

SOF in Touch

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EXCITING NEWS FROM SHIELD OF FAITH MINISTRIES



AT A GLANCE

- 11/1: Jail Service; ADUT bonfire & game night here
- 11/8: Ladies' luncheon, 1-3pm; Operation Christmas Child packing party, 2-5pm
- 11/23: Communion led by Julie Church
- 11/27: Thanksgiving dinner, noon

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Strength for the Journey

By Jenny Deweese

Life is all about endurance and perseverance, and Jesus is the One Who makes it possible to have life to the fullest measure. It's up to us, though, to take the proper steps along the path He has for us.

One of those steps is our physical well-being. Luke 2:52 tells us that Jesus grew in stature. Stature refers to physical height and development. Jesus maintained His health and physical well-being and was therefore able to fulfill the calling God had on His life.

Have you been struggling a bit in the health arena of your life? No judgment, here—it's a battle, for

sure! We have an exciting opportunity for you, though, if you'd like to get better.

Richard Morrissey is willing to host a class that will teach some Tai Chi stretches and exercises. Don't panic—this is not a high-intensity workout. The stretches and exercises are specifically tailored to increase strength, mobility and balance, particularly in senior citizens, but this class would also be helpful for all ages who take it.

Interested? See Richard Morrissey for details.



A Word from Pastor Weldon

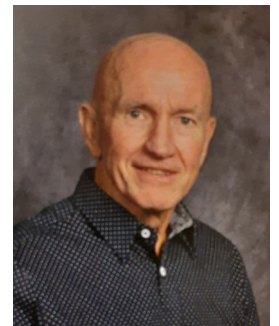
Hi, Church Families! By the time you read this newsletter, I will have taught on "the school of hard knocks." Most Christians have been taught, "Give your life to Jesus, and your life will be a piece of cake." Nothing could be further from the truth.

Although our lives are a mess before Christ, our enemy is only ourselves. After we become born again, we now get a second enemy called the devil and his hoard of demons. Between the two forces, if we don't get our minds changed to understand how to fight against these forces, we become a sitting duck to the attacks. Every mighty woman/man of God in the Bible had to learn who the enemies were and what was freely given them to

fight off every attack. You see, you are now a very dangerous force to be reckoned with.

The confusion comes when we read Mat. 11:30, and Jesus says come to Him and your life will be easy. The Greek word "Chrestos" (easy) really means "useful and serviceable." Jesus' yoke is useful and for serving others, not a piece of cake. We must with our life-changing turning points learn what areas of weakness must be surrendered to the Lord so as receiving His strength and not ours.

The Bible says, "The battle is the Lord's;" "Many are the attacks, but the Lord will deliver us out of them all;" "We can do all things through Christ that strengthens



us." Are you getting it? We are not alone. "Greater is the One living inside us than he that is in the world!"

SOF Warriors, you must realize you need to know Jesus and His Word and then activate both. We have a mandate, Fellow Warriors, to rule and reign and set captives free. Amen? Much love!





A Message from Pastor Mike

Popcorn—have you ever thought about popcorn and how it's really just a seed? I was thinking about popcorn, and the Lord showed me that we are coming into a season of things that are starting to happen from the seeds that we have planted and that all those seeds are going to start to pop like popcorn. You see, the seed is hard and doesn't taste that good just like what we go through may be difficult and hard sometimes, but we are planting the seed and the Lord is going to give the harvest. I believe that many people have been praying and planting, and we will start to see those prayers come to fruition and start to pop...just like popcorn. I'm

praying for all of my brothers and sisters in the Lord that this season we are coming into will be fruitful and blessed as we continue to war against powers and principalities of darkness for the Kingdom of God in Jesus' Name.



“Adults Discovering Ultimate Truth”

A group for ages 18-30ish who want to grow together in faith and fun

ADUT Scuttlebutt

By Jenny Deweese

Calling all ADUTs! Mark your calendars for January 23-25th! That's when we'll travel down to Powell, OH, for the HOPE Conference. This conference is FREE! It will inspire us, teach us, excite us, and bless us.

