



# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FAIRDALE

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Hello Church family,

For the past few years, I have had the privilege to tell you about just one of the exciting things that takes place around FBC Fairdale during the month of October.

October is designated as Pastor Appreciation month and our church is blessed to have 4 Elders who work together seeking God's guidance concerning the spiritual growth of the members of FBCF. Josh Greene, Josh Wamble, Jake Beattie and Matt McBroom do a great job week in and week out. As they continually challenge and inspire us to grow closer to God, we should all be

compelled to tell our pastors thank you for all they do. The best way would be to display the change God has made in our lives because of their teaching. During this month, let's plan to take that general appreciation a lit-

tle further by finding something you know they would enjoy and present it to them as a gift from your heart. The pastors will be officially recognized Sunday October 23rd but you can show your appreciation anytime during the month.



1st Thessalonians 5:12-13 "We ask you, brothers to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves"

Blessed to be your Chairman of Deacons,

Dan Pomeroy

# Trunk Or Treat, Inviting Families To Our Campus.

Matt McBroom  
Pastor



**O**n Sunday night October 30th from 4 to 6pm the FBCF Children's Ministry will be hosting a Trunk or Treat event in the church parking lot. The evening service as well as the kid and youth classes will be dismissed to allow everyone to participate. This event is open to the community, and we want to encourage you to invite your family, friends, and neighbors to attend with their kiddos. Hosting a trunk or treat gives us an opportunity to enjoy some fellowship time together as a church while meeting and interacting with people from the community. In that way, it is similar to our hosting of the Easter Egg Hunt at the high school.

If you're a church member and have never participated in a Trunk or Treat, make this year your first time! It is a simple and fun event. All you need is a car, some comfortable chairs, and candy to give out to the kids who will come through. There is no need to dress up or decorate your car, although we would highly encourage you to do so. You could be a superhero, a Biblical character, or you could

even dress up like one of the pastors. I've heard that children who come dressed like Pastor Wamble get extra candy. Use your imagination but just remember to keep it classy.

If you're not sure about helping, you could consider teaming up with a friend from church and host a trunk together. When you team up with a friend, you'll be able to hang out together and enjoy talking with them while loving and serving the kids of Fairdale...it's a win-win!

If I've convinced you to serve at the trunk or treat, please make sure you sign-up to be a trunk host on the bulletin board by the church office. You can also call the church office or contact Pastor Matt to get signed up.

If you won't be able to host a trunk or participate in-person...no worries! You can still support the trunk or treat by donating a bag or two of individually wrapped candy. The candy can be deposited into one of the donation boxes conveniently located in the main hallway on the first floor of the church. Candy will be collected all the way up until the day of the trunk or treat.

Should the weather turn out to be bad (too cold or rainy) on the 30th, we will not cancel or reschedule the event. No, that doesn't mean we're going to ask you to sit outside and suffer. We already have a contingency plan that will allow us to move the event indoors where everyone can be warm and dry. With that said, doing this event outside is much easier logistically, so please be praying for a beautiful fall evening like we had last year.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all there!

## BEING A CHURCH THAT PRAYS



Earlier this year we introduced the Church Prayer Team. This is the large whiteboard in the basement with names filled in for each hour of the week. If you have not yet signed up, there are still time slots available.

As a reminder, we are NOT expecting you to be praying for the entire hour that you are signed up for. We ARE expecting you to be prayerful during that hour. At some point during that hour, pause and spend some time in prayer for our church, for your pastors, for the staff, for the community, for the various ministries at our church. There may also be times when we reach out to you about specific things happening that you can be praying about. We anticipate you being able and willing to pray for those things when those opportunities arise.

It will strengthen us as a church to know we have people praying around the clock. It will also strengthen your own faith to be continually committed to praying, and continually being prayed for.

Let's be a people who are constantly and consistently committing ourselves to crying out to the Lord.



# Mission Work, Here In Our Own State.

Chris Harrod  
Director of Missions

This month, our church will have the opportunity to take a team to Hindman, Kentucky, the weekend of October 28-30, to help out with the ongoing flood relief. As I'm sure you are aware, eastern Kentucky was affected by heavy flooding in late July of this year. Many people lost their homes and belongings and the flooding caused great damage to communities throughout eastern Kentucky. We will be partnering alongside FBC Hindman, who have been helping and serving as soon as the flooding came. They have been handing out food and supplies, providing thousands of meals to the community, and aiding in flood relief efforts.

We are sending a team to Hindman, because as Christians, our hearts are burdened by what's happened. We are burdened to see our brothers and sisters in Christ in eastern Kentucky go through this, and we want to help them be a Godly witness to their community. We also want to honor God through this trip. We are praying that through our team and FBC Hindman, that people would come to know who God is and believe in Him. That even through their pain and suffering, they would know the God who loves them and laid His life down for them. That they would experience joy in knowing God, even in the midst of great loss.

Whether you are able or unable to go, please be praying for FBC Hindman, our team that will be going, as well as the community in Hindman and the rest of eastern Kentucky. You can pray that even through this disaster, that God would use it for good. That FBC Hindman can show the love of God to their community,

and that people would come to know and believe in Him. Pray that our team would be helpfully supporting them as they serve their community there. Finally, please also be praying for FBC Hindman, for endurance and strength, as they have been actively helping relief efforts since late July.

If you are available and able to go, please consider joining our team! We will be helping clean-up as well as beginning the process of rebuilding. There's a need for skilled laborers and also people to help out wherever needed. There's a sign-up sheet by the church office that you can sign if you are planning on going, as well as a flier providing more details. You can also reach out to me for more details or any questions you have!

I'm looking forward to this trip and praying that God would use it to do great things in eastern Kentucky, and that even through this trip, people would come to know Jesus and He would be glorified.



## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

We talk about serving a lot here at our church. The reason we serve is relatively simple; Jesus serves us, and teaches us to serve others. Serving often looks different from one person to another. God gifts us all uniquely, so for each of us to serve will look different.

Along the topic of serving, there are always opportunities to serve here at our church. Two areas that could always use servant hearted people are our Food Pantry and kitchen team.

Our Food Pantry has been working very hard to get food to those in need, and is always in need of people willing to

help unload food and package it into boxes for distribution, as well as a variety of other things.

The kitchen team works incredibly hard to feed not only our church family on Wednesday nights, but they also feed local sports teams from the high school throughout the week.

These are two areas we could always use more volunteers. If you are looking for a place to serve, these two may be great opportunities for you to explore how you can be used.

