

Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



DON'T PANIC

I got the idea for this article from a devotional produced by Dr. Robert Jeffress, Pastor of First Baptist Dallas (*Pathway Magazine*, April/ May, 2024, pp. 23-24). Hopefully, it will help you.

The world we live in often seems out of control. In the midst of chaos we can easily become distracted by things that we are powerless to do anything about. This frustrates us and adds to the chaos of the moment.

At the start of WWII, the British government printed posters to encourage its citizens. One was printed in case the Nazis invaded Britain. It said, "Keep Calm and Carry On." That's good advice for us today, but how do we do that?

First, we must be disciplined in what we allow into our minds. Paul said that before being saved we were slaves to our evil thoughts (**Ro. 6:19**). Those evil thoughts are what compelled us to sin. However, as believers we have the ability to live righteous lives. This is accomplished by "*taking every thought captive to obey Christ*" (2 Cor. 10:5). Don't allow evil thoughts to take up residence in your mind. Control your thoughts and you control your actions.

Second, we need to be diligent in what we allow into our minds. In the midst of chaos filling our thoughts with God's word keeps us from fear and distraction. Paul encouraged believers to think about things that are "*true, honorable, right, pure, lovely, good, excellent, and worthy of praise*" (**Phil. 4:8**). Thinking on these type of things will provide peace in the midst of chaos.

Never forget that our God is sovereign. He is always in control of what is happening in this world. He has complete authority over creation. And His power is unlimited. If we will think on the things of God and the truths contained in the Scripture, we can "keep calm and carry on" in the worst of times.

Blessings in Christ.

Pastor Larry

FBCC Homecoming

Sunday August 4, 2024

Sunday School 9:15 - 9:50am

Join us for a morning of music, worship, and fellowship as we celebrate God's blessings on this church past and present.

Mercy's Well in Concert 10:00-10:30

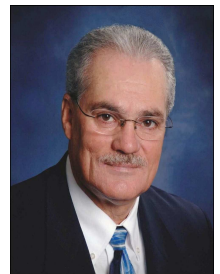
Worship Service

10:30 with

Evangelist

Royce E. Williams

as Guest Speaker



Lunch will follow in the Social Hall—please bring your favorite side dish and/or dessert to share. The church will provide the meat and beverages.

Revival with Rev. Royce Williams

Sun., Aug. 3—Wed., Aug. 7

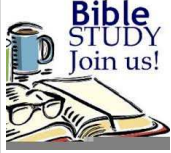
6:30pm nightly

Mercy's Well will join us Sunday Evening

Please plan to attend and bring someone with you.

Come and Join Us!





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



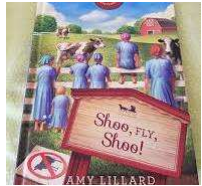
1,000 SHOEBOXES
Our Goal for 2024

Thank You for all your support of the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox ministry. The shoeboxes go into more than 100 receiving countries. The shoeboxes are used by local Christians in sharing the love of Jesus with a child. More important than the items inside the shoeboxes, the gifts are an opportunity to share God's love and the Good News of Jesus Christ -- with the children in need. The unexpected gift delights and sparks hope in the life of a child as they hear of Jesus' love for them. Get ready because it soon will be time for us to pack those boxes. Our Goal this year is 1,000 shoeboxes. The boxes are here and if you need your boxes to start packing please see Shirley Craven.

For AUGUST we are collecting SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Paper, Pencils, rulers, glue, pencil holders, pens, erasers, note pads, calculators, calendars, etc

FBCC Library Book of the Month



"Shoo, Fly, Shoo"
Sugarcreek Amish Mysteries
By Amy Lillard

When Albert Yoder is arrested for illegally transporting and selling raw milk across county lines, Cheryl and her mystery-solving sidekick Naomi step up to help. And just in time! Albert's very pregnant wife has to be rushed to the hospital for an emergency C-section, leaving their six young daughters to milk the cows and care for the dairy farm.

