



**First Baptist Church**  
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**ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED**

**Regular Schedule:**

<b>Sunday</b>		<b>Wednesday</b>	
8:00 A.M.	Worship	7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
9:15 A.M.	Bible Study	6:00 P.M.	Ignite
10:30 A.M.	Worship	6:00 P.M.	Children's Choir
	Lighthouse Harbor	6:30 P.M.	Mid-week Meditation
	Torchbearers	6:45 P.M.	Adult Choir
5:00 P.M.	Orchestra Rehearsal	6:50 P.M.	Missions
6:00 P.M.	Worship		

**Activities for September 13 through September 26**

<b>Thursday</b>	<b>September 13</b>
7:00 A.M.	LIFE Plus to Eckerts
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.	EMAA Job Fair (gym)
10:00 A.M.	LIFE Plus Bible Study
2:00 P.M.	Partners in Prayer (library)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>September 14</b>
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 15</b>
1:00-3:00 P.M.	Birthday Party (gym)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 16</b>
Regular A.M. Schedule	– Grandparents Day
9:30 A.M.	Sunday School Council
4:30 P.M.	Church Picnic at Engler Park – Knight's pavilion
<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 17</b>
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
1:30 P.M.	CARE "R" Team
7:00 P.M.	FUEL – Girls meet at 362 Moss Lane Boys meet in student center
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 18</b>
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
7:00 P.M.	Bible Study Fellowship

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>September 19</b>
Regular Schedule	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>September 20</b>
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
10:00 A.M.	LIFE Plus Bible Study
6:30 P.M.	Farm Bureau Banquet (gym)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>September 21</b>
Youth Fall Retreat – Logan Valley	
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 22</b>
Youth Fall Retreat – Logan Valley	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 23</b>
Youth Fall Retreat – Logan Valley	
Regular Schedule	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 24</b>
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
1:30 P.M.	CARE "E" Team
7:00 P.M.	FUEL – Girls meet at 362 Moss Lane Boys meet in student center
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 25</b>
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
7:00 P.M.	Bible Study Fellowship
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>September 26</b>
Regular Schedule	



# First Baptist Farmington

## *News and Views*

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September 13, 2018

### **A Very Warm Welcome**

The evening after being voted in as the new Senior Pastor of FBC Farmington, Penny and I were driving back to our hotel when she looked over at me and said, "We have been shown *so much* love this weekend." I call that the understatement of the year! Even before we arrived in Farmington, we felt loved and welcomed. We had already been overwhelmed by all the loving kindness demonstrated in every email, phone call, and friend request. The time we have spent with you over these past several days has only confirmed what a warm and welcoming church we have come to serve.

In just a few weeks we will return to Missouri, with all of our possessions in tow, to begin this new adventure. While I couldn't be more excited about what God will do in the coming years, I also realize that there will be challenges and moments of trial. I say this because advancing the Kingdom of God will always face opposition and an enemy who seeks to steal, kill, and destroy. However, I am convinced that a church family that loves one another, stays strong together. This is why I have such joy in my heart today, for I know that no matter what challenges the future may hold, FBC Farmington will stand strong as we love one another.

I know that for many of you we may have only had a few minutes to meet and talk during this past weekend. There are even some who I have not had the privilege to meet yet. As we get settled in, please take a moment to give me a shout, invite me over for a cup of coffee, or drop by the office to say hello. I look forward to getting to know each of you much better in the coming weeks and to hear from you what you hope to see for the future of the church. In the meantime my family and I continue to ask for your prayers during our time of transition and please know that we are praying for all of you.

Again, thank you so much for the Christ-like love you have demonstrated to not only me, but to Penny and the boys as well. You have made accepting God's call to FBC Farmington incredibly easy.

*"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."*

**(John 13:34–35, NIV)**

Blessings!  
Pastor Greg

## Update from Cuba:

My name is Yohandris. I am the youth leader and I was assisted by Pastor Joey with resources that came from you. We want to thank God first and you too for faithful support to extend the Kingdom of God in Cuba. Two-hundred-thirty youth attended, some non-believers and 40 came to Jesus, thanks God. Hebrew 6:10.