Be sure to make arrangements to join us for this amazing opportunity! We will need to stay in a

hotel and pay for our meals, but if we start putting a couple dollars each week into our ADUT fund, the money will build up quickly!

If any of our church family would like to help sponsor our trip to this life-changing event, you may donate to the church and note that it's for the

young adults, or you may write ADUTs instead. Thank you in advance for your prayers and generosity!



Youth Truth

By Adam Gilles

As you navigate the exciting journey of life as young individuals, you stand at the forefront of change, opening doors to new ideas, embracing diversity, and searching for truth in a rapidly evolving world. I want to take a moment to remind you of the immense strength and potential that lies within each of you.

In a world that often feels chaotic, remember that your inner

peace and spiritual health are vital. Take the time to breathe, reflect, and connect with the Spirit of God. Engage in activities that lift your spirits, whether that is through reading the Word of God, nature, art or music. The path to understanding your purpose can sometimes seem unclear, but trust that each experience is a stepping stone toward your destiny.

As you interact with those around you, spread kindness, empathy, and love. You have the power to inspire those in your school and

community and beyond. Never underestimate your ability to create change, as even the smallest act of compassion can resonate far and wide.

Embrace your journey, trust in God's plan, your dreams, and remember that you are never alone on this path. God is listening, and everything you seek is already within you. Believe in yourself, connect to your spirituality, and allow your light to shine brightly.

Blessings.



Junior and Senior High kids learning to navigate this crazy world together in a way that challenges the “norm” through Jesus’ mighty power

Kids' Corner

Our trunk or treat was a success again this year! We had between 115 and 120 kids come around the track to each car with a total of over 200 people in attendance!

In addition to that, we had 75 people receive prayer in the prayer tent with THREE salvations!

Thank you to all who participated in this wonderful outreach to our community!



Kids in grades 1-5
growing with Jesus

Nursery News

Our King's Kids nursery group is growing!

If you are interested in helping these little ones grow closer to Jesus, please see Patty Fogg.

*"Let the little ones
come to Me..."
Infants through
kindergarteners'
starting life in
Jesus' love*

Ladies' Life

By Lynn Ahrens

Our next SOF Ladies Luncheon happens on Saturday, November 8th, at 1:00 p.m.

Unfortunately, we missed out on getting the date set at the Golden Corral, but we were able to again get Cam's Brick Oven Restaurant in St. Charles, for which we are most grateful.

However, the good news is that we have all four of our luncheon dates set at the Golden Corral for 2026.

Our time at Cam's will be delightful as we will also have sing along songs honoring both Thanksgiving and Christmas. We will be passing out the lyrics to the songs, so that everyone can participate, and it won't matter that you don't know all the words. The words will be there for you.



So come and enjoy an incredible two hours where we will have fun and fellowship with the other ladies. Bring your

lady friends – 13 and up – and let's enjoy being together, which we're reminded of in Hebrews 10.

Bless each and every one of you. May you have perfect Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. Don't forget to pay it forward when you can.

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JESUS!**



An Adage from Pastor Adam

Is it Harvest season?

Yes, it is. It's beautiful out there. I call it Spiritual Harvest Season. I wanted to take a moment to share what this time of year truly means to me.

The Spiritual Harvest Season is a time of profound reflection and gratitude. I love this season because it encourages us to pause and appreciate the fruits of our labor, both in nature and within ourselves. It's a reminder to celebrate growth—personal and spiritual—and to acknowledge the lessons we've learned throughout the year. The colors of autumn, with their vibrant reds, oranges, and yellows, serve as a metaphor for the richness of life experiences, reminding us to harvest not just material goods, but also the wisdom gained through our journeys.



Men's Moment

Many thanks to our men's ministry for cooking hotdogs at the trunk or treat!

We saw over 200 people come

through and get blessed with a free meal!

HELPING HAND

