-8:00 p.m. nightly**

For youth who have completed Kindergarten thru 6th Grade

**Presented by Villa Grove First Christian Church, Villa Grove
United Methodist Church & Camargo United
Methodist Church**

REGISTER ONLINE: www.fccvg.com

Follow the Right Map

6/8/2021

As kids we'd bury something in the yard and draw a map so we'd remember where it was. Later, we'd try to read our map and discover that, because we'd left out some detail or direction, the map was useless. Fortunately, we never left anything buried so long that the passage of time would erase the treasure's location from our memory.

In February, 2014 the Associated Press reported on a northern California couple who had live on their rural property for several years. One day, while walking their dog, they stumbled upon a container of gold coins that was buried on their property! They looked and found more buried containers. All total, there were 1,427 coins, dating from 1847 to 1894. The coins were in uncirculated, mint condition and some were so rare that their estimated value was 10 million dollars. Whoever buried the coins must have lost his map or, because of circumstances, was unable to retrieve the treasure.

As I look at people in this world I see many who are lost. They wander from place to place, relationship to relationship, career to career, hobby to hobby, looking for something of great value. They head in a direction, believing it will lead them to personal meaning and purpose. Sadly, they are reading maps that have been drawn by the world. These maps are filled with misdirection and dead ends.

Let me recommend a map that will never fail. Its directions always point the right way. The Bible has always guided people along the path God wants His disciples to take. History has proven that God's word and his commands have never directed people wrongly.

Spend time with God's map. Through God's word, the lost can be found.



Mike

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Elders: Elmer Decker Jerry Hughes John Dilliner Steve Lacine Bob Dowler Joe Rothermel	REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS Beverly Heflin Tuscola Health Care Center 1203 Egyptian Trail Tuscola, IL 61953