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TRIMESTER BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, August 1st

KID'S MONDAY FUNDAY IS WET WEDNESDAY

Trip to Cedar Lake Beach
Wednesday, August 4th from 11 am - 4 pm

PRIMETIME TRIP TO O'CHARLEY'S

10:30 am WEDNESDAY, August 4th

SIDEWALK PROPHETS GREAT BIG FAMILY REUNION AT THE CROSS

August 7th

GOSPEL MUSIC FESTIVAL

Saturday August 14th at 3:00 pm at Riverside Park

MEET THE TEAM

Saturday, August 21

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KICKOFF AUGUST 25

5 pm Family Dinner
6:00 pm Men's & Women's Bible Study

AUGUST 15TH

During Worship

Missions Sunday, Group 988
1:00 pm
Mission Reception

AWANA SPLISH SPLASH

Sunday August 22nd, 9:00-11:15

BAPTISMAL SERVICE

Sunday August 29th

SAVE THE DATE IRON SHARPEN IRON CONFERENCE

September 11th, O'Fallen, IL

FBC MURPHY

Connect. Grow. Go.
AUGUST 2021 BAPTIES NEWSLETTER

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Luke 10:29 NIV

"And who is my neighbor?" We have all read the story of the Good Samaritan. But are we listening?

"Let he who has ears to hear, use them." More than once Jesus said these words. We read the phrase eight times in the gospels and eight times in the book of Revelation. We are reminded that it is not enough just to have ears--it is necessary to use them.

On my last mission trip to Kentucky, God was talking to me. I met a man who was wanting some attention. There were several people talking to him. He suddenly turned to me and said, "You are awfully quiet."

I turned around and started to listen to his story. He was born in that town, grew up in that town, and had lived there all his life. He could sing and play the guitar, banjo and fiddle since he was a ten year old boy. He somehow lost his way and lived a life of drinking and other stuff. Around the age of 45 years old he went to a church and wanted to play and sing, but the people of the church said that because of his lifestyle he was not allowed to be part of the service. He felt abandoned and never returned to the church again. Now in his late 60's he was alone and needing some love

and care. He wanted to know if anyone really pays attention and listens to him. He was seeking. I had the opportunity to share what Christ did for him, and asked him to go back to church and not worry about what people say and remember he was loved by God. I do not know what happened but I pray he will have peace and a listening ear for Jesus.

Then I remembered reading the book by Max Lucado, How Happiness Happens, where he shared his experience:

But he accepted me, his wayward child. He accepted what he could do with me. He didn't tell me to clean up and then come back. He said "Come back. I'll clean you up." He was "full of grace and truth" (John 1:14 NIV). Not just grace, but also truth, but also grace.

Grace and truth.

Grace told the adulterous women, "I do not condemn you" (John 8:11 NASB).

Truth told her, "Go and sin no more" (John 8:11)

Grace invited a swindler named Zacchaeus to host Jesus for lunch.

Truth prompted him to sell half his belongings and give to the poor (Luke 19:1-8).

Grace washed the feet of the disciples.

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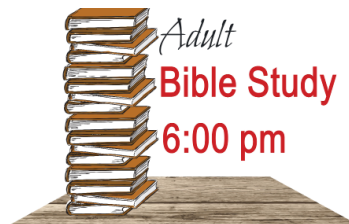
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 25



FALL KICKOFF



FAMILY DINNER
5:00 pm



Adult
Bible Study
6:00 pm

Monday Fun Day is Now Wet Wednesday

Wednesday, August 4th the kids are going to Cedar Lake Beach.
They are leaving at 11:00 am and will be back at 4:00 pm
Bring swim suit, towel, sunscreen, and beach toys.



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Truth told them, "Do as I have done to you?" (John 13:15)

Grace invited Peter to climb out of the boat and walk on the sea.

Truth upbraided him for his lack of faith (Matt 14:28-31).

Grace invited the women at the well to drink everlasting water.

Truth tactfully reminded her that she had gone through five husbands and was shacking up with a boyfriend (John 4:4-18).

Jesus was gracious enough to meet Nicodemus at night.

He was truthful enough to tell him, "Unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." (John 3:3).

Jesus shared truth graciously.

Jesus offered grace truthfully.

It brings back to me the question, who is my neighbor, and am I listening?

Everyday we have around us people asking are you listening to me? What is my answer? We might be reading the Bible, praying, attending church, and being part of a small group. but how are we using what we hear. God would love to see us share with our neighbor.

We have an amazing opportunity to be part of the Jesus Team. I hope you are listening to HIS voice.

