

Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



I FEEL YOUR PAIN

Last month, I took Jan to the doctor as a follow-up to surgery. She had foot surgery to repair a hammer toe, among others things. I do not know all that the doctor did as part of the surgery. But one thing I do know is that Jan had a metal wire sticking out of the end of her second toe. On that day she was to have this metal wire pulled out of her toe. As you can imagine, Jan was a bit apprehensive about this removal. I watched as the doctor began to twist the wire and Jan began to grip the table on which she was sitting. In that moment I felt Jan's pain. I wanted to do something to help, but there was nothing I could do but grimace with her.

In the Scripture this is referred to as being "moved with compassion" (Mt. 9:36, KJV). Today we would say that someone had empathy for another. Empathy takes place when we are aware of, and sensitive to, what someone else is experiencing at a given moment. As Jesus ministered in and around Capernaum, He felt empathy for the people because they were wandering through life "like a sheep without a shepherd." Jesus was not having the same experience as those people, but He was aware of, and concerned about, what they were going through. Being moved with compassion is not simply feeling sorry for someone—that is sympathy. Empathy is being willing to do something about a person's situation. In the surrounding verses of our main verse we learn Jesus had been preaching, teaching, and healing people who were sick. But once he saw the peoples' struggles He asked His disciples to pray that God would send people into the field because people were ready to come to Jesus but they needed someone to help them. In essence, Jesus was trying to compel the disciples to help others come to know Him.

I expect most of us have heard someone say to another, 'I feel your pain.' Perhaps you have even said it to another person. But the truth is, we do not really feel another person's pain unless we are willing to try and help alleviate that pain in some way. The Bible says that when we bear each other's burdens, we fulfill the law of Christ (Gal. 6:2). This law challenges us to love others like Christ loves them (Jn. 13:34). People will not know how much we love Christ or them until we act on their behalf. And we will not act until we are able to put ourselves in their place. Don't just feel the pain others are going through. Try and do something about it! When you do, you will be just like Jesus. Thanks for spending some time with me. Blessings in Christ.

Pastor Larry

October is
Pastor Appreciation
Month



*Let's show Pastor Larry and Jan
Pastor Christian and Courtney
some extra "Tender Love and Care" for
their Commitment and Love to FBCC*

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

10:00AM—2:00PM

**Come on out and enjoy FREE food,
bouncy house, games, hayrides,
face painting, music
crafts, corn hole and more!**

We hope to see you there!
(Lower Parking lot and Play Ground)

Henry Co. Baptist Association

Annual Meeting

Tuesday, October 18

First Baptist Church, Ridgeway

6:00pm



Melinda Isley Concert

Saturday, November 12

4:00pm



Prayer Room Ministry

Phone Number

647-3777



Senior Adults 60 and Over On the Road Again Thursday, October 13th

Come join us for a fun trip to the Blue Ridge Parkway, Mabry Mill for breakfast, a stop at the Farmer's Market (pumpkins, cabbage, apples, etc.) and Nancy's Candy Factory (sugar free candy available)

We will leave the church at 8:30am. There is a sign up sheet posted on the Bulletin Board outside the church office. **You must sign-up by Sunday, October 9th.**

Evangelism/Mission Development

The annual Good News Jail & Prison Ministry Celebration Banquet will be at the New College Institute at 6:30 pm October 11. Our church has paid for a table for 8 to represent us again this year. There will be a report on how the ministry has grown to meet the new opportunities of the new Henry County Adult Detention Center.

Our Trauma Healing Seminar will be 4:00 - 5:30 pm, Sundays from October 16 through November 13 as part of our Sunday evening ministry. This is a Christian-centered seminar to learn how to cope with your own grief or walk with someone through theirs. We have made the decision to cap registration at 15. There is a sign-up sheet outside of the church office, or contact Rocky.

It's time to start thinking about CHRISTMAS. We will be showing the movie, 'The Perfect Gift' on Sunday, December 4, followed by a desert social in conjunction with the last night of AWANA before Christmas. So, start making plans to attend and invite your friends and family.

For a ticket to the jail ministry banquet, to sign up for the trauma healing seminar or offer assistance for the Christmas movie, please call or text Rocky at 276-224-0979, or e:mail him at RockysRamblings@gmail.com

August Report

Monthly Offering needed (4 Sundays)	43,072
Monthly Offering Received	33,722
Rental Income	1,913
Other Income	-0-
Monthly Operating Expenses	45,903
Operating Account Balance	373,210
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	5,286
Benevolence Designated Fund	1,845
Project Hope	1,461
Bereavement Meal Ministry	2,474
Van Fund	13,398
Capital Campaign Fund	25,058

Detailed finance reports are available at the information stands located in the vestibule areas of the sanctuary, or you may call the church office if you would like a copy mailed to you.

