

Good News Letter

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A Year for Prayer

On Rally Day, September 9th, we announced a year-long emphasis on prayer. The purpose of this emphasis is to focus our attention on the biblical encouragement to “Pray continually,”

(1 Thessalonians 5:17), to enhance the prayer ministries of our church, to provide practical suggestions for use in personal devotion, and to pray for our church, community, and the world.

We announced the activities that will be happening this fall. First, our annual World Missions Offering will be accompanied by a series of devotions and prayers over 60 days beginning on September 30. These prayers and requests are very short and may be used as a part of one’s daily devotions, and they are written by the ABC missionaries that we support with the offering. There will be more information about these devotions by the time you receive this newsletter.

Second, on October 27, we will have a “Day of Prayer,” it will be like a prayer vigil. Opportunities will be given for anyone to come to the church at a scheduled time to pray in the sanctuary. There will be suggestions and helps, which will also be available for those who would be better able to pray from home.



A vigil often has an object, to pray for something in particular, like a building project or the launching of a new ministry program. This day will be different, for there is no specific aim but to pray more intentionally for our church and for each other, and that the prayer ministries of our church will be enhanced.

Thirdly, around Thanksgiving, there will be introduced a “Prayer Chest,” literally a container, which will offer each of us an opportunity to be intentional about praying for each other. More information about this will be given in the months to come.

There are also activities in the planning stage for the spring. There will be prayer gatherings to learn about different types of prayer, and to give opportunities to grow and try different approaches.

My hope is that throughout this year our hearts would be opened and lives enriched by this emphasis, and that each one would have a deepened experience of God’s grace.

I will be on vacation on the last Sunday in September and the first in October. I am thankful for the opportunity to get away and to visit my family. Please welcome Mike Reynolds who will be Preaching on September 30th, and David Harris on the 7th of October.

When I return on October 14th, it is Crop Walk Sunday. I hope many of you will join in the effort to alleviate hunger. By then, the Day of Prayer will be less than two weeks away, so be ready.

God Bless,
-Mark

From Our Pastoral Intern

Now that we have officially begun fall, it seems as though we can now turn our eyes to the final quarter of 2018. With the changing weather and our lives back into an oft-familiar rhythm, we approach and arrive at the month of October with thoughts of the fast-approaching holiday season. As the calendar changes to October, the colors around us begin to change into their traditional orange hues, and (unfortunately) the temperature begins to find its way more regularly into the lower numbers.

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As the calendar changes, the youth are also changing their mindsets to the end-of-year events and festivities as well. During the month of October, the youth will be hosting an all-church, all-family Halloween party on October 21st at the church from 5 to 7 PM. Similar to last year, the party will include a pumpkin decorating contest, a costume contest, and a scavenger hunt, among many other activities. Be on the lookout for more information in the coming weeks regarding activities and sign-up sheets. The youth will also hold its monthly youth group meeting on the 28th at 6:30 PM.

Blessings and Peace,
-David L. Harris, Jr.

Volunteers For October

Fellowship Time

- Oct 7 Palmer
- Oct 14 Gosser
- Oct 22 Chambers
- Oct 28 Lee

Panera Pick-Up

- Oct 4 Grubbs
- Oct 11 Volunteer needed
- Oct 18 Lee
- Oct 25 Faulk

We thank you all for volunteering. The Fellowship Time list is completely filled for the fall quarter! However, there are still several blanks on the Panera sign-up sheet. We could use more volunteers for Panera. It is not hard to do. Please speak to the Faulks or the Lovells if you want "training." This is a vital part of our mission/outreach program. All the items go to Andrews House which makes use of it in their many free meals throughout the month or in their food distribution activities throughout the community.

Mission/Outreach News

Thanks to all for your generous donation of new underwear for the UNDY SUNDAYS in August. 26 boys briefs, 7 men's briefs, 15 men's tee shirts, 46 pairs of girl's underwear, 14 pair of women's underwear and 1 woman's tee shirt were delivered to Common Ground Free Store. All the items were very appreciated !

