

Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints

Vacuum Sealed Giving



Hi folks. I am sure you will agree that we live in an interesting time. We do not have to leave home to purchase products. We can order whatever we need and have it delivered right to our door. Jan and I recently purchased a new mattress and bedframe. We changed from a queen size to a king size bed. Jan went online and found both items and had them delivered. Initially, however, I wondered how they would get both items to us thru the mail.

The bedframe was shipped in a box about four feet wide by four feet tall and about 4 inches thick. It unfolded like the tables we use to take with us for a picnic outdoors. The mattress was delivered in a box about four feet tall and two feet wide. The instructions said to remove the mattress from the wrap and let it breathe for about 3 hours. When I pulled it from the box, I discovered it was vacuum sealed. The manufacturer had placed it in a plastic bag and sucked out the air. Then, it was rolled up like roll of paper towels and placed in the box. When I cut the plastic open, I heard a "swoosh" of air and it began to expand. To my surprise, the mattress almost immediately expanded to its normal king size. Amazing!!

This experience reminded me of what God says in His word, *"Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you"* (Luke 6:38). The phrase "pressed down" [4085, piezo] comes from a word that means to "squeeze together". God has promised that if we will give (money, time, & effort), He and other people will give back to us. But what we receive will be more than what we gave. God will see that what we get back will be "squeezed together" so that when we open it, the amount will be running over. That sounds like a good deal to me. How about you? Remember, we can never out give God. Thanks have a safe, enjoyable summer.

Pastor Larry

Wednesday, July 03

FBCC Independence Day

Cook-Out— 6:00pm

Hot Dogs & Hamburgers

Baked Beans and Chips



The church is providing the food all free to you! But we ask those who would like, to bring a dessert. Let's celebrate together and enjoy delicious food and great fellowship! We will be at the picnic shelter, weather permitting. If it is too hot or raining we will move to the Social Hall.

The cook-out takes the place of all other regularly scheduled Wednesday evening activities.



Thursday, July 4th

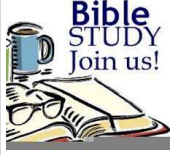
Church Office Closed

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Homecoming August 4

Mercy's Well in Concert



Tuesday Morning Bible Study
with Pastor Larry
10:00am
SonShine Classroom
Everyone is invited to attend



1,000 SHOEBOXES
Our Goal for 2024

Thanks to all of you who are helping to collect different items each month for the shoeboxes. I know 1,000 shoeboxes is an overwhelming amount of work and cost. I just feel that we will reach our goal and if not, we will definitely increase from last year. Remember that the shoebox gifts are given to children regardless of their gender, ethnicity, or faith. Samaritan's Purse seeks to demonstrate God's Love in a tangible way through each shoebox gift. The shoeboxes are simple gifts- packed with love in Jesus' name-delivering hope and joy to children all around the world, regardless of their faith or religious background. Samaritan's Purse aims to give each child one shoebox gift in the course of his or her lifetime. Please continue to bring things to help with the shoeboxes and if you like packing your own boxes start looking for those deals. The middle of November will be here before we know it. Thank you again for your help in preparing joy filled shoeboxes that share Jesus' love for each child and their families.

For JULY we are collecting CLOTHING

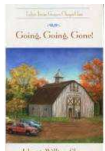
Socks, shoes, underwear, pants, sweaters, shorts, etc.

FBCC Library Book of the Month

"Going, Going, Gone!"

Tales from Grace Chapel Inn

By: *Jolyn & William Sharp*



Auction fever strikes the residents of Acorn Hill. But while some bidders go home winners, disappointment—even heartache—is in store for others. Guests at Grace Chapel Inn worry about their teenage son; two music lovers offer hope to a former prodigy; and an award-winning poet, who reads *Wonder Woman* as well as Wordsworth, brings celebrity to the Inn.

May Report

Monthly Budget Offering needed	44,944
Monthly Budget Offering Received	38,175
Rental Income	1,913
Other Income	-0-
Monthly Budget Operating Expenses	49,998
Non Budget Expenses	-0-
Operating Account Balance	282,167
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	8,606
Benevolence Fund	257
Project Hope	126
Bereavement Meal Ministry	1,366
Van Fund	13,398
Capital Campaign Fund	57,149

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:

J. D. Collins, husband of Joan Collins and father of Jamie and Jason Collins and Suzanne Terry
Jane White, wife of Scott and former member of FBCC
Vera Dodson, wife of James Dodson

New Arrival



Sylvia McKinney proudly announces the birth of her great granddaughter, **Ada Wrenn Tilley Minow**, born on June 17, 2024.

