



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
VILLA GROVE, ILLINOIS

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June 11, 2024

### YOUTH GROUP BOWLING TRIP

Wednesday, June 19

Church bus leaves the parking lot at 5:30pm

Bowling, food and fun for all!

Friends are welcome!

Please let Judy or Mike Zylstra know who is coming by June 17.



Dear FCC,

Thank you so much for the support throughout the years. We really appreciate it. Thanks so much for your generous gift!

Love,

RAEANNA & MARISSA BOYER

**Congratulations to Phyllis Henderson-- she's a grandma! FINN EUGENE FIRKINS was born on Friday, May 26 at 6:55pm. He weighed in at 7 lbs., 9 oz. and was 21" long. His mom and dad are Joel and Lauren (Henderson) Firkins of Downs, Illinois. Phyllis says, "Everyone is doing fine and Grandma is thrilled!" Congratulations to this family on their new addition!!**



## IT'S A BOY!

#### JUNE 9, 2024

Worship 90

Sunday School 52

Sunday Morning Celebration 0

King's Kids 3

High School/College 7

Blessed Believers 14

The Fellowship Class 22

Chosen Ones Class 6

OFFERING: \$2,748.05

Spendable: 2,748.05



Wednesday, June 12-- 6:00 p.m. Elders meeting  
7:30 p.m. Board meeting

Thursday, June 13-- 6:30 p.m.

Women's Christian Fellowship meeting, at the church

Hostess: JANET CASSIDA

Devotions: LINDA STANFIELD

Missions: KAREN WILLIAMSON

All ladies of the church are welcome to attend!

# IN OUR *Thoughts and Prayers*

*Terri Albin- finally eating soft food following her surgery; don't know long-term prognosis; she thanks everyone for the prayers on her behalf and asks that they continue.*

*Kendra Brown (friend of Margaret Black)- heart problems; is now at Northwestern Hospital*

*Gretchen Casey (niece of Mary Gen Frick)- home from hospital, doing well*

*Tracy Frick (Mary Gen Frick's cousin)- cancer*

*Brett Watson (Barb Watson's brother-in-law)- tests for blood pressure and heart rate*

*Charlotte Watson (Barb Watson's mother-in-law)- had tests on Tuesday for circulation issues*



Community  
Vacation Bible School  
July 14-18  
6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Villa Grove United  
Methodist Church

## SPECIAL INFORMATION

**\*\*Adult and student volunteers are being asked to register. If you use the QR code (see back page) or the site (from the poster, back page), you will find a MENU at the top and a drop-down for volunteers to register. It's quick and easy and will help the planning committee know how volunteers want to help, and their contact information.**

**\*\*ALL VOLUNTEERS are asked to take a Training Session this year. This is one session, to be sure all the volunteers (adults and students) understand what they will be doing, and our expectations of them. There are three one-hour sessions to choose from: Thursday, July 11, 7:00 p.m./Friday, July 12, 1:00 p.m./Saturday, July 13, 9:00 a.m. If you can't attend any of these sessions, please contact Pastor John Brashear (309-838-9519), Jimmy Kay Vandeventer (217-254-3037), or the VGUMC office (217-832-3971). You only need to attend one session.**

**\*\*There will be a meal each evening, between 5:15 and 5:45 p.m., open to all. The community is being asked for monetary donations to help buy the food and supplies needed for these meals. By asking for monetary donations, we can buy meal supplies that allow us to assure everyone there are no allergens in the food, or at least be able to tell people what is in the food that is served. We have several children in the VG schools with severe allergies.**

**\*\*VBS CRAFT COMMITTEE is asking for volunteers to work on decorations for VBS. Please meet at FCC on Monday, June 17, at 9:00 a.m., if you can help out.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP! Contact any of the folks listed above if you have questions.**

## ***The Four Spiritual Flaws*** **6/11/2024**

While reading an article I came across something written by Chuck Swindoll. Swindoll called them the *Four Spiritual Flaws* and they go like this:

- 1) Because you are a Christian, all your problems are solved.
- 2) All the problems you will ever have are addressed in the Bible.
- 3) If you are having problems, you are somehow unspiritual.
- 4) Being exposed to sound Bible teaching automatically solves all your problems.

Just reading through these statements, you can easily see the flaws in this sort of reasoning.

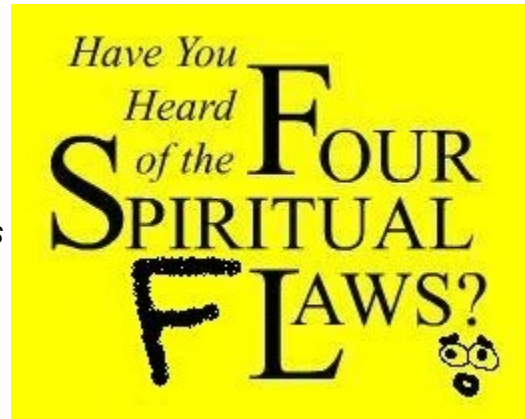
#1 is flawed because it leads people into self-reliance. Besides, Satan attacks Christians. He seeks to destroy believers. Being a Christian doesn't solve all our problems- it often leads to greater struggles. The truth is... **1 John 4:4 – the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.**

#2 is flawed because there are modern-day problems the Bible doesn't address. If your computer crashes, you need technical support. Dealing with your impatience because your computer is down does require connection to God's word. **Proverbs 14:19 – A patient person has great understanding, but a quick-tempered person displays foolishness.**

#3 is often promoted by the "health and wealth" religion. They might say, "If you have a physical malady, it is due to a lack of faith." Or, "If you are poverty-stricken, you are not spiritual enough." Think about the man of God named Job, in the Old Testament (**Job 1 & 2**). He had lots of problems because he was faithful to God, not because his faith was weak.

#4 is flawed because hearing Bible teaching is not the same as obeying what it teaches. **James 1:22** reminds us, ***Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.***

The easiest way to avoid spiritual flaws is to fully embrace God's word and the truth therein.



*Mike*

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#### **Elders:**

John Dilliner              Jerry Hughes  
Bob Dowler                Joe Rothermel

### **JUNE 16, 2024**

**Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.**

**Greeters: (South) Glenda Case (Front) Frances Dowler**

**Coffee Fix & Cleanup: Brenda Elam**

**Serving: M. Hughes, B. Smith, R. Duzan**

**Elder-On-Call for June: JOHN DILLINER (217)621-9807**

**Mission of the Week: MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION  
Villa Grove & Camargo, Illinois  
Villa Grove & Camargo Ministers**

### **REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS**

**JOE HOLSAPPLE  
315 S. Douglas  
Villa Grove, IL 61956**





# *Villa Grove Community VBS*

**Date: July 14-18**

**Time: 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M**

**For those age 4 through going into 8th grade**

**Location: Villa Grove UMC, 302 2nd St**

**Come early to eat dinner with us!**

**Camp Style Meal Served from 5:15-5:45 PM**

**USE THE QR CODE TO  
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REGISTRATION PAGE  
AND PRESS MENU**



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