Our Mission focus for September has been collecting food and needed items for People In Need. The boxes are overflowing and September 30th is the last day of the collection. The items will be delivered by Peter White.

Our Mission focus for October will be the World Mission Offering, Crop Walk and preparing a meal for the Stepping Up/Getting Ahead class.

Crop Walk will be held on October 14th at OWU. Mark your calendar to walk or to donate for a someone who is walking.

We will prepare a meal for those participating in the Stepping Up/Getting Ahead classes held at William St. United Methodist Church on October 29, 2018.

There will be a sign up sheet in the Gathering Place if you would like to prepare a food item or donate money. We will also need servers from 4:30 p.m. -6:30 p.m. If you have questions, ask Mary Lou Lovell.

Thank you so much for all of your help in the past to provide a meal.

Our next meeting will be October 21st at 1:30 p.m. Come and bring your ideas for outreach to our community.

Panera Pick Up

Thanks to everyone who has gone to Panera to pick up unsold items to rewrap and deliver to Andrews House for distribution to the food pantries in the community. Please sign up in the Gathering Place if you can help with this mission.

Brothers All

Thanks to all the men that have come to rehearsals and blessed us with your singing! If you like to sing, come and join us!

Thanks



Thanks to the youth for helping design the "A Year for Prayer" logo.

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
Jim Brown	Recovery and Rehab
Will Fogle	Rehab
Archie Trigg	Eye Surgery Recovery
Kilhefner Family	Condolences on Keith's death
Brennan Howe	Recovery

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

Choir

Choir has begun! We meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights. We welcome those who like to sing to come and join us. Come and praise the Lord with your voice!

Personals

- Chad Kilhefner's brother Keith died in late August. We offer prayers for Chad and Christina.
- Erin Faulk received 6 ribbons for her photography at the Delaware County Fair.
- Brennan Howe recently fell and dislocated his kneecap. It was popped back in but was very painful and is still loose.
- On September 22, Calvin Turner and Taylor Blodgett were married in Gahanna.
- Claire and Randy Turner recently spent a day rafting on the Gauly River in West Virginia.
- Pastor Mark Allison officiated at a memorial service for Jean Syler on September 22.
- Just in time for the World Mission Offering, we received a newsletter from Jeni Pedzinski, our missionary in Thailand. You can find it on the bulletin board in the Gathering Place.
- Pastor Mark has been on vacation in Colorado where his son Evan has moved.

ASPIRE

On Sunday, October 14, the women of our church have an opportunity to attend the Aspire Women's event. It is an evening full of laughter, learning, stories,

and music, much like a Women of Faith event, only on a smaller scale. The event is at the Powell United Methodist Church which is located at 825 E. Olentangy Street on the south side of Powell Road about halfway between Route #315 and Liberty Road. Our VIP tickets get us in for early seating at 4:00. The cost is \$20. See Pam Faulk for your ticket.

"PASS THE SALT PLEASE"

When a group gathers at a table to enjoy a good meal, no sooner are the plates filled than the salt shaker begins making its rounds so that everyone may season the food to their liking. Many a meal would be far less tasty - even bland - if no salt were readily at

hand. Salt, as ordinary and plentiful as it is, possesses a unique power. Unlike any other seasoning, salt unlocks the subtle flavors in almost any food, enhancing them and bringing new sensations to our taste buds.

When the Lord says to his followers, "You are the salt of the earth," he is urging them to go into the whole world and unlock the good that he is doing so others can be touched by the power of the saving grace of God. As followers of Christ, we too are the salt of the earth, seasoned with the love of the gospel and called to carry that love to all the earth.

I invite you to join International Ministries in "passing the salt." not only around the table, but around the globe. Through your encouragement, your prayers, and your gifts to the World Mission Offering, you enable IM's global servants, volunteers, and international partners to share the good news of Jesus in word and in deed.

