

Good News Letter

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I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter celebration while I was away. The month of May is upon us, and the leaves are coming on the trees. The Easter season is accompanied by the springtime that brings the world of nature to life. Though it has been cool, I hope you have had a chance to share some outside time with your family and friends.

As you all know, I was in St. Louis the past two Sundays for my father's funeral. I want to thank everyone in the church for your prayers during this time, and for the cards, and for the beautiful flowers that came from the church. Your support has been uplifting and most appreciated. I missed very much being in church for Easter, and I am glad to be home and trying, at least, to get back into routine life.

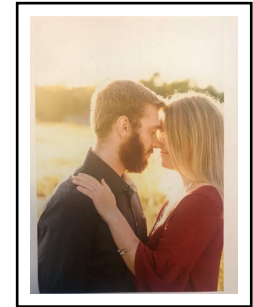
The visitation for my father was actually on Easter Sunday, and the memorial



service the day after. They both went well and I was grateful to be there. I saw some friends and family, some of whom I hadn't seen in decades. I learned some things I had not known before about my family. Thus It was a unique Easter Sunday for me.

It seems strange to be in a bereavement setting on Easter, and in springtime. Because, however, of the blessed hope of resurrection that we celebrate on the day, and remember every day of the year, it is really not that strange at all. God's grace brings *us* to renewed life. I hope it was meaningful for you. In that hope I have been sustained.

God bless you all,
- **Mark**



Wedding Invitation

You are invited to the wedding of
Claire Turner and Jake Pierce

Saturday, August 13, 2022
5 o'clock in the afternoon
1st Baptist Church
Delaware, Ohio

Ceremony will be followed by a
Cocktail Party and Reception at:

***The Homestead of
Radnor***
2866 OH-203
Radnor, OH 43066

Please RSVP no later than
June 1st 2022
To RSVP: Please contact
Claire Turner
email: mclairet97@gmail.com
phone: (740) 816-5037



Oscar Hugh Allison, Jr.
Sept 19, 1934 - April 12, 2022

Oscar “Bocky” Hugh Allison, Jr., 87, died peacefully on April 12, 2022, in Creve Coeur, Missouri. He was preceded in death by his first wife of 50 years, Fern (Crews) Allison, and his parents, Oscar and Ruth (Kinhead) Allison. He is survived by his wife, Jackie Neuhaus Allison; his sister Mary Sue van Horn of Tulsa, OK; his three children: Laurie (Curtis Vincent) Allison, Mark Allison, and Jeanne (Doug Burden) Allison; his grandchildren: Lauren (James) Cook, Patrick Russell, Evan Russell, Robert Russell, Evan (Devin) Allison, Samuel (Grace) Allison, Jonathan Allison, and Sienna Burden; four great grandchildren: Aiden, Zeke, Titus, and Holden; stepchildren; step-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

His name was Oscar, but everyone called him Bocky. He was born on September 19, 1934, in McAlester, Oklahoma, where he graduated from high school in 1952. He attended Southeast Missouri State University, graduating in 1956. After becoming a high school history teacher a few years later, he earned a master’s degree from the University of Missouri and a PhD in History from St. Louis University. He taught high school history for 30 years, mostly at Pattonville High School, where he coached cross country and track.

After retirement, he taught for 14 more years at Missouri Baptist University.

Bocky was an avid reader and enjoyed biking, hiking, and birdwatching. He often sang in the church choir, both at Edmundson Road Baptist Church and later at Kirkwood Baptist Church. He had a subtle sense of humor, delivered with a sparkle in the eye. He liked to play small pranks on his students. His students would, in turn, hide the walking stick that he used to practice his golf swing while lecturing about history. He was proud of his grandchildren and loved spending time with them, taking the older ones to watch airplanes take off and land at Lambert Airport and attending as many sports events for them as he could.

Bocky endured some hard things in his life, but, as an extension of his faith, came to the belief that no matter what a person faces along the way, anyone can make it if there is at least one person in

their life that is kind to them. He once said that it could be a neighbor or an aunt or a sibling, but everyone deserves someone in their life that is kind to them. With the help of his 1st wife Fern, they tried, whenever they could, to be that person for others.

His wife Jackie is grateful to have had a short 10 years with Bocky. He was an easy person to love and didn’t have an angry bone in his body. She married him for the twinkle in his eye and for all his many stories. She will miss him always, as will the rest of his family and friends.

Panera Volunteers for May

- May 5 Faulk
- May 12 Grubbs
- May 19 Volunteer Needed
- May 26 Volunteer Needed

Thanks to all who volunteer. Look for a new sign-up sheet for the summer quarter in the Gathering Place.

Blanket Sunday

On Mother’s Day, we honor women in our lives by pinning donations for Church World Services blanket ministry on the blanket at the front of the sanctuary. Forms will be available to pin on the blanket with your donation or you can donate online at fbcdelaware.org.

Birthdays and Anniversaries



May

- 3 Rick VanBrimmer
- 8 Will Fogle
- 9 Tim Chesser
- 10 Archie & Beth Trigg
- 12 Jeanne Ekelberry
- 15 Barbara Smith
- 16 Brianna Showalter

Please report any errors.

PERSONALS

- Since Pastor Mark was out of town due to his father's death, Mike Reynolds conducted our worship service on Easter Sunday. Thanks Mike.

- Brennan Howe was on the Honor Roll for the third quarter at Hayes.

- Larry, Pam, and Erin Faulk took their first Disney Cruise for Spring Break and had a great time until they joined the thousands of other people stranded at the Orlando Airport trying to get home.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

There were 6 women at the April luncheon in the Fellowship Hall.

