

Weekly Update FYI

COLLEGE FIRST
CHURCH OF GOD

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September 3, 2025



Dear College First family,

I'm grateful to everyone who helped with this year's **Next Gen ice cream fundraiser** booth at the Hancock County Fair. Special thanks to Simeon Joseph who led the team and Katie Thomas who handled the scheduling. We even made the front page of The Courier!

Speaking of ice cream, Heather and I would like to invite you to an **ice cream open house this Sunday** from 2-4 PM at our home, 2241 Heatherwood following our **fall kickoff...Vision Sunday**. I can't wait to share what's ahead for College First.

The next two Sundays are big, too!

Sunday, September 14, Fundraiser lunch for church in India (\$15/adults, \$5/kids)

Sunday, September 14, Bible Quizzing begins

Sunday, September 21, CF 101 lunch and membership class (free)

Sunday, September 21, Youth Family Worship Night

I hope you were able to rest...in order to **work** and **labor** for the LORD!

Blessings,

Kirk

P.S. It would be helpful if you could let me know you're coming over Sunday for ice cream (kirk@collegefirst.org).

Jack Jacob 9/1
Marty Terry 9/1
Cathy Harris 9/4
Jeanie Reis 9/5
Geoffrey Day 9/5
Bob Asel 9/8
Craig Tesnow 9/10
Bethany Archer 9/10
Kylee Pontius 9/10
Becky Crawford 9/13
Judy Brandt 9/14
Doug Tipton 9/15



Upcoming Events

9/3: Encounter, 6-7:30 PM
9/3: Worship Choir, 7 PM
9/7: Vision Sunday & Fall Kickoff, All Services
9/9: Senior Fun Dinner, 5:30-7:30 PM
9/14: Berachah Church Fundraiser, 12 PM
9/14: Bible Quiz Practice, 4 PM
9/21: Membership Class, 12:15 PM
9/21: Youth Family Worship Night, 5PM

TITHES/OFFERINGS.... \$17,099.56
ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS....\$519.59
BUDGET.... \$19,738.00

You can now give online via PayPal, in addition to giving on the church website. Please scan the QR Code provided. Any questions, please call the church office.





You are invited to a special lunch as we share about supporting Berachah Prayer Hall in Hyderabad, India. The church is growing, and we are raising funds to support its expansion. If you are interested in learning more and partnering through giving, please join us. Indian food will be served.

- Date: Sunday, September 14
- Time: 12:00 PM
- Location: College First Church – Fellowship Hall

This luncheon is priced; \$15 for adults, \$5.00 for children. Any questions, please ask Missy LaRocco at mlarocco@lawolaw.org.



IF YOU FIND JESUS - TAKE HIM WITH YOU.



- Linda Bratt
- Christine Cole
- Paula Dewey
- Don Dreisbach
- Briella Fletcher
- Jill Gordon
- Ledger Han
- Dorothy Harvey
- Missy LaRocco
- Connie McClelland
- Phyllis Miller
- Lee Osmun
- Cindy Sims-Perry
- Doug Rosendale

E-MAIL PRAYER GROUP - Praises and prayer concerns for the church body as a whole are sent out via e-mail by Connections Pastor Kimberly Reese. To submit a prayer request or to be added to the Prayer Chain recipient e-mail list please contact Pastor Kimberly at kreese@collegefirst.org.



Thank You!

THANK YOU to the many volunteers who helped to set up/tear down the ice cream booth, who served ice cream, and all the while sharing God's love with others at the Hancock County Fair. With your help, the monetary gross amount raised for Next Gen Ministries is \$10,315.50!



Join a small group today!

God designed the Church for His glory and our benefit. Small groups help us find community, build our faith, and grow closer to Jesus...together! If you are not yet connected with a group, pick up a Groups brochure near the church office or contact Pastor Kimberly at kreese@collegefirst.org to learn more about the many small group options at College First.

Caring and Sharing

Come join Caring and Sharing in September and October for this great read!

On Tuesday, September 16 and Tuesday, October 21 at 7PM, the book to be discussed is *What Happens Next*.

According to Amazon.com, "*What Happens Next* is an optimistic, accessible, and non-sensational guide to what the Bible says about heaven's time line that will empower you to face the future with faith.

Max takes you on

a well-researched overview of what God's Word says, exploring the following four big ideas that provide a solid foundation for understanding God's eternal plan:

- We were made to reign with Christ.
- God has made and will keep his promises.
- Heaven has a time line.
- A golden era-the millennium-awaits God's children.

Plus, Max takes you on a journey of the time line of history, examining essential milestones such as the rapture, the seven years of tribulation, and the glory of heaven."



Men's Retreat

Dear College First Church of God,
We're excited to invite the men of College First to the 3rd annual Forge Men's Retreat, taking place September 19-20, 2025 at Camp Otyokwah!

The Forge is more than a getaway—it's a weekend of brotherhood, spiritual renewal, and growth.

It's a time for men to unplug from the daily grind, dive into God's Word, and walk away refreshed, challenged, and inspired.

Register and find more details at: www.glccg.org (You can also scan the QR code on the attached graphic.) Let's step into the forge together—to be sharpened, strengthened, and sent out with purpose.

In Christ,

Pastor Arnie Kaufman



Mailbox Cleanout!

On Friday, September 19, Katie will be cleaning out church mailboxes. Please make sure you check your church mailbox before then. Thank you!



 **FLYING SOLO**
SINGLE MOMS BIBLE STUDY!
WITH CHILDCARE!
THURSDAYS 7-8PM



COLLEGE FIRST 101: MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Sunday, Sept. 21

12:15 p.m.

Free lunch provided

EXPLORE THE HISTORY,
MINISTRY, AND FUTURE OF
COLLEGE FIRST

To sign up or learn more, contact Kimberly Reese at kreese@collegefirst.org



Starting Wednesday, September 3!



Bible Quiz Season

Bible quizzing season is starting again soon on Sunday, September 14! Any questions or interested in joining Bible Quiz Team contact Pastor Nancy.

Bible Quizzing New Season

Join the team for a fun deep dive into scripture!

Info:

- Sundays, 4-5:30pm
- Grades 5-12

Topic:

1 & 2 Corinthians



Looking for ways to be involved for Upward? Upward still need **lots** of volunteers both on and off the field.

Volunteers like:

- Team Chaplains- you can pray for the kids for a great season and to know God; come to the games to do this on Thursday evenings.
- Setting up before a match starts or tearing down after the game is done.
- Greeters for games beginning Saturday, September 6, to help direct families where to go during games.
- Be a Team Sponsor-Take a team list paper, hang it on your fridge or mirror at home, and aim to pray over the team that you select.

This is a wonderful opportunity to help us continue to dedicate this season to showing God's love to the Upward community. Sign up sheets to volunteer are located in front of the church office or at the resource table at Winebrenner. Whatever you would like to do, please get in touch with Faith Gingerich at upward@collegefirst.org. Thank you!

International Student Ministry Donations Needed

Our international students are in need of space heaters, mattresses, and microwaves. If you have any of these items to donate, please contact Pastor Nancy at nhiser@collegefirst.org.

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Randy Ewing, Property Management

Jon Rupp, Stewardship and Finance

Dave Green, Worship

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

9:00AM 11:00AM

SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY, 1100 N. MAIN ST.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

10:00AM @ WINEBRENNER
WINEBRENNER TLB AUDITORIUM, 950 N. MAIN ST.

SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE

LIVESTREAM 9:00AM

FACEBOOK PAGE & YOUTUBE CHANNEL
GO TO THE WEBSITE 'ONLINE WORSHIP' PAGE FOR LINKS

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