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Joyful Love Ministries
WILL BE PRESENTING ON
JULY 24, 2021
AT THE KC HALL
IN MONROE CITY

God First:
A MARRIAGE & FAMILY CONFERENCE
A LOOK AT HOW A MARRIAGE AND A FAMILY THAT PUTS GOD FIRST, CAN SURVIVE THE UPS AND DOWNS OF MARRIAGE AND RAISING KIDS. HEAR HOW TWO COUPLES HAVE NAVIGATED THIS JOURNEY.

REGISTRATION: 9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.
10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. RYAN & LORI WATSON SPEAK ON MARRIAGE
11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. LUNCH CATERED BY BK'S PLACE
12:30 P.M. - 2:00 P.M. ED & LISA TALTON SPEAK ON THE FAMILY

All are welcome!

TICKETS GO ON SALE ON MAY 1, 2021 • \$35 PER COUPLE OR \$20 PER ADULT

Monroe City 4th of July Parade on July 3rd @ 10:00am. Vendors in St. Jude's Park.

2021 THEME
Past. Present. Future.
Missouri 2021
BICENTENNIAL
4TH OF JULY PARADE
JULY 3, 2021 ★ 10 A.M.
PRESENTED BY Monroe City Chamber of Commerce

FBC has Nursing Home Service @ 1:30pm Sunday, July 4th~Everyone is welcome!

Sing-A-Long

Monroe City Manor
3rd Tuesday/month
@ 6:00 pm



First Baptist Church

The Communicator



OneTeam Mission Trip 2021



Our 2021 OneTeam mission trip will return to the area of Villa Ridge, near Washington, MO. This will be another "hands-free" ministry year including a nursing home outreach, care package delivery to children with cancer and "feed a family" care package delivery. We are looking forward to the new and exciting ways that God can use our mission team.

This year we have seven students and two adults attending July 12 - July 16. Adult leaders are Tracy Shively and Sylvie Speaks. Students are Cahlin Chapman, Colton Cowan, Grady Cowan, Avery Johnson, Makenzie McMurdo, Ryan Moss and Isabella Stupavsky.



Please join us for our Commissioning service during our Sunday morning worship service on July 11th followed by a church-wide carry-in (meat/drinks provided, bring sides and desserts) lunch.

We would also like to ask you to join us in praying for our mission team and those that we will be serving. This year may look different but it still carries the great responsibility to deliver the gospel to the lost.



A Note From Your

Pastor of Worship & Family Ministries



Dear Church Family,

Be encouraged that the Lord is at work in our church body and that he is faithful as His people seek him and pray! As the children were taught at VBS this year, I want to remind you of this truth from Jeremiah 29: 13, "You will seek me and find me, when you search for me with all your heart." We serve a God who beckons us to seek Him and promises that He will be found.

Brothers and Sisters, as I'm writing this, it seems that many of our church members are struggling with various ailments, or have a close family member who is struggling, either with health concerns or some other difficulty. Know that God is sovereign over our pain. He is near to us in our distress. He uses even the darkest of times for our good. He is faithful and full of mercy and love for His people. Remember to lift your church family to God in prayer and remember to encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Continue to pray for our youth. Pray that God would strengthen them and help them live faithfully. Pray for our youth as they go to camp and pray for them as they will be going on the mission trip in July. Pray for Rhea and I as we lead them, and disciple them.

It is always exciting to see all the things that God is doing in our church body. These words are so true that Paul writes to the Philipians, "And I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ."

In Christ,
Pastor Alex

Church family,

I have really been enjoying our journey through Moses' life, calling, and ministry. I pray that you have been both challenged and encouraged by his example. We will typically look at our biblical heroes to be the example to aspire to, but hopefully we are seeing more clearly that being godly is a process. It's tough and it takes our full attention.



I am excited that the church will be able to entertain a potential pastor and his family and believe that the search team needs to be commended for their diligence in working through the numerous resumes. They have truly been committed to the task that the church has commissioned them with.

Finally, I pray that you and your family get some time away and together this summer. Make an effort to make this happen.

