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From the Pastor's Desk

Are You Blind?

Are you blind? How many times has this statement been yelled at a referee or umpire? I can only imagine!

Peter says that if we don't take a good look in the mirror and reflect on our own words and actions we might be blind. Sometimes things are very clear to people around us and we are oblivious to the obvious. Read 2 Peter 1:3-11.

³ His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through

them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. ⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. ⁸ For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. ¹⁰ Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. ¹¹ For in this

way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We are reminded that we are saved by faith, but our actions still matter. We add to that faith, virtue, knowledge, self-control, steadfastness and so on. The expectation is that we reflect these qualities and are always increasing in the practice of them. These help us to avoid being ineffective or unfruitful as believers.

God has given us the Holy Spirit as our helper in this pursuit of holiness. We cannot do it on our own. We also have the Word of God to guide us and fellow believers to spur us on. We are not alone.

I hope you will take some time to reflect on your behavior. Do you see virtue, godliness, self-control and love? If not, ask God to help you in your pursuit of Him and His will.

To the Glory of God,

Pastor Wade



Financial Information

January - May 2018

Total Giving:

\$63,500 (total General offerings) vs.
\$57,500 (total Budget is 11,500/month)

Pledge Giving:

\$51,500 (total given by those making pledges)
vs. **\$45,000** (total pledged YTD, \$9,000 per month)

Budget vs. Actual Expenses:

January 1st cash balance **\$13,400**

YTD general offerings **\$63,500**

YTD total expenses **\$53,000**

May 30 cash balance **\$23,900**

| Account | Budget | Actual |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Payroll | \$38,265.83 | \$37,400.00 |
| Missions | \$7,734.17 | \$7,300.00 |
| Plant & maintenance | \$5,516.67 | \$4,500.00 |
| office | \$2,583.33 | \$1,650.00 |
| discipleship | \$797.92 | \$100.00 |
| Property Ins | \$1,104.17 | \$1,200.00 |
| Miscellaneous | \$208.33 | \$0.00 |
| Fellowship | \$833.33 | \$365.00 |
| Outreach | \$250.00 | \$10.00 |
| Worship | \$995.83 | \$330.00 |
| TOTAL | \$58,289.58 | \$52,855.00 |

Current Maintenance account:

\$0

Current Emergency Fund:

\$7,300.00

Current Building account:

\$26,000.00

This is a summary to keep you informed. If you would like to discuss this in more detail, contact Corey Olson or Wade Hetrick



Men's Fishing Outing

Saturday, July 14

8AM - Noon with lunch following. Main dish provided, bring a side or dessert to share.

Meet at the Hetrick's home - 6776 Sunset Trail, Winneconne.

Sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend. Contact Greg Maxey (gmaxey52@gmail.com; 205-3495) for more information.



MASA

Mission Aviation Support Association

Looking for fun-loving, hard working volunteers for the Annual EAA Lunch for Mission Aviators. **Tuesday, July 24** is your chance to show your gratitude and Christian love to a Christ-centered crew of men and women out in the mission field. You've been invited to be a blessing to others. What an awesome addition to your memory bank! What? Not available to volunteer? Desserts are also needed for the meal. Cookies, bars, cake, brownies, any kind of bakery will be appreciated! For more information, please contact Linda Gardinier or Pastor Wade. Sign up to help at the event and/or help prepare all the food or provide a dessert!