

# Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



## OJT (On the Job Training)

*He went up on the mountain and summoned those whom He Himself wanted, and they came to Him. <sup>14</sup> And He appointed twelve, so that they would be with Him and that He could send them out to preach, <sup>15</sup> and to have authority to cast out the demons. (Mark 3:13-15).*

What comes to mind when you hear the word “training”? Maybe you think about an athlete preparing for a competition. Maybe you think about a parent raising a child or a new employee being trained for a job. Or maybe images come to mind of a soldier being trained for battle or a doctor in residency being trained for a career in the medical field. However you picture it, when a person is trained, he or she is prepared to do a job.

Training is more than just knowing the right things! It’s also doing the right things for the right reasons. Training produces competence. When a lawyer is fully trained, he or she knows they are competent to give sound legal advice. When a financial advisor is fully trained, he or she can assess and manage someone’s financial portfolio. Fully-trained plumbers are competent to fix water pipes or lay down a new system. Fully-trained computer experts are competent in the most current hardware and software. Training produces competence!

The same is true spiritually. When Jesus chose His twelve Apostles they immediately entered into a training program that consisted of spending time with Him, listening to what He said, and following His example for ministry. Jesus invested Himself in these men so they would be fully competent and ready to lead the Christian movement after He returned to Heaven. Jesus trained His disciples. In fact, that is the definition of a disciple—someone who is fully trained by a master.

And what is the result of this training? Jesus said, “... everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher,” (Luke 6:40, ESV). The goal of a disciple’s training is to look and act like Jesus—to reflect both the character and competencies of Jesus so we can carry on His work. This is what God wants for all Christians. He wants us to be fully trained, fully prepared, fully competent, and ready to carry on His work of making other people into disciples. The truth I would like to point out in this article is this—if we will be who we are supposed to be (Christ followers), we will do what we are expected to do (make disciples). Would it be accurate to describe you as a disciple of Jesus? I hope so. This is what God expects and what our church and world need most.

Blessings in Christ.

Pastor Larry



*Happy Mother’s Day*  
*Sunday, May 9*



**Memorial Day**  
**Monday, May 31**  
(Church office closed)



**Happy Belated**  
**90th Birthday to:**  
**Mr. Harold Nofsinger**  
**on March 30, 2021**  
**Mrs. Ruby Wright**  
**on April 22, 1021**



## Prayer Room Ministry

Prayer Room  
Phone Number 647-3777

## Graduate Sunday

Sunday, May 16, 2021

Honoring our FBCC College and High School Graduates.



## June Lamplighter Graduation Edition!

In addition to recognizing our FBCC graduates during the service on May 16th, we also plan to publish a list of graduates in the June Lamplighter. If you have a grandchild that is graduating in 2021 and would like to include them in the list for the Lamplighter, please call or email the church office with the information by Monday, May 17th.



## Gift Card Shower In honor of Mason Gary and Kaylyn Bridges

A drop-box will be placed near the tapestry on Sundays May 9 and 16 for any well wishes and/or cards as they prepare for their new life as husband and wife. They are registered at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond.  
College and Careers

## Book of the Month.....

### God Works All Things Together for Your Good

By: Robert J. Morgan



What if you knew—what if you really knew—that everything that happened to you would eventually work for good in your life?

Would it change the way you felt, thought, and lived?

Dramatically! That's the unstoppable power of Romans 8:28, the ultimate promise in the Bible, that all things work for the good of those who love Him, to those who are called according to His purpose.

## New Email Addresses

**FBCC:** firstbaptistcollinsvilleva@gmail.com

**Larry:** pastorlarrycheek@gmail.com

**Sandy:** fbccsandy Moses@gmail.com

**Ruby:** fbccrubyhuff@gmail.com

## In Sympathy:

Martha Cobler, sister-in-law of Ellin Cobler  
Clyde Prillaman, husband of Phyllis Prillaman  
Jeffery Martin, brother of Janet Malone and nephew of  
Shirley Hodges

Doug Wood, husband of Rachel Wood  
Marie Robertson, sister of Dottie Turner

## New Contact Information

Dale & Nancy McGhee, 300 Kings Way Rd., Apt. 104 West,  
Martinsville, VA 24112

Linda Newsome, 467 Crestwood Rd., Apt. 2,  
Collinsville, VA 24078 Phone: 276-647-3132



Awana "Family" Group Meeting  
Sundays @ 4:00pm  
Picnic Shelter  
(weather permitting)  
or Inside



