The Vision

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### **Sunday Worship Times**

Morning Worship @ 10:15 am Small Groups @ 5:30 pm

### **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

### STAFF

### **Church Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Staff Meeting Monday 1:30 pm

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FOR OCTOBER MONDAY October 24

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

### Tuesday, October 4th

YAH Council @ 1:15 pm Church Council @ 7:00 pm

### Sunday, October 23rd

Deacons Meeting @ 4:00 pm

### YAH Prayer Warrior Crafters

Thursday, October 13th 10:00 am

Join us as we put together gift items for our school personnel.

### PRAYER WARRIORS

### WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF 10-15 MORE WARRIORS

Teacher gifts for October need to be in the Church Office by Wednesday, October 12th for delivery on October 13th.

### OCTOBER COLLISION YOUTH EVENTS

Wed. Oct. 12th

Community Youth Night @ FBC 6:00 –8:15pm Meal & Ben Selvey–Speaker

Thursday, Oct. 26th @ 7:00 pm O.C.C. Shoebox Packing Party

**Baptist Hill Assembly Presents:** 

Fall Senior Adult Retreat
Mon. Oct. 31st-Thurs. Nov.3rd
Retreat fee is \$90.00
For more info call Baptist Hill
@ 417-466-3034

Missouri Baptist Convention Annual Meeting @ Branson

October 24th & 25th



# To Xnow Christ and to Make Him Xnown

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# October is Pastor Appreciation Month



### Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Sunday, October 2 shoeboxes will be in the Gathering Area, ready to be picked up and filled with wonderful gifts of love. Don't miss out on this opportunity to bless a child and share the love of God with children all around the world. **Please return your filled shoeboxes by Sunday, November 6.** 

National Collection Week is November 14-21 and we will again be a Drop-Off location. Volunteers are needed to help pack the shoeboxes that will be dropped off; watch for a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area.

**Thank You** to our church family for donating items for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The children and youth will use these items to pack shoeboxes during their Operation Christmas Child Packing Parties in later this month.

Our first Children's Packing Party will be Sunday, October 8 following morning worship service, this is for 5<sup>th</sup> graders and down. Lunch will be provided. A sign-up sheet is available in the Gathering Area. We are asking parents to attend with their children to help them pack shoeboxes.

A goal has been set for the children to pack 35 shoeboxes and the youth to pack 100 shoeboxes. We are still needing some items (see list below). Please bring the items to the church and put them in the tubs that are provided. If you would prefer to make a donation, we will do the shopping for you.

Needed items: box of bandages, hand wipes, hairbrushes, sunglasses, gloves, and small toys

Serving God together, Operation Christmas Child at First Baptist Church Lamar

### From the Pastor's Heart

Dear First Family and Friends,

I recently read a devotional, which I found a little disturbing. The writer was relating a story about talking to his friend about Jesus and the friend's attitude was "I don't need Jesus, nor the church. I'm fine exactly as I am." No matter what the writer said, it seemed to fall on deaf ears. We have all lived this scenario. What was disturbing to me was the writer related the biblical story of Philip talking to Nathaniel about Jesus. Nathaniel had the same attitude as this friend. "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip's answer to Nathaniel was, "come and see." Nathaniel met Jesus and changed his mind. The writer then went on to say, "I wish I had Jesus to go with me to meet my friend." We know what the writer meant.

How many times do we forget that Jesus is always with us. No matter the circumstance, we have Him with us at all times. Yet, we pursue on in our own power, doing our own thing, asking God to bless it, when all along God is reminding us, "without me you can do nothing." Today, go with Jesus... and remember He is with you.

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing, Pastor Robb

# Looking Ahead 8:00 am Men's Ministry Breakfast

October 1 8:00 am Men's Ministry Breakfast

October 2 OCC Shoeboxes ready for Pick-Up 5:30 pm Small Group Potluck-Kick off

October 4 1:15 pm YAH Council 7:00 pm Church Council

October 5 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

October 6 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Team Meal

October 8 3:00-5:00 pm KID's DAY OUT-OL'Yale Pumpkin Patch, Pittsburg, Ks.

October 9 11:45 am O.C.C. Lunch & Children's Packing Party 5:30 pm Small Groups

October 12 6:00-8:15 pm Community Youth Night 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

October 13 10:00 am Prayer Warrior Crafts 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study 4:30 pm Temple Training 5:30 pm Team Meal

October 15 Noon-10:00 pm Godfest-Wyatt Earp Park

October 17 11:30-5:30 pm BloodMobile

October 18 5:30 pm YAH Meeting

October 19 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

October 20 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study 4:30 pm Temple Training 5:30 pm Team Meal

October 23 4:00 pm Deacon's Meeting 5:30 pm Small Groups

October 24 & 25 MBC Annual Mtg. @ Meal on Wheels Delivery

October 26 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm Youth O.C.C. Packing party

October 27 10:00 am FBC's & 123"s
Halloween Party
1:30 pm Women's Bible Study
4:30 pm Temple Training

5:30 pm Team Meal

October 30 5:30 pm Small Groups

October 31-Nov. 3 Sr. Adult Retreat-Baptist Hill

## MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Oscar Bronson Sue Hobson Nell Finley Wayne Dingman Bill Bowman Mike Koehn Jill Willoughby Chris Sheat

