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As we enter into October, our hearts go out to the people in Louisiana and Texas after the devastating effects of the Hurricanes that wreaked havoc on them. We need to pray for them as they clean up and rebuild. Pray also for the relief workers and the disaster relief teams that are down there working tirelessly to help with the clean up.

The second Sunday in October is the day we celebrate the Lord's Supper. As we partake of the Lord's Supper on this day, I hope that as you take of the elements that represent the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, you will remember that Christ died for the sins of everyone. Many in our community are living in bondage to sin because they have not heard the Good News of Christ. Gene Jennings in Proclaim Magazine offers this illustration. In the film, "Forrest Gump" Forrest's bitter, disabled Vietnam veteran friend, Lieutenant Dan, was watching a church choir sing on television. In a sarcastic tone Dan asked Forrest, "Gump, have you found Jesus yet?" Forrest's innocent reply was, "I didn't know I was supposed to be looking for Him."

Many people think like Forrest Gump. They do not know that they need to find Jesus or that He is waiting just outside the door of their lives. It is our responsibility, as Christians, to show people the love of Christ and tell them of the matchless grace of our Lord. We need to encourage the unsaved to find Jesus. In Matthew 9:37-38, Jesus said, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest." Each of us need to become a laborer for Christ and reap the harvest of souls for His honor and glory!

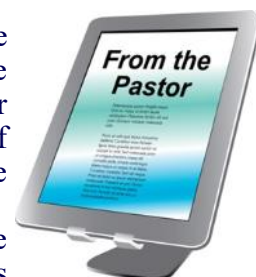
Another item on my mind is the upcoming presidential election. Too many times evangelical Christians, frustrated with the choices of candidates, do not vote. We need to be salt and light in our nation. In a day when our Christian heritage and values are being slowly done away with, Christians need to let their voice be heard. I encourage you to check out the positions of the candidates and to pray about the upcoming election and vote your convictions. You may want to explore: www.ivotevalues.com.

Bro J



Thank you, church family, for all the cards, calls, flowers, texts, kind words, and just being there during this difficult time of the passing of my dad. Your care for us means more than you can know. We love you.

~~Bro. J & Patty



From the Library...

October

The air is changing, leaves are falling, and the year is starting its slow crawl to the end. Ad perhaps your temper is growing shorter with the days, or maybe you are following the bad news (COVID-19 virus) to take hold of your spirit and knock you off the path.

Let's all remember that the only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love. He loves us as we are and He asks us to love like He does. That's it. And it's that love that will keep us going.

Philippians 4:13: *I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength.*

A few books from our library...

The Source of My Strength by Charles Stanley. Sharing his own journey through emotional pain, the author offers biblical principles that help us

- Overcome pain, insecurity, frustration, loneliness, and alienation.
- Understand how emotional burdens constrict and confine our choices in life.
- Confine painful memories of the past.
- Find healing and hope in the promises of God.
- Discover the courage and strength to live freely and joyfully in the love of God.

Embraced by God by Babbie Mason. The author's warm, creative, and friendly approach will engage readers and encourage them toward a more personal, individual, and intimate relationship with God. By sharing her personal journey to understand how very much God loves her, not as a singer or teacher but as His child, she equips readers to accept the love and grow their confidence because of it.

Peace For a Lifetime by Lisa Murray. The author shares the keys to cultivating a life that's deeply rooted, overflowing, and abundant; the fruit of which is peace. Through personal and professional experience, Lisa discovered how to take the broken pieces of life and find indestructible peace with herself, God, and with others. She passionately shares her breakthrough in this timely, well-written book.

Yours in Christ,
Mary Robertson & Joan Frank

October Birthdays

4	Tricean Robertson
6	Alisha Terrillion
9	Roxanna Boyle
	Tabatha Thompson
	Stacy Harp
10	Gwana Weaver
12	Steve Smith
13	Jerry Thompson
14	Kenneth Bishop
	Tammy Zhang
15	Marilyn Legg
	Daniel Gilley
16	Tim Gilley
	Tim Love
17	Colton Wright
18	Phillip Seiber
19	Paula Zimmer
20	Missi Gallimore
23	Christine McKee
24	Gene Legg
25	Joan Frank
26	Chase Bland
29	Sonny Jones
	Beverly Williams
	Judson Hester
30	Jackson Whitworth
31	Pam Wilkins



Thank you for your generous support of The Well. We continue to collect food for this local food pantry – bring items when you come to worship on Sunday or if you are not attending "in-person" worship yet, feel free to drop by the office during office hours and we will come pick up the items from your car. We are also taking monetary donations – mark your offering "The Well".

