

Good News Letter

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Summer is upon us and after the long cold winter and spring it is nice to be able to go outside without a jacket. I hope everyone is well and I miss seeing you.

The ongoing coronavirus pandemic and its implications for in-person worship and other activities is our most pressing concern. I spent the spring hoping that the spread of the virus would diminish enough that safely meeting together would become possible sometime during the summer.

The cumulative effect of partial re-openings, holiday celebrations, civil protests, all characterized by the neglect by some of physical distancing standards, mask-wearing in public, and sheltering in place practices has led to an increase in infections at a higher level than in the previous peak back in April.

It is because of these realities, both nationally and in Ohio, that the deacons and I have chosen caution, and decided not to set a date for the continuation of in-person worship services



July

yet. These are confusing times because, in part, we are completely lacking in experience in dealing with a viral pandemic and have many unanswered questions. These circumstances have created uncertainty, requiring caution. As before, this is not a final decision. We continue to closely watch the situation, and may decide to begin meeting soon.

Personally, I am tiring of the present situation, as I am sure many of you are. I would very much like to meet together soon. I am sympathetic with all of you who would also like to resume live worship services. I ask for patience.

I wish to thank everyone for faithful giving during this time, and for the expressions of support about the video services. And I am very thankful for all those who have participated in their production. For the time being, we will keep making them.

My prayer is for all those affected by this virus, and by the accompanying economic strain, and by the stress of not knowing. For many, the main affect of this pandemic is being isolated from normal relationships, and I am concerned for everyone presently experiencing this kind of distance. I pray that God's presence will see us through, providing wisdom, strength, and serenity.

Peace be with you,

- Mark

People in Need (PIN)

The church will be open on Saturday, July 18th from 9 - noon to drop off contributions for PIN. Your generosity is appreciated.

**Birthdays
and
Anniversaries**



July

- 1 Bob & Pat Foor
- 2 Raleigh & Pat Gosser
- 12 Pam Shears
- 14 Chad & Christina Kilhefner
Lucas Smith
- 15 Sandy VanBrimmer
- 17 Nichelle Trigg
- 18 Chad Kilhefner
Peter & Linda White
- 19 Jarrod Trigg
- 21 Dan Chambers
- 27 Maxwell Showalter

Please report any errors.

**Online Worship To
Continue**

For the month of July, worship will continue online. Please join us at fbcdelaware.org or on facebook. Copies of previous worship services are available on the "Videos" page of our website. If you do not have internet access and would like a DVD copy of each service, phone or email me.
- Larry Faulk

**Office Hours by
Appointment**

Dr. Allison will be available by appointment.
Dr. Allison may be reached by phone at 618-210-9714 or by email at mallison1@twc.com. Please call or email as needed.

Women's Fellowship

As we are continuing to keep safe, there will be no gathering of the Women's Fellowship this month.

People in Need (PIN)

Thanks to all who made contributions to PIN in May and June. Your donations are greatly needed and appreciated. We would like to offer another drop off day for PIN on Saturday, July 18th. The church will be open from 9 - noon to receive non-perishable items.

Personals

There is not much news in recent months because we have been "hunkered down." I welcome any news that you would like shared. Feel free to call or e-mail me with any news items.
-Pam Faulk

FBC Newsletter Archive

The first FBC newsletter (which later became known as "The Good News") was published in July 1969. For the past few months, as I have been able, I have been scanning the historical issues of the Good News and have been adding them to our website. To date, I have most of the newsletters available from 1969 through 1998. There are a few missing issues that I would love to locate copies of to add to the collection. As time permits, I will be adding 1999 until the present to the website in order to preserve and share our newsletter history. If you are looking for things to read during this time of "staycation," check out the "FBC Newsletter Archive" on fbcdelaware.org.
-Larry Faulk
Good News editor

Steven W. Baker

We are deeply saddened by the death of Steve Baker. Below is his obituary from the Delaware Gazette, June 20, 2020.

Steven W. Baker, 72, passed away peacefully at home June 16, 2020.

He was born in Columbus, Ohio, January 27, 1948. He was born to John Baker and Helen Baker. He graduated from Linden McKinley High School, Columbus, Ohio in 1967. He also earned his Bachelor's degree.

He retired from AT&T.

Preceded in death by his brothers Richard Baker and Kenneth Baker, mother and father.

