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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Stand Firm in Your Freedom

Freedom is a part of many conversations these days. I have continuously been amazed by how so many people who are champions of freedom find themselves living lives of servitude and bondage. We can become beholden to people's opinions, a poverty spirit, fear of loss, our calendars, our failures, peer pressure, deeply held faulty beliefs from our past, and the list goes on.

Jesus came to set us free from all things that would diminish the life that he gave himself and gives himself for us to live.

Galatians 5:1 is a powerful declaration that is ours in Christ. I simply want to share it with you and invite you to join me in reflecting on this passage each day throughout the month of July.

"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery." Galatians 5:1

May the Spirit speak to our spirits of the freedom that is ours in Christ this month, and may we truly be set free indeed by Jesus our Lord.

Blessings, Jeff



Colossians, Paul's Word for the Faithful and the Fruitful Summer of 2022

July 3rd - Colossians 1:21-23 "Living from a Friend Filter"

July 10th - Colossians 1:24-29 "Unsolved Mysteries Revealed"

July 17th - Colossians 2:1-8 "An Antidote for Deception"

July 24th - Colossians 2:9-15 "Living from His Victory"

July 31st - Worship at Gallimore Pond & Covered Dish Meal -No Sunday School This Sunday

June 19, 2022, Church Council Report

The Church Council discussed a letter received from the Blue Ridge Association relative to the future of the Association. We referred the item to the Deacon Fellowship and will work in concert with the Deacon Fellowship in making a recommendation to the Congregation at the August Business Meeting.

Voted to begin Sunday School Moments each Sunday as part of the 11:00 AM Worship Service. This will begin on August 14th and will continue until each class has been highlighted during our worship services.

Deacon Nominations will be received on July 24th during the Worship Service, and Deacon Election will take place on August 28th during the Worship Service.

Church Council Meeting July 17th @ 8:30 AM In the Fellowship Hall





Antioch Revisited

Antioch was a hot bed for mission in the New Testament. Antioch Revisited is designed to help those who participate to discover and live into the mission God has for them as we join the Kingdom Movement that is being launched into our world.

The components we will engage with are:

Mission—identifying your God-Given Mission

Message—Discovering your gospel and connecting it to your mission Methodology—Discovering practical ways of infiltrating and gathering the people of your mission for evangelism and discipleship.

Miraculous -Learning how to join God in what he is already doing in the lives of others. Multiplication—Helping others to live into the mission God has for them.

> Sunday, July 10th @ 8:30 AM In the Fellowship Hall "Discovering Your Gospel"

The Antioch Revisited Sessions are stand-alone sessions and can be attended by anyone. No RSVP necessary.

Preparation for the July 10th Gathering:

** Take time to think about how you have experienced God's Good News (the Gospel) to you in the Landscape of your life

The Eruptions: These are the great times of great joy like the birth of a child, your marriage, or any moment that caused a eruption of praise and adoration.

The Earthquakes: These are the moment of disaster and crises that break in all at once. The sudden loss of a loved one, or the unexpected loss of a job are a couple of examples.

The Erosive Periods: These are the seasons of steady difficulty. A long-term chronic illness, or working in a toxic setting are some examples.

At our time together we will do an excavation of how you experienced the Gospel in the Landscape of your life and assist you in discovering your personal gospel.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Worship at Gallimore Pond

July 31st @ 11:00 am - No Sunday School Covered dish meal The church will provide drinks. "High Noon" and others will be leading us in music & worship. A shuttle will be provided from the church to Gallimore Pond.

FRIDAY FOURSOMES



Fridays at 5pm at Great Oaks Country Club

Contact Steve Hamlin with questions.

Lord's Supper Sunday, July 3 Special Called Business Meeting Sunday, July 3, 12:00 pm **Church Office Closed** Monday, July 4 Antioch Revisited Meeting, FH Sunday, July 10, 8:30 am Stewardship Committee Meeting Sunday, July 10, 12:00-2:00pm, FH Sunday, July 17, 12:00-2:00pm, FH WARM Meeting Thursday, July 14, 10:00am, FH **Church Council Meeting** Sunday, July 17, 8:30am, FH **Deacon Nominations** Sunday, July 24 **Deacon's Meeting** Tuesday, July 26, 7:30pm Worship at the Pond Sunday, July 31

Weekly Schedule for Fellowship Hall Usage

Please let us know in advance if you need to use the Fellowship Hall so we can add you to the schedule.

Date	Time	Group/Person			
July 4	7-9pm	AA			
July 10	8:30am	Antioch Revisited			
July 10	12-2pm	Stewardship Comm Mtg			
July 11	7-9pm	AA			
July 14	10am	WARM Mtg.			
July 17	8:30am	Church Council Mtg			
July 17	12-2pm	Stewardship Comm Mtg			
July 18	7-9pm	AA			
July 19	3-4pm	Christmas For Kids			
July 23	1-8pm	Beth Meyers			
July 25	7-9pm	AA			
July 26	7:30pm	Deacon's Meeting			



YOUTH MINISTRY



YOUTH GROUP

Our youth will be meeting each Wednesday Night beginning Wednesday, July 6th in the annex from 6:30—9:00 pm. Wednesday night youth group is a time for teens to come together and learn how to have fun and live life together with Jesus. Building community with others while being able to be your true self without pressure from culture, family, or friends to be someone or something different than who you were made to be.