## VBS 2021 "Concrete and Cranes" July 18-22

Please mark these dates on your calendar  
We will need more workers this year in order to  
keep class sizes down  
If you would like to volunteer, please see  
Rebecca Vernon or Suzanne Terry

Ladies Card Ministry  
(2nd Monday of the Month)  
Monday, May 10 @ 12:00 noon  
SonShine Classroom  
Making Birthday and Anniversary Cards



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Additional  
Contributions To  
Annie Armstrong

**Total Received to Date: \$9,800.00!!!**

## Looking Ahead.....

May 09: Mother's Day

May 10: Ladies Card Ministry (Sonshine Class)

May 16: Graduate Sunday

May 24: Finance & Church Council Meeting (Zoom)

May 30: Memorial Sunday

May 31: Memorial Day—Church Office Closed

June 20: Father's Day

July 04: Independence Day

July 18-22: VBS

### *Thank You Cards*

Dear First Baptist Church of Collinsville and Operation Christmas Child (OCC) Project Leader,

On behalf of the Blue Ridge VA OCC area team I would like to thank you for packing 380 shoeboxes for 2020. Each shoebox truly made a difference in a child's life and spreading the gospel. In 2020 the Blue Ridge area collected a total of 11,390 shoeboxes! 254 of them were built online. The 2020 world wide total number of shoeboxes was 9,113,853 with 413,000 of them built on line. 1.2 million decisions were made to follow Christ through the greatest journey! You were a part of this and we are so thankful for you. If there is anything my team or I could do for you in the 2021 year please feel free to contact me. If you already have a contact member on the team you may also contact them.

*God Bless, Chelsea Prevento, Blue Ridge VA OCC Student Coordinator*

First Baptist Church Family,

We want to thank you all for your generosity and sympathy during the loss of our beloved Barbara. We greatly appreciate your prayers, loving kindness, phone calls, visits, cards and the meals that were brought to the house. We are thankful to have a church family that has given us so much support through our grief.

*In Christ, Rudy Kobelia & family*

FBCC Church Family: I would like to thank everyone for your phone calls, cards, offers of help and especially your prayers while I have been undergoing my chemo treatments. I want to give a special thanks to Tommy Harris for his many calls and words of encouragement during this time. Please continue your prayers as I go through more treatments in the future.

*Ralph Shropshire*

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for remembering our family in the home-going of Daddy, Clyde Prillaman. We so appreciate the beautiful dish garden you sent us. Your thoughts and prayers mean so much.



### **WMU Mission Action for May and June:**

We are doing this Mission Action for Standing Rock in North Dakota for May and June. We are planning to do 150 Backpacks for elementary and preschool. 100 for elementary age and 50 for preschool.

*I have already met with the facilitators of each circle and they have chosen a number that their circles can do. Following is a list of the requested items for the backpacks; Preschool Kit: coloring books, crayons, book, small stuffed animal and word/number/educational cards.*

Elementary age, 1st-6th! 1 Subject Notebook (wide ruled) \$ 1.00, 1 Composition Book \$.88 Notebook paper (wide ruled) \$1.00, 2 glue sticks \$.50, 2 Plastic prong Folders \$1.00, 1 package Black or Blue pens- \$1.00, 1 package No 2 pencils 20 ct. \$1.00, 1 package Colored pencils \$1.00, Pencil pouch or box-\$1.00, Pink eraser -2 pk. \$.97, 1' binder \$2.00, pencil sharpener \$.97 and individual hand sanitizer bottles-2 oz. \$.50.

Shirley has purchased backpacks in bulk at a cost of \$4.00 each and will be paid for by the WMU funds. She will see that each facilitator receives backpacks for their circle. We have two months to get this together and we are also inviting the church to be a part of this ministry if they feel led to. I would like to have these ready no later than June 25th, so they can be sent to the WMU of VA. They will have to be transported by car, so hopefully we can find someone going that way.

As we continue to minister to our community and world, I am so grateful for the generosity of God's people at FBCC.

I am also so excited that we far exceeded our goal for Annie Armstrong offering, over \$9,000.00 dollars! We are blessed to be able to do this in these difficult days and please know that our Missionaries are also grateful for the support!

*Matthew 28: 18-20*

*Blessings to you all, Lana*

P.S. The backpacks are in, and Shirley will be handing them out to the facilitators this Sunday with a copy of what is suggested to go in the backpacks. There will also be backpacks available to anyone else that would like to help with this ministry.

