

# Ponca City Christian

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Seeking, Serving, Sharing  
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*Devotional Christian*

## Matthew 10:24-39

This text shines its light on two critical truths of the gospel: suffering for and with Christ, and Christ as our most priceless treasure.

Jesus made a promise to His disciples that whoever acknowledges Him before others, He will acknowledge before His Father in heaven. He also promised that those who take up their cross and follow Him would gain eternal life. These promises still hold today for all believers. We can find comfort and strength in Christ's promises.

Then He tells his followers that he comes not in a way that reveals peace but one that reveals the sword. We know that Jesus will ultimately bring peace, but until then, the disruption and division will continue—even to the most core of relationships and places. Allegiances will be tested: allegiances to our families as well as ourselves. A true disciple must be willing to face these fears, take up his cross, and follow Jesus.

### Prayer

*Dear Lord, help us trust and share  
Your Word. Amen.*



## PUT YOUR BACKS INTO IT!

All FCC Friends of Teachers and Kids.....

Marland Place needs a hand. MP is having a Family Fun Day, August 5. Part of the fun is FREE BACKPACKS for school for the foster kids, their siblings and all kids who attend Family Fun Day. Last year, over 200 children participated! Marland Place has asked FCC to collect 50 new and empty school backpacks for Fun Day, 2023. Will you help? We will be collecting them Sunday, July 16 through Sunday, July 23.

Look for the Marland Place tub outside the Church Office to leave your donation. Call Becky Davis, 714 1632, for questions. A kid, Marland Place and we thank you!

-Becky Davis

### Giving in Review

As of May 31, 2023

Income Received YTD	\$125,876.20
Actual Expenses YTD	\$135,946.11
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$136,875.00

## Reminder...

Wednesday,  
June 28  
@ 3:30 PM



If you would like to receive prayer request emails, please contact the church office, or email Brenna at [brenna@fccponcacity.com](mailto:brenna@fccponcacity.com).