June Report

Monthly Budget Offering needed	56,180
Monthly Budget Offering Received	46,238
Rental Income	1,913
Other Income	-0-
Monthly Budget Operating Expenses	42,702
Non Budget Expenses	-0-
Operating Account Balance	289,729
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	9,106
Benevolence Fund	155
Project Hope	126
Bereavement Meal Ministry	1,366
Van Fund	13,398
Capital Campaign Fund	59,452

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:

Ralph Shropshire, husband of Willa Shropshire
Wanda Guilliams, sister of Scott Terry
Jack Minkema, former husband of Agnes VanHulzen
Dale Mason, husband of Jessica Craven Mason, son-in-law of Greg and Shirley Craven
Dale Malzie, brother-in-law of Mona Turner
Doris Draper, mother of Pete and grandmother of Lucas Draper
Faye Collins, mother of Pam Albanese, friend of many

New Contact Information

Phyllis Prillaman

Primary Telephone No. **276-340-7001**

New Arrival



Gunnar and Elizabeth Robertson proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Reese Elizabeth. Little Miss Reese Elizabeth was born on July 28, 2024 and weighed 7 lbs. 11 ozs.. Very proud grandparents are Jerry and Judy Robertson.



On this day we, along with other churches, will become the hands and feet of Jesus. If you know of anyone in our community who needs assistance with anything they cannot do for themselves, please contact Shirley Craven.

There are sign up sheets on the bulletin board across from the Sunshine class where you can sign up to take part in this ministry.

September 14

"Inasmuch as you did it (fed the hungry, healed the sick clothes the naked, visited the imprisoned) you did it for me."
Mt. 25:40

Capital Campaign Fund Summary

(March 01, 2022—June 30, 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. –May 2024 donations to Capital Campaign	\$17,876.25
June -2024 donation to Capital Campaign	\$2,302.50
Total Received	\$179,066.82
Less Total spent for Roof	-\$76,160.00
Less Initial Pmt. Parking lot repair	-\$43,455.00
Capital Fund Balance	\$59,451.82

Women on Mission....

Hello Ladies on a mission! It has been a busy summer and I would like to thank you all for helping with the Goody bags for the Hairston Home and the rolls of quarters for the residents, to say they were excited is an understatement! We played Bingo and had cupcakes, ice cream and chips, nothing was left! We sang and prayed and they enjoyed themselves tremendously! Hope, Penny, Sally and Kelly were wonderful to share their time with these sweet people.

Our Mission Action for August is a missionary in Detroit, Michigan. Malcom Griswold. He is a pastor of the Reformation Church that serves the inner city. widows, those who have been neglected by society, orphans and the fatherless.

Mr. Griswold is requesting items to help with this ministry, We chose Visa cards that each group can donate any amount from their group and I or Kim will mail them to him. Some of the items are too large to mail, so the Visa cards would be best! Please try to have them to me (Lana) or Hope by August 31st. May God continue to bless this ministry as we share the name of Jesus around the world!

Blessings to you all, Hope, Kim and Lana



Greetings from the Lighthouse!!

Revival Starts With You

I am positive most of you all have heard about our camp experience. Our teens from right here in Collinsville VA made a big difference in the lives of senior adults diagnosed with dementia and Alzheimer's disease. To see their interactions with the residents of the nursing facility blew my mind.

One thing that pastor Gary talked about time and time again during his messages was how God can blow your mind if you let Him. In order for God to blow your mind you have to allow revival to begin and flow from your heart. Our key verse was found in 2 Chronicles 7:14. It said "And my people, who bear my name, humble themselves, pray and seek my face, and turn from their evil ways, then I will hear from heaven, forgive their sin, and heal their land" Our teens learned this verse throughout the week. They learned that in order for revival to happen we had to humble ourselves, pray and seek God and He will move.

I challenge FBCC to do that very thing. I stressed over and over again that our country needs revival, but it has to start with us. So First Baptist may we humble ourselves before God, seek after him, and ask for forgiveness. If we have ourself right with God then we can seek after bringing the Gospel to all the world including right here in Collinsville VA.

Until the whole world hears
Pastor Christian



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

Evangelism/Mission Development

Our quarterly community outreach 'Pizza and a Movie' event featuring 'Time Changer' is coming up on Wednesday, August 14, 2024.



Please use the insert to start inviting friends, neighbors and family. On the back you will find The Christiano Brothers offer to those who attend the movie - 5 movies on DVD for \$20. Get your request form and \$20 to the office by Sunday, August 18 and we'll call you when your DVD's arrive.

Time Changer is set in 1890... and 2000, as a Bible professor travels through time to see firsthand the consequences of his writings. We'll start serving Pizza at 5:30pm and start the movie about 6:15pm, allowing people to get home before dark. All other Wednesday evening activities will be canceled that night so that the whole family can join in. Scan this QR code to see the official movie trailer.