In Sympathy:

Nathan Henderson, grandson of Shirley Hodges
Virginia Webb, member of FBCC and friend of many
Nancy Turner, sister of Robert Divers
Bryant Pearce, brother-in-law of Rachel Wood
Susan Dawson, wife of Rick Dawson and mother of Ben
Arthur Foley, father of Leslie Houston
Barbara Renick, sister of JoeAnn Belcher and Carolyn Bowles

Church Council 2022-2023

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Larry Cheek
Associate Pastor of Education & Youth:	Christian Lund
Choir Director:	Penny Decker
Deacon Chairman:	Greg Craven
WMU Director:	Shirley Craven
Brotherhood Director (4MforHim):	Kemper Terry
Audio Services Coordinator:	Sherry Flanagan
Children's Ministry Coordinator:	Felecia McBride
Church Hostess:	Lisa Houston
<i>Church Hostess Assistant:</i>	<i>Angie Alley</i>
Discipleship Coordinator:	Hope Johnson
<i>Discipleship Helpers:</i>	<i>Mona Turner,</i> <i>Kathy Kitchen</i>
Nursery Coordinator:	Melanie Eggleston
Sunday School Director:	Peggy Delancey
Treasurer:	Kathy Draper
Senior Adult Coordinator:	Dottie Turner

Chairpersons of the Standing Committees:

Benevolence:	H. D. Linkous
Evangelism/Missions Dev.:	Rocky Rockwell
Insurance:	Pat Cobb
Membership:	Sheree Gillispie Kenny Inman
Money Counters:	Ken Wagoner
Co-Chairman	Bobby Harter
Music:	Sheila Ramsey
Nominating:	Bobbi Fraizer
Co-Chairman	Susan Rorrer
Personnel:	Dickie Martin
Properties:	Charlie Turner
Co-Chairman	Alan Teal
Public Relations:	Katrell Ramsey
Special Needs:	Paige Collins
Weekday Early Education:	Lisa West

**Alma Hunt Offering
For Virginia Missions
FBCC Goal \$5,000.00
Received thru 9/30/22 \$996.00**

Capital Campaign Fund Summary

(March 01, 2022—July 31, 2022)

Received thru Building Improvement Fund	\$36,830.00
March-July donations to Capital Campaign	99,292.97
Aug. donations to Capital Campaign	1,924.84
Total Received	\$101,217.81
Less Total spent on Roof	\$76,160.00
Capital Campaign Fund Balance 6/30/22	\$25,057.81



WMU News

Our WMU Emphasis for the up-coming year is HOPE IN CHRIST. Because of our hope in Christ, we will seek to be genuine in love, patient in tribulation, constant in prayer and compassionate to all. We, the WMU ladies will continue to share God's love through our studies and prayers for our Missionaries and our Monthly Mission Action Projects. Our mission action for the month of October is to fill as many boxes for Operation Christmas Child as we can. Please begin filling the boxes, Thank you for all you do to spread God's love locally and throughout the world.

Thanks, Shirley Craven

Weekday Education Supplies Needed

If the church members would be so kind as to help donate any of the following items to be used in the Weekday Education Program, it would be greatly appreciated.

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| Boxes of Tissues | Clorox Wipes |
| Germ X hand sanitizer & refills | Staples |
| Select-a-size paper towels | Masking Tape |
| Sensitive Skin Baby Wipes | Scotch Tape Refills |
| Sticky Notes | |
| Poster Putty (removable and used to put posters on walls) | |

Thank you so much

Samaritans Purse Spaghetti Dinner October 22nd 5:30pm-7pm



Do you love pasta? Do you love helping others? Combine your loves and Join the youth in providing financial means to help Samaritans Purse Shoebox ministry. **See any teen to sign up for a to go meal.** Meal includes pasta, bread, and desert. All we ask in return is a monetary donation be given to Samaritans Purse. Sign ups begin September 25th and go through October 19th. Lets reach our goal of giving \$1500. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk or the Bulletin Board by the church office.

Attention Committee & Ministry Leaders

Sign Update: If you have a message request for our church sign please make sure to fill out the **NEW** form located in the Wall Box outside the Sunday School Records Room. You may also email Katrell Ramsey at katrell_ramsey@hotmail.com with your request. Please request **two weeks** in advance.

REMINDER! ALL DRIVERS!

GO **S-L-O-W** WHEN ENTERING INTO THE PARKING LOT AT ALL TIMES. OUR WEEKDAY/PRESCHOOL CHILDREN USE THE DRIVE THRU DURING THE WEEKDAY EDUCATION HOURS OF 9:00AM—12:00PM. **PLEASE, USE CAUTION IF YOU DRIVE THRU THAT WAY. PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE IN THE WRONG DIRECTION AT ANY TIME!**

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Church Goal—400 Boxes (6 wks. to shop)



It is time to start gathering items and packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Each shoebox that is packed can change the life of a child and offer an opportunity for them to learn about Jesus and his love for them. Please consider packing several boxes to help us reach our church goal of 400 boxes. We need everyone's help. Please note that the freight cost has increased to \$10.00 per box. You may pick up your boxes under the tapestry or the Welcome Desk. Thank you for sharing Jesus' love through this ministry. **All boxes will need to be returned by November 13th.**

HCBA Raceway Ministries

The Xfinity NASCAR race will be coming to Martinsville on Saturday, October 30. One of our missions there is to provide snacks and beverages at our tent for the fans in the hope that we may plant a seed that the Holy Spirit can use to begin work in someone's life. Please consider donating individually wrapped snacks for this event. Just have them to the Baptist Association Office on Kings Mountain Road by October 26 at noon.

