

BRANCHES

NEWSLETTER

BRANCHING OUT INTO OUR COMMUNITY AT FBC

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Over the past few weeks, our children have been busy preparing snack baskets for five local schools as part of Teacher Appreciation Week. They also created cards for each school to express our gratitude for the dedication and hard work of their teachers. We are thankful for Mandy Byers and our children as they work together to share God's love throughout Commerce!



DISASTER RELIEF

In the past, our church has supported communities impacted by disasters such as hurricanes, tornadoes, and wildfires through our Local Missions offerings. Recently, our Local Missions Committee and Deacons agreed to provide assistance to two organizations in South Georgia, where wildfires have caused significant damage to homes, farms, and businesses. We will be sending:

- \$2,500 to the Second Harvest Food Bank of South Georgia, which is coordinating donations and distributing food and hygiene supplies to those affected.
- \$2,500 to the Family Connection of Brantley County, which is supporting families in one of the hardest-hit areas.

We are grateful to be part of a congregation that is willing to give generously and support those in need.

MAY LOCAL MISSION PROJECTS

The Hope Resource Center is currently collecting diapers, wipes, and other baby items. They are also accepting donations of infant clothing, car seats, high chairs, pack & play beds, and strollers. Donations can be placed in the collection boxes near the bulletin board by the elevator.

Baby bottles will also be available for monetary donations—feel free to fill them with change, cash, or checks. The baby bottles are located on a table in the hall also near the elevator.

The Hope Pregnancy Resource Center serves Jackson County as a Christian, nonprofit organization dedicated to providing real hope and practical help for individuals facing unexpected pregnancies, as well as support for single parents and families in need.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Don't forget to fill up a shoebox for the Operation Christmas Child project! Empty boxes are available to take. We hope to have a big response this year!

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 10th *Happy Mother's Day*
- May 17th *Graduating Senior Day*
- May 25th *Memorial Day - Thank you to all that served!*
- May 25th *Church Office will be closed for Memorial Day*
- May 31st *Church Conference*



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| 5/5: Barbara Milford | 5/14: Jordan Halley |
| 5/5: Haley Baggerley | 5/14: JC Henry |
| 5/5: Landry Kate Martin | 5/17: Lauren Massey |
| 5/9: Andrew Minish | 5/18: Vickie McElroy |
| 5/10: Wesley Henson | 5/19: William Westbrooks |
| 5/14: Jordan Halley | |

MEALS ON WHEELS

- 5/6: Kim Ashe
- 5/7: Jon Massey
- 5/8: Beth Mattox
- 5/11: Bob Greco & Susan Harper
- 5/12: Kathy Thomason & Janis Miller
- 5/13: Beverly George
- 5/14: Brenda Meadows
- 5/15: Renee Kelley
- 5/18: Glenda Barron
- 5/19: Tracy Wilson
- 5/20: Kathy & Ernie Pruett
- 5/21: Mark & Barbara Beardsley
- 5/22: Randall & Karen Wardlaw



SERVANTS @ A GLANCE

Deacons:

- May 10: *Susan Harvin & Linda Nicholson Beard
 - May 17: *Johnny Eubanks & Joyce Bradshaw
- *Sunday Morning Announcements*

Greeters:

- May 10: William Westbrooks
- May 17: Paula Langston



Ushers:

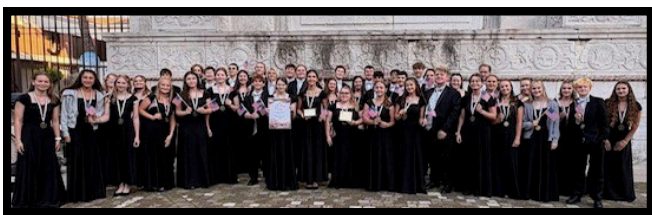
- May 10: Marilyn Henderson, Ann Rhoads, Paula Langston, Bob Greco, Vickie McElroy, & Trell Wilson
- May 17: William Westbrooks, Bill Hairston, Donna Allen, & Susan Harvin

Nursery Team:

- May 10: Jennifer Sanders
- May 17: Jennifer Sanders

FOOD BANK DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS

- Week of May 10th: Ann Rhoads
- Week of May 17th: Sharon Highsmith
- Week of May 24th: Mark Beardsley
- Week of May 31st: Jeanie Whitener



Congratulations

Congratulations to Todd Chandler and the EJHS Mastery Chorus for winning 1st place in their division of the World of Choirs competition last week in Rimini, Italy.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

- Monthly Giving Required: \$39,500
- Monthly Giving as To-Date: \$25,600
- Year To Date Giving Required: \$286,758
- YTD as of To-Date: \$251,230

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM



- Bus Fund in Honor of Dr. Sapp
- Bus Fund in Memory of Bill Studdard



NEXT MEETING JUNE 2

12:00 Noon in the Fellowship Hall
Event is FREE; Just bring something tasty to share and invite a friend!
If you bring a new guest you will receive an extra raffle ticket!

Please contact the Church Office if any of the following items are needed:

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| Walkers | Shower Chair |
| Bedside Commode | Rolater |