### **EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY**

Kim Tilford, sister of James McMullen Peggy Buchanan, mother of Debbie Marti
Jim Harris, family of Barbara Robertson Charles Clark, friend of Mike & Sondra Divine
Carolyn Needles & Cole Schwahn, friends of Isabelle Sandberg

Darrell Strong, cousin of Gary Melton Dale Phipps, friend of Laurann Robertson
Scott Gordon, friend of Sandbergs & Bruffetts

Elnora Fast, grandmother of Jennifer Beem Oretha Cochran, sister of Sue Hobson
Dixie McLain, sister of Sharon Ramey Jeanie Koehn, mother of Mike Koehn
Nancy Kirby, Kay McKee's sister in law Kim Chaligoj, friend of Leon Bishop

Becky Howell, friend of Teresa Roberts Crea Schmidt, grandson of Wanda Reno
Nate Clement, grandson of Ivan & Denzil Voorhees

Jessica Querry, sister-in-law of Kerri Beshore Rod Jurgens, friend of Sheila Stevens
Tyler Worthington, grandson of Shirley Hildebrand
Billy Schnaufer, brother in law of Gary & Nina White

### MILITARY /1st RESPONDER PERSONNEL

Michael Riccio-Marines, nephew of Bill & Jan Bowman Rene Gamache-Army, husband of Jerica (Stahl) Gamache Brian Jenkins-helicopter pilot, Germany, grandson of Maxine Francis Caleb Stevens - USAF Las Vegas, NV, son of Gary & Sheila Stevens Richard Jones - Army, Washington, son of Linda Jones Brandon Lipe - Chicago, II. grandson of Noel & Lynn Grigery Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson Merissa Schmidt - San Antonio, granddaughter of Wanda Reno Mark Jones - Navy-Illinois, son of Linda Jones Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH
Pastoral Staff Lamar's Unchurched

Project/Building Committee Issues in Ukraine Haiti Mission Trip

### **Fall Small Groups**

Beginning Sunday, Oct. 2nd@ 5:30 pm

Potluck Meal in Fellowship Hall-Steve will lead this session.

"Mormons-Who they are and What they believe"

Join us for this 6 week study.

There are 4 locations to choose from:

Steve & Amanda Livingston—1805 Lakeview Drive Facilitator-Steve Livingston

Darin & Jennifer Beem– 428 SE 2nd Rd Facilitator-

Adam & Cherie Martin—803 Oak St Facilitator-Kale Regier

Larry & Gina Reed—FBC Fellowship Hall Facilitator-Larry Reed

### Youth & Outreach

### **Preparing for a Good Harvest**

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the spirit will from the spirit reap eternal life. -Galatians 6:7-8 Dear First Family,

Our youth are starting a 6 week study on the book of Galatians this week about discerning God's will as we seek to honor and obey him. In the text for the first lesson Paul warns us not to deceive ourselves. We should not think more of ourselves than we ought, and we should be faithful in carrying each other's burdens.

This means caring for one another and doing good to all people, not taking pride in our own position of strength or health in any area. If we have health and strength and we are in a position to help someone, we need to realize that God is the one who has given us that position—so that we may honor him in doing well. If we begin thinking that we have earned that position for ourselves, we are in danger—because God will not be mocked.

Again we are challenged to beware of the path we take in life. We will reap what we sow, so we should sow what is good and true. Paul describes two ways of living. Either we will seek to please our own sinful nature and reap destruction, or we will seek to please the Spirit of God.

In Christ, God has provided the way to eternal life. And because we are given full life in Christ, we can strive to do good to all people. We can love our neighbors by doing good as we have opportunities. And opportunities abound, so we can do good all of the time.

Our prayer as a church should be something similar to this:

Father in heaven, help us to sow what is good and true, that we can contribute to a harvest that honors you. Please give us your wisdom and help us to discern what is good and pleasing to you, In Jesus name, Amen.

To God be the Glory.

Chris Roth

### <u>Welcome New Members</u>

Joyce Rock~ Raylee Davis~ Lily Gastel Donna & Randy Oglesby~ Brady Powell Kinzley Melton

### YAH Meeting

Tuesday, Oct. 18th @ 5:00 pm.

Fish & Chicken Fry
A-J Bring Salad K-R Bring Vegetable
S-W Bring Dessert

Speaker: Ron Sandberg-Stories of Old Songs

Our Deepest Sympathy
To the family of:
Albert McManis

### 9th Annual GODFEST

Saturday, October 15th Noon –10:00 pm Wyatt Earp Park, NE Corner of Lamar Square Christian Bands, Food Vendors, fellowship



Monday, October 17th 11:30am -5:30 pm

**Blood Drive** FBC Fellowship Hall



### **October Homebound**

Juanita Johnson



Goal: \$8,000 Total Received: \$9561.00

### KID'S DAY OUT

Saturday, Oct. 8th ~OL'Yale Farms
306 S. 250th St. Pittsburg, Ks
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TIME: 3:00-5:00 pm

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Sign up Sheet in Gathering Area –Mention FBC to Receive a discounted price Adults-\$10.00 18 & Younger-\$12.00

### Averages for September, 2022

Average Attendance for September Morning Worship - 237 Sunday School - 145

Treasurer's Report for September 2021 Business Meeting

 June
 July
 August

 Total Income:
 \$35,715.18
 \$55,129.11
 \$36,102.89

 Total Expenditures:
 46,915.59
 49,098.18
 45,249.25

 Net Income
 \$-11,200.41
 \$-6,030.93
 \$-9,146.36