2020-21 TENNESSEE MISSIONS EMPHASIS



'Return home and tell how much God has done for you.' Luke 8:39a

GoldenOffering.org



T:M:B Tennessee Baptist
MISSION BOARD

We are continuing to receive offerings for the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions.

Our Church Goal: \$2,000.00
Received to Date: \$1,205.00

Designate your gifts to Golden Offering.
You may give online, text giving, or the Church Life App.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>October is Pastor Appreciation Month</i>				1	2	3 Facility in Use—Ladies' Bible Study
4 Worship Service 9:00 & 11:00 am	5	6 10 am Ladies Prayer Group	7 6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study	8	9	10 Facility in Use-Ladies' Bible Study
11 Global Hunger Relief Sunday Worship Service 9:00 & 11:00 am	12 <i>Office Closed</i>	13 10 am Ladies Prayer Group	14 6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study	15	16	17 Facility in Use-Ladies' Bible Study
18  Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving. Palm 95:2 Worship Service 9:00 & 11:00 am	19	20 10 am Ladies Prayer Group	21 6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study	22	23 6 pm Facility in Use	24 Facility in Use-Ladies' Bible Study
25 Worship Service 9:00 & 11:00 am	26	27 10 am Ladies Prayer Group	28 6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study	29	30	31 <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i> <i>Turn Your Clocks BACK tonight!</i>
<p>Schedule of Services:</p> <p><u>Sunday</u> Worship – 9:00 am & 11:00 am Children's Worship – 11:00 am</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wednesday</u></p> <p><i>All Activities other than Sunday Morning Worship are currently suspended until further notice. Thank you for your patience as we work through the Guidelines for re-opening during the pandemic.</i></p>						



It's Shoebox Time!

2020 has been a year full of changes. One thing that hasn't changed is that people need to hear the Gospel. Operation Christmas Child sends the Gospel around the world. Please begin praying now for the OCC program, the

volunteers, and the recipients of the shoeboxes.

We have many options for participation...

1. Go online to samaritanspurse.org where you can donate \$25 and they will pack a box for you.
2. You may pack a box yourself (boxes are available in the Sr. Ladies SS Classroom). When complete, return the box to church with \$9 to cover shipping. You may also pay your shipping online and track your box to its destination. (See list of Do's & Don'ts below)
3. You may donate \$money\$ and we will shop for you and pack your box.

Questions?? Please contact Vivian Bowen or Patty Welch

Do's: Washcloth, Comb/brush, Bar Soap, Band aids, Reusable plastic water bottles, blanket, flip-flops, hats & scarves, pencil sharpener, personal hygiene items, toys, Crayons, Coloring book, Notebooks, Playdough & plastic cookie cutters, stickers, craft kits, matchbox cars, balls, Slinky, clothes, musical instruments.

Don'ts: Candy, toothpaste, gum, used items, war related items, chocolate, food, seeds, fruit roll ups or snacks, drink mixes, medications, vitamins, breakable items, aerosol cans.

THANK YOU!!

Global Hunger Relief Sunday

October 11, 2020

We will receive a special offering at the end of each worship service that will be designated for Global Hunger Relief through the Southern Baptist Convention. Thank you for giving.



Future Growth Funding

\$19,782.62 in a Construction Acct.
at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank
\$353,251.24 in a Building Fund at the
Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

THANK YOU

"PROJECT BLUE" Update

You were incredibly generous in your giving to Project Blue. The ladies will be assembling the bags for the law enforcement officers the week of October 5. All supplies have been secured and we are looking forward to bringing a little encouragement to those in the law enforcement community.

Thank you for your help.



October is Clergy/Pastor Appreciation Month. God has blessed FBCSH with wonderful pastors. 2020 has been a difficult year for everyone, including the church. The stress of finding "new" ways to gather the church for worship and care for those in the congregation during this pandemic has been something never experienced before. Please be sure to express your gratitude to our pastors for their service during this special time of the year.

Do You Know What Happens on October 31st?

1. It's Halloween (All Hallows Eve)
2. There is a Full Moon (A Blue Moon or sometimes called a Hunter's Moon)
3. **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS!** Don't forget to turn your clocks **BACK** 1 hour—otherwise you will be **EARLY** for church on Sunday morning!