Remember to pick up your Gospel supplies from the racks in the church foyer or in the library. Share them with family and friends, place them in your business for customers and your doctor's office for other patients. God's Word will not return void (Isaiah 55:11).

Church Directory: A new Church Directory is in the works! The Portrait Café will be here Oct. 27 & 28 to take photos. So, mark your calendars and look for details soon!

Fall Ladies Bible Study

"HOSEA"

Sun., Sept. 8—Sun., Oct. 20

4:00pm-5:30pm



It's about time for our fall Ladies Bible study. So beginning Sunday, Sept. 8 and running for 7 weeks through Sun. Oct. 20 from 4-5:30pm we will study the prophet Hosea and Gomer, the prostitute and their God ordained marriage. Really???? Through their action we see a picture of the nation Israel and our loving God. WOW! Be sure to sign up. Study guides are \$16 and payable at the first class, Sept. 8.

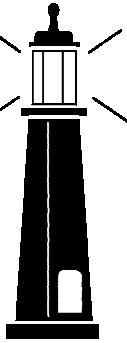
Grace Network

AUGUST FOOD ITEM

Apple Sauce (24-32oz. Size)

AUGUST FEATURE ITEMS

**Toilet Paper, Bath Soap, Toothpaste,
Toothbrush (Individually wrapped)**



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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

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

August 2024 Birthdays

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| 01 H. D. Linkous | 22 Autumn Turner |
| 01 Bonnie Slaughter | 23 Al Powell |
| 02 Ty Forbes | 24 Tony Gilbert |
| 03 Daryl Emberson | 25 Bryson Ramsey |
| 03 Becky Wagoner | 26 Michael Rivera |
| 03 Aiden Martin | 26 Savannah McBride |
| 05 Peggy Delancey | 26 Samuel Torian |
| 05 Bonnie Huff | 26 Frances Goad |
| 05 Jordyn Gibson | 27 Brad Pegram |
| 06 Jacob Martin | 28 Tommy Nance |
| 07 Betty Crotty | 28 Connie Black |
| 08 Joshua Haskins | 28 Audrey Johnson |
| 09 Jennifer Powell | 30 Sara Roetken |
| 09 Beverly Rakes | 31 Ronald Gillispie |
| 11 Chas Geramita | 31 Allison Love |

September 2024 Birthdays

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| 13 Bobbi Frazier | 01 Milton Pace |
| 14 Pete Draper | 01 Doris Walker |
| 15 Suzanne Terry | 02 Leah Johnson |
| 16 Louise Mabry | 06 Doug Gibson |
| 16 Amanda Goad | 07 George Gentry |
| 17 Shirley Horton | 07 Kemper Terry |
| 18 Linda Conner | 07 Randy Goad |
| 18 Rachel Patterson | 08 Sam Torian |
| 19 Larry Cheek | 08 Tracie Slack |
| 19 George Collins | 09 Wes Martin |
| 20 Gabbie France | 10 Delano Thomasson |
| 20 Randy Hiatt | 11 Frances Arrington |
| 21 Terri Anthony | |

August 2024 Anniversaries

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

September 2024 Anniversaries

- 09 Scott & Robin Spencer
- 14 Doug & Bonnie Huff
- 16 Pete & Kathy Draper
- 19 Jay & Whitney Engstrom
- 23 Jerry & Judy Robertson
- 26 Tommy & Lisa Houston
- 26 Rick & Sharri Love
- 28 Roger & Margie Woods

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

ATTENTION LADIES!

We need you in Sunday School! The **Seekers Sunday School Class** will be back beginning **September 1st**. Come join us as we study God's Word in **Room 207**. Teachers are David Conner and Peggy Moran

Dates to Remember

- Aug. 03:** Community Pool Party @ Fieldale Pool
- Aug. 04:** Homecoming Sunday
- Aug. 04-07:** Revival with Royce Williams
- Aug. 06:** Iva Turner Group/S. Hall
- Aug. 06:** Phyllis Creasy Group/ Social Hall
- Aug. 10:** Deacon Retreat
- Aug. 12:** Ladies Card Ministry
- Aug. 13:** Betty Westover Group Social Hall
- Aug. 14:** Henry Co. Schools start
- Aug. 14:** Community Movie & Pizza Night—showing "Time Changer"

