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Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



## **SCAM ALERT**

A few months back I received a call one morning that informed me I had won something from Publisher's Clearing House Sweepstakes. According to the caller, I had won a sum of money and a car. I was told that representatives from PCH were about an hour away from my home and I was going to receive a call in the next few minutes to confirm my identity. Let me tell you, I was ecstatic to hear this "good news." There was just one problem. I had not entered the sweepstakes in over thirty years. The next call did in fact arrive just minutes after the first caller hung up, but I ignored the call. I am pretty sure it was an attempt to gain personal information. We must not allow ourselves to be deceived by scam artists who seek to take advantage of us or destroy us.

This goes for us spiritually as well. Occasionally, Satan seeks to infiltrate our lives by placing one of his scam artist in our path. Paul told the Romans to, "Watch out for people who cause divisions and upset people's faith by teaching things contrary to what you have been taught. Stay away from them. <sup>18</sup> Such people are not serving Christ our Lord; they are serving their own personal interests. By smooth talk and glowing words they deceive innocent people" (Romans 16:17-18, NLT). Paul provides us with several ways to recognize a spiritual scam. First, a spiritual scam will seek to cause conflict or dissension among God's people. Second, a spiritual scam will challenge one's faith. Remember, Satan's question to Eve in the Garden of Eden. Third, a spiritual scam will contradict God's word. Fourth, a spiritual scam will champion the causes of the person rather than Christ. The best way to avoid being taken in by a spiritual scam artist is to know the truth and apply to our everyday life. Do not allow yourself to be scammed by the devil.

Blessings in Christ.

Pastor Larry

### Vote on Calling Associate Pastor of Youth and Education

On Sunday, February 27 the members of FBCC voted to call Christian Lund as Associate Pastor of Youth and Education with a vote of **140 Yes and 9 No.** Christian accepted the call and will be joining our staff soon.

# NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONARY WEEK

March 6th—12th

You Are Invited When: March 8th Where: FBCC Social Hall Time: 6:00pm Speakers: Joe & Hope Johnson



**Ryan & Rebecca Beachy** Come share a sub with us and hear the Beachys

and the Johnsons share their experiences as Missionaries in Mexico. This is open for all church members.



# March 27

The youth of FBCC will be sharing in music and testimony, so please plan on being here to support them and to enjoy the gifts God has bestowed upon them.



## **Prayer Room Ministry**

Phone Number 647-3777



Tuesday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Larry 10:00am SonShine Classroom Everyone is invited to attend



Ladíes Card Mínístry (2nd Monday of the Month) Monday, March 14, 12:00 noon SonShíne Classroom

Making Birthday and Anniversary Cards

## Secure Online Giving thru Realm

You can now give through our church website at www.firstbaptistcollinsville.org

#### March Grace Network Food Item

Juice (40-64 oz)

March Featured Items

Toothpaste, Deodorant, Feminine Products

### **January Report**

Monthly Offering needed	53,840
(5 Sundays)	
Monthly Offering Received	37,022
Rental Income	1,800
Other Income	-0-
Monthly Operating Expenses	25,381
Operating Account Balance	326,561
CD's & Savings Balance	61,617
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	5,043
Benevolence Designated Fund	1,925
Project Hope	1,461
Bereavement Meal Ministry	2,474
Van Fund	13,398
Building Improvement Fund	35,170

Detailed finance reports are available at the information stands located in the vestibule areas of the sanctuary, or you may call the church office if you would like a copy mailed to you.

### In Sympathy:

Pat Walker, mother of Mike Walker Jeanne Payne, aunt of Beverly Rakes Glenn Greenway, brother-in-law of Becky Wagoner Bill Joyce, husband of Bobbie Joyce, father of Taujinia Martin and grandfather of Brandon Martin Lois Dalton, friend of many



### NEW ARRIVAL

Ruby Meyers proudly announces the birth of her great grandson, Keegan Foster

Miller. Little Mr. Keegan was born on February 15 and weighed 5 lbs. 15 ozs. And was 19.25" long. He is the son of Brandon and Tabatha Miller, (granddaughter of Ruby Meyers), and grandson of Dean and Donna Prillaman.



