



THE CHRISTIAN ALERT
April 12, 2021

I'm sure you know the feeling. You have been away from home, perhaps only for the weekend or maybe an extended vacation. And as you approach the well-known streets of your neighborhood, you say to yourself, "My, it's good to be home!"

While it's nice and necessary at times to get away, returning to the familiar sights, sounds and routines of one's home is also important.

However, acknowledging this fact is not the same as saying, "home" has remained unchanged. One look at the number of messages left on the answering machine, a chat with a neighbor, a glance at back issues of the newspaper will certainly reveal how much has happened while you were away!

Come to think of it, you have not returned the same person you were when you left either. More than simply refreshed by the time away, hopefully you have seen something ... experienced something ... learned something ... that alters the way you see yourself and the world in which you live.

Innocently enough, Jesus' disciples went with him to Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover. While on "vacation" they experienced the extraordinary events that are the heart of the Gospel. They returned home changed people and knew home would never be the same because of what they had witnessed.

So as you may know, I took some time off after Easter last week. Since I'm sure you're wondering, yes, I did and saw some interesting things. But it's also good to be home. So after your Easter experience ... what's new with you?

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April 11, 2021- Pastor Ken Hopkins

Scripture: Acts 3:12-21

Sermon: "So that Times of Refreshing May Come"

CHURCH FAMILY

Please continue to pray for those recovering in their health and our homebound.

Our sympathy and prayers to Roger Yost and family upon the passing of Betty Lou.

Please be in prayer for Jerry Lyman and his family at the death of Virginia.

YOUTH MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER

The youth have begun an envelope fundraiser to support their upcoming mission trip to Bryson City, North Carolina in mid-June. If you would like to participate, please choose an envelope from the entry, keep the seed packet on the envelope, return the envelope with the suggested donation amount no later than Sunday, May 2nd to the box in the entry. Please do not put these donations in the offering, to prevent any confusion. Thank you for your support of the youth ministry.

REBEKAH CIRCLE FLOWER SALE

Rebekah Circle IS having their annual plant sale! However, things will be a little different this year. For your convenience an order form and pictures of the available plants are included in this newsletter. Deadline for all orders is April 23, 2021.

To place your order from the order form, mail your order form with your check made out to Rebekah Circle to:

**Rebekah Circle
Champion Christian Church
151 Center St. West
Warren, OH 44481**

If you wish to view the available baskets and flats and the available colors on line go to:

www.Urban-Growers.com/find-your-fundraiser.

When you see the Rebekah Circle icon, click on "Place Order On-Line."

The passcode to access this page is: **REBCX21. The passcode is case sensitive!** Enter the passcode and click "submit."

You will be directed to a page that shows all the available baskets and flats.

To see the colors available for each plant, hover your mouse over the plant and click on the arrows that appear on the picture.

If you wish to place your order on-line, from this page, choose your quantity and color and add each item to your cart.

When you have completed your order, follow the prompts, enter your credit card information, and complete your order.

Please note: There are no coupons available.

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To order from the on-line order form click on "download order form," print the order form, fill the order form out and **mail the order form with your check, made out to Rebekah**

Circle, to:

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If you have any questions, please call Karen York at 330-637-2683 or Carol Knock at 234-244-4631.

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Safety and Social Distancing Procedures for Worship

Please do any socializing before or after worship in the parking lot or fellowship hall

Remember to wear a mask and refrain from physical contact

Communion packets and worship bulletins will be provided upon entrance

A hand sanitizing station will be just inside the door for your use

Seating will be limited to every other pew in family groups

Please sit beginning at the front of the sanctuary and fill towards the rear

An offering tray will be placed at the exit of the sanctuary for tithes and offerings

If using the bathroom, please knock before entering to see if it is available

WONDER ZONE FRY PIE FUNDRAISER

Wonder Zone is having an Amish made Fry Pie fundraiser from The End of the Commons General Store. The pies are \$3.00 each and are preorder, and prepay. It starts on April 12th and goes through April 26th. There are six varieties available: Apple, Raspberry Cheesecake, Peach, Cherry, Lemon, Blueberry. Delivery will be in the week of May 10th. All orders and payment must be made to Wonder Zone and are due April 26, 2021. Contact Terese Sandford at Wonder Zone at 330-847-0562 with any orders or questions. This fundraiser is to help pay for the new playground coming soon.