

# Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



## RISK TAKERS

The other day while driving in Collinsville, I saw several birds by the side of the road. I assumed they were buzzards enjoying a meal of road kill. But as I drew closer I realized the birds were chickens. They must have gotten out of their coup and their search for food had taken them to the ground beside the road. In that moment, it struck me how dangerous it was for those chickens. They could be hit by a car, or attacked by a dog or some other animal. Yet, the chickens were oblivious to the dangers around them. They never flinched or stopped eating as I drove past. They were willing to risk everything for what they valued.

I wish we were more like those chickens. Willing to take a chance, to get out of our comfort zone, to risk ridicule and even failure for what is important to us. This is how our faith grows. How we move forward into God's plan for us as an individual or a church. In his last message to the Hebrew people before stepping down as their leader, Moses gave them a word of encouragement. The people were about to cross the Jordan River into the Promised Land. But Moses was not going to be with them. Joshua had been selected to succeed Moses as leader of the Israelites. Knowing there might be some apprehension on the part of the people, Moses reassured them they would conquer the land, not because of Joshua's leadership skills, but because of God. He told them, *"It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed"* (Dt. 31:8). We know Moses was right. To this day, the Israelites continue to enjoy the land that God gave them. But this would not be true had they not been willing to risk it all based on the knowledge that God was with them.

Can we Christians today do any less? God has promised He would be with us. He has confirmed that anything is possible with Him on our side. The only thing left for us to do is step out in faith. Will you become a risk taker?

Blessings in Christ.

Pastor Larry

## Building Improvement Fund

Due to the delay in being able to start the Capital Campaign, the Finance Committee has approved a designated Fund for Building Improvements. This fund can be used for memorial donations or other special offerings to help toward the cost of upcoming building repairs. When we can move forward with the Capital Campaign, any monies in the Building Improvement Fund will be transferred to the Capital Campaign.

## Sunday Schedule

Due to the cooler weather, we will no longer be able to have the 9:30am Drive-in Service. There will be **one service at 10:00 am in the sanctuary**. The church has purchased a transmitter so that if you prefer not to come inside you can tune your car radio to FM87.9 and be able to hear the service taking place while sitting in the parking lot. If you plan to remain in your car, you can park on the 220 side or the John Redd side for best reception. If you plan to come inside, you will want to continue to enter the parking lot through the John Redd Boulevard entrance. Only the triple doors to the sanctuary on the John Redd side will be open for you to enter and leave. Just as a general reminder, you are encouraged to wear your mask when entering and exiting the sanctuary.

## Inclement Weather Policy

**We will try to notify you by "One Call" if services are cancelled due to inclement weather.**

**We will also try to publish Sunday cancellations on Channels 7. Please be cautious and use your best judgment if services have not been reported cancelled during potential icy conditions.**



**Prayer Room Ministry**  
**November & December**

	Yearly	
Cards Mailed Out:	81	466
Phone Calls Made:	2	40
Prayer Request Received:	7	88
Prayers Prayed:	357	1860
Total Number of Volunteers Serving:	2	5

(Prayer Room closed for 6 months)

**Prayer Room Phone Number: 647-3777**



**Custom Made Face Mask**

If you would like to have a Custom made mask with the FBCC Church Logo on it or maybe another emblem, you can contact Kellie Powell at [kjvinyldecals@yahoo.com](mailto:kjvinyldecals@yahoo.com) or message Kellie Powell on Facebook at [KJ Vinyl Decals and More](#) Prices range from \$5.00—\$10.00 depending on what you want on it, how many colors and what type and color of mask you choose.

