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The INFORMER

From the Pastor's Desk

