

KOKOMO CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

August 2020 Newsletter

Praise ye the Lord!

We have been encouraged to think about all that we have to rejoice about in the Lord, as we've looked at the positivity of the book of Philippians in the midst of Paul's imprisonment and the Philippians' persecution. Can't we do the same in the midst of this present situation? Although Philippians shows that rejoicing is one of the key components of the Christian life, I am yet to find a denomination that checks people at the door, or makes people sign a statement that they have rejoiced evermore! Maybe it could be called, First Church of the Rejoicers! It hasn't happened because these people are too busy rejoicing and praising God to concern themselves with starting another sect! Jerry reminded us that bitterness is deadly and we need to check our hearts that there is none in us and we need to forgive ASAP so that unforgiveness does not turn into bitterness. The Lord led Jerry to this message the very day that I was scheduled to speak at the Mission on unforgiveness. Thank you Lord, for that little sign that you are with us and talking to us. So if there is anyone out there who was supposed to forgive or get rid of bitterness, but you forgot to do so when Jerry preached, this is a little reminder that you have something urgent on your to do list. I also got talking about being resolved not to sin with our mouths as David said. That is a pretty convincing area for most of us in some way or another, but we are not going to give up. Thank Jesus for his forgiveness and grace to press on. Also this month, thank you for your support, prayer, and participation in the local outreach. We were able to engage many people at our 4-H fair with the love and truth of Jesus Christ. Remember - God is still calling people in America. There are still hungry people out there. There are still 7000 who have not bowed the knee to Baal, but unless you make it a practice to start conversations with people, you'll never find out for yourself. It's really hard to witness to anyone who you have not already started a conversation with. So press to bless people that way. It may well be the best thing that happens to them today, that they speak to a vessel in which the God of the universe lives. Also, this month, the fourth of July was a blessing too. We got to sing some patriotic hymns and remember how God helped those overmountain Scots-presbyterians to FIGHT under the inspiration of Pastor Samuel Doaks powerful devotional prayer sermon at Sycamore Shoals, Tennessee before they went on to win one of the most decisive military victories in America's history at King's Mountain. Google that sermon if you can't remember what I shared. It will stir you up! We need to be stirred up! We are still in a fight to this day with the flesh and the devil and no less resolve and courage than what they showed will do for us. Pray on. Witness on. Rejoice on. Love and sacrifice on. See you at church saints!

Love and prayers - Pastor Nicky.

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| 2 Church 10 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Church 7pm | 7 | 8 Lucille Clifton |
| 9 Church 10 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 Church 7pm | 14 | 15 |
| 16 Church 10 | 17 Ruth Godsil | 18 | 19 | 20 Wade & Serena Reed Church 7pm Parents Group 7:15 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 Church 10 | 24 Jerry & Debbie Richardson | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 Church 10 | 31 | | | Church 7pm | | |