Thank you so much for your encouragement and patience with me as I have attempted to share God's Word with you in a very clear, but hopefully helpful way.

In Christ,
Jeff

Annual FBC Fish Fry
@ Camp Inlow
Sunday afternoon, August 8

Save the Date

Children in Action



Children in Action will meet on Sunday, July 11, 2021 at 6:30 pm to learn and pray about missions. For children through 6th grade. Hope you can come and join us.

Operation Christmas Child

We are starting to collect items for our Shoebox ministry, with a goal this year of 120 boxes. Look for an insert in the bulletin at the first of each month. This insert will have updated numbers of the items we have collected. Hoping this will be helpful to take it with you and have a better idea of what the specific shoebox needs are. You may also give monetary donations to Brenda Maloney or Melissa Hawker and we will shop for you. Place other donations in the red tub by the bulletin board. There will be extra inventory lists on the ledge by the office. Thank you for supporting this ministry and making a difference in the life of a child!

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another.

We are looking for people to host Home Fellowship at your home (inside/outside) on Sunday evenings @ 6:30pm. Home Fellowships are held the 4th Sunday evening of each month. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Alex Brown.

Guest Speaker—Allen Calkins

WMU Ladies presented to Allen Calkins, from the Missouri Baptist Children's Home, six baby and six women necessity bags on Sunday, June 13 during Morning Worship Service. The WMU Ladies made the bags and collected the items inside the bags. The ladies also presented Allen with a check in the amount of \$800.99, which was collected through the Baby Bottle Drive. The monies collected were as follows: Pennies (\$.01) \$68.39; Nickels (\$.05) \$45.85; Dimes (\$.10) \$143.00; Quarters (\$.25) \$246.75; Gold Dollars (\$1.00) \$10.00; and Currency (Bills) \$287.00. The WMU Ladies would like to thank everyone who contributed the both projects.

They were a great success!

BBA Camp Bus Times:

Youth Camp: Leave church on Monday, July 5 @ 1:15pm; Parents pick-up Friday, July 9 @ 11:20am at church

Kid's Day Camp: Parents provide their own transportation

Children's Camp: Leave church on Monday, July 12 @ 1:15pm; Parents pick-up Friday, July 16 @ 11:20am at church

If you child(ren) would like to ride the church bus, please call the church office (573.735.2635) and let the church know who to expect. Attendees can ride the bus on Monday or Friday or both.



We would like to thank those who help canvas for the recent fun days in the parks. The outreach committee worked hard setting up the jump house and snack trailer, but it was an effort that was well worth it as we were able to meet people in the community. We had a nice turnout and was able to meet some families as we promoted and pre-registered students for Vacation Bible School. We also provided information on Camp Inlow and our church services. There were 3 families who came to VBS, and at least one mother and son who came to Sunday worship because of this promotion. We have plans to work with Cathy Harrison, the VBS Director to identify families who may need an invitation to church and hopefully a church home.

The church fish fry is the next outreach opportunity that we will be working on. And as always, if you know someone that could use a call or home visit, please let us know in person or by filling out an Outreach Contact Form that is located on the literature shelf outside the secretary office. Please pray for Pastor Alex and the members of this committee as we seek to serve and grow the church.



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Quarterly Business Meeting

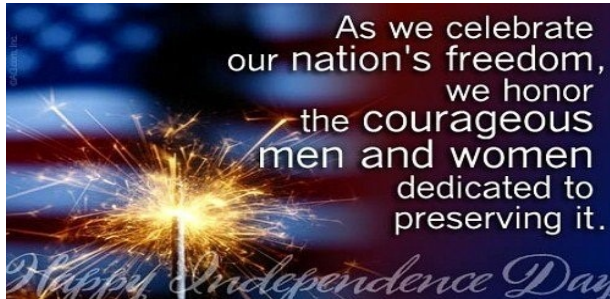
There will be a Quarterly Business Meeting on Wednesday, July 22 at 6:30pm. There will not be a Fellowship Meal before the meeting. This is an important part of being part of God's family, conducting the business of the church. Please make plans to attend.

