



First Family News

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Church family,

I don't know about you, but I could not be looking forward to the "BER" months more than I am right now. You know, SeptemBER, OctoBER, NovemBER, and DecemBER. While I type this, the high today is expected to reach 106°F. So far this summer we have had more than 30, 100+ degree days, this one being #18 in a line of consecutive, exhaustingly hot days. That is why the BER months are so appealing right now. With them we typically look forward to cooler temperatures, sweaters, and cozy fires. It's hard to imagine needing, let alone WANTING a jacket right now, but I have hope it's not too far off. They also represent a new season. School is back in full swing, schedules are beginning to fill with activities, and families are settling into their new routines after a summer off. It's an exciting time and I'm reminded of something my mother-in-law said to me once, that it's not the seasons that she enjoys as much as the CHANGE that they bring. When summer starts, we are all looking forward to long, lazy days, vacations, swimming, sno-cones, etc. but by the end we are DONE with the heat and ready for CHANGE. Fall, historically speaking, fulfills that change. The relief we feel when the first cold front blows through or the first good rain in months refreshes the earth, leaves us longing for more. Fall then turns into winter and we embrace down time. Being cooped up in the house on a cold winter's night, cuddled up by the fire, and sipping hot cocoa... goodness it sounds wonderful! Then winter turns to spring and oh the wonders of spring! When the trees start to bud and flowers bloom, warmer temperatures mean a return to outdoor activities and planting and gardening, and beholding God's perfect design and how He makes all things new. It's marvelous. But as it often does, spring gets busy, so we look forward to summer where we can relax and unwind a bit and thus the cycle repeats. Year after year, season after season, God is faithful to provide just what we need, and I am always amazed at God's craftsmanship. Nothing in creation was an accident, not the seasons-they certainly have a purpose, and not even the change of season that brings about hope and a refreshing new start.

In Genesis, God makes a covenant with Noah, that He would never again destroy all life with a flood. He tells us in Genesis 8:22 that, *"While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease."* He assures us that the seasons will continue to come and go and like the sign of the rainbow, God promises us that even through the cycle of the seasons, He will redeem and preserve His created order. If we look to the change of seasons through a holy lens, we see the pattern of the seasons reflected

in the very story of time, from beginning to end. There was creation, the fall, redemption, and restoration. If we parallel the two, creation can be compared to summer, where in theory life flourishes under the summer sun. Summer then gives way to fall, the fall of mankind through sin. Then we have winter which is redemption. People seek shelter indoors during the long hard winter months and have time to reflect and look forward to spring or the rebirth where God restores all things. In fact, it is made better than ever.

So, as we enter a new season, consider what changes need to take place in your heart so that God's design and purpose can blossom. Change can be hard, but it can also bear much fruit. The 3rd Chapter of Ecclesiastes tells us that *"There is a time for EVERYTHING, and a season for every activity under heaven..."* and Romans 12:1-2 declares that our change should not come from the world, but from God. What does that change look like in my life? In your life? In your daily walk? Does it include giving up something that takes the place of quiet time or adding time to serve? Each of us must undergo our own changes, but if we keep God's will our focus, we have hope. *"...the old has gone and the new has come."* 2 Corinthians 5:17.

Church family, it is with love that I challenge each of us to CHANGE according to God's will and invite you to look to this new season as the perfect opportunity. Greet the new season, the BER months, with open arms and an eagerness to draw closer to the Lord.

With love,
Lindsay

new MEMBERS
CLASS
& LIGHT LUNCH

Sunday, September 10th and 17th

12:15pm in the Fellowship Hall
Light Lunch and Childcare Provided

Find out more about our church!

Sign up at gvfbc.org or by calling the church office at
817-866-4430.



- 01 Geri Rhodes
- 02 Tyler Firebaugh, Rhonda Lamb, Alex Poynter
- 03 Meredith Akers, Kenneth Kirkpatrick, Monte Maddox, Michael Masella
- 04 Hope Hudson, Yvonne Morphew, Bobby Reynolds
- 05 Zachary Gilliland
- 06 Jerry Anderson, Missy Barron, Joe Perrin
- 07 Christen Rogers
- 08 Christopher Caro, Shawna Riegling
- 09 David Cloud, Krysta Yates
- 10 Harley Breton, Marty Grimes, Lisa McGowen
- 11 Aaron Fulford, Sheri Hughes, Nic Morphew, PJ Rogers, Adley Vasquez, Austin Wylie
- 12 Jonathan Anderson, Dametrious Crownover
- 13 Julie Holloway
- 14 Kason English, Chris Mitchell, Hunter Russell
- 15 Mary Aldridge, Peter Caro, James Meehan, Ryan Parks Logan Pickens, Mary Sue Sain
- 16 Jonah Cloud
- 17 Melissa Bailey, Marissa Chambers, Kailyn Russell, David Self
- 18 Anna Miller, Keller Power, Jessica Watson
- 19 Shirley Prater
- 20 Stephen Moore
- 21 Ellie Farmer
- 22 Missy Davis, Paul Papan, Tom Penix
- 23 Angi Penix
- 24 Chuck Moore, Savannah Rhodes
- 25 Stephanie Randolph
- 26 Airemy Caudle, James Dailey, Amy Moore, Rusty Rhodes
- 27 Miranda Sessums
- 29 Shelley Clark, Martha Nivens, Waylon Rogers, Ariella West
- 30 Terri Cheek, Isaiah Corgliano, Lyla Higgins, Carolyn Neff, J.D. Pierce

September DEACONS ON CALL

- 03 Brad Quisenberry817-825-6321
- 10 David Quisenberry.....817-825-6322
- 17 Jeff Moore817-933-2190
- 24 Rustin Mayse.....903-229-0591



**Saturday
September 16th**

Attention FBC family! Help us to reach out to folks in our community to give them—and us—an opportunity to get to know one another better. What better way to do that than to share a good meal and conversation with them. And a free meal at that! The more we get to know them, the more we are able to reach out and serve them for Christ.

