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Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints

Survey Results

Here are the results from the survey on restarting programs in the church.

138 members responded to the survey. 72% of respondents were female & 28% were male

The age group w/ the highest response was those over 60 (54%). Those age 46-60 were next (20%). Then

those 31-45 (20%). Those 19-30 (4%) & those

13-18 (2%).

As we look to the future, 66% of those surveyed think we should continue providing 2 worship services each Sunday.

66% of respondents think we should begin to restart small groups.

58% said they would attend on-site Sunday School.

In considering this information, I think it advisable to slowly restart the programs. Beginning on Sunday, September 13, those who choose to meet for Sunday school may do so given the teacher(s) is/ are agreeable and the class adheres to the Church's guidelines for reopening. The guidelines for <u>ALL</u> small group meetings can be found later in this newsletter. Those

who prefer to meet via Zoom or Facebook may do so given they provide the SS Superintendent w/ the data necessary for record keeping. The AWANA program will begin on Sunday night, September 13 at 4:00 pm. All other programming will begin at a later date. This schedule is subject to change based on the circumstances

surrounding the virus. Any changes will be determined by the Church Council and ministry leaders in conjunction with the Pastor.

Thanks for your continued patience and prayers

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes



This might be the most important year to reach children for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In the midst of a pandemic, children are frightened, families are struggling and people don't know what hope they have for the future. We want children around the world to know that God loves them. He

has not forgotten them, and that He cares for them very much. Operation Christmas Child is a powerful way to share the message of God's love, and we are proceeding full speed ahead so we can deliver giftfilled boxes to millions of children.

Every shoebox gift you pack represents one more boy or girl we can reach with the Gospel. Dozens of countries that have been wrecked by the virus are opening back up to receive and distribute shoebox gifts. At a time when many missionaries have had to retreat from their fields, our church partners worldwide are stepping into the gap and are ready to use these gifts along with the literature we provide to share the Gospel.

Information provided by Operation Christmas Child --Boone, NC

So church family let's take this opportunity to help spread the Gospel through a shoebox.



AWANA MEETINGS RESUME SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 4:00-5:00PM Ages 2 Years—6th Grade Classes on 2 1/2 Floor

BENEVOLENCE

As most of you know Jose and Karen Castro experienced a fire in their home a few weeks ago. Their whole kitchen was destroyed and the rest of the home received smoke and water damage. If you would like to help them with their immediate needs you may send them gift cards (i.e. Walmart, Food Lion, Kroger, etc.) to:

Jose and Karen Castro c/o Marietta Gunter 1470 Trent Hill Dr. Bassett, VA 24055

Pastor Larry



Prayer Room Ministry

Prayer Room Phone Number

647-3777

Financial Report

Complete Reports will be available when the Finance Committee is able to resume meeting.

Thank You Cards

First Baptist Church of Collinsville,

Thank you so much for the potted plant you sent for the funeral of our mother. Dot Jones. Our mother loved her church family and, on her behalf, we thank you for all the friendship and kindness you showed her over the years. Special thanks to Pastor Larry for his assistance.

Sincerely Rhonda Casey and Diane Scearce

Dear First Baptist Family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful potted plant given by you in honor of my mom's passing. Your thoughtfulness and kind thoughts and prayers during this time are very much appreciated. Mom love you all so very much! Sincerely, C. B. Mullins

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so very much for the cards, prayers, calls and Pastor Larry sitting with my family during my surgery. Thanks to the choir for bringing delicious food when I returned from the hospital. (Ken really enjoyed this). Please continue to pray that my body will be healed. All acts of kindness is very much appreciated.

Loving my church family, Becky Wagoner

Grace Network

Grace Network is returning to normal hours to help people with services such as rent, utility and food assistance. They will be working by appointments only. If you have a need please call 638-8500.

They are also accepting food items from participating churches. FBCC's food item for September is Corn Bread Mix (i.e.: Jiffy) Just bring to the church and the Benevolence Committee will take to Grace Network.

In Sympathy:

Geraldine " Gerry" Nofsinger, wife of Harold Nofsinger Mary W. Lambert, mother of Martha Newman Stanley Chaney, son of Lois Dalton Essie Janey, member of FBCC and friend of many

New Contact Information

Betty Hall

cell number only 340-6032 Anne Mayo, Waddell Nursing & Rehab. Center, 202 Painter St., Galax, VA 24333

Irene Lillian Hall, PruittHealth Carolina Point, 5935 Mount Sinai Road, Durham, NC 27705

W M U News

Hello Church family:

We are continuing to do our Mission Action during these uncertain times, there are so many needs and we will work through this the very best we can!

This month I carried 38 birthday bags to the Hairston Home they were delighted to say the least and they sent their thanks to you all! Such a blessing to see their faces and their gratefulness! Thank you all for contributing so much, there were several things I could not fit into the bags and will save them for future projects.

Please be in prayer for Samaritans Purse, as we collect boxes during September and October! The boxes will be available in the foyer under the Tapestry, and also Sunday morning drive-in services. They can be brought to your car if needed.

Also, as you know, we sent money to the Virginia WMU for Standing Rock, they also have many needs and we want to continue to support them.

My prayers are for you all as we go forward, Lana Martin

Grace Network Pumpkin Patch



Once again FBCC will be helping out at the *Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser* for Grace Network. If you would like to volunteer to help with this ministry by volunteering a few hours of your time to please contact the church office at 647-3774.

