It’s on My Heart... by Pastor Tony Thornton

This past Sunday was a cold morning. The temperature outside wasn’t that bad but the temperature in the auditorium was in the high 50’s at the eight o’clock worship service. We quickly tried to assess the situation.

I am not an expert in Heating and Cooling issues by any stretch of the imagination. Later in the morning I heard that the furnaces weren’t working. From what I understand, we have 4 furnaces that carry the load to heat that space. Only one of the furnaces was made to be able to work and so it was now going to have to heat all the space until the others can be fixed.

I was in the auditorium later in the afternoon and it still wasn’t warm. Of course, when all the heaters are working, it will be plenty warm.

My point in communicating this to you is to point out an observation that sometimes slips our attention. God has made us in such a way that we need different kind of experiences to help us grow spiritually. If we rely only upon one, we will see some spiritual progress but that progress will be much slower in coming and in many cases lead us to frustration along the way.

Are you consistently worshiping, studying, praying, serving, and giving, etc. in the Kingdom for His glory? All of these and many more disciplines can help you grow tremendously. Let’s all be eager to grow in our Faith!

See You Sunday!

Welcome Our Newest Members...

- **John Alford** came as an immersed believer to unite with FCC on **Sunday, March 14 at the 10:30 a.m. service.** John’s address is 426 East 3rd, Garnett, KS 66032.
- **Savannah Sandidge** was immersed into Christ at FCC on **Saturday, March 13.** Savannah’s address is 32595 NE Neosho Road, Richmond, KS 66080.

REMINDER: NURSING HOME VISITS SUNDAY, MARCH 21
- **GUEST HOMES:** NEW CREATIONS AT 2:30 PM
- **LONG TERM CARE:** SOS CLASS AT 3:15 PM
- **GOLDEN HEIGHTS:** OPPORTUNITY CLASS AT 4:00 PM

Sermon Series: “Passion”
Sunday’s message: “The Painful Reality of Darkness”
Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:47-56
YOU ARE INVITED TO A ‘BABIES’ SHOWER
You are invited to a “babies” shower on Saturday, March 20 at 2:00 p.m. in the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall for Kayla Ferguson and the twins Aubree & Natalee. Kayla has a registry for those interested at www.babiesrus.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE ALL-CHURCH SPRING CLEANUP DAY
The Buildings and Grounds have set the date of Saturday, March 27 at 9:00 a.m. for the All-Church Spring Cleanup Day. For anyone wishing to clean prior to March 27, a list will be hanging in the Fellowship Hall. As you complete a task, please cross it off the list. Lunch will be provided on Saturday, March 27. Please sign the flap on Sunday if you would like to help.

REMINDER FOR LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE SURVEY
A reminder to please complete the survey form you received in the mail and place it in the box placed at the rear of the church or the overflow room by Sunday April 4th.

YOUNG CHRISTIAN WEEKEND
Legacy (High School Only), will be taking a trip to Silver Dollar City for Young Christian Weekend, March 26 thru March 28. We have reservations to stay in cabins next to Lake Taneycomo. Some of the bands present will be DecembeRadio, Lincoln Brewster and 33 Miles. All the rides will be open as well as one new ride named “The River Blast.” The cost is $40. Scholarships are available by request just see and ask Chris.

We will leave following school Friday, March 26th and return on Sunday evening March 28th. Please call and sign up now!

Thank You
First Christian Church members, Thank you so much for the candle with greenery given in memory of my mother. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers. God Bless all of you. Bus, Rosemary, Dennis and all the family. (The families of Donna Hale).

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Kayla Ferguson and her family want to thank everyone for all the prayers and well wishes for Aubree and Natalee as well as for Kayla. We know we have a challenging road ahead of us but with the love, support, and prayers of our FCC family we know we will all be just fine. Thank you so much!

ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS
We are DESPERATELY in need of volunteers on Wednesday afternoons between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to help prepare meals for the Wednesday Night Meals. Any help would be much appreciated.

TWIN GIRLS...
Congratulations on the births of Aubree June and Natalee Nicole, born Sunday, March 7, 2010. They are the twin daughters of Kayla Ferguson. Grandparents are Earnie and Jenny Ferguson, Garnett, KS and proud uncle is Marcus Ferguson. Great-grandparents are Marvin and Donna Olson of Grand Rapids, MI and Jimmy and Betty Kyle of Garnett, Kansas.