For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as



**JOIN OUR
STUDY**

Bible Study with
the Pastor starts
back Thursday,
August 26th at
1:30



AWANA Splish Splash Day
Sunday, August 22nd

The fun starts at 9:00 am

Pick your child up at 11:15 am

Wear something you can get wet in





PRIMETIME SUMMER TRIP IN AUGUST

PrimeTime will be going to O'Charley's in Marion. Its "FREE PIE DAY" with any meal purchase. They will be going on **WEDNESDAY, August 4th**. The bus will leave the church at **10:30 am**. Lunch is dutch treat. If you would like to go, the sign up sheet is available on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. All active senior adults are welcome...invite your friends.



A **Baptismal Service** is planned for August 29th. If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and would like to be baptized; would like to know more about the FBC Family; or what it means to be a Baptist, please contact Jesse at 713-7505 for information on the children's and youth **NEXT STEP class** or Pastor Shaker at 687-1769 for information on **Discovering Church Membership**. Taking the classes does not obligate you in any way. There will be a luncheon after Worship.

AUGUST... ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

One Great HOUR OF SHARING

The year 2020 was unlike any year we have witnessed in our lifetime. Record breaking fires on the west coast of the U.S. devastated communities and burned millions of acres. An extremely active hurricane season brought destruction to the Gulf Coast and Central America. A massive explosion in Beirut displaced thousands of individuals. All these events

happened in the midst of the prolonged COVID-19 global pandemic. We are living in a time of uncertainty. And yet, even with so much that is unclear about the future, one thing is certain: through this ministry of One Great Hour of Sharing, you continue to Let Love Flow.

With so many in need, your compassion is more important than ever. We have carried into 2021 many of the same challenges. Disasters will continue to occur. Displaced populations remain vulnerable. And hundreds of millions of people around the world struggle under the weight of poverty. Thanks to your faithfulness and generosity, One Great Hour of Sharing will continue to respond.

When you give to One Great Hour of Sharing, you "Let Love Flow." Your generosity ensures that the transforming power of love continues to change the world.



Will you come make a joyful noise? Will you sing praises to your lord? Will you come back to choir and revive our choir family?

It is probably a pretty good consensus that First Baptist has been missing its choir. Wouldn't it be a great opportunity to return and watch the congregation smile during special music sung by the choir?

Let's all pray about this, dig deep into our volunteer attitude, and come back and give it a try . . . It may be a lesser commitment initially, just to get back into a routine, but let's come back and be a part of watching it grow.

First practice will be held on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at 7:15 p.m. – with our return to the stage shortly thereafter.

Sure hope you will all come be a part of the Choir Revival – what an awesome way to come fellowship with choir friends/family and sing praises for the rest of our church family.

If you have questions or comments, please contact Vicki Ardrey at 618-201-4372.

Mission of the Month



Our Jamaica Ministry partners are Pastor and Mrs. Raphael Thomas, founders of Blessing Basket International. BBI is a ministry that partners with churches and other organizations to pursue the Great Commission as outlined in Matthew 28:19-20 and promote the Great Commandments. Wherein the Great Commission refers to the making of disciples of Jesus Christ of all nations

and the Great Commandment refers to loving God with Heart, soul, strength and mind, and loving neighbor as self. The Thomas's are our ministry hosts when the FBC Team travels to Jamaica, providing our lodging and working alongside the team at Central Gospel Chapel in Aleppo, St. Mary Parrish.

Financial support from FBC Missions provides funding that helps our church family at Central Gospel Chapel, who are now led by Pastor Javaugh Taylor. Pastor Taylor has initiated youth programs of cash crop farming and encouraging youth participation in church services through dance and music. Central Gospel is also engaged outreach to the local community. The children's Sunday School program is growing, children and families are being led to salvation and the Gospel is being shared! The FBC Summer Mission Team hopes to return to Jamaica in July 2022, to continue the partnership



2021 NATIONAL MEN'S ONE DAY EQUIPPING CONFERENCES

O'Fallon, IL Sept 11th

Keynote Speakers



Crawford Loritts has traveled throughout the US and world, speaking at evangelistic outreaches, conferences, colleges and seminaries. He has been the featured speaker at Super Bowls, NCAA Final Four Chapel and the Pentagon. He served on staff with Cru and as the Sr. Pastor of Fellowship Bible Church, Roswell, Georgia. Crawford is the author of 9 books and host of two national radio programs. Crawford and Karen have 4 adult children and 11 grandchildren.



Gary Rosberg is the co-founder of the international ministry America's Family Coaches with his wife Barb of 45 years of marriage, they are respected conference speakers, executive life and marriage coaches, award-winning authors and radio hosts. Together, they have written over a dozen prominent marriage and family resources and DVD series with almost 1 million total copies in print world-wide and available in more than twelve different languages.