Pumpkins will go on sale on Saturday, September 26. If you volunteer to help sell the pumpkins you

will be required to wear a mask while there are customers in the checkout area. They will have gloves and sanitizer available and encourage you to change and dispose of your gloves often. Shifts will be on Mon. thru Fri. 1:00-4:00pm or 4:00-7:00pm. Sat. will be (9:00am-1:00pm or 4:00 -5:00pm and Sun. 1:30pm-5:00pm. You can volunteer to work a whole shift or just a couple of hours. This is a nice way to help Grace Network with their fundraiser.

People purchasing pumpkins will be asked to wear a mask and practice social distancing if there are other customers there. Shopping cart and tables will be wiped down after each customer.

Guidelines for Reopening FBCC Ministries

Beginning Sunday September 13th, Ministry leaders desiring to reopen their respective ministries may do so given the following guidelines are observed:

- Ministry leaders must ensure they have the support of the ministry assistants needed to effectively conduct their respective program.
- Ministry leaders must contact participants to determine their willingness to participate in the program. If the level of participation is not high enough to sustain the program, then reopening should be delayed.
- Parents choosing to allow their children to participate in a program must sign a waiver before their child can begin.
- Ministry leaders must have a plan in place for maintaining social distancing while the program is being conducted.
- Ministry leaders must adhere to the following criteria for sanitizing the area used for their respective ministry:
 - 1) All tables, chairs, counters used during the program should be wiped down w/approved solution upon conclusion of the program.
 - 2) All light switches, door handles, water faucets should be wiped down w/ approved solution upon conclusion of the program.
 - 3) Any other hard surfaced material (tub, toy, book, etc.) used during the program should be wiped down w/approved solution upon conclusion of the program.
 - 4) After sanitizing, a sign indicating the area has been cleaned should be placed in a location that is visible to others.
 - 5) After sanitizing, a check sheet indicating when the area was cleaned & by whom should be completed.
 - 6) In the event ministry leaders are unable to clean immediately following the conclusion of their program, the pastor should be notified.
 - 7) All ministry leaders should use the sanitizer and cleaning supplies provided by the church.
- Bathroom(s) will be cleaned by the custodian after the program has finished & before the next scheduled use.
- The playground will be sanitized Monday thru Thursday so that children attending the Weekday Program may use the equipment. Sanitization will take place after the children have left the campus. Four volunteers (one for each day) will ensure the equipment is sanitized & ready for the next day of use.
- All cleaning supplies used in the sanitization of an area will be provided by the church & paid for w/funds from line item 808a (Janitorial Supplies) of the 2020-2021 FBCC Budget.
- In the event someone involved w/ a program is diagnosed w/ COVID-19, that person (leader or participant) will not be allowed to participate until he or she has met the health protocol set forth by the BDH.
- In the event two or more people involved w/ a program (leader or participant) are diagnosed w/ COVID-19, that ministry will be suspended for a minimum of 14 days and requirements set forth by the VDH must be met before the program can be resumed.
- Ministry leaders must inform the pastor when someone (leader or participant) involved with their program is diagnosed with COVID-19.
- In the event, someone involved in a program (leader or participant) is diagnosed with COVID-19, all other parties involved with that program must be informed.
- Ministry leaders who choose not to comply with these guidelines may not continue their program until they agree to abide by this standard for ministry.

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Prayer Time (Prayer Room)	9:30-9:40 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Sunday Worship Service	11:00 am
Children's Church	
Awana	5:00 pm
Wednesday Evening Activities:	
Children's Choir Practice K thru 6th grade	5:30 pm
Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
RA's & GA's	6:30 pm
Yuth IMPACT (Middle & High School	6:33 pm
Mission Friends	6:45 pm
Prayer Service	6:45 pm
Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

September Birthdays 01 Doris Walker 01 Milton Pace 02 Leah Johnson 06 Phillip Turner 06 Doug Gibson 07 George Gentry 07 Janice Garrett 07 Randy Goad 07 Kemper Terry 08 Sam Torian, III 08 Winona Lamkin 08 Tracie Slack 09 Wes Martin 10 Delano Thomasson 10 Suzanne Turner 10 Raymond Rivera 11 Frances Arrington 12 Amanda Harter 12 Richard Ramsey 12 Mike Womack 12 Jordan Butchko 13 Jim Garrett 14 Betty Hall 14 Danny Pagans 15 Gail Atwood

15 Joe Frazier 16 Roslynn Foddrell 17 Barbara Prillaman 19 Shirley Ramsey 20 Tim Gauldin 20 Lucy Roldan 20 Betty Lavinder 20 Dickie Martin 20 Rilee Harter 21 April Lents 21 Shirley Parcell 21 Lana Martin 22 Ruby Meyers 22 Ronald Lemons 23 Katie Wood 23 Mason Ferguson 23 Elijah Beachy 24 Belinda Ashworth 24 Heather Perry 24 Jummy Otajumoka 26 Brandi Lackey 28 Scott Patterson 28 Kelly Whitlow 29 Luke Ashworth 30 Luke Craven

October Birthdays

01 Christine McAlexander 01 Eddie Conner 02 Mona Turner 02 Scott Terry 03 Betsy Ivey 04 Kathy Draper 06 Lee Mobley 06 Alex Alley 06 Alex Alley 06 Katelyn Cobb 07 Curtis Stone 07 JoeAnn Belcher 07 John Flanagan 07 William Blackwell

September Anniversaries

07 Norman & Joyce Jacobs 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

<u>October Anniversaries</u>

06 Tony & Helen Alley Crane 06 Jonathan & Sarah France 07 Maynard & Ruby Huff 09 Charlie & Diane F. Turner 12 Tim & Gail Atwood 16 Len & Suzanne Turner 17 George & Carol Gentry 18 Paul & Sherrie Setliff 29 Bruce & Cindy Adkins



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