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Friends,

Saying goodbye is never easy. It's even harder when it comes after just one year in ministry together. Yet, here we are. As we come to the end of this first year in ministry together, I am being reappointed.

Maybe the timing doesn't seem right, but I'm sure it didn't seem right to Israel either. Moses had led them out of Egypt. He had been with them in the desert. He had led them in difficult times. For 40 years they wandered in the wilderness. And now, just when they are on the verge of breakthrough, just as they are about to enter the Promised Land and see the promises of God fulfilled, Moses dies and Joshua has to take over. Surely, the people wondered if their new leader would be able to fill Moses' shoes. Surely, they were skeptical if they would even see the vision fulfilled. I imagine they were disillusioned and discouraged. My guess is some of you feel like that today. You were hopeful and optimistic about the future, but now I am moving on to another church; someone else is being appointed to serve here. And you wonder: What will happen next? Will we be able to go on? Will this be the end of it all?

But ministry is never about one person. One plows the ground, another plants the seed, another waters it, but God brings in harvest (1 Corinthians 3:6-8). Over the last year, our church has laid the foundation for future ministry. We established policies and procedures for effective communication. We set up a new church website and found alternative sources for income and financial stability. But most important, we began to build relationships in our community. We launched a new book club at the Reading Library, where a few non-church folk are present every week. We met our neighbors through 3 block parties. We established a welcome wagon ministry. And we showed love and appreciation to the schools and our first responders. I also challenged you to be EVERYDAY MISSIONARIES right where you live, work, and play. To get to know your neighbors and your coworkers and the people you see all around you. Impact comes as we are intentional to build relationship with others for the sake of Jesus.

I believe your best days are right around the corner. The flame is already burning bright. Hope and optimism for our future has reemerged. But it is still fragile. This transition could easily put it out, but it doesn't have too. You must be careful not to put out the fire. We are primed for greatness if we would cling to the vision, fan the flame, and step out in obedient faith to keep doing what we have been doing.

Just because the leader changes doesn't mean the vision and the direction for ministry have to change.

Don't give up. Keep pressing forward. Look toward the future with hope. Build relationships. Get to know your neighbors. And as those relationships form share faith and invite them to come to church.

As the old hymn says: "It only takes a spark to get a fire going!" So FAN THAT FLAME!!! Let that little spark rage into a roaring forest fire. Let it become the mantra for your life. Make this vision your call.

As Paul instructed Timothy in his final words before his death: "For this reason, I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love, and of self-discipline. ... What you have heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Jesus Christ. Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you—guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us" (2 Timothy 1:6-7, 13-14).

We serve a God for whom all things are truly possible! So FAN THE FLAME!!! Ignite the FIRE.

Finally, let me say this: It has been a great honor to have been your pastor this year. Thank you for the memories. Thanks for all that you have taught me. Thanks for embracing and loving me and my family. Thanks for letting us serve you and lead you. Though our time has been shorter than any of us would have imagined or hoped, do know that you are loved and that I will miss each and every one of you.

Till We Meet Again,

Pastor Justin



REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Pastor Justin and family on their move to Oak Hills UMC

Darci Stephens – daughter of Nancy Meyer

The Black Family – daughter of Lynn Dykes

Ava death of her father – 15 year old friend of Lauren Black

Sam Patrick – St. Elizabeth for rehab then he is moving to his daughter's home in Ft. Thomas and selling his house.

Kevin – head injury – Jeanie Shilton

Donna Branscome – knee replacement

Julie Dreigon – recovering from a broken ankle

Kristen – cancer – niece of Lynda Toles

David King – shoulder pain

Suffering of Ukraine

Pastor Justin and Hartzell Church



SYMPATHY:

To the family and friends of Christine Mehlman.

To the family of John Troxell.

Children and families in Texas.

To Bonnie Flaig and family on the death of her husband.

To Lynda Toles on the death of her brother-in-law, Alan Woods.



HELPING HANDS

Due to no current needs, we will be canceling the weekly meals to homebound. When the need arises, we will resume. Thank you for your continued support of this vital mission.

NEEDS

MOST CURRENT ITEMS NEEDED:

CANNED:

Greens, mandarin oranges, salmon, yams
Pineapple

PASTA SAUCE

HAMBURGER HELPER or similar dinner mixes

BOXED CEREAL

PACKAGED DESSERTS (pudding cups, cookies, cake mixes, etc.)

SHAMPOO

SHAVING CREAM

TAMPONS

TOILET PAPER

LAUNDRY SOAP

June is busting out all over ...



With that being said, or sung, your leadership board would like to update you on the following going into the month of June.

First, thank you to Dan and Amanda Waddell for hosting the second community block party on May 21st! We had a good evening of fellowship despite the rain.

Our final community block party, hosted by Bill and Sue Watts is coming up on Saturday, June 4th from 12-2pm. Thank you, in advance, for hosting!

Second, the Walkthrough team has completed the church walkthrough, both inside and out. A report, including pictures, has been presented to the board. Priorities have been set and several professionals have been contacted for bids on selected work.

There will be several Hartzell Work Days set up this summer for the congregation to help out. This team is developing a plan and looking at calendars for work days.