## **Easter Services**

Sunday, April 10: Communion Saturday, April 16: Easter Egg Hun Sunday, April 17: Sunrise Service/6:45am

### 'Evangelism/Mission Development'

This committee's ongoing effort is to involve members of our church in Christian outreach opportunities throughout our community.

We have an idea for an event we hope to unveil for the end of March/first part of April. We'll have more details after March 6. Be watching for that!

The Summer recreation season is almost here, meaning that we need to move forward on plans to hold weekly Christian worship services at Goose Point Park on Philpott Lake. We will only have to cover one service (on a weekend) per month, assuming we can find 3-4 other churches to help. But, we need 2-4 people to step up and commit to running this program. It doesn't have to be fancy, just Biblical and uplifting for guests to our area. Rocky has already volunteered to be a part, and will coordinate this effort.

The new county jail will be opening at the end of this month or early next month! We have a great opportunity to ramp up Christian outreach to inmates and their families to impact them with the love of Jesus Christ and minister to help them turn over a new leaf upon their release. Joe Collins has offered to come and talk with a group that is interested in helping out - there is plenty to do, even for those who don't want to actually go into the jail. Let Rocky know if you're interested in coming to hear what Joe has to say.

Lastly, if you would be interested in being on a list of people willing to respond to disasters, we want to have the leadership of God's Pit Crew come and talk with us.

Please be in prayer about where God is asking you to get involved. Remember the words of Jesus, "I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another." (John 13:34)



### WMU News

As I write this, it is a rainy day, but in preparation for the Spring to come, already have some daffodils peeking out of the ground. I love the seasons we have in Virginia!

Thank you ladies for the wonderful response we had for the Foster Care Children. We have a tote full of goodies for those precious children! I will deliver them on Thursday, February 24th

Our Mission Action for March is the Harmony Hall. We will have a Bingo Birthday party for them, having refreshments and playing bingo! I am asking each circle for a roll of quarters to give them when they win. We try to give them 50 cents to use in the drink machine. They enjoy this so much, and it has been 2 years since we have been with them! We will go on March 30th, leaving the church about 1:00pm. No more than 3 or 4 people can go, which is all we need!

Remember March the 8th at 6:00 we will all meet together for our March meeting. Joe and Hope Johnson and Rebecca and Ryan Beachy will be our guest speakers. We will provide Subs and chips and cookies for a lite meal!!

Thank you all again for your love for others and our Lord as we reach out to those in need!

Blessings,

Lana Martin

#### Mark Your Calendar.....

March 01: Bible Study with Pastor Larry March 06: Parents of K-6th grade meeting with Felecia McBride in S. Hall after Worship service in the Social Hall March 08: Bible Study with Pastor Larry March 08: All WMU Groups meeting with Speakers Ryan & Rebecca Beachy and Joe & Hope Johnson/Social Hall March 12: Youth Humble Hands—Henry Co. Waste Site March 13: Daylight Savings Time Begins March 14: Ladies Card Ministry March 15: Bible Study with Pastor Larry March 20: Deacons Meeting after worship Service March 27: Youth Sunday March 28: Finance & Church Council Mtg. March 29: Bible Study with Pastor Larry April 09: Humble Hands @ Henry Co. Waste Site April 10: Communion Sunday April 11: Ladies Card Ministry Meeting April 16: Easter Egg Hunt April 17: Easter Sunday May 01: Outdoor Service/BBQ and Family Day Go to our Church Website to view the full Calendar www.firstbaptistcollinsville.org

**Humble Helping Hands Project** 

Who: Humble Helping Hands (Youth of FBCC) What: Serving Senior Citizens & Widows of

Henry Co. Where: Kings Mountain Trash Site When: Saturday, March 12, 2022

Time: 8:45am—11:00am



The Youth (Humble Helping Hands) of FBCC will be at Kings Mountain Trash Site on Saturday, to help Senior Citizens and Widows of Henry County unload their trash and recyclables.

#### **Attention Parents of Children K-5th Grade**

Felicia McBride would like to meet with all parents of children K-5th on Sunday, March 6 in the Social Hall directly after the morning worship service.