We had a family retreat at the beach (150 people went today). Two men came to Jesus, five people were baptized. The Revival keeps growing and we praise the name of the Lord for your faithful love and support to our ministry in Cuba. ~ Pastor Joey



## Fuel Bible Study Begins

Our youth Bible study began on September 10 and continues every Monday through the school year. The girls meet at the Welker house (362 Moss Lane) and the boys meet in the student center. Both groups will begin at 7:00 P.M. and end at 8:30 P.M. All students' grades 7-12 are welcome to join!

## Student Leadership Team Meeting

All students' grades 8-12 wanting to serve on our youth leadership team are invited to our first meeting for the year on Sunday, September 30 at 4:30 P.M. in the student center.



The entire church family is invited to join us this Sunday, September 16 for our annual church picnic. We will meet at the Knights pavilion at 4:30 P.M. at Engler Park. We will eat at 5:00 P.M. The church will provide fried chicken, but all those who attend are encouraged to bring a side or dessert item to be served pot luck style, your lawn chairs and any games you may want to play.

## Small Group Study

We will offer a Beth More Bible study on the book of Daniel on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the conference center. The Tuesday sessions begin September 25, 11:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.; Thursday sessions begin, September 27, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

This study will follow Daniel as he and his friends faced rejection and death as they stood firm in their beliefs while coping with a hostile culture.

Please register on the sign-up sheets on the bulletin boards or on the church webpage [www.farmingtonfbc.org](http://www.farmingtonfbc.org).

## Thank You

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, etc. while I was in Mo Baptist Hospital in June and August for heart surgeries. Thank you for your kindness and caring.

John Ratliff and family

We deeply appreciate and thank you for answering the call from Nancy Stroud to help us with a delicious meal. That took a big burden off our shoulders. Your kindness has truly been a blessing to our family.

Family of Anna Branson



## Shoe Box Ministry

For every 100 shoeboxes distributed, sixteen children report decisions for Christ. You can be a

part of this great experience by:

- Packing boxes and bringing them on collection Sunday.
- Donating money for youth to buy items and pack boxes.
- Donating money for shipping – cost \$9.00/box.
- Volunteer to work during collection week.
- Pray for every shoebox to reach the right child, with the right items, at the right time.
- FBCF goal is 862 boxes.

We will celebrate our gift of boxes on November 11 during the morning worship services.

## Christmas Choir Kickoff

We began the Christmas choir kickoff on Wednesday, September 12 with a preview of this year's Christmas cantata, *Christmas! We Remember, Rejoice, Worship*.

It is not too late and we would be glad for you to join us as we remember the true meaning of the season, rejoice in jubilant songs of joy, and worship Christ as our Savior and coming King.

We meet each Wednesday at 6:45 P.M. in the choir room with extra rehearsals on:

Sunday, September 23, time TBA  
 Sunday, October 7, time TBA  
 Saturday, October 13 (10:00-12:00)  
 Sunday, October 21, time TBA  
 Sunday, November 4, time TBA  
 Sunday, November 18, time TBA  
 Saturday, December 1 (10:00-12:00)  
 Sunday, December 9, time TBA

## Financial Statistics for:

**September 2, 2018**

Budget Requirements	\$ 17,923.00
Budget Receipts (9-2-18)	25,924.25
Requirement (wk 49)	878,227.00
Receipts (wk 49)	811,224.71
STB-BTS (from Oct)	71,959.70

## Sunday, September 9, 2018

Our Church Studying: 297

Our Church Growing:

Diane Gray by letter

## Prayer List:

Dean Woodcock (brother-in-law of Donna Tillman), David Bequette (son of Maxine Cole), Kay Clark (sister of Chuck Henson), Jax Marshall (grandson of Robin and Steve Short), Vernice Wade

## Christian Sympathy:

- To Donna Tillman and family in the death of her sister, Debbie Woodcock.