### ***Memorial Sunday***

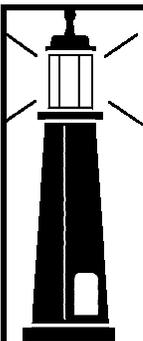
On Sunday, May 30th, we will remember our church members as well as spouses, parents, siblings and children of our FBCC family who passed away in 2020 until present. We have sent out a letter to each family inviting them to the service and to share a picture with us. We will need the picture by May 14th. If you have lost an immediate member of your family and have not received a letter, please call the church office at 647-3774 to let us know.

### **Sunday School Resumes**

**Sunday, June 6, 2021**

More information to follow





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Sunday Inside Worship Service 10:00am  
(Can listen in the parking lot on FM87.9)

Sunday Services & Wednesday night  
Devotions are available on www.youtube.com  
Just search First Baptist Church of Collinsville



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Return Service  
Requested

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**May Birthdays**

- 02 Agnes VanHulzen
- 02 Carrie Williams
- 03 Ann Thomason
- 04 Tim Atwood
- 04 Sidney Lavinder
- 04 Wendy Gilbert
- 04 Tami Olaiya
- 05 Allison Prato
- 05 Hope Johnson
- 05 Michael Walker
- 05 Alan Teal
- 06 Dee Webb
- 06 Judson Eggleston
- 07 Sarah France
- 07 Shelly Gibson
- 11 Sylvia McKinney
- 14 Everett Lawson
- 15 Terrie Roberson
- 17 Temple Mays
- 18 Katrell Ramsey
- 18 Wendy Watkins
- 19 Marci Emberson
- 20 Shirley Hodges
- 21 Edith Sharpe
- 21 Hank Joyce
- 21 Jessica Shelton
- 22 Tina Maxey
- 24 Phyllis Geramita
- 25 Michael Vernon (child)

- 26 Joan Collins
- 26 Sammy Shelton
- 26 Scott Spencer
- 26 Daniel Perry
- 28 Anna Hall
- 29 Douglas Huff
- 29 Rick Love
- 29 Blake Minter
- 30 Sammy Eanes
- 31 Danny Robertson
- 31 Judah Beachy

**June Birthdays**

- 01 Gideon Huddle
- 01 Tim Knight
- 01 Mike Kennett
- 01 Lisa West
- 01 Styles Geramita
- 02 Nicholas Alley
- 02 David Kinney, Jr.
- 03 Chris Roetken
- 03 Rocky Rockwell
- 04 Bob Hall
- 04 Ricky Anderson
- 05 Faye Haynes
- 05 Bruce Adkins
- 05 Tommy Houston
- 05 Dustin Beckner
- 06 Steve Edwards
- 06 Becky Fontaine
- 07 Elizabeth Decker Howell

**May Anniversaries**

- 01 Roger & Judy Dodson
- 05 Sidney & Betty Lavinder
- 06 Ricky & Sharon Anderson
- 07 Steve & Leslie Houston
- 09 Jeff & Wendy Watkins
- 16 Brad & Sue Ella Ferguson
- 16 Tom & Ellen Prato
- 17 Robert & Kit Scott
- 20 Jimmy & Pam Joyce
- 23 Alan & Elizabeth Teal
- 29 Scott & Suzanne Terry
- 30 Wayne & Becky Johnson

**June Anniversaries**

- 02 Chas & Phyllis Geramita
- 03 Bill & Bobbie Joyce
- 05 Joe & Tina Haskins
- 05 Scott & Tonia Patterson
- 08 Dale & Debbie Hancock
- 09 Chris & Martha Newman
- 12 Keith & Paige Scott
- 13 H.D. & Debbie Linkous
- 21 Mackenzie & Melanie Eggleston
- 23 Jeremy & Stacy Craven
- 24 Allen & Katrell Ramsey
- 27 Steve & Nancy Edwards
- 28 Hugh & Brenda Hagood
- 29 Ralph & Willa Shropshire

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

We are continuing to have one service at 10:00am in the sanctuary. If you prefer not to come inside, you can tune your car radio to FM 87.9 to hear the service while in the parking lot. If you plan to remain in your car, you can park on the 220 side or the John Redd side for the best reception. If you plan to come inside, you will want to park on the John Redd side and enter through the triple doors to the sanctuary. Remember to wear your face mask and social distance.

**MAY FOOD ITEM FOR GRACE NETWORK**

Bisquick  
(baking mix—small)

**HYGINE ITEMS NEEDED**

Feminine Products  
Toilet Paper, Deodorant

(Drop-off bin near church office)