Conference Schedule

8:30 AM	Conference Begins Morning Main Session
10:15 AM	Morning Break
10:45 AM	Morning Seminar - Choice of 8 Seminars
12:00 PM	Lunch Break - Fellowship/Exhibits Open
12:55 PM	Mid-Day Main Session
2:00 PM	Afternoon Seminar - 8 New Seminars
3:15 PM	Afternoon Break
3:30 PM	Afternoon Main Session
4:55 PM	Conference Ends

Conference Location:

First Baptist Church
1111 E. US Highway 50
O'Fallon, IL 62269

2021 CONFERENCE FEE STRUCTURE

Early Registration Group*	\$47 per man
(At least 10 or more men registering together)	
Early Registration*	\$56 per man
(For 9 or less men)	
Student Registration*	\$32 per man
(Ages 13-22 Full-time college students and ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY)	
Standard Registration	\$62 per man
Lunch	\$8 per man

16 DIFFERENT EQUIPPING SEMINARS

For the past **15 years** the RPM Team has been committed to offering seminars at Iron Sharpens Iron that are equipping & encouraging to every man. They are meant to inspire you to live as a Godly Man in an ungodly world. Whether you are 13 or 80 you will find relevancy and variety in the bible focused teaching at our conferences.

REGISTER WITH THE MEN OF YOUR CHURCH

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Meet The Teams

Saturday, August 21st
will be the Fall Meet the Teams
at the
Murphysboro High School



MISSION Sunday

August 15th, During Worship

Reports From: Youth & Kids Camp

VBS, Mission Team


Ron McLaughlin

Mission Trip Reception

1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Cookies & Drinks will be served.

THE OL' SKOOL GOSPEL JAMBOREE



GOSPEL MUSIC FESTIVAL IN MURPHYSBORO!

THE SHELL AT RIVERSIDE PARK IN MURPHYSBORO

Saturday, August 14, 2021 @ 3:00 PM

FEATURING SONGS FROM THE 70S, 80S, & 90S!

FOOD AND DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

FREE WILL DONATION WILL BE ACCEPTED

BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR/BLANKET

COORDINATOR: YOLANDA HARRINGTON 618-967-6064

Leadership Council Meeting June 15, 2021 6:00 pm

Opening Prayer: Pastor Shaker

Devotional-Spiritual Growth and Teaching-Compared the differences between the Old Testament, New Testament and present day interpretations.

Ministry Team Reports:

- Outreach, Evangelism & Missions: Kristy Dunning, Tina Evans Mission Moment for June were the Stanton's. Larry and Becky spoke briefly, and shared a video of their mission. Mission Trip team has 15 members, going to Eastern Kentucky, July 5-10. Approved Love gifts of \$50 to SPIN; \$500 to ABC Men's Disaster Relief fund; \$250 to a Murphysboro family in need; \$250 to Maria Duelle's mom's medical need; \$50 for a student's mission trip. Plan to send small gifts to church family for marriages, new babies, etc.
- Youth & Kids Ministry: Kari Graff, Tammy Davis Youth: Youth Groups are taking the summer off, will meet weekly, when school begins. Guys Group is available to work at people's houses. Have 45 students going to Youth Camp, at the end of June Girls Groups are going well, doing some fund raisers for Fall Retreats. August will be a Kick-Off for School. Kids: AWANA program, is going great! Kids are learning memory versus and having a great time. The program will run through the summer and Promotion Sunday will happen in August. VBS will be June 6-11, Sunday June 13, will be the VBS closing celebration with a picnic, snow cones, and the firetruck. Monday Funday's will be back this summer, June 21st, noon to 4pm. Barb T. will be coordinating this. Baptism classes for kids are happening with a Baptism scheduled for August. Kids Camp will be in July. AWANA Event for School Kickoff is being planned for August.
- Adult Small Groups & Bible Studies Ministry: Kari Graff & Steve Wilkerson The Men's Group, lead by Steve Wilkerson and Women's group, led by Kathie Grob and Judy Rawls that meet on Wednesday evenings, are going well. Two adult groups/Sunday school classes, led by Vicki Ardrey and Suzanne Goad, meet in person. The senior adults class will resume meeting on June 13, led by Ron McLaughlin. Two members are prayerfully considering teaching new adult classes.
- Financial and Stewardship: Vicki Ardrey Financial Report: Balances to the end of April 2021 were approved by consensus. Scott Evans continues to reconcile account balances to get reports up to date.
- Building and Grounds: Judy Rawls, Tony Stamm Pavilion moving forward, making progress on building structure.

Need to remove telephone pole and realign the fence, to keep Church Bus secure. Water leak in the Ministry Care Team closet has been located. Roof needs to be dry before work can begin. Discussed relocating, replacing and installing new Flag Pole. Getting bids on the following repairs: Trimming trees. Roofing/Brick flashing leaks on Education Wing Windows. Exposed bricks in the stairwells. Parlor Sound-proof dividers. Carpet for Pastor's study and office-end of summer. Repairs to soffit on south/west side of building. Landscaping in front of church, to hide A/C units and pipes. Need someone to keep track maintenance/service, tags, etc. for the church bus, van and trailer.

