FACTS—FIGURES—FELLOWSHIP

GIVEN TO REACH OUR WORLD FOR CHRIST

BUDGET REPORT FOR MAY 1-28 2017

MAY 1-28 RECEIPTS ........................................ $25,534.70
MONTHLY BUDGET NEEDED .............................. $35,209.43
RECEIPTS NEEDED FOR BUDGET .......................... $ 9,674.73

ACTUAL BUDGET RECEIPT/EXPENSE REPORT

MAY 1-28 Receipts .............................................. $25,534.70
MAY 1-28 Expenses ........................................ $17,570.09
MAY 1-28 Receipts over expenses ...................... $ 7,964.61

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR MAY 2017

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY—— 72
MORNING WORSHIP—— 103

If you are not plugged in with a Small Group Bible Study, you are missing a blessing. Small Group Bible Study begins at 9:15 a.m. Join Us! We have groups for all ages!

Keenagers
No Monthly Dinner
In June or July

Upcoming Events:
Thursday, June 1 —
Nabila’s in Fitzgerald for lunch.
Visit Bell’s Daylily Gardens in Sycamore.
Depart 9:30am. Return around 4pm

Thursday, June 29 — Garden Patch Restaurant, Barnesville for lunch. Dickey Farms for ice cream. Depart 10am. Return around 3pm.

Thursday, July 13 — Yoder’s for lunch and Brown’s Farm for Ice Cream. Depart 11:30 am. Return around 3pm.

See Jon Huguley to sign-up

WMU—Current Missions

Our WMU Current Missions group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. (occasional exceptions) We encourage our ladies to join us as we study, share and plan for mission opportunities. Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 15, 2017.

PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS AND LEADERS

FBC & FPC

Fireworks and Fellowship
June 30   7pm

In FBC parking lot

Come and join in on this time of fellowship and celebration.
Sometimes we look for God to act in dramatic fashion. Have you ever experienced a time in your life where your faith was small? Or maybe a time when you had no faith at all? As believers, we certainly experience times when we have grace in particularly attention grabbing ways and that is sometimes the Lord leads us to something that, at least for his disciples, but they could not heal him. What was Jesus’ response? Jesus stated in verses 17 and 20 that they were a faithless and twisted generation and that their faith was “little.” It always is when we go to the mountains. For me to move a mountain would be impossible in my own strength. However, we know from Scripture that with God all things are possible. It can have a seemingly dramatic flare to them. Oftentimes, however, our work for God and God’s work in us is seemingly simple. We take a few minutes to read the Bible in the morning or evening. We pray for a friend who doesn’t have the Scriptures. We’re called to be people of prayer. We’re called to worship together. Sometimes these things can have a seemingly dramatic flair to them. Oftentimes, however, we learn that God is at work. With this in mind, I would ask each member of this church to be in prayer for our church and to read and reflect upon the Scriptures. Pray that God would direct us. Pray that God would protect us. Pray that God would use us. Pray that God would work in us in our dependence upon Him and in our desire to see His will accomplished. Read the Bible. Read a short passage when you can (just make sure you’re reading it in context!); read a long passage and savor God’s truth. Make it a discipline to do it everyday. Find what works for you. Ask God to help you understand, apply, and cherish His Word.

In particular, I’d like to encourage everyone to read the Bible with an eye to what God has called His people to do and for His promises made to His people. Pray those promises over this congregation and pray that He’ll uphold us and help us to be faithful. Daily prayer and bible study may not be dramatic. You may not see angels or hear heavenly music. But, if you daily seek God’s will and God’s provision and seek to be transformed by the renewing of your mind by His truth, God will work in you and God will work in our midst. To help facilitate this, a Scripture Reading and Prayer Guide will be made available on Sunday, June 4. Please take one and refer to it as it is helpful for you. It’s a tool to be used, not a law to be obeyed. The recommended passages and prayer suggestions are given to help us seek God’s Will together as a church in the time of transition. We’re in transition, but that doesn’t mean that God isn’t at work. Being in transition doesn’t mean that our calling has been revoked. Hopefully, this guide will help us in this time. If there’s another way God provides for you to search the Scriptures and pray, that’s great! Whatever form it takes, let’s seek to submit ourselves to the Lord. Let’s offer Him every ordinary moment of our lives and see what He does through simple, ordinary things. Rusty’s Ramblings