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Congratulations on the birth of Jax David Novak, born Tuesday, March 2, 2010. His parents are Nick and Beth Novak, from Williams, AZ. Grandparents are Bill and Barbara Ratliff and the Great Grandmother is Ruby Schuster.
PLEASE PRAY FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL:
SGT Robert Brecheisen, Egypt
PFC Blake Boone, Iraq, son of Dan & Rebecca Boone
ABH3 Candice Casper, niece of Carol Hermreck & Janice Tush
SGT Levi Clark, Egypt, brother or Tim Clark
SPC Tonya Eilenstine, Iraq, daughter-in-law of Dennis Eilenstine
Christopher Gordon, Egypt, son of Kim Gordon
1SGT Michael Guyett, Egypt, brother of Linda Topp
Emily Horner, Afghanistan, great niece of Jean Brown
PVT Jason Meeker, Germany, great nephew of Curtis & Mary Ann Umbarger
Paula Miller, Afghanistan, daughter of Reid & Karen Miller
SFC Keith Peine, Egypt, husband of Teresa Peine
PFC Nate Schultz, Egypt
Colby Shinkle, Afghanistan, grandson of Dr. Howard & Doris Wilson
Jason Rogue, Iraq
SPC Derrick Sloan, Egypt, son of Jay Sloan
CPT Richard Smith, Iraq, great nephew of Doug & Dawn Adams
SGT Carl Sutton, Egypt
SGT Marie Vernon, Afghanistan, granddaughter of Oneda Grimes & great niece of Judy Tisor
SGT Joe Wilper, Egypt
SPC Tony Wilson, Egypt
Jeremy Wilson, Afghanistan, 3rd deployment, a Kellerman kin

REMEMBER OUR LOVED ONES IN NURSING HOMES:
Golden Heights: Wayne Penn, Tena Johnson, Marge Ahring, Pat Draves, Jeanne Higginbottom, Olive Kline, Max Ratliff, Dot Roberts & Roger Sapp
Guest Homes Estates: Shelda Sapp & Dorothy Dalton
Long Term Care: Roannah McDonald

PRAYER REQUESTS
Loyd Burcham, Keith Chambers, Joey Corbin, Jon Covault, Vi Davin, Ronda Eagleson, Juanita Farrar, Bud Fraker, Kayla Ferguson and the twins, Jo Goddard, Shirley Greiner, Dick Grimm (brother of Norma Hermreck), Dorothy Hawley (sister of Mary Ann Umbarger), Nancy Horn, Charlie Hiestand, Madison Karnes (granddaughter of Kevin Calley), Gene Koons, Mary Martin, Marie McBride, Franque Meliza, Doug Meyer, Opal Meyers, June Mowat, Ivo Pickert (uncle of Mary Graham), Debbie Poire, Harry & Bernadine Reed, Charlene Rogers, Greg Rose (son of Rae Newland), Don Thomas, Bill Thornton, Larry Varvel, Bob Zentner & the youth.

S.O.S. CLASS
Larry Varvel opened the class with prayer. The SOS class had 30 present Sunday with 27 members who brought Bibles and 8 were daily readers. Lois Gebert presented Sunday’s lesson, “Longing & Living for That Day,” Isaiah 2. Prayers were requested for June Mowat, Vi Davin and Franque Meliza. Lois Gebert closed with prayer. The class is ready for Lesson 3, “A Song of Injustice,” Isaiah 5 with Burke Rogers as teacher.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS
Marilyn Artherton opened the class with prayer. The Opportunity class had 17 members present Sunday with 7 who brought Bibles and 6 who were daily readers. Prayers for Harry & Bernadine Reed, Vi Davin, June Mowat, Marie McBride, Mary Martin, Helen Burcham, Bill Thornton, and Loyd Burcham were requested. Sunday’s lesson was presented by Jean Brown on “A Community to Redeem,” Jonah 3:10; 4:11.
This Week at FCC…

Thursday, March 18
7:30 pm Chimes Practice

Saturday, March 20
2:00 pm “Babies” Shower for Kayla Ferguson in the Fellowship Hall (Aubree & Natalee)

Sunday, March 21
8:00 am Early Worship Service
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Late Worship Service
11:45 pm Education Committee Meeting
6:00 pm Legacy Youth Meeting

Monday, March 22
7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday, March 23
10:00 am Christian Crafters at the Annex

Wednesday, March 24
6:30 am Men’s Bible Study at the Annex
5:00 pm Community Dinner
7:00 pm Choir Practice

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Attendance
Worship Service
8:00 a.m. 52
10:30 a.m. 156
Total 208
Sunday School
Total 105

Sunday Schedule
Early Worship:
8:00 am
Sunday School:
9:15 am
Late Worship:
10:30 am

Legacy Youth Church
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
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