This work, both professional and congregational, will be an ongoing process. You will be updated through each step for your help and to keep you informed. Thank you to the teams for both of these projects. Your help is much appreciated.

Next, the date for Launch, our One Deer Park event for the Deer Park Schools, will be held this year at River's Crossing in Dillonvale. It has been scheduled for Sunday, July 17th from 4-7pm. Hartzell will be hosting the popcorn booth. Look for more information about helping with this event in June.

Finally, small group leader training has been scheduled. Small groups will begin in the Fall. Thank you to those who have volunteered to lead these groups.

Your leadership board is looking forward to *busting out* with you *because it's*

June!





Graduation Sunday will be held on Sunday, June 12. The graduates will be recognized during the Worship Service and a reception will follow the service honoring the grads. Please let Vicki know if you have a high school or college grad.

Congratulations to Jake Moses who officially graduated from Yale on Monday, May 23. Jake received a BA in Theater and Performance Studies.



VBS will be held Monday, July 18 through Friday, July 22. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm and VBS will be from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. The theme is “Food Truck Party”.

We need volunteers to help with the decorating, someone to lead the crafts, help with the opening and closing of VBS. Please let Vicki know if you are interested in helping in any of these areas. Please contact Vicki at 513-324-8137 or vicki.kelly916@gmail.com.

THANKS

Continued thanks to our Children/Family Ministry Team for their dedication to the children of Hartzell and their families.



June 3-4 is a Virtual Annual Conference

June 4 Block Party at the home of Bill and Sue Watts

June 5 Pastor Farewell Celebration after church

June 7 District Conference at Westwood UMC at 5:30 pm

June 12-15 Pastor on vacation

June 14 Leadership Board Meeting

June 16 Young @ Hartz go to Belterra for lunch

June 19 Happy Father’s Day

June 23 Book Club @ Reading Library @ 1:30 pm

June 26 New Pastor’s Sunday (assuming one is named by this time)

July 18-22 Vacation Bible School

Pastor Justin will be on vacation from Sunday, June 12 – Saturday, June 25. If you have a pastoral emergency during this time please contact Pastor Rick Pitcairn at 512-766-6037. Brandon Fine will be guest preaching on June 12 and David Kalota guest preaching on Father’s Day, Sunday June 19



Chef Registration Form

Student's Name _____

Parent/Family/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone Numbers: Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Date of birth _____ Age _____ Last school grade completed _____

Home Church (if any) _____

Friends of your child at this church _____

Special Needs/Allergies/Medical Information/Other: _____

Emergency Contacts

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Name(s) of person(s) who may pick up this child from VBS _____

Photo Release: _____ Church/VBS has my permission to use my child's photograph publicly in VBS materials. I understand the images may be used in print publications, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media. I also understand that no royalty, fee or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____ Date _____

----- (for church use only) -----

Assigned to Chef Group: _____

Are family members helping with Food Truck Party? _____ If yes, where? _____



JUNE HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1 - June Webb
- 2 - Lynda Toles
- 6 - Alivia Coffey,
- 6 - Brenda Schwarber
- 7 - Terry Ansteatt
- 9 - Joe Bobbitt
- 10 - Kilian Vonhof
- 11 - Adrianna Spurling
- 12 - Debbie Baldwin
- 13- Billy deBord
- 20 - Dan Webb
- 28 - Dolly Lyons
- 29 - Elizabeth Bobbitt
- 30 - Pam Ross

Please let us know if you would like to add you/your family to our list.



JUNE

- 1 - David & Sharon Sand
- 11 - Bob & Brenda Schwarber
- 12 - Joe & Janet Beitzinger
- 13 - Billy & Heather deBord
- 14 - Randy & Khris Watts
- 18 - Joe & Nancy Bobbitt



Floor wrestlin'
swing pushin'
Adventure goin'
bear huggin'
Trouble makin'
monster chasin'
High liftin'
bedtime tuckin'
Easy laughin'
ever lastin'
Real love

Aluminum Can Recycling

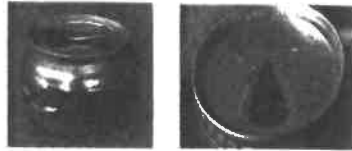
Bill and Lu Wade continue to recycle aluminum cans brought to church, for the church. Remember to do 3 things when you drop off your cans.

1. Pull the tabs off and save them for the Ronald McDonald House. These tabs can be left in the office in a baggie.
2. Crush your cans. Smaller cans mean more cans can fit into their car.
3. Drop off your bags of crushed/tab removed cans at the shed.

Remember, only aluminum soda cans. Other cans mixed in are not accepted at the recycling facility.

We earned \$65 with the most recent can drop off! 😊

Thank You!



LAUNCH – JULY 17 – RIVER'S CROSSING CHURCH IS HOST
WE WILL HAVE THE POPCORN BOOTH AGAIN THIS YEAR. MORE DISCUSSION

YOUNG @ HARTZ



Thursday, June 16th. Meet at the church at 11 am

Lunch at the Stadium Club

Post time is 12:30 pm

To watch the ponies.

See sign up in Gathering Area