**FEBRUARY FOOD ITEM FOR GRACE NETWORK**

**Corn 15 oz. (whole or creamed)**  
**HYGINE ITEMS NEEDED**  
**Bath Soap, Toilet Paper, Toothpaste**

**New Email Addresses**

**FBCC:** [firstbaptistcollinsvilleva@gmail.com](mailto:firstbaptistcollinsvilleva@gmail.com)  
**Larry:** [pastorlarrycheek@gmail.com](mailto:pastorlarrycheek@gmail.com)  
**Sandy:** [fbccsandyamoses@gmail.com](mailto:fbccsandyamoses@gmail.com)  
**Ruby:** [fbccrubyhuff@gmail.com](mailto:fbccrubyhuff@gmail.com)



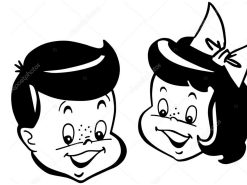
**2021 Offering Envelopes**

There are still a few boxes of Offering envelopes ready for pick up. We have moved them to the office area. If you would like a box of envelopes, but are unable to pick them up, please call the church office at 647-3774 and we can send them to you.

***In Sympathy:***

Vernon Stone, brother-in-law of Ruby Wright and uncle of Jimmy Joyce  
Linda Henderson, daughter-in-law of Shirley Hodges  
Fred Ramsey Rakes, grandfather of Jennifer Powell  
**Clifford Wilkes**, brother of Carlton Wilkes

**Children's Take on the Bible**



*The following statements about the Bible were written by children and have not been retouched or corrected, ie: bad spelling has been left in, etc. Printed by the*

*Martinsville Bulletin and given to us by Joyce Jacobs.*

- \*In the first book of the bible, Guinnessis, God got tired of creating the world, so he took the Sabbath off.
- \*Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree.
- \*Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark
- \*Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day, but a ball of fire by night.
- \*Samson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.
- \*Samson slayed the Philistines with the axe of the Apostles.
- \*Moses led the Hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread, which is bread without any ingredients.
- \*The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up on Mount cyanide to get the ten ammendements.
- \*The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple. The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.
- \*Moses died before he ever reached Canada.
- \*Then Joshua let the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.
- \*The greatest miracle in the bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.
- \*David was a Hebrew King skilled at playing the liar. He fought with the Finklesteines, a race of people who lived in Biblical times.
- \*Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
- \*When Mary heard that she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.
- \*When the three wise guys from the east side arrived, they found Jesus in the manager.
- \*Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.

## Thank You Cards

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for your donation in memory of John's mother, Virginia Nash. She was a lovely lady who enjoyed every moment of her 96 1/2 years that God gave her. We appreciate all the phone calls, cards, and text messages during a very difficult time in our lives. We are so blessed to have such a loving church family.

John and Mary Jane Mayberry

### W M U News

Greetings church family, as we go forward into 2021, the WMU is trying to continue our Mission Action as best we can in the midst of this Pandemic!

We are going to make gift bags for the Harmony Home in February, each circle has been assigned specific things for the bags. We can always use extra things to put in the bags or you may send Valentine cards to our shut-ins or someone who you may have on your heart.

We are filling the bags with essentials and some Valentine candy. If you have something special you want to share, there will be a box in the foyer under the tapestry. We need to have things there by Feb. 9th so Shirley and I can fill the bags on the 10th and deliver them to Harmony Hall that same day. ☐

Blessings to you all!

Lana Martin

### 2020 Contribution Statements

The 2020 Yearly Contribution Statements have been mailed out. If you did not get one and you think you should have received one, please contact the church office at 647-3774 and we will look into this. If you include your contributions as deductions for tax purposes, it is important not to file your 2020 tax return until you have received a written acknowledgement from the church of your contributions.

### Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

2020 Goal for FBCC

**\$10,000.00**

Received to date

**\$7,720.00**

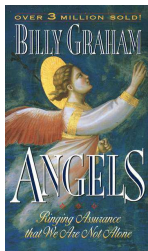
### Additional Honorariums and Memorials

**Faye F. Haynes:** Memory of Grandmother, Vera Freeman and sister, Ruth Freeman Cox

**J. Randy Joyce:** Memory of Aunt & Uncle Hazel & Albert Joyce

### Book of the Month.....

#### *“Angels”* by Billy Graham



There has never been a time like the present when the subject of angels has created so much interest and attention. Dr. Billy Graham lifts the veil between the visible and the invisible world to give us an eye-opening account of these behind-the-scenes agents. This best-selling classic records the experiences of Dr. Graham and others who are convinced that at moments of special need they have been attended by angels. With keen insight and conviction, Dr. Graham affirms that: angels "think, feel, will, and display emotions" and at death, the faithful will be ushered by angels into the presence of God.