You will find references to salt in the bulletin inserts for October and in many of the prayers provided by our missionaries for the "60 Days of Prayer." We will even have salt-rising bread for communion on World Communion Sunday on October 7.

Our goal for the World Mission Offering is \$700. The money goes directly to International Ministries which supports our many Baptist missionaries throughout the world.

Please give generously.
-Pam Faulk

Birthdays and Anniversaries



October

- 1 Bruce Bowman
Kathy Chesser
- 2 David Harris
Christina Kilhefner
- 3 Tim & Kathy Chesser
Janet Lathrop
Jarrod & Nichelle Trigg
- 4 Ellen Brown
- 7 Ann Brown
- 10 Claire Cooper
- 11 Sally Williams
- 16 Taylor Trigg
- 20 Jim Brown
Genevieve Peterson
- 24 Emily Bowman
Sherry Chambers
- 25 Jack Turner
- 28 Ed Linn
- 30 Jean Osborne
- 31 Claire Turner

Please report any errors.



60 DAYS OF PRAYER

Beginning Sunday, September 30, we will be providing a week of prayers for the next 60 days. This is a voluntary prayer event, sponsored by International Ministries. The brief prayers are from our Baptist missionaries.

Some of them are very specific to their needs, but many are appropriate for anyone. Many of them mention salt, which is the theme for this year's World Mission Offering which supports our missionaries.

A week of prayers will be available in print every Sunday in the Welcome Center. In addition, they will also be found on our church's website at www.fbcdelaware.org, and they will be e-mailed to you if you are on the church's e-mail list. (send me your e-mail address to be added to the e-mail list - lfaulk01@aol.com)

Included below are the seven prayers for the first week.

Week #1

1. Make us salt and light to a hungry and dark world as we powerfully proclaim and courageously live out the good news of Jesus that brings hope and healing.

Aaron and Valerie Osterbrock,
Malaysia

2. Lord, be the loving father to those who don't know a father's love. Restore wholeness to those who are broken and feel unloved.

Alise and Mark Juanes,
Thailand

3. Father, create in us a heart like yours. Help us to be bold and compassionate with the good news of Jesus.

Amanda and Jon Good,
Hungary

4. Break our hearts with care for those who suffer, and work through hands and hearts to bring the love of Christ to those who cross our paths daily.

Ann and Bill Clemmer,
Democratic Republic of the
Congo and South Sudan

5. Jesus, the mothers and fathers of refugee children are tired of war. Please tenderly dry their salty tears and restore peace and hope to their lives.

Ann and Bruce Borquist,
Southeast Asia and Japan

6. We work every day with people who are bought and sold, used and abused, and seem to always be at risk. It is not easy to remain as your salt in the world. Renew our saltiness again, O Lord, that all whom we encounter and serve may savor your presence and your purpose for their lives.

Annie and Jeff Dieselberg,
Thailand

7. Open doors and equip us with every good thing that we might do effective work and speak clearly the mystery of Christ.

Barbara and Dwight Bolick,
Chile

Financial Update

August was the first month this year that our income in the general fund exceeded our expenses. While this does not erase our deficit, your commitment to our financial wellbeing is appreciated.

- Larry Faulk, treasurer

New Addresses for the Church Directory

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Deanne Hunt
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Delaware, OH 43015

Halloween Party

The youth are sponsoring a Halloween Party, Sunday, Oct 21 from 5-7pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited, with or without costume. Come and enjoy the fun.

Crop Walk

The 2018 Crop Walk will be Sunday, Oct 14 at 2pm beginning at Ohio Wesleyan and including a leisurely walk through downtown Delaware. Please join us in the walk. Please make your contribution checks out to "CROP - CWS" and give them to me.

- Larry Faulk

Day of Prayer



A sign up sheet is available in the Gathering Place for the Day of Prayer, Oct 27. We would like to fill the 1/2 hour time slots from 8-5. If you can serve as a host for 2-3 hours, let me know.

-Larry Faulk