School Supplies Needed

Once again we are supporting Meadow View Elementary School by collecting school supplies. Boxes will be available in the foyer to collect these items. Thank you for your help.

Items Needed:

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| Pencils | Crayons (Crayola) | Tissues |
| Glue Sticks | Lysol Wipes | Hand Sanitizer |

October Grace Network Food Item

Spaghetti Sauce (24 oz. jar or can)

September Featured Items

Toilet Paper, Feminine Products, Deodorant

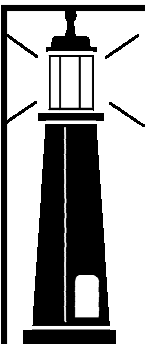
BOOK OF THE MONTH

The Blessings of Obedience

By Bob Fraley



Follow this remarkable true life story of how the Lord led two ordinary people for the saving of their family in these troubled prophetic times called The Last Days. Many of the problems facing families today have been avoided by the Fraley family because God has honored and blessed their obedience. By their actions and choices, they have demonstrated (sharing from personal experience, is always better than academic teaching) what it means to live a life of faith and trust in God. Their story is an inspiration and an example of what a person and a family can accomplish when God is at the center of everything they do—and think.



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Sunday School	9:30am
Worship Service	10:30am
Children's Church	
Awana (May - Sept.)	4:00pm
Youth	4:00pm
Adult Bible Studies	4:00pm

Wednesday Evening Activities:	
Children's Choir Practice	5:15pm
Fellowship Meal	6:00pm
RA's & GA's	6:30pm
Youth (Middle & High School)	6:30pm
Mission Friends	6:30pm
Prayer Service & Bible Study	6:45pm
Adult Choir Practice	7:30pm

Non-Profit
Organization
U.S. Postage
Paid
Permit No. 5

Return Service
Requested

Birthdays & Anniversaries

October Birthdays	20 Alan Brummet
01 Eddie Conner	20 Woody Mize
01 Christine McAlexander	21 Kirk Beale
02 Scott Terry	21 Nelda Billings
02 Mona Turner	21 J. D. Collins
03 Betsy Ivey	21 Kelly Jones
04 Kathy Draper	22 Chris Hatchett
06 Alex Alley	23 Britney Terry
06 Katelyn Cobb	23 Anna (Connie) Hodges
07 JoeAnn Belcher	24 Robert Duke
07 Curtis Stone	25 Colton Collins
07 William Blackwell	25 Judy Harmon
07 John Flanagan	27 Bobby Carter
08 Phyllis Prillaman	27 Denise Collins
09 Kim Beckner	28 Mackenzie Eggleston
09 Austin Haskins	30 Arthur Emberson
09 Maddy Oliver	30Kathie Meredith
09 Judy Robertson	
09 Roger Woods	
10 Will Nance	
11 Carley Mayberry	
12 Zane Forbes	
12 Justin Morris	
14 Paige Holcomb	
15 Brad Ferguson	
15 Rhett Houston	
16 Abby Quinnan	
18 Cindy Adkins	
19 Debbie McKinney	

November Birthdays

01 Greg Craven
02 Matt O'Dell
02 Jennifer Witt
03 Stacy Fontaine
03 Ray Parcell
03 Samantha Martin
05 Kaitlin Haskins
05 Susan Wagoner
06 Judy Anthony

October Anniversaries

06 Tony & Helen Alley Crane
06 Jonathan & Sarah France
07 Maynard & Ruby Huff
09 John & Donna Floyd
09 Charlie & Diane F. Turner
12 Tim & Gail Atwood
16 Len & Suzanne Turner
16 Lucas & Taylor Draper
17 George & Carol Gentry
18 Paul & Sherrie Setliff
29 Bruce & Cindy Adkins

November Anniversaries

06 Bobby & Charlotte Harter
14 Chris & Sara Roetken
19 Mike & Dana Pennington
21 Neil & Sheila Ramsey
22 Brian & Laura Whitlow
25 Danny & Betty Pagans
27 Rocky & Carolyn Rockwell
28 Brandon & Ashley Martin

Tuesday Morning

Bible Study



with Pastor Larry

10:00am

SonShine Classroom



Ladies Card Ministry
(2nd Monday of the Month)
Monday, October 10
12:00 noon
SonShine Classroom

Knitters and

Crocheters

1st & 3rd

Thursday

Each month

10:00am-12:00 noon
Hospitality Room