New Contact Information

Kelly Kisner: 77 Terrace Garden Dr.
 Apt. 12, Collinsville, VA 24078

New Cell Numbers

Sally Folk: 276-226-5569 **Ken folk:** 276-224-6023

Merleen Beale: 276-224-0920 (Cell is Primary Number)



Loving Hands Ministry

Meet Every Thursday of the month
10:00am-12:00 noon
2nd Floor Loving Hands Ministry
Room #216

The Loving Hands Ministry is going strong. We are hard at work knitting, crocheting, sewing and using our hands to make items for the *Shoe Boxes* and to donate to local nursing homes, the *Ravenel Breast Cancer Center*, the *Oncology Dept.*, *Mt. Valley Hospice*, the *Warming Center*, *Foster Children* and in *Danville*, the *Women's Center* and the *Pediatric Floor*.

We meet Thursdays on the 2 1/2 floor at the church in room #216. There is plenty of room for more people to join us to fellowship and to make blankets, hats, soap sacks, scarves, jump ropes and more. There is something for everybody to do. If you are not interested in using your hands to help, monetary donations for supplies would be appreciated.

Please pray about joining us soon. We would love to see you in room #216, the Loving Hands Ministry Room.

Capital Campaign Fund Summary

(March 01, 2022—May 31, 2024)

Received thru Building Improvement Fund	\$36,830.00
March-Dec. 2022 donations to Capital Campaign	\$76,124.91
Jan.—Dec. 2023 donations to Capital Campaign	\$45,933.16
Jan. —April 2024 donations to Capital Campaign	\$12,205.00
May 2024 donation to Capital Campaign	\$ 5,671.25
Total Received	\$176,764.32
Less Total spent for Roof	- \$76,160.00
Less Initial Pmt. Parking lot repair	- \$43,455.00
Capital Fund Balance	\$57,149.32

Women on Mission....

Thank you for the wonderful response for the Blessing Buckets for God's Pit Crew, we had two full totes to deliver! Many thanks to Pastor Christian for delivering them!



We had our Mexican Cantina June 18th and met with the Beachy's (Rebecca, Ryan and family) on line. They shared so much with us that they are doing. It is a blessing to support them with our prayers and financial help. Thanks to Shirley, Kim, Hope, Pat and Mary Jane for the yummy food!

As we head into July our Mission Action is the Hairston Home Bingo/Birthday party. Each circle has been assigned the items for the goodie bags and a roll of quarters for the winners! We will serve cupcakes, ice cream and drinks. We will be going July 25th at 1:00pm, please have your things to me by July 24th, there are 33 residents.

Thank you and blessings to you all as we serve and share God's Love.

Lana, Kim, Hope

Quarterly Business Meeting

Wednesday, July 24 @ 6:45pm

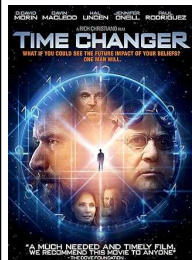
Chairmen and Ministry Leaders: Please notify the church office by Wed., July 10 if you plan to present information at the meeting that needs published prior to the meeting or included in the meeting agenda. Also please submit your written reports to the church office by Wed., July 17.

Evangelism/Mission Development

We have scheduled our next community outreach 'Pizza and a Movie' event on Wednesday, August 14, 2024. The movie will be 'Time Changer', a great movie with a provocative Christian message. It is a Rich Christiano film starring D David Morin, Gavin MacLeod, Hal Linden, Jennifer O'Neill, and Paul Rodriguez. All other Wednesday evening activities will be canceled that night so that the whole family can come and enjoy pizza and a movie. We'll start serving Pizza at 5:30pm and start the movie about 6:15pm, which should have us finished by about 7:45pm so that people can get home before dark. Please start inviting friends, neighbors and family. The Christiano Brothers have given us a chance to make a one-time offer to those who attend the movie—5 movies on DVD for \$20. Watch the Sunday morning bulletin inserts for more information as we get closer to the date.

We continue to join in prayer for the church at 9:00am Sunday mornings. One half hour before the start of Sunday School. Please join us in the conference room on the 2nd floor.

Remember to pick up your Gospel supplies from the racks in the church foyer or in the library.



Greetings from the Lighthouse!!

