

Jesus said to his followers: “... if you have faith in me, you will do the same things that I am doing. You will do even greater things, now that I am going back to the Father.” (John 14:12)

Greater things

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By Jeff Marner, Minister of Discipling

“I can do all this through him who gives me strength. Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles.”
Philippians 4:13-14

Philippians 4:13 is a quite popular and beloved verse. When we consider that verse, it often gives us the resolve to pray to God to make us capable of overcoming the trial we are going through. Maybe sometimes it just gives us motivation to try to work out the problem on our own.

We see here that while Paul trusted in the power of Christ to get him through all things he did not take for granted the people, who are Christ’s body, that assisted him with his work. They were relatively new to Paul’s ministry but they saw what he had done for them and found a way to enable him to continue his work. How much more do we need each other? How much more are we capable of supporting one another?

Whether Paul was lacking or had plenty, the Philippian church apparently used every opportunity to bless him. “Is Epaphroditus heading that way? Let’s be sure Paul remains

fed.” These were a people who recognized that Paul had given to them far more than they would ever be able to repay.

When we think of what Jesus has done for us, what is too much for us to give? Can we give of ourselves too much? Perhaps we can give of our resources in such a manner to make Christ blush?

While it is certainly wonderful that God’s power works through our lives to enable us to do far more than we could ever imagine, we recognize that we are very reliant upon one another. By the very definition of the Church being Christ’s body it means that we are at least a small part of his strength in the world.

We rely on God and we strengthen his people. Philippians 4:13 isn’t a call to be a God-powered island but an opportunity that Paul took to show his friends how much they meant to him. You are more important to God’s work than you know.

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Snapshots from Vacation Bible School 2018 Mega Sports Camp—Team Spirit



JULY BIRTHDAYS

Katelyn Weber	July 3
Denton Marner	July 5
Ethan Yoder	July 5
Darrel Gingerich	July 15
Wyatt Herschberger	July 17
Larry Beachy	July 19
Paul Mast	July 22
Jeff Marner	July 24
Seth Gingerich	July 27
Nolan Schrock	July 27
Kody Burdick	July 27
Kayla Otto	July 30

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Ervin & Bernadine Yoder	July 6
DuWayne & Karen Miller	July 12
Andy & Nancy Plank	July 24

First Fruit Giving

Giving God Our Best

Stewardship Attendance

5/27/18	\$7,185.27	100
6/3/18	\$6,194	139
6/10/18	\$1,459.41	Park Wors.
6/17/18	\$4,762.50	140
6/24/18	\$2,759	112

AMC Profile Willis Kuhns



What is your job? Farmer work — no 2 years are the same.

What is your favorite verse & book of the Bible? Philippians 4:6-7, James.

When have you most felt God's presence? During the time of my mother and Kara's death.

What is your happiest memory? When the adoptions were final for J.D. & Mark.

What are your hobbies? Tractor driving, golf, Traveling

What is an interesting fact about you? I had 2 back surgeries, one in 1969 and one in 1970. They kept me from physical labor till 1975. I always wanted to farm so August 1975, I moved back to farm with family to see if I could get farming out of my system and for 43 years, still farming and the desire has not left me.

What is your favorite meal? 10oz Ribeye Steak, Baked Potato, Garden Salad., Raspberry Fried Pie with a hunk of Schwan's Ice Cream.

What is your advice to all? Always tell the truth, then you won't need to be concerned with what you said.



Food Resource Bank and MCC will be joining us on July 29th to share about their work in Burkina Faso, Africa. A pastor from Africa will be here as well. They will share during a combined CE gathering that morning as well as during worship. The 5th Sunday offering that day will go towards the work of FBP and MCC in Africa.