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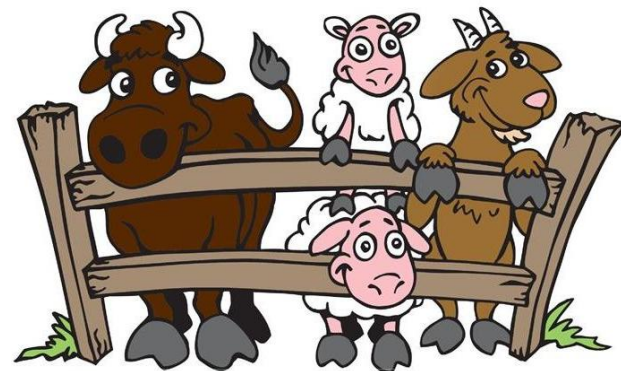


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First Baptist Church
Serving God - Loving People
 Fall Festival October 21st from 4 to 6 PM
PUMPKIN PALOOZA



*Pumpkin Decorating Contest-
 Bring your pumpkins already
 decorated!*



Petting Zoo

Slides and
 Bounce
 houses!
 Games



Costume Contest



Trunk or Treat
 Please sign up to decorate your car or truck and
 hand out goodies!! Oh, what fun!!

Everyone invited to an afternoon of fun, games and goodies.
 See Karen Skinner to sign up to help, and please begin bringing
 your candy. We need a lot!!!!

October Van Driver:
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October Birthdays
 14- James Williamson
 17-David Summers
 18-Phyllis Hennessee
 Christy Tuck
 20-Kyle Smith
 21-Kimberly Robertson
 Gail Clemons
 Roy Foote
 23-Diane Lodridge
 24-Martha Rankin
 26-Bill Tyree
 Jack Simms
 Doris Werner
 29-Ken Hughes
 Jakavyn Wilson
 31-Gracyn Tuck

Deacon on Call
Rodney Blackwell
 October 7- 13
 337 238 4222 (h)
 337 208 6302 (c)

Jack Simms
 October 14-20
 337 238 9615 (h)
 337 397 7733 (c)

Roland Terrell
 October 21-27
 337 238 1615 (h)

Robbie Giles
 Oct. 28-Nov. 3
 337 208 4381 (c)

November
 1-Genell Leach
 2-Jeri Broyles
 DeLain Prewitt
 Joyce Chappita
 3-Lilli Ann Nowlin
 4-Larry Werner

Sunday
 Sunday Bible Study for all ages: 9:30 A.M.
 Sunday Worship Services: 10:45 A.M.

Sunday Evening
 Children's Choir 5-6 PM 2nd-6th Grades
 RA's & GA's 6-7 PM 1st-6th Grades
Sunday Evening 6 PM in the CLC

Wednesday
 Awana 6-7:30 PM
 Youth & Adult Bible Study @ 6:00 P.M.-CLC
 Adult Choir @ 7:00 P.M.

FBC State of Affairs

2018 Monthly Budget Required	\$40,033.00
Received Sept. 2, 2018	\$13,445.10
Received Sept 9, 2018	\$ 8,373.29
Received Sept 16, 2018	\$ 6,018.56
Received Sept 23, 2018	\$ 4,441.79
Total received for Sept 2018	\$32,102.51
To date	

Sunday School Report

	9/2	9/9	9/16	9/23	9/30
Members Present	119	136	151	116	
Visitors	16	17	14	18	
Worship Attendance	157	144	151	121	

Bro. Craig's Notes

I want to begin this month's newsletter with a moment of thankfulness.... Fall has finally arrived. I have waited for this time with great anticipation since the middle of spring, and it is finally here -- or at least that is what the calendar says. Still even though the thermometer hasn't figured out the time of year yet, I am thankful, because I know that sooner or later the weather will catch up with the calendar.

You know, that really is what it is like to be a Christian. We believe things to be true, even though what we see doesn't agree with what we believe. We call that "Faith" – the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen. We have that faith based upon who Christ is and upon His faithfulness. As we enter into this last quarter of 2018, let us do so with faith, praying to the God who can do exceedingly abundantly more than all we ask or think.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have helped with worship in the month of September. Elizabeth and Sean have been tremendous blessings with the music and I sincerely thank them. (And Elizabeth gave us a special treat with her saxophone solo on the 16th) The adult choir has been on top of their game with their beautiful singing. Kim Simms, Sean Slate, Grant Blackwell, Allyson Conklin, and Christy Tuck have ministered to us in song. Of course, all of this has been amplified by our wonderful television and sound crew. Thank you all for offering yourselves in the Lord's service.