FBC Hosting Red Cross Blood Drive

FBC will be hosting the Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, July 26 at the Holy Rosary Parish Hall. The drive will run from 1:00 -6:00pm. There is a sign-up sheet for workers on the bulletin board. If you wish to donate blood you will need to pre-register at <https://www.redcrossblood.org> or call 1-800-RED CROS (1-800-733-2767).



We are looking for people/groups to sing/perform/read poetry/give testimony/etc. during Special Music time during Morning Worship Service. If you are interested, please contact Alex Brown.



Fragrance-Free Area of the Sanctuary

In compassionate response to those who suffer with health problems related to fragrance, our church has an area of the sanctuary dedicated as a safe place for those individuals. The far-right section of the sanctuary (as you face the pulpit) is dedicated as a fragrance-free zone. Feel free to sit there if you aren't wearing perfume or fragranced products. This area is not only in response to those we currently know who deal with allergic reactions. But we can also consider this a ministry to attract more individuals to FBC who have this problem and desire to come to a church where they can avoid reactions while they worship.

Commissioning Service

Please join us on Sunday, July 11th, during our 10:30 am worship service for our St Louis mission trip Commissioning service. We will have all of our mission team and sponsors at this service for a time of prayer. This will be followed by a carry-in meal (meat and drink will be provided). There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Special Called Business Meeting
Immediately following our morning worship service on July 4th we will have a special called members meeting to vote on our pastoral candidate.



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Thank you

A BIG thank you to Paula Coleman for her years of service as First Baptist Church custodian. Paula has dedicated many, many hours of time into serving and taking good care of the church. She will be dearly missed, but she has handed the job over to Kenneth House (and his helper, Mary). Kenneth started the job as church custodian on June 15. Please take the time to welcome Kenneth to his new position of the church. We look forward to his years of service to our church.



You are invited to attend the Northeast Missouri WMU – EQUIP Conference
TEA PARTY
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
221 Main Street, Monroe City, MO. 63456
Alice Porter – Northeast Missouri Consultant
Saturday, July 31, 2021 9:30 to 12:30

Where we will learn about mission projects, mission action, doing missions in each association.

Please, invite ladies from your Associational WMU.

Plan to start the meeting with fresh homemade breads and muffins with tea and coffee.

Hope you can share what your WMU is doing?

Hope you can share what WMU means to you?

And share ideas on How To Grow WMU?

Jan Turner, Missouri WMU President, will do an informative talk about Relentlessness.

There will be a WMU Bookstore on site!

There will be an opportunity to donate to the Alberta Gilpin Fund.

Hope to see you on July 31.
Alice Porter
NEMO Consultant
573-795-6097

Prayer Chain

fbcmprayerchain@gmail.com or
rdpenn6@gmail.com
or 573-248-7710

Deacons of the Month

Ray McCurdy & Bill Franklin

July Birthdays

Jane Anne Olson – July 2
Tyler Gosney – July 6
Bill Franklin – July 6
Grady Cowan—July 9
Lisa Russell—July 11
Georgia Rothweiler – July 12



Greg Cooper – July 15
Caden Pennewell – July 17
Donna Gottman – July 20
R.L. Anderson – July 21
Roger Pennewell – July 22
Myles Seward—July 22
Somer Jones – July 25
Jill Spalding – July 26



Date	Nursery	Children's Church	Sound Tech	Media Tech
July 4	Sunday School — Doris Mehrer AM —Angela Rivera & Sam Hawker	Lisa Russell & Hannah Wilkerson	Greg Cooper	Cathy Harrison
July 11	Sunday School — Phyllis Olson AM —Tracy Shively & Karen Pope	Martha Beaver & Abigail Smith	Grady Cowan	Ruthie Critten
July 18	Sunday School — Sam Hawker AM —Megan Moss & Rhea Brown	No Children's Church	Allen Mehrer	Jane Anne Olson
July 25	Sunday School — Hannah Wilkerson AM —Jill Spalding & Shanee Brown	Angel Vollrath & Ceaton Pennewell	Colton Cowan	Lori Shuck

