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LAKE RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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The members are ministers

Nate Alexander, Senior Minister

Spenser Carrell, Worship Minister

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Chris Pantle, Office Secretary

Sunday Worship Gatherings: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Wuzzles & S.P.L.A.T. Zone 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Youth: Encounter 4pm and Engage 6pm Sundays

Church office hours: Mon-Thurs. - 8am-5pm; Fri. - 8am-noon. Closed Friday afternoons

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## Congratulations Class of 2017

Please notify the office if you have a H.S. student graduating that is not listed below

Sabrina Bentley, Jacob Graham, Corey Huffman,  
Lacie Johnson, Whitney Milburn,  
Bo Minor, Jeremy Newlin Jr., Joshua Piper, Jenna  
Richardson, Lydia Switzer,  
Jonathan Williams



*Happy Mother's Day to all  
mom's on May 14*

Mark your Calendars  
VBS - June 11-16



## Nate's News

In February, a couple of men from the church and I went to Lincoln Christian University for their leadership day and the guest speaker was one who wrote a book called "Generational IQ" which I have been going through lately to try to gain insights into where the church is at compared to how it relates to the world. In the book he talks about it throughout and the point he is trying to make is that there are five different generations coming together within the church because more people are living longer due to the medical innovations. When looking at these five generations and how diverse they tend to be against each other, speaks to a lot of how as a church trying to reach and connect with each generation, but not leaving one out. Many see this as a problem, but Shaw the author, sees this as a gift, but it does bring up a lot of questions. We not only see it in the church but also in the workplace many times, but we know that no matter the generation we have a message that speaks to all people, but the challenge is trying to bring them all together.

## **NEW MEMBER**

Logan Myles was baptized and joined the church on April 23. Logan is the son of Kris & Melissa Myles and lives at 2 Hidden Ct., Paris with his parents and siblings, Cody, Austin and Hailie. He is in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Mayo. Welcome Logan!

**PRAYER CONCERNS** *Please pray daily for those listed. We ask that you copy these requests onto your own private list for two weeks. Remember: "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective."*  
*James 5:17 – Our military, the homeless, missionaries, our church, Abigail Alexander & family, jobs to come to Paris, the government leaders, Pres. Trump, Nate, Spenser, Sarah, Chris and families, Ken Whitkanack, Dale & Marion Pate, Verne & Marilyn Bear, Maggie F., Naomi, Mary G., Mary B., Devon Kindred & family, Rayleigh Ike, John & Marge Sims, Rose Ann Hancock, Mary Strole, Jane Irwin, Chuck Liffick, Sue Liffick, Ray & Martha Roberts, Lilianna, Tony & Judy Alexander, Tyler, Kelli, Arianna, Gabrielle, Ron & Diana Stewart, Breanna Irwin, Doug Kindred, Randy R., Mark & Priscilla Clark, Jim Burgett, Ann, Kara, safety for farmers, Penny Duzan, Donald Thompson, Colby, Judy Liffick, Theresa & family, Lennie Erwin, Mike Taylor, Perle Knight, the family of Gene Tremble, Carolyn Hicks & family, farmers, Chassidy McNeese, 48 unspoken*

## Spenser's Spot

*"Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action." 1 John 3:18*

This scripture was selected to be on one of the primary walls of our church because of the importance of love. Loving one another can be a difficult thing. God knew the weakness of man and the façade that can sometimes be displayed. The scripture starts by saying not in word or speech. Don't just say that you are loving but be loving. Let your actions be a display of your love for one another. It makes me think of the scripture that is used so often in weddings.

*"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a."*

Loving one another is not just a simple statement. You must be patient. You must be kind. Let go of your pride and anger. Protect, trust, hope and ultimately persevere with love. Love is a powerful force that God has called each of us to. We are to love each other, not in word or speech, but in truth and action.

## Sarah's Synopsis

It is time for another great year of VBS! If you are interested in donating supplies please check out the VBS Wall of Need located outside the Family Life Center. This year I have also added a variety of tasks that I need completed as well. Some of them you can take home and others need to be completed at the church building. Also, if you are interested in volunteering during VBS please let me know. I still have a few spots that need filled!