We hope you will come and join us!

MUSIC MINISTRY



PRESCHOOL NEWS



JULY BIRTHDAYS

1-	Sarah Morris	10-	Anna Thornton	23-	Connie Linkous
1-	Kaiden Swortzel	10-	Gene Howell	23-	Allison Riley Spangler
2-	Linda Hatcher	11-	Karen Bingham	24-	Isabel Lovitt
3-	David Phillips	14-	Janice Shortt	24-	Stacy Spangler
4-	Austin Spangler	14-	Jim Sharp	24-	Dan Larimer
4-	Ronnie Midkiff	14-	Avery Alexander Clinger	26-	Kelly Krantz
4-	Reif Bond	15-	Darren Penrose	27-	Amanda Rourke
4-	Travis Pratt	15-	Mason Paul Morris	27-	Louise Via
5-	Roger Dickerson	15-	Tyson Clay Morris	27-	Connie Bond
5-	James Shelton	16-	Ryan Scott	28-	Susan Weddle
5-	Bobby Gardner	17-	Connie Browning	28-	Courtney Weddle
7-	Haley Turman	19-	Phillip Morris	30-	Chris Bond
8-	Brent Thompson	20-	Lucille Harris	30-	Wayne Horney
9-	Graham Clinger	21-	Grayson Michael Weeks		Birthday
9-	Gracenne Clinger	23-	Connie Quesenberry		

THANK YOU NOTES

Floyd Baptist Family, Dur family is very appreciative of the kindness and support shown to us during the loss of our mother. Your encouragement, cards, calls and prayers have been a blessing to each of us during this difficalt time. We also want to thank all those who prepared meals for us. The food was delicious, and allowed us much-needed time for fellowship as a family. God bless you all for your kindness. Love, The Family of Nancy Whitley



SERVICE MINISTRIES

Deacon of the Week

July 3	David Hall
July 10	Steve Hamlin
July 17	Wayne Horney
July 24	Scott Lovitt
July 31	Jeremy Quesenberry
Aug 7	Jim Sharp



DEACON NOMINATIONS

It is now time to begin serious consideration regarding the Deacon nominations and forthcoming elections. Nominations for the <u>four</u> positions that will be vacated will be taken on **July 24th** during the morning worship service. **You are asked to please speak with the person you wish to nominate prior to nominating them and gain their permission to do so**. The person asked should be <u>willing</u> to serve in the capacity of Deacon and must also have been an active member of the congregation for at least one full year at the time service begins. A candidate should possess qualifications as outlined in the scriptures with special attention to <u>Acts 6:1-8</u> and <u>I Timothy 3:8-13</u>. Please note that women as well as men serve as Deacons at Floyd Baptist Church.

A list of nominees will be published in the August issue of the INFORMER, with the election taking place on August 28th during the worship service.

The following people cannot be nominated because they are already serving on the Deacon Fellowship with years remaining in their terms: John Weeks, Steve Hamlin, Scott Lovitt, Jeremy Quesenberry, Billie Hall, David Hall, Wayne Horney & Ron Bingham. Due to rotate off this year are Connie Browning, Kay Slusher, Darrell Thompson, and Jim Sharp.



MISSIONS



Operation Christmas Child.

Each month the Youth will be collecting an item that will be used in filling the shoeboxes in November for Operation Christmas Child.

In July, small toys (jacks, small puzzles, <u>4" dolls, small balls & coloring books)</u> <u>will be collected.</u>

Cash donations are also appreciated in order to purchase extra things needed. Please place your donations in the box located in the Sanctuary. *Thank You!*

Food Drive

Please help us with our collection of food items for the local food bank

The theme for July is: <u>Household Supplies (Paper Towels,</u> <u>Napkins, Shampoo, etc.)</u>

Please drop off your donations by <u>July 31</u> in the box outside the Fellowship Hall





Senior Smiles

Senior Smiles goal is to supply the residents of Skyline Nursing Home with personal name brand supplies they don't have access to, like body wash, shampoos, after shave, magazines and much more. A suggestion sheet is available at the drop off box. As the Senior Smiles ministry continues throughout the year, I want to thank all who have generously given. Please continue placing your donations in the drop box near the Fellowship Hall entrance. Senior Smiles, Judi Dempsey



Saturday, August 27, 2022



Planning has begun for this day and opportunities to serve will be similar to last year. Please let someone on the Evangelism and Missions Committee know if you have any thoughts or ideas for OIAM this year.

Start praying about where you are being led to serve, for God's will to be done and His love to be shown in this mission effort.

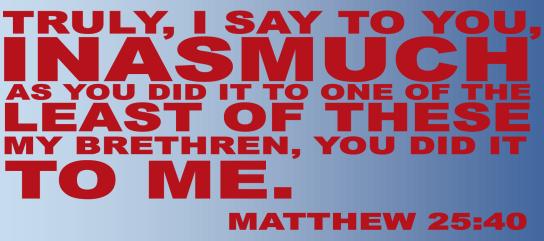
If you are "spring cleaning" and have items that you would like to donate to the Free for All Yard Sale, you can begin dropping these items off at the church.





WORK DAYS—OIAM Wood Splitting

We will be splitting wood for OIAM every Wednesday afternoon from now until it is all split. We will begin at 5pm at Richard's house. *If you'd like to help, please come! If you have questions contact Steve Hamlin.* Thanks in advance!





JULY 2022



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