Its 7:45am I am walking out the front door of my friend Mike's house to head home from Raleigh. When I walk out from the nice cool home, It was like I hit a brick wall. Its not even 8am and its so muggy and warm outside that I just want to get this trip over with. I get in my car and boom its even hotter in the car. Now I just want to turn the AC on full blast and get some water. I have no water and I get to the store which requires me to get out back into the heat and do this whole routine over again. A lot of you may have felt this way over the past couple of weeks. It reminds me of how life sometimes is just one big hot mess and it is Jesus who gives us that cool refreshing life sustaining water. Have you asked God to cool your life down when it's a hot mess? I am guilty of not always going to God first but when I do there is nothing more refreshing. I challenge you to read John 7:37-38. It says "On the last day, the climax of the festival, Jesus stood and shouted to the crowds, "Anyone who is thirsty may come to me! Anyone who believes in me may come and drink!" Go to Jesus and he will give you rest and refreshment.

Upcoming Events

July 3rd 12-4 Youth Fishing

July 3rd 6-8 Church-wide cookout

July 15th-19th Fuge Camp

July 28th Youth outing with Mr. Billy

Capital Campaign: Parking Lot Re-Paving

Through the funds given for our Capital Campaign, we are expecting to have work began on July 8 where they will break up and remove the old paving. On July 11 they plan to put down the new base coat. On July 15-16 they plan to apply the final coat. This is the parking lot located between the church and the insurance office on 220. This section of the parking lot will be closed for several days.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Weekday Education Program
9:00am—12:00pm Mon.—Thurs.
Now enrolling for 2024-2025

Pick up an application or call the church office
(276-647-3774) and we will mail you one

For children 3 and 4 years old
(child must be potty trained)

Grace Network

JULY FOOD ITEM

Apple Sauce (24-32oz. Size)

JULY FEATURE ITEMS

Toilet Paper, Deodorant,
Feminine Products



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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

July 2024 Birthdays

01 Deborah Rakes	19 Charlie Turner
03 Ryan Beachy	20 Angie Hatchett
03 Herman Hale	22 Pat Gauldin
03 Chelsea Jones	23 Donna Floyd
04 Marge Renz	24 Mary Jane Mayberry
04 Cade Collins	24 Landon Castro
04 Ruby Amos	25 Pam Joyce
05 Nancy Franklin	26 Sarah Torian
05 Dorothy Hundley	26 Helen (Alley) Crane
05 Robert Scott	26 Elliott Gibson
06 Melissa Hopkins	28 Matthew Scott
07 Willa Shropshire	29 Joan Pace
07 Betty Via	29 Hunter Houston
08 Charlotte Harter	31 Martha Johnson
09 Ed Blankeney	
10 Jonathan Hatchett	<u>August 2024 Birthdays</u>
10 Rachel Pillsbury	01 H. D. Linkous
12 Sandy Gary	01 Bonnie Slaughter
13 Katie Nance	02 Ty Forbes
13 Christy Rakes	03 Daryl Emberson
14 Becky Crotty	03 Becky Wagoner
14 Doris Draper	03 Aiden Martin
15 Shirley Craven	05 Peggy Delancey
16 Robin Spencer	05 Bonnie Huff
19 Ellin Cobler	05 Jordyn Gibson
19 Caroline Pinnix	06 Jacob Martin
19 Len Turner	07 Betty Crotty
19 Brian Whitlow	08 Joshua Haskins
19 Ashley Martin	09 Jennifer Powell

July 2024 Anniversaries

01 Ron & Brenda Lemons
01 Curtis & Daphne Stone
07 Ryan & Rebecca Beachy
11 Mark & Diana Martin
14 Dickie & Taujinia Martin
15 Randy & Frances Goad
19 Joe & Hope Johnson
24 Milton & Joyce Pace

August 2024 Anniversaries

05 Gary & Doris Walker
11 Harold & Shelley Belcher
13 Doug & Shelly Gibson
20 Jim & Vera Dodson
20 Bob & Janet Roetken
22 Kenny & Beverly Inman
27 Dickey & Pat Cobb
30 John & Mary Jane Mayberry

New Church Directory

"A new church directory is in the works! The Portrait Café will be here October 27 & 28 to take photos. So, mark your calendars and look for details soon!"

Dates to Remember

July 03: Independence Day Cook-Out
July 04: Independence Day Office Closed
July 07: Communion/Love Offering
July 08: Ladies Card Ministry
July 09: Bible Study w/Pastor Larry
July 09: Betty Westover Group/S. Hall
July 09: Nominating Committee Mtg.
July 11: Loving Hands Ministry
July 15-19: Youth to FUGE Camp
July 16: Bible Study w/Pastor Larry
July 16: Nominating Committee Mtg.
July 18: Loving Hands Ministry
July 22: Finance & Church Council
July 23: Bible Study w/Pastor Larry
July 24: Quarterly Business Mtg.

Church Website

Check out our church website for all the happenings at FBCC. Just click on the "Resource Tab" to review the calendar.

www.firstbaptistcollinsville.org