Other things are happening as well! We will be having our first ever Family Sunday on

May 28<sup>th</sup>. It is very similar to Youth Sunday, except K-5<sup>th</sup> Graders will have an opportunity to serve in a variety of ways. If you have or know of a student who is interested in serving please let me know. They will be helping to greet, hand out clipboards, saying the opening prayer, reciting a scripture and helping serve communion and offering. It is not too late to sign up!

### **YOUTH STUFF**

We want to make sure everyone knows that the Christ in Youth (CIY) trips are up on our website under the event registration tab and people can get signed up. These are the most influential weeks students will have all summer and we hope everyone can go. As always if you need a scholarship please contact Nate.

**CIY: Move** for students going into 9th grade through graduated seniors. We will be going to Holland, MI this year on June 26-July 1. \$160 is the registration, full payments are due by June 11th.

**CIY: Mix** for students going into the 6th through 8th grades will be at Holland, Michigan this year on July 30th through August 3rd. The cost is \$160. A \$50 deposit will need to be in by June 15th and full payment by July 1st.

A church medical form also needs filled out. If we do not have a current one, less than a year old, you can go to the church web site and download the form and bring it with your deposit.

We will be taking the high schoolers (incoming 8th graders) to Cedar Point this summer on July 9 to 11. The cost is \$105 which covers two days at the park and a hotel room. Please let Nate or Sarah know if you would like to go so we can get a count for the trip. You will also need to provide money for 6 meals while you are there. There is a registration page on our website under event register. If you need more info please contact Nate.

**HIS MINISTRY** is working hard to help many mission projects.

First, let me thank two very wonderful people, Maddie Fessant and Kara Ike for the work that they have contributed to the minister. As many of you know I have been ill since December resulting in Open Heart surgery in February. These girls have truly been a blessing as they have jumped in and kept things going for me.

Next, I would like to invite the Ladies to consider joining the 100 Women of Edgar County. We do a lot of good in the community for very little output. Please contact me or Dawn or Debi for information.

We are still sending funding and supplies to the many missions and churches that we spoke of last time we wrote. One new mission has been added and that is a church in Ghana, Africa. It has a special place in my heart and has recently had several converts. The money is to help finish building the church facilities. WE still have the four mission work that we are involved in here in the USA. I have been so thrilled to have heard so many good things from them. I plan to visit some of them later in the year.

Please remember that we still have to pay rent for the building for Christmas for Kids to work out of and store our inventory, so HIS MINISTRY does need funds to keep our commitments and continue that the Lord has so wonderfully given us the opportunity to participate in.

God bless and thanks so much for your support,

Marion Pate, HIS Ministry

Dawn Kirby and Debra Ford, Christmas for Kids

### **COMPASSIONATE CLOTHING CLOSET**

We are to provide volunteers to work at the Clothing closet all 4 Tuesdays from 12:45-3pm in June. If you can help any of those days, please contact Donna Ingle at 465-5563.

We will also be collecting bars of soap and toilet paper during this month for the Clothing Closet. There will be laundry baskets in the hallway for you to put the items in. Thank you.

If you do not wish to continue to receive the Ripple or monthly sermon post cards or have an address change or even a phone number change, please contact the office at 217-465-5614 or email us at office@lakeridgechurch.org before the next Ripple goes out. Please let us know as soon as possible so that the church is not charged \$.49 by the postal service to get your new address. Thank you.

**On the Bulletin Board** - Graduation Open House invitations from Jonathan Williams and Josh Piper.

### **BABY BOTTLE BLESSINGS**

From Mother's Day to Father's Day, the local Choices Pregnancy & Health Center has their "Baby Bottle Fund Drive." Bottles are located in the hallway for you to pick up and fill with your loose change or a donation you choose. Please bring it back on Sunday, June 18. Thank you.

### **LRCC Ladies – Guess What?**

We need Friday Night AA cookies providers for June, July, August and September. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board outside the FLC. Let's keep this mission going. Thank you. If you have any questions, contact Marci Sisson at 217-465-5709

**May 11 @ 6pm – Stewardship Ministry Mtg.**

**May 14 – MOTHER'S DAY**

**May 16 @ 7pm – Brotherhood at Bell Ridge**

**May 17 @ 7pm – PHS Baccalaureate at the First United Methodist church.**

**May 21 @ noon – Elder's Mtg.**

**May 23 @ 9am – Ripple deadline**

**May 28 – Bible School Promotion Sunday and Teacher Appreciation Breakfast**



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