- Special Events/Kitchen & Dinners: Frances Reiman Coffee hour resumed Sunday, June 6th. Provided snacks for the week of VBS, averaging 50 kids. Served hot dogs and burgers to about 80 during the VBS closing picnic, Sunday June 13. When Wednesday night dinners resume in the fall, they will be looking for volunteers. The men's group have offered to fix a meal, as well as, Jesse and the youth.
- Worship Ministry: Vicki Ardrey, Tina Evans Sunday Services continues to be aired online on the FBC Murphy Facebook page. Special gifts have been ordered for Father's Day, Ryan and Dakota will be doing a special song. Baptism Sunday being scheduled in August.
- Technology Team: Kevin Penrod Volunteers are needed to run the sound booth. Working on getting website up to date and make livestream look good each week. Jesse mentioned his and Gayla's computers were not compatible with the Adobe program. He recommended that they move Gayla's computer to his office and order a new computer for Gayla, from Sinc. Council approved the move and the ordering of a new computer for Gayla.
- Staff Relations: Tammy Davis Reviewed job descriptions and met with Kathie and Denise. Kathie's staff position was changed from Nursery Coordinator to Sunday Morning Kids Coordinator. Jesse will train Denise on additional tasks associated with the finance program.
- Pastoral Staffing: Tony Stamm Committee continues to meet weekly. Spoke with a Graphic Designer regarding ideas for the Church profile. They are working on the Packet paperwork required by ABC, before they can review applicant profiles.

Reminders and Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 6:00 pm.

Next Trimester Business Meeting: August 1st

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

August 1

Matt & Elaine Hardwig

August 8

Dave & Vicki Ardrey

August 15

Rhett & Angela Barke

August 22

Buddy & Helen Payne

August 29

Matt & Melinda Guthman

If you are unable to help contact the church office by Friday.

MEALS ON WHEELS

August 23-27

Cancelled Until Further Notice

FBC will continue as it has been for over a year, with just the one meal a week (1hot, 1 frozen), until further notice



VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to our many

GREETERS

August 1

Matt & Elaine Hardwig

August 8

Anna Jenkins & Judy Rawls

August 15

Robert Heiple & Tina Shinskey

August 22

Buddy & Helen Payne

August 29

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Words of Appreciation

Thank you so much for Grayson's gift card. We truly appreciate you thoughts! We can't wait for you to meet our sweet Grayson! Love Sam, Rylie, & Baby Grayson

Thank you so much for your generous donation to the Tourette Association of America, MO Chapter and for the opportunity to speak with your congregation on behalf of the Schuman Family, It was such a lovely afternoon. Your hospitality and interest is much appreciated. We are truly grateful for the fellowship and support you have provided.

Thank You, Lynn Dunlap

HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAYS!

1	DeAnn Stilley	14	Andrea Waddington
1	Trenton Moore	14	Sheila Echols
4	Macie Mifflin	15	Shirley Forbes
5	Madeline Dunning	17	Trinity Troutman
6	Dawson Graff	19	Kari Graff
7	Thomas Reams	20	Bennett Grither
8	Amy Karg	22	Marsha Heiple
10	Julie Sikorski	22	Doug Edgar
10	Kelly Mileur	23	Myles Guthman
10	Zane Goad	24	Brian Blaise
12	Eric Waddington	28	Jesse Boudet
13	Angela Barke	28	Kay Reiman
13	Frances Reiman	29	Clay Brewer



AUGUST 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:30 AM Coffee Hour 8:30 AM Prayer in Pastor's Study 8:40 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9:00 AM AWANA GO! 9:00 AM Small Groups 10:00 AM AWANA Kids Club 10:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Worship with Communion 11:15 AM Trimester Business Meeting	2 7:30 AM Prayer in Pastor's Study 9:00 AM Ministry Care Team 10:00 AM Ladies Exercise Class 7:00 PM Crossfire HS Guys Group	3 7:30 AM Prayer in Pastor's Study 6:00 PM Crossfire HS Girls	4 7:30 AM Prayer in Pastor's Study 10:30 AM PrimeTime Trip to O'Charley's 11:00 AM FBC Kids Wet Wednesday 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study 6:00 PM Women's Bible Study	5 7:30 AM Prayer in Pastor's Study 10:00 AM Ladies Exercise Class 6:00 PM Crossfire MS Group 7:00 PM Worship Team Practice	6 7:30 AM Prayer in Pastor's Study	7 Sidewalk Prophets Great Family Reunion @ the Cross
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