

News & Notes

September Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Robyn 10, Marion 16, Andrew 23

Tony and Lillian 22

Food Cupboard: Donations are always welcome.

The free **Shepherd's Guide** for 2022 is available in the foyer.

The **Wednesday Bible study** is cancelled for this week only.

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Email kingstonchurchofchrist@yahoo.com for zoom link to Bible study at 7:00 pm Wednesdays.

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“Quote” of the week

"Grace binds you with far stronger cords than the cords of duty or obligation can bind you. Grace is free, but when once you take it you are bound forever to the Giver, and bound to catch the spirit of the Giver. Like produces like, Grace makes you gracious, the Giver makes you give."

—E. Stanley Jones

Scheduled to Serve:

	Today	Sep 4	Sep 11
Chair	Chad	Chad	Chad
Preaching	Art	Chad	Art

Contributions: send to churchcollege@yahoo.com or leave in box in foyer.

Key to the Kingdom – Fridays 8:30 am on Vision TV

Bulletin: If you have news you would like to see shared in the bulletin, please get it to Art by Thursday noon (kingstonchurchofchrist@yahoo.com or 613-876-4605).

Visitors, Welcome to our gathering! Join us in worship and fellowship.

Please join us in worshipping God as we sing, pray and read the Bible. We also share communion each Sunday remembering the sacrifice of Jesus who gave himself to die for our sins. If you wish to partake with us, you are free to do so.

We hold the Bible to be God's inspired message for us and hold it in highest esteem.

If a question comes to mind, please ask it. We will try to help you find answers from God. Please let us know of any way we can serve you.

Let's Keep Praying For



- Ron C facing heart issues
- The people of Ukraine & other war-torn areas
- Betty
- Dale and Marion's health
- Brian as he struggles with health issues
- Cancer patients: Shaun, Tim F, Chad's cousins Grace & Harold, Laura Lynn, Patti-Anne, Anne, Jenn

The Fountain of Life

If you go to the city of St. Augustine, Florida, you can go to an attraction claiming to be the Fountain of Youth. According to legend, Ponce de Leon landed near this site in the year 1535 and claimed a nearby spring to be a source of perpetual youthfulness based on the physiques of the indigenous people. (Note: there is no historical or archaeological evidence to support any of this, nor is there any mention in any of Ponce de Leon's writings.) Yet the myth is an attractive one and many have sought (and still seek) a source of being forever young.

While the Bible speaks of the tree of life (Genesis 2:9; Revelation 22:1) and the river of life (Revelation 22:2), the true source of life is God. The psalmist wrote, "For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light" (Psalms 36:9); and, "And He said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts'" (Revelation 21:6).

Were there to be a real "fountain of youth," be it in Florida or Timbuktu, what would you pay for access to its waters? How far would you go? What mountain would you not climb to get it? How long would you stand in line to access it? What would you not do? But we know the fountain of youth to be mythical, a fairy tale, nothing more than the desperate imagination of

dreamers.

But think about this: even if the fountain of youth were real, it would still be temporal. You would still be subject to all the dangers and trials of this earthly life. Theoretically you could live forever, but you would constantly have to access those waters, and in the meantime your body would be subject to all the diseases, injuries, accidents, and sudden afflictions known to man. Neither pain, nor sorrow, nor frustration, nor disappointment, nor even death would be taken away. Life forever on this earth would be a perpetual existence of misery.

Why don't we go to the source? God has promised eternal life to those who love Him, serve Him, and obey Him. That eternal existence leaves all the nonsense of this earth behind: we will forever be with Him! "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

So let's ask again: what would not do to have eternal life? It is hard to imagine someone walking away from the fountain of youth without drinking of its waters. Are you walking away from the Fountain of Life?

~ Keith Olbricht

Shady Acres church of Christ, Sikeston, MO