As many of you will receive this newsletter before the last Sunday of September, let me remind all the kids that they are wearing their **western clothes** for Sunday School on September 30 – and adults are welcome to wear theirs too. Also, we will be having business meeting on Sunday night.

There are a few things going on in the month of October that you will want to remember. **On October 14**, we will be welcoming **Bro. Dan Woody Mangligot** as guest speaker in our morning services (Bro. Dan is the pastor we have partnered with in the Philippines). Also on that Sunday, the WMU is sponsoring a Country Cookin' Fund Raiser for their water well project. Then on **October 28**, we will welcome Bro. Benji, who is the coordinator for the **Honduras Mission Trip**. On that day, the Deacons will be hosting the **widows/widowers luncheon** after morning services.

On **October 21**, the **Harvest Festival** will be held from 4-6 in the afternoon. **Children- You don't want to miss this.** Mrs. Karen Skinner and the Children's Committee are gonna do a great job on this. Following it, we will move directly into a special **outdoor worship time** and **tent of testimony**. This is going to be a great time for families. Please make your plans now to attend.

Let me also point to a couple of things coming up the first weekend in November, so we can be planning for them. First of all, the **Tapestry Hospitality Brunch** is at **10 AM** on **November 3**. In addition to this, we are trying to be partners with **West Leesville Elem**, and their **Gator 5K Run** is the morning of **November 3**. We need some volunteers to help with the run. Please let me know by October 14 if you can do that. Then on **Sunday, November 4** we will be having **High Attendance Day** in Sunday School.

Also, let me remind everyone that now is the time to be filling up the boxes for **Operation Christmas Child**. You can pick up boxes now at the church. They are due back in to the church by **Nov. 11**.

Finally, I wish to extend Christian Sympathy to Suzette Endris and family in the homegoing of her father, to Jeri Mayo and family in the homegoing of her twin sister, and to John Blackmon and family in the homegoing of his grandmother.

May God bless you all more abundantly than you could ever hope or expect.

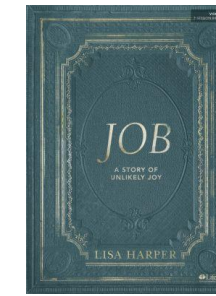
ATTENTION-CHANGE IN BYLAWS

Current ByLaws: The church will normally hold regular business meetings quarterly on the last Sunday night of each month, beginning March 26, 2017.

Proposed Change: The church will normally hold regular business meetings quarterly on the last Sunday night of January, April, July and October, effective January 1, 2019.



*Tapestry October 9th
6 PM. All ladies are
Invited to Tapestry. We
Will be finalizing plans
For Tapestry Hospitality
Brunch on November 3rd.*



Job- A story of unlikely Joy

Fall Ladies Bible Study at Vernon Baptist Association
Office begins October 2nd at 12 Noon.

*A 7 week study in Job.
All ladies are encouraged
to attend.*

Lunch will be provided



Pure Water-Pure Love

Sunday, October 14th – Fundraiser for Pure Water-Pure Love
Please come and support the WMU ladies as they raise funds to provide clean water in countries where there is no clean water.



Love and Condolences

To Suzette Endris and family in the death of her father.
To: John Blackmon and family in the death of his
grandmother.

And to Jeri Mayo and family in the death of her twin
sister.

Luncheon

Deacon/Widow Luncheon

*October 28, 2018 after the
morning service the First
Baptist Deacons will
sponsor a luncheon
honoring the widows and
widowers of First Baptist.*

Thank You

*Dear FBC Family,
Thank you for covering
West Leesville Elementary in
your prayers and for the back
to school treats! We appreciate
your thoughts and prayers
throughout this school year.*

*Love,
Karen Robertson &
The faculty & staff of WLE*

Thank You from Rwanda

Thank you for letting me come speak at your church. It's always a pleasure! Your prayers mean everything to me and I look forward to giving you an update on the ministry I'm a part of in Rwanda.

I love you,
Annie

Please take note!!

We have had several occasions when the CLC has been left unlocked. If you are leaving the CLC after hours or on the weekend, please make sure the doors are locked. Double check before you leave. If you just pull on the door to check, it will not open even though it is unlocked. To check you have to press the thumb bar down and pull on the door. If the door does not open after doing this, the door is locked and you are good to go!

DEACONS

Leading through Serving.

October is Deacon Nomination Month. October 7, 2018, you will receive a ballot in your Sunday morning program, and there will be ballots throughout the church in the windows. Please take one and complete with your choices, sign and return to the church office by October 28th.



*The shoeboxes are in the
windows!!!*

*Please take some and fill them
up and return to the church.
Make a difference in a child's
life.*