#### Youth News/Lineup

Sunday School: Meets on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15am in the "Lighthouse" (3rd floor). Leaders are Beverly Rakes, Billy & Carrie Pinnix and Jeremy Craven.

**Awana:** Middle Schoolers join us to answer the three spiritual questions every teen is seeking answers for: "Who am I?". "Why am I here?" and "Who's with me?' Awana's Trek will help us dive deep into scripture to answer these questions. High Schoolers join us for Awana's Discipleship program: Journey

Awana meets Sunday afternoons from 4:00-5:30pm. Classes gather in the Social Hall and then all classes move to the 2nd floor education wing for class.

Wednesday Evening Youth Group: Apolo-what? Apologetics. What is it and why? Teacher Stacy Craven, Game Leader/Shenanigan Instigator: Bully Pinnix. We meet Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Lighthouse. Humble Hands: The youth will meet the 2nd Saturday

of each month from 8:45am-11:00am to help out Seniors in our community at the Henry Co. Waste Site.

#### Book of the Month.....

**ISRAEL**—The Promised Land

Israel, the land of enormous diversity both in terms of its people and its topography and climate, is, indeed, a "Promised Land." Jews by the millions from around the world have left the lands to which their ancestors were scattered in the Diaspora to return to their ancient homeland. There, they have built a prosperous nation that welcomes people of all nationalities and religions to live in peace in the land that God promised to Abraham four thousand years age.

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Sunday School	9:30am
Worship Service	10:30am
Children's Church	
Awana	4:00pm
Wednesday Francis & Activities	
Wednesday Evening Activities: Children's Choir Practice	5:15pm
Fellowship Meal	6:00pm
RA's & GA's	6:30pm
Youth (Middle & High School)	6:30pm
Mission Friends	6:30pm
Prayer Service & Bible Study	6:45pm
Adult Choir Practice	7:30pm

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#### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

#### <u>March Birthdays</u>

01 Pat Cobb 01 Deborah Treherne 02 Jay Knighton 03 Gunnar Robertson 03 Jase Ramsey 04 Angela Brunner 05 Molly Shelton 05 Charlie Fickling 05 Jose Cedillo 05 Eli Martin 05 LeeAnna Ferguson 06 Susan Rorrer 07 Joyce Jacobs 09 Kellie Powell 09 Stacy Craven 10 Eva Oliver 12 Neil Ramsey 13 John Anthony, IV 14 James Dodson 15 Madison Ferguson 15 Carlos Cedillo 16 Lucas Draper 17 Timothy Hatchett 17 Robert Ramsey 20 Merleen Beale 20 Jose Castro 21 Calla Mayberry

21 Katie Houston 22 Jimmy Anderson 22 Jason Collins 25 Brenda Hagood 27 Judy Dodson 27 Christina D. Beaton 28 Megan Chilton 29 Blayke Collins 29 Hunter Whitlow 30 Harold Nofsinger 30 Ellen Prato 30 Ralph Shropshire 30 Dale McGhee 30 Noah Dotson 30 Randy Joyce April Birthdays 01 Marietta Gunter 02 Pam Albanese 03 Debbie Hancock 06 Sharon Barrow 07 Karen Castro

- 07 Noah Castro 08 Jonathan France
- 09 Margie Woods
- 10 Tim Gary
- 10 Gwen Lewis 10 Tom Prato

#### <u>March Anniversaries</u>

01 Arthur & Marci Emberson 01 Ken & Becky Wagoner 05 Tim & Michelle Pace 11 Larry & Jan Cheek 15 Tim & Pat Gauldin 16 George & Ruth Brown 19 Greg & Shirley Craven 29 Tim & Sandy Gary

#### <u>April Anniversaries</u>

01 John & Sherry Flanagan 02 David & Melanie Catron 08 Jamie & Denise Collins 09 Jason & Paige Collins 18 Billy & Carrie Pinnix 24 Alex & Angie Alley 25 J.D. & Joan Collins



Awana Ages 2 years—12 Grad Sundays @ 4:00pm



Daylight Savings Time Begins on Sunday, March 13, 2022