We decided that it was OK to go back to restaurants for lunch some months and continue in the Fellowship Hall for others. We also decided to move our day to the third Saturday of the month instead of the second. That means it will be on the same day that the men have their breakfast. Our May lunch will be at noon at El Vaquero's in Delaware. All Women are invited and should feel welcome to bring a guest.

Please let Pam Faulk know if you plan to attend so she can give the restaurant an estimated count.

LAST DAY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday, May 22, will be the last day for Sunday school classes until the fall. This will also be Youth Sunday. On the following Sunday, May 29, we will be starting our summer hours with church beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Prayer List

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

Name	Reason for Prayer
Richard Lovell	Health Issues
Dr. Allison's sister	Health Issues
Ken Shears	Health Issues
Candy Lee's family	Health Issues
Condolences to the Allison Family on the death of Mark's father	

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

Mission/Outreach News

Our Easter offering was given to HelpLine which guides those who need food, a place to stay, or other life crisis situations, to a local agency in Delaware. Thanks to all who gave.

For our May outreach, we are preparing and giving thank you bags to teachers and support staff at Conger Elementary School for Teacher Appreciation week. Thank you for all the snacks and items you have brought to fill the bags. We are making 70 bags this year. Each year the teachers have been so appreciative of our congregation saying thank you for the incredible work they do and the dedication they have for their students.

In May, we celebrate mothers by thinking of mothers around the world. On Mother's Day we pin an offering to a blanket in the front of the sanctuary. This blanket represents the mothers that need a blanket to keep themselves and their children warm. We call it Blanket Sunday. Church World Service uses our donations to provide blankets to those in need.

Thanks to all who bring in items to fill the basket People In Need.

Thanks to all who continue to pick up Panera's unsold items on Thursday night to be taken to Andrew's House on Friday morning. Please check the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Place for a time you can help.

Thank You

Thank you to Chaplin Mike Reynolds for being with us and giving such an inspiring sermon on Easter. It was wonderful to have him with us; as Mark was away to be with his family because of his father's passing. Thanks to James Craig for reading the scripture. Thanks to all who provided music for Christ's Resurrection Sunday. Choir- Pam Shears, Deb Fogle, Candy Lee, Dave Lovell, and Randy Turner. It was a blessing to hear the choir sing after over 2 years.

Thank you to Randy Turner for his solos; The Palms, on Palm Sunday and, The Holy City on Easter.

Thank you again to Candy Lee and Jennifer Turner for playing the organ these last few months. It was another blessing to hear the congregation fill the sanctuary with the glorious sound of the hymns for the Celebration of Christ's resurrection.

Thanks to Larry, Randy, and Dave for getting up early on Easter to make us the pancakes with blueberry syrup, eggs, , sausage, and fruit breakfast. Great way to begin our Easter celebration!



Bridal Shower

Please Join Us For a
Bridal Shower
in Honor of

Claire and Jake

Saturday, June 11, 2022
12:00 - 2:00 pm
42 Yorkshire Road
Delaware, Ohio

RSVP by May 20:
margaretothomson@gmail.com

Registered At Target

50th Anniversary

You are invited

Please come celebrate
Dave and Mary Lou Lovell's
50th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, June 11, 2022
in the Fellowship Hall

It will be an open house style
celebration, so stop in,
have some cake, and
let's celebrate with them!

Directory Update

Genevieve Peterson
100 Delaware Crossing West
Apt. 2007
Delaware, OH 43015

Easter Lily Dedications

*In memory of Cap & Myrtle Gabriel, Marjorie Lathrop, Gene Lathrop
from Pam Shears*
*In honor of Jane Moore Snyder, In memory of Mary Alice Snyder,
Olive & Brooks Snyder from Jim Snyder*
*In honor of Jim & Anna Brown, Hannah, Emily, & Nathan, In memory
of Ruth & Charles Brown, Teresa Griffith from Carol Grubbs*
*In honor of Jim Snyder, In memory of Jimmie Moore
from Jane Moore Snyder*
*In memory of Dr. Robert J. & Jennie Lovell, Margaret Morby,
Raymond Morby from Dave & Mary Lou Lovell*
*In honor of Darlene Caulkins, In memory of Shay Caulkins
from Dr. Robert Caulkins*
*In honor of our children, In memory of our parents
from Larry & Pam Faulk*
*In memory of Bim Howe, Glenn Howe, Jim Howe
from Candy Lee*

First Baptist Church







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May

2022

Dr. Mark Allison, Pastor

Office Hours: by appointment

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May Day 1 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Service Holy Communion 	2 7:00 Board of Christian Ed	3 	4	National Day of Prayer 5 Cinco de Mayo 7:00 Choir Practice 8:45 Panera Pickup - Faulk	6	7
Mother's Day Blanket Sunday 8 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Service 	9 5:30 Board of Deacons	10	11 7:00 Choir Practice	12 8:45 Panera Pickup - Grubbs	Ascension Day 13 	14
Baptist Heritage Day 15 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Service	16	17	18	19 7:00 Choir Practice 8:45 Panera Pickup - Volunteer Needed	20	Armed Forces Day 21 8am Men's Breakfast Corner Cafe 12pm Women's Lunch El Vaquero's
Youth Sunday 22 9:30 am Sunday School Last day of classes 10:45 am Worship Service June newsletter deadline today 	23	24	25 7:00 Choir Practice	26 7:00 Parish Council 8:45 Panera Pickup - Volunteer Needed	27	28
29 10:00 am Worship Service Begin summer Hours June newsletter available today	Memorial Day 30 	31	June 1	2 8:45 Panera Pickup - Faulk	May Mission Focus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CongerTeacher Appreciation • Blanket Sunday - CWS 	