



First Family News

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Routine Labor

"And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done." – Genesis 2:2

September is one of my favorite months of the year. The dog days of summer are normally behind us by this point. Everyone has had a couple of weeks to get into the rhythm of the new school year. Football is once again in full swing. In a weird way, September almost feels like a vacation from all the busyness of summer vacation. After all the travel, camps, summer projects, etc.; it's comforting to step back into the routine of daily life.

Yes, daily life is not without its struggles, which can sometimes be rather intense. Still, the rhythm of routine somehow makes those stresses more bearable. The rhythm of routine whispers to us amid difficult seasons to just hold on because this time will pass just like everything else before it. After all, that's what rhythms do. Rhythms give comfort by providing a look into the future simply by looking into the past. While I don't know every precise detail of what will happen at church this coming Sunday, I do know that there are some things we'll do that we've done most Sundays prior. In that habitual knowledge, I can have a form of rest.

Not only is September a month we get back into routine, but it's also a month of celebrating routine. Routinely, on the first Monday of September, our nation recognizes Labor Day as a federal holiday. This celebration has rhythmically been observed every September, dating all the way back to September 5th, 1882. That's over 140 years of routine. Labor Day is, of course, a day meant to honor the achievements of American laborers. Celebrating a job well done is woven deep into the fabric of our country, and Labor Day is the embodiment of that celebration.

I encourage you, this Labor Day, to take a moment to pause and look around at what hard work has wrought in this country. Marvel at the industry, engineering, farming, ranching, etc. that has built this nation into a world power. Let us be grateful for all those who labored before us, and let us be grateful for the labor in which we partake ourselves. Let us also enjoy one of the key elements of Labor Day by resting from our labor and enjoying the fruits of said labor. Labor Day is a novel idea right, creating rhythms of working hard and then resting from the routine labor to celebrate work well done.

What if I told you the idea really isn't all that novel? What if I told you that the idea was literally as old as time itself? When God created everything out of a void of nothingness, he estab-

lished rhythm out of chaos. God's original rhythm is still observed by everyone alive today, whether they trust in Him or not. Anyone who utters the name of a single day of our 7-day week is unconsciously acknowledging the original rhythm of our Creator. I'm writing this on a Thursday, the 4th day of my week. As I write this in my office, as part of my labor, I know that the 7th day of the week is coming. Then I know the routine kicks off again, but there's something special about that 7th day.

God created the 7th day as a day of rest...a day to stop from our hard work and celebrate not just the work that we've done, but more importantly, celebrate all the good work that God has done for us and through us. We celebrate by resting from that hard work. Then, having rested, we are ready once again to jump back into the divine routine of life in partnership with the God who creates.

Now, let me caution you not to get legalistic on this one. The rhythm of rest doesn't have to take place on Sunday. Any day of the week will work, for as Jesus said in Mark 2:27, "The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath." Still, if we want to honor our Creator God and live the life of purposeful work that He intends for us, the Sabbath does need to take place at some point.

Do you labor? Then rest. Enjoy your labor, enjoy the God for whom you labor, and find peace in the original routine of Creation. Happy Labor Day!

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MEMBERSHIP CLASS

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH
12:15 - FBC Fellowship Hall**

Light Lunch & Childcare Provided

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH!

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



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- 02 Tyler Firebaugh, Rhonda Lamb, Alex Poynter
- 03 Meredith Akers, Kenneth Kirkpatrick, Monte Maddox
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- 04 Hope Hudson, Yvonne Morphew, Bobby Reynolds
- 05 Zachary Gilliland
- 06 Jerry Anderson, Missy Barron, Joe Perrin
- 07 Chrissy Rogers
- 08 Christopher Caro, Shawna Riegling
- 09 David Cloud, Wes Hanna, 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,
Hudson Scharnhorst
- 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 Tiffany Bell, Jonah Cloud
- 17 Melissa Bailey, 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 Brighton Herron, Angi Penix
- 24 Chuck Moore, Savannah Rhodes
- 25 Stephanie Randolph, Raelynn Anderson
- 26 Airemy Caudle, James Dailey, Amy Moore,
Rusty Rhodes
- 27 Miranda Sessums
- 29 Shelley Clark, Martha Nivens, Waylon Rogers,
Ariella West
- 30 Lyla Higgins, Terri Cheek, Isaiah Corgliano,
Carolyn Neff, J.D. Pierce

NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

Attention all committee chairmen! It's time to work on your committee's 2025 budget requests. You are to call a meeting with your group between Sunday, September 15th and Sunday, October 6th. Contact the church office with the time and date of your meeting. Our secretary, Lindsey Higgins, will prepare a budget worksheet packet for each committee. Budget requests will be due in the church office by Sunday, October 6th. The Budget/Finance Committee is scheduled to meet and begin its 2025 Budget Proposal work on Wednesday, October 16th, 7:30pm in the Conference Room.

LORD'S SUPPER

SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 15TH
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*

SEPTEMBER DEACONS ON CALL

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|----|------------------------|--------------|
| 01 | Wally Pippin..... | 817-648-8342 |
| 08 | Kenneth Pipes | 817-648-6048 |
| 15 | Rustin Mayse..... | 903-229-0591 |
| 22 | Robbie Mayse | 254-231-1431 |
| 29 | Brad Quisenberry | 817-825-6321 |



Labor Day
Monday, September 2nd
Church Office Closed



Attention all elementary, junior high, and high school students! Join other students across the nation on the morning of **Wednesday, September 25th** 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 illness outbreaks. 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 25th** 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 **FBC**. This specific event is for youth in grades 6-12.



Sunday, September 8th

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 4th.**

CHECK IT OUT!!!



Kids' Books



Adult Novels

Commentaries

FBC Library is available to anyone looking for books for enjoyment or Biblical research.



Monday, September 2

Labor Day—Church Office Closed

Wednesday, September 4

Baby Dedication Deadline
Parents Night Out Deadline

Thursday, September 5

CDO Zebra Day (Homecoming)

Saturday, September 7

5:00pm—9:00pm Parents Night Out

Sunday, September 8

Baby/Child Dedication

12:15pm Membership Class
12:30pm Youth—Andretti Karting & Games
2:00pm Nursing Home
6:00pm Deacons Meeting

Sunday, September 8—Sunday, September 15

National Week of Prayer

Sunday, September 15

Lord's Supper
Budget Meetings Start

Tuesday, September 17

CDO Career Day

Friday, September 20

Following FB Game 5th Quarter @ FBC

Wednesday, September 25

6:00pm See You at the Pole
Saw You at the Pole Rally (FBC)

Thursday, September 26

CDO Decades Day

Monday, September 30

12:00pm Primetimers Luncheon

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Sundays -

Traditional Worship* 8:30am
Sunday School 9:45am
Contemporary Worship* 11:00am

Wednesdays -

Student Ministry 6:00pm
FBC Kids 6:30pm
Ladies **GROW** Grp 6:30pm
Men's **GROW** Grp 6:30pm
Prayer and Psalms Grp 6:30pm

**In house and on Facebook*

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Parents Night Out

Saturday, September 7th, 5pm—9pm

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 4th.



Primetimers Luncheon

**Monday, September 30th @
noon in the Fellowship Hall.**

This month's theme is Football! Bring your
favorite football-inspired or tailgating
dish to share.

Hope to see you there!

GOLDEN GIRLS EXERCISE GROUP

**MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS @ 9AM IN THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

CONTACT PERSON: JEAN MARTIN



Week of Prayer for State Missions
and
Mary Hill Davis Missions Offering

September 8th—15th

Church Goal: \$2000

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

 **I am TEXAS Missions**
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WMU of Texas