Church Office Hours
573.735.2635
Monday through Thursdays—
8:00 am to 12:00 pm

July 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 9:15am—Sunday School 10:30am—Morning Worship Special Called Member Mtg. Services 1:30pm—Nursing Home Services NO Evening Worship	5 1:15pm—Church bus leaves for Camp Inlow	6 10:00am—Serve lunch and take cookies to Camp Inlow Youth Camp (grades 7-12) @ Camp Inlow	7 NO Outreach Meeting	8 Youth Camp (grades 7-12) @ Camp Inlow	9 11:20am—Parents pick up Youth at FBC from camp	10 8:15-3:00pm—Kid's Day Camp @ Camp Inlow
11 9:15am—Sunday School 10:30am—Morning Worship Commissioning Service Fellowship Meal 6:30pm—Evening Worship 6:30pm—Children in Action	12 1:15pm—Church bus leaves for Camp Inlow	13 Children's Camp (grades 3-6) @ Camp Inlow	14 7:00pm—Family Ministry	15 Children's Camp (grades 3-6) @ Camp Inlow	16 9:00-1:00pm—MC Food Bank 1:12:00am—Parents pick up Youth at FBC from camp	17 9:00-11:00am—MC Food Bank
18 9:15am—Sunday School 10:30am—Morning Worship Lord's Supper 6:30pm—Evening Worship	19 1:00-6:00 pm—FBC host Red Cross Blood Drive 7:00pm—WMU @ church, Bev Curry Hostess	20 6:00pm—Nursing Home Sing-Along	21 6:30pm—Quarterly Members Meeting	22 7:00pm—Family Ministry	23 6:30pm—Quarterly Members Meeting	24
25 9:15am—Sunday School 10:30am—Morning Worship Noisy Offering —@Shelton Postage 6:30pm—Home Fellowship	26	27	28	29	30	31 WMU EQUIP Conference for NEMO @ FBC

Email addresses for the church
office and pastors:
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Pastor of Worship & Family Ministries—
alexpbrown75@gmail.com

Faithful Families Initiative

Encouraging and equipping Christian families to live faithfully for God's glory

-Assessing Our Current Situation-

What do you envision as the ideal Christian family? How does that family interact with other families in the context of the church? How do you see your own family? I pray that you understand that they are a gracious gift from God, meant to be discipled and encouraged for God's glory and His Kingdom.

But realizing that, in and of itself, is not enough. Faith is validated by faithful living. James 2:17 says, "So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead." If our spouses and children are primarily impacted by secular influences, how can we expect them to live lives of faithful obedience to Christ? Our children's and our spouses' Faith in Christ and obedience to Christ is something we should want, expect, and pick up our crosses daily for.

-The Call-

Brothers and Sisters, our desire is that we as a church would treasure our families as the bible calls us to treasure them. The enemy relentlessly fires his darts at the hearts of our children and spouses and we must be prepared (1 Peter 5:8). We believe that without healthy, biblical families, the church cannot be healthy. So church, let's commit now to faithfully loving our families as we are called to do.

-The Goal-

Over the next month, the Family Ministry Council is going to be praying and collaborating about how we can minister more effectively to our families here at FBC Monroe City. The goal is simple but infinitely profound: encouraging and equipping families to be faithful and fruitful for God's Kingdom.

Practically, we are planning to start up groups that will give families an opportunity to share the burden together, help each other grow spiritually, stay accountable, fellowship together, and better learn how to live the Christian life while walking alongside one another.

We also want to welcome our single brothers and sisters! We are all a part of God's family and need the collective body to grow in Christ and be a part of His people. This initiative is intended to unify and strengthen, not exclude.

-Your Participation-

There will be a follow up letter that will come with next month's newsletter that will provide more details, and begin gathering information from you all, the church, on how you can get involved and join in this initiative to see our families be faithful and fruitful for God's Kingdom. In the meantime, I would encourage you to be in prayer, and be thinking about what it might look like for all our families to be united in healthy, Christian community around the gospel and truth of God's word. I am so excited at how the Lord will bless our church body as we strive to be faithful to His word!

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