Survived by wife of 51 years Sharon. Daughter Victoria Baker-Clark (John), son Heath Baker (Chrissy). Grandchildren, Jesse Biller, Brittani Biller, Mandi Biller, Kaitlyn Baker, Bishop Baker, Hannah Baker. Ten great-grandchildren.

Avid sports fan. Favorite team New York Yankees (baseball) and Ohio State football team.

Devoted and loving husband and father.

He attended First Baptist Church on Franklin Street in Delaware, Ohio.

Per his request there will be no visitation or funeral service.

There will be a Memorial Service at a later date.

We love him so much and he will be greatly missed.

Your Giving is Appreciated

Thank you for giving to FBC so that we can continue the mission of our church and keep the church functioning during this time

Below are options for giving:1) Mail a check to our church: 101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

2) Use the online giving option located on the website: www.FBCDelaware.org

One Great Hour of Sharing

Please be aware that the One Great Hour of Sharing offering will go to pandemic relief this year.

You can continue to give to this offering throughout the year. Just mark the memo on your check OGHS.

Prayer List

This list is prepared by the Deacons.
Please send changes to Larry Faulk (lfaulk01@aol.com).

Name	Reason for Prayer
Alvin Cox	Health Issues
Raleigh Gosser	Hospice Care
Richard Lovell	Health Issues
Raeleen George	Health Issues
Ken & Genevieve Peterson	Health Issues
Dr. Allison's father & sister	Health Issues
Ken Shears	Health Issues
Family of Steve Baker	Condolences on the death of Steve

Remember daily all the men and women in the military — Those stationed in the USA and those deployed throughout the world. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Blanket Sunday

May 10, 2020

Thank you First Baptist! Your donations to Church World Service in honor / memory of the important women in your life will be used by Church World Service to help those in need.

Giver:

Honor/Memory of:

Pam and Larry Faulk

Erin Faulk, Laurie Faulk, Donna Mann, Evoleno Cole, Florence Faulk, Jean Wickum, Mary Anderson

Deb, Will and Gabe Fogle

Mary Lou Lovell, Barbara Smith, Carol Serviss, Jenny Lovell, Ida Morby

Pat Gosser

Jean Scott

Carol Grubbs

Ruth Brown, June Grubbs

Candace Lee

Jean Scott, Christine Lee

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-Larry Faulk, editor

Tools for Hope Sunday

June 21, 2020

Thank you First Baptist! Your donations to Church World Service in honor / memory of the important men in your life will be used by Church World Service to help those in need.

Giver:

Honor/Memory of:

Erin and Pam Faulk

Larry Faulk

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*Jeff Faulk, Donald Faulk, Ralph Cole, Wilbur Wickum
Keith Anderson, Ron Rose, Bill Faulk*

Deb, Will and Gabe Fogle

*Dave Lovell, Ray Serviss, Kip Smith,
Vic Fogle, Dr. Robert Lovell, Ray Morby*

Pat Gosser

Raleigh Gosser, Vernon Howe

Carol Grubbs

Charles Brown

Candace Lee

Phil Lee

Mary Lou Lovell

*Dr. Robert Lovell, Kip Smith
Dave Lovell, Raymond Morby*

Jane Moore

*James J. Snyder, Mark Allison, Randy L. Turner,
Phillip J. Mercer, Nathan Gerald Corder,
Aldon Brooks Snyder, Jimmie R. Moore,
George C. Corder*

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-Larry Faulk, editor

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Delaware, Ohio 43015

July

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Dr. Mark Allison, Pastor

Office Hours: by appointment

All onsite services cancelled for July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>July Mission Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One Great Hour of Sharing • People in Need (PIN) 			1	2	3	<p>Independence Day 4</p> 
<p>5</p> <p>Online Service Available fbcdelaware.org</p>	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>12</p> <p>Online Service Available fbcdelaware.org</p>	13	14	<p>TAX Day 15</p> 	16	17	<p>18</p>  <p>People in Need (PIN) donations 9-noon</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Online Service Available fbcdelaware.org</p> <p>Aug newsletter deadline today</p>	20	21	22	23	24	25
<p>26</p> <p>Online Service Available fbcdelaware.org</p> <p>Aug newsletter available today</p>	27	28	29	30	31	<p>August 1</p>