



Carbondale
Church of Christ

October 7, 2007
Carbondale, IL 62901
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The Carbondale Church of Christ exists for the purpose of bringing honor to God the Father by imitating his Son, Jesus Christ, and spreading the gospel message. We are HIS.

www.carbondalecoc.com



www.xalukis.org

Minister: Steve Shaffer Elders: Gerard Smith, Terry Taylor Youth Minister: Ryan Woods

In Our Prayers

Health

- *Mae Simpkins – health
- *Gwen and her parents- health
- *Barbara May –cancer, not doing well
- *Mike Matheny –much worse
- *Mike Willard-health
- *The Howard family
- *Todd Kington-move to Portland
- *Elise’s father-in-law – cancer
- *The houseparents at New Pathways Home
- *Kay’s coworker – cancer
- *John Dunham’s friend- snake bite
- *Mike Kinsall – cancer
- *Debbie’s friend – health
- *Mike Hope’s mother – serious health concerns
- *C. J. Garris health and family’s struggles
- *John Titus- back injury, trying to go to work
- *Danny Simpson-Julie Suwana’s brother- spinal Condition
- *Di’s friend’s daughter having problems
- *Dee and family while Vince is gone
- *Brienne, cousin of Matthew & Micah- health
- *Debbie’s neighbor health
- *Debbie’s co-worker health
- *Bryan Lucas- heart problems

Serving Overseas

In Iraq Tina Harryman, Rebecca’s Dad, Dee Brown’s niece, Dorothy’s nephew

TEENS

Ryan’s Blog

www.smackstudentministries.blogspot.com

Interactive Website

www.youthglue.com/groups/cdalecofc

Parent Resource Website

www.teenagetightrope.com

Mark your Calendar

Hayride- Oct 7th 6-8PM Bring your friends!
Boys- bring 2 lt drinks Girls- bring desserts

Fall Retreat October 12-14

Deadline to sign up is Sept 30 Cost \$15

Three chaperones are needed for this trip.

Celebration Nov 2-4

Deadline to sign up is Wed Oct 10 Cost \$60

Area wide youth devotional will be here on Oct 21st

Sunday October 7

Sermon	Steve Shaffer
Song Leader-	Terry Taylor
Opening Prayer	Darren Henderson
Closing Prayer	Brad Taylor
Communion	Bob Simpson
Nursery	Nicole & Neice
Children’s Church	Angie Woods

Sunday Evening

5PM Life Group
 6PM Teen Life Group
 6PM Bible Hour (kids ages 2-6th grade)
 6PM Worship

TEACHERS NEEDED

Sunday Night Bible Hour
 Sunday AM Craft Teacher
 There is a sign up sheet on bulletin board or talk to Ryan.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

5:30 Meal
 6:30 Peak of the Week
 7:00 Friendspeak



Don’t forget Kings Kids
 @ 9:45 AM every Sunday
 Ages 2 years-6th grade
 Invite your friends!

Gospel Meetings

West Frankfort- Sept 30th - Oct 5th
Jackson MO- Oct 7th-10th
Marion Lectureship- Oct 14th-17th
New Pathways annual Fall Benefit Oct 4 @ 6PM
Harrisburg Lectureship Oct 21st-25th

Ladies Bible Class will meet every Thursday @ 3PM here at the building.

Edd Knight announced that he is stepping down as an elder here. Using Ecclesiastes 3, he stated this was a time for change. A plaque was presented to them in appreciation for all the work they have done over the years.

ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER TO DO GOOD DEEDS

Our congregation is known for its **good deeds**. We have Give-Away-Day, BBQ, FriendSpeak, Fellowship Meals (Peak of the Week), King's Kids, S.M.A.C.K., Special Classes (Healing is a Choice), a playground, an attended nursery, Orphan's Day, and Mission Trips. Those are good things to be known for. (**Heb 10:23** Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. **24** And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward **love** and **good deeds**. **James 2:14** What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no **deeds**? Can such faith save him? **15** Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. **16** If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? **17** In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. **18** But someone will say, "You have faith; I have **deeds**." Show me your faith without **deeds**, and I will show you my faith by what I do. **19** You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that-and shudder. **20** You foolish man, do you want evidence that faith without **deeds** is useless?)

Moreover, **good deeds** are part of what we stand for, so we should encourage one another to continue our existing **good deeds** and engage in new ones. (**Heb 3:12** See to it, brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. **13** But **encourage** one another daily, as long as it is called today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.)

So what are the ways we can encourage one another to do **good deeds**? Experience has shown that each of us can be an influence on one another and thus infect the entire congregation. As Paul states in his letter to the Church in Galatia (**Gal 5:9**) "A little yeast works through the whole batch of dough." Although this scripture is in the context of bad influence, I submit that a little yeast can work good influence too. And working along side our fellow Christians in doing **good deeds** is truly encouraging. Let us all be one in continuing our old **good deeds**, constructing new **good deeds**, and encouraging each other to participate in them. A little **love** (encouragement) goes a long way.

-Gerard V. Smith-