Our next Community Table is scheduled for Saturday, **September 16th** at noon. Those wishing to help cook are asked to be at the church at 10:30am. Invite someone new from the community.

CDO Family Breakfast



**Thursday
September 7th
7:30am-8:30am
Fellowship Hall**



**CDO Fall Picture Day
Tuesday
September 12th**

NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

Attention all committee chairmen! It's time to work on your committee's 2024 budget requests. You are to call a meeting with your group between Sunday, September 10th and Sunday, October 1st. Contact the church office with the time and date of your meeting. Our financial secretary, Cindy Rankin, will prepare a budget worksheet packet for each committee. Budget requests will be due in the church office by Sunday, October 1st. The Budget/Finance Committee is scheduled to meet and begin its 2024 Budget Proposal work on Wednesday, October 11th, 7:30pm in the Conference Room.



Sunday, September 10th

All parents wishing to participate in our Fall Baby/Child Dedication Ceremony with their little one(s) are asked to contact the church office at 817-866-4430 by Wednesday, September 6th.



Friday, September 1

8:30am Breakfast—Football & Volleyball Team
Following FB Game Youth 5th Quarter @ Zebra Stadium

Monday, September 4

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, September 6

Baby/Child Dedication Deadline

Thursday, September 7

7:30am CDO Family Breakfast

Friday, September 8

8:30am Breakfast—Football & Volleyball Team
Following FB Game Youth 5th Quarter @ Zebra Stadium

Sunday, September 10

9:00am Baby/Child Dedication
12:15pm Membership Class
2:00pm Nursing Home
6:00pm Deacons Meeting

Sunday, September 10—Sunday, September 17

National Week of Prayer

Tuesday, September 12

CDO Fall Picture Day

Wednesday, September 13

7:30pm Budget/Finance Meeting

Friday, September 15

8:30 Breakfast—Football & Volleyball Team
6:00pm Parents Night Out

Saturday, September 16

10:30am Community Table Cooks
12:00pm Community Table

Sunday, September 17

12:15pm Lord's Supper
Membership Class

Friday, September 22

8:30am Breakfast—Football & Volleyball Team
Following FB Game Youth 5th Quarter @ FBC

Monday, September 25

12:00pm Primetimers Luncheon

Wednesday, September 27

See You at the Pole

Thursday, September 28

CDO Decades Day



Attention all elementary, junior high, and high school students! Join other students across the nation on the morning of **Wednesday, September 27th** and pray for your schools, administrators, teachers, staff, and fellow students. There are so many things for which to pray. Some examples are: for teaching; for learning; for the safety and well being of all; for healthy friendships; for love and kindness; for respect of one another; for sportsmanship; for honor, for no COVID or other illness outbreaks, in school teaching. The list can go on and on. You can add your own personal prayer requests for yourselves and others.

Meet at your school campus flagpole on **September 27th** at: **elementary 7:15am, junior high 7:15am and high school 7:30am**. Be ready to pray for and with your classmates.

A community-wide youth *Saw You at the Pole* rally will take place **6pm** at the **Grace Baptist Church**. This specific event is for youth in grades 6-12.

LORD'S SUPPER

**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 17TH
BOTH SERVICES**



"For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes".
1 Corinthians 11:26, ESV

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Sundays -		Wednesdays -	
Traditional Worship*	8:30am	Student Ministry	6:00pm
Sunday School	9:45am	FBC Kids	6:30pm
Contemporary Worship*	11:00am	Mixed Adults GROW Grp	6:30pm
		Ladies GROW Grp	6:30pm
		Men's GROW Grp	6:30pm
		Prayer Grp	6:30pm

*In house and on Facebook

Address Service Requested



Week of Prayer for State Missions
and

Mary Hill Davis Missions Offering

September 10th—17th

Church Goal: \$2000

Prayer guides are available on the
tables in the main hallway.



Labor Day
Monday, September 4th
Church Office Closed

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF:	July 9	July 16	July 23	July 30
Income Rec'd:	14071.87	22102.57	7015.72	5798.53
BUDGET:				
YTD Required:	388205.72	402070.21	415934.70	429799.19
YTD Receipts:	316177.98	322865.26	327065.15	331913.15
Wkly Required:	13864.49	13864.49	13864.49	13864.49
Wkly Receipts:	8891.06	6687.28	4199.89	4848.00



Friday, September 15th, 6pm—10pm

Ages 6 months—5th grade, \$10 per child
Please bring dinner for your child(ren).

RSVP to the church office by 4:00pm on
Wednesday, September 13th.

Primetimers Luncheon

Monday, September 25th

12:00pm

FBC Fellowship Hall



Bring a covered dish food item to share.