Check it out in the FBCC Church Library

### Thought for the Day.....

Friendship is to be purchased only by friendship.

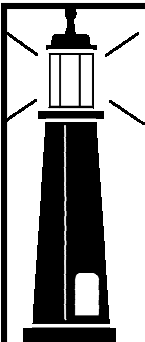
Treasured Selections from Apples of Gold by Jo Petty



*If you read The Bible thru during 2020 and would like to be recognized for this please call the office and give us your name (647-3774)*



Sunday, February 14



**First Baptist Church**

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Sunday Inside Worship Service 10:00am  
(Can listen in the parking lot on FM87.9)

Sunday Services & Wednesday night  
Devotions are available on www.youtube.com  
Just search First Baptist Church of Collinsville



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Return Service  
Requested

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**February Birthdays**

- |                       |                            |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 02 Chris Newman       | 14 Miranda Ferguson        |
| 02 Rebecca Vernon     | 15 Mary Ann Wall           |
| 04 Lillian Irene Hall | 16 Janet Roetken           |
| 04 Bill Maydian       | 17 Dickey Cobb             |
| 04 Angie Alley        | 17 John Anthony, V         |
| 04 Deborah Linkous    | 18 Becky Conner            |
| 04 Jennifer Cedillo   | 18 Kathy Kitchen           |
| 05 Bonnie Shelton     | 18 Kenneth Garrett (TK)    |
| 06 Ruth Brown         | 19 Caleb Beachy            |
| 06 Sharri Love        | 20 Michael Mayberry        |
| 06 Carrie Pinnix      | 22 John Floyd              |
| 07 Linda Hagood       | 22 Lacey Mize              |
| 07 Audrey Prillaman   | 22 Izaak Flanagan          |
| 07 Kathy Martin       | 23 Mark Martin             |
| 08 Cameron Adkins     | 23 Jordan Tilley           |
| 09 Hugh Hagood        | 23 Nikolas Pillsbury       |
| 09 Steve Houston      | 24 Dale Hancock            |
| 10 Shirley Frith      | 24 Lois Dalton             |
| 10 Cindy Vernon       | 24 Brooke Houston Blaylock |
| 10 Brandon Martin     | 25 Penny Decker            |
| 11 Elizabeth Teal     | 26 George Brown            |
| 12 Austin Powell      | 26 Carolyn Rockwell        |
| 13 Barbara Turner     | 26 Taylor Jo Gary          |
| 13 Sheila Ramsey      | 27 Gail Smith              |
| 13 Betty Pagans       | 27 Gina Barrow             |
| 14 Hunter Hiatt       | 27 Lee Gregory             |
| 14 Emily Cowher       | 28 Brenda Lemons           |
| 14 Cory Ashworth      |                            |

**March Birthdays**

- 01 Pat Cobb
- 02 Jay Knighton
- 03 Gunnar Robertson
- 03 Jase Ramsey
- 05 Charles Fickling
- 05 Molly Shelton
- 05 Jose Cedillo
- 05 LeeAnn Ferguson
- 05 Eli Martin
- 06 Susan Rorrer
- 07 Catherine H. Privette
- 07 Joyce Jacobs
- 07 Jennifer P. Judy

**February Anniversaries**

- 08 Dale & Nancy McGhee
- 10 Carl & Gail Smith
- 20 David & Peggy Joyce

**March Anniversaries**

- 01 Arthur & Marcilene Emberson
- 01 Ken & Becky Wagoner
- 05 Tim & Michelle Pace
- 11 Larry & Jan Cheek
- 15 Tim & Pat Gauldin
- 16 George & Ruth Brown
- 19 Greg & Shirley Craven
- 29 Tim & Sandy Gary

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**  
**10:00 am:** Inside Service  
and on Radio Station

**Church Literature Available**  
We have continued to order church literature for you. On Sundays you can pick up the Mature Living, Home Life, Stand Firm and Open Windows from the tables near each entrance to the sanctuary. During the week they are available at the church office entrance.

**Daylight Savings Time**



**Sunday**

**March 14, 2021**