



The Saltshaker

July, 2024

Kokomo Zion Church

Pastor Keith Chanley

pastor's Page

Pastor Keith is recovering from knee replacement surgery. Please uplift him in your daily prayers for quick healing, minimal pain, progressive rehab and total recovery. Please also uplift Dana as she supports PK through his healing process.



welcome

ZION'S NEW MEMBERS

At the end of May, Pastor Keith received a call from George (Rick) Wilkins asking if he could be baptized and received into membership at Zion. Pastor Keith and several congregation members went to his bedside and ministered to Rick, along with Kathy Smith, his caregiver. Rick passed away just weeks later. We rejoice in knowing that he is a part of God's kingdom and grateful that Zion could minister to him during his illness.

Also during the last month, Kaden and Megan Smith and Zaylee Maroney were baptized during Sunday morning services. Also as a part of that Sunday service the following were received into membership at Zion: Kaden and Megan Smith, Joseph Chanley, Dana Chanley, Bruce & Susan Banker, Stephanie Silvey, Amelia Nungester, and Don and Teresa Bryant.



KOKOMO ZION CHURCH Schedule of Services

Sunday School 9:00 a.m. / Worship 10:00 a.m.

Keith Chanley, Pastor
LeAnne Donson, Secretary
Melissa Fipps, Family Ministries Director

Matt Gerhard, Music Director
Sheila Lamb, Treasurer
Teri Lavengood, Custodian

HENDERSON WORKCAMP 2024

THANK YOU to Zion for the wonderful support of Henderson Workcamp 2024! We had a team of 23 who worked at Henderson Settlement June 10-14. We had a great experience and an opportunity to draw closer to our Lord as we served the needs of the Henderson community. I thought you might like to see a summary of all we did with the help of everyone and the congregation:



1. Retrofit 196 lights in the Mission Dormitory (We originally committed to 132)
2. Wash and Paint Front and Back Decks on home.
3. Wash and Paint Walls and ceilings in Kitchen and Living Room. (I understand the team also replaced some light fixtures, and switches and outlets)
4. Built a 12 X 16 Room addition for a single mom with a 2 year old son. Built the frame, windows, door, siding and roof. Another team is coming after us to finish the interior.
5. Delivered 2 sets of aluminum bleachers for the playground and for the basketball court.
6. Donated and delivered a 32' extension ladder for the maintenance shop.
7. Gave a generator, a garden tiller and insulation. Both the generator and garden tiller were in working condition thanks to Sam Troyer.
8. Gave approximately 40 boxes of clothing, shoes, household goods, sewing and craft items, food, personal care items and toys.
9. Purchased approximately \$1,500 of baby items for their infant & mother program.
10. Assisted with their children's day program the week we were there.
11. Assisted in the greenhouse.
12. Worked organizing items in the Thrift Shop
13. Worked with the Commodity Food Program.
14. Lead Devotions.
15. Youth Devotions.
16. Witnessed Logan Alford inviting Christ into his life and giving testimony to the same!!!! Praise The Lord!
17. Traveling with Henderson staff to deliver children to their homes.
18. Returned with a zero-turn mower to repair for Henderson.

Other: I wasn't everywhere you were so I am certain I have missed something.

What a great week!!!! Thanks to each one of you for being an active participant and for all you did! Thank you to the team leaders of each project team! You have given your life to help people you do not know in order to help them in their lives. **And THANK YOU to the fabulous support of Zion's congregation—all of this would not be possible without your financial support of the projects we committed to!** We have no idea the impact your selfless labor and support has on the physical and spiritual lives of people that we may never meet. You have given hope to some people who have little or no hope.

Matthew 25:34-40 Then the King will say to those on His right, "Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to me." Then the righteous will answer Him, ; Lord. When did we see You a stranger and invite You in, or naked, and clothe You? When did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' The King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.'



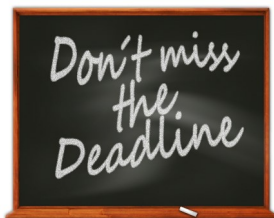
BIG news from our yearly conference for volunteers: Attention all my faithful shoebox packers...

LATEST UPDATE ON SOAP IN THE SHOEBOXES

This weekend at the OCC Connect Conference it was announced that OCC will be phasing out allowing soap in the shoeboxes over the next few years. Soap can slow or stop the importation of shoeboxes in some countries. This has happened in over 30 countries which amounts to about 3,000,000 shoeboxes. If you have already packed shoeboxes with Soap for this year that is fine and it will not be taken out of the shoeboxes. Moving forward consider replacing Soap with another item for the shoebox that the child could use or enjoy. We all know of items that we want to put in the shoebox but there is not room for everything. So this is a great time to make that change and decide on what item you will put in your shoeboxes instead of Soap. When shoeboxes are slowed down or stopped from going into a country that means that children hearing the Gospel is also slowed down or stopped. This is an easy fix. Pray before you pack your shoe box and the Lord will lead you as to exactly what to put in it for the child he has already picked out and knows by name for that shoebox. Happy Packing!

Thank you for your partnership in sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Sheila's Notation: Shoeboxes have been ordered, delivered and will be available at the end of September. If you would like boxes earlier, just let me know. **July & August are the BEST MONTHS to shop for school supplies!** Suggested items to include are: pencils and sharpener, pencil case, erasers, pens, crayons, markers, notebooks, index cards, solar calculator, scissors, metric ruler, glue sticks, and small adhesive tape.



The deadline for the August Saltshaker is July 21st. Please email your news to: Sheila@kokomozionchurch.org
OR
place in Sheila Lamb's mailbox.



The Women's Saturday Study group resume meeting in July. Please plan to join us on July 6th & 20th as we begin a new study on **"The Festivals"**.

Questions??? Contact Cindy Einselen

Thank you

*Dear Kokomo Zion Church Family,
Thank you for your prayers, cards and visits to Mom. Thank you to all who helped with her funeral in any way. And, thank you to all who came to her visitation and/or funeral. Flowers given were so pretty. Bibles and donation to Kokomo Zion's Memorial Fund are appreciated. So many families have been blessed by having a meal at the end of the funeral. After Mom helped make food for so many, this was her turn. Thank you to all who helped in the kitchen and donated food. Those who don't receive this gift in other churches don't understand how important and appreciated a meal is to our members. Thank you,
The Family of Norma Jean Spangler*



You spread good deeds like flower seeds that blossom where you've been. So grateful for all that you are and all that you do.

I had been at a service where we prayed as the shawls were presented, but I did not fully realize their value until I receive one. I took the shawl with me to Tennessee where my mother lay dying. I had felt so very alone with the death of my husband and then the loss of my mother...but with the shawl that had been knitted with prayer....I knew I was not alone. Thank you.

Lillie Facwcett

Dear Kokomo Zion Church & Troyer Family Scholarship Committees:

Thank you for your generosity in awarding me with scholarships. Your support is greatly appreciated and will help me achieve my dream of studying ag business at Oklahoma State University.

Sincerely,
Matthew Benson

Dear Friends,

We want you to know that Henderson Settlement and the community that we serve are so grateful for everything that you do for us! We also want you to know that without you we would not be able to fulfill the great commission of loving one another with a message of the good news of Jesus Christ. Our hope will always be that the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs are met for the community that God has commissioned us to love. In other words, we could not do it without one another. On 6/10/2024, we received your gifts listed below:

Baby care items, clothing, sewing/craft items, food, household items, personal care items, toys

We want to personally thank you for your gifts. The scripture that continues to motivate us is 1st John 3:18 that says: "Dear little children let us not love with words or in speech but let us love with actions and in the truth". That being said we ask you for your continued prayers that our actions are in alignment with the word of God. Our mission statement has not nor must it never change in saying that we are: "creating opportunities for better lives through Christ centered services". That is where you come in. By having a relationship with God and with you, God's people, we can show hope!

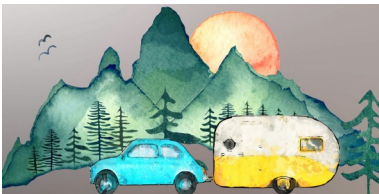
We want to thank you once again for being a part of helping lives be better here at Henderson Settlement as we witness the tangible evidence through God sightings by your gifts. Thank you for being the hands and feet by providing a means of ministry that would not otherwise be met.

God bless you,

John D. Newman
Executive Director
Henderson Settlement
execdir@hsumc.org



Zion's Mission **FISH FRY** will be **Saturday, September 28th**. Our goal for this year is to have enough help to have a separate carry-out line to better serve our crowd. It will be all-hands-on-deck to make this happen. LeAnne Donson & Sheila Lamb will be working on planning and preparations soon, so be ready to say "YES—where do you need me?" when they call. All proceeds from the Fish Fry support missions of the church. More details will follow in future newsletters.



Church Camping Trips: **Sept 6-7th** at Potato Creek and **Sept 20-21** at Mississinewa. Jeff Troyer has all the details you need to know!

July 7th @ 7:00 pm—Kokomo Zion Choir & Friends will lead worship service at the Howard County Fairgrounds. If you missed the **AMAZING** program at the 6/23 Sunday morning program—this is your chance to experience an awesome musical experience. If you did attend the 6/23 service — come out to the fairgrounds, bring your lawn chair, for an encore performance!



July 21st @ 3:00 p.m. - **Hymn Sing**. Bring your singing voice & join in this program of favorite hymns.

August 25th @ 3:00 p.m.—**Music of the Mouse**. Matt Gerhards' concert featuring music from favorite theme parks, movies and television shows.

CEF (Child Evangelism Fellowship) needs adult volunteers during the Howard County Fair at the CEF Booth. Teenagers will provide the outreach, we just need adults to accompany the trained youth as they serve this ministry. Sign up on-line at: <https://signup.com/go/rLnpAyy>



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

is being held at Howard-Miami Church July 15-19, for children ages 4 years old—8th grade. See the flyer on the

bulletin board for the QR code to register.

Or, call Howard-Miami Church at: (765) 395-7509 .

ON THE CALENDAR @ ZION

- July 6 Scripture Sisters—10 am
- 7 Fair Worship Night-7 pm
- 17 Staff Parish Relations Com
Mtg—7pm-Beamer Room
- 20 Scripture Sisters-10 am

Awakening Tour: The concert will be held in Indianapolis. If you would like tickets, please let LeAnne in the office know.



COME JOIN A SMALL GROUP!

Choir Practice: Thurs @ 7:00 pm (choir off for the summer and will resume Sept 8th)

Men's Group: Tues @ 6:30 am at Bob Evans in Kokomo. Contact Scott Boltz or Pastor Keith for more information.

Men's Group: Wed @ 6 am at Hometown Restaurant in Greentown. Contact Scott Boltz or Pastor Keith for more information.

Scripture Sisters: Meets every other Saturday @ 10 am in the Beamer Room. Contact Cindy Einselen for more information.

Knit 1 Pray 2: Meets Monday evenings via ZOOM from 7-8:30. Contact Cheryl Yoars or Jayne Boltz for more information.

Wednesday Warriors Bible Study: Wednesdays — All ladies are invited to come study. We will also need help with child care. Contact Melissa Fipps for more info.

Foodie Fridays: ages 15-22 from 6:30-9:30 on Fridays. Come for Food, Fun & Fellowship! (on summer break)

Sunday Statistics—June 2024

<u>Date</u>	<u>S.S.</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Gen Fund Offering</u>
6/2/24	65		\$5,818
6/9/24	72		\$6,400
6/16/24	70		\$5,900
6/23/24	60		\$5,465

Weekly Average for June: \$5,896.75

Needed Weekly to Meet Budget \$7,250.57

Designated Giving for the Month of June:

Food Pantry	\$325
Henderson Project	\$25
Henderson Scholarship	
Henderson Registration	\$175
Mission 50	\$1350
Memorial Fund	\$40
Piano Fund-in memory of	
Norma Lamb	\$752
Funeral Dinner	\$600
Use of Building	\$300



July

BIRTHDAYS & Anniversaries
THIS MONTH

* birthdays / ** anniversaries

July 1	**	Bill & Carolyn Donson
July 3	*	Joan Rife
July 3	*	Scott Oyler
July 6	*	Cami Winger
July 10	*	Carrie Miller
July 13	*	Matt Gerhard
July 14	*	Brooklynn Gamble
July 15	*	Stan Rush
July 16	*	Jim Patterson
July 17	*	Julie Kendall
July 17	*	Kevin Lamb
July 20	*	Novinger Kendall
July 22	*	Joe Benson
July 24	*	Jason Kendall
July 26	*	Lisa Smith
July 26	**	Scott & Jayne Boltz
July 27	*	Kathy Smith
July 27	*	Sheila Lamb
July 29	*	Jaeden Gamble
July 30	**	Kevin & Lucida Moss
July 31	*	Marvin Lamb



FAMILY MINISTRIES



JULY 2024



partnering with families to create a culturally relevant, biblically sound, safe, and fun environment for children and youth to grow in their relationship with Jesus

July

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
(30)	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

August

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Church Camp: pray for 2nd/3rd grade camp at The Ark, June 30-July 2

Howard County Fair CEF booth coverage: we need adults to support CEF students at the fair, <https://signup.com/go/rLnpAyy>

1 Day VBS: We need volunteers for snacks, decorations, crafts, sign-in, games, helpers. Sign up at the welcome desk or contact Melissa.

KZC Fun Day : Aug 25, 4-6 pm, Adventure Park in Kokomo, all are welcome. This event is specifically geared towards middle/high school students, but anyone is welcome to join us!

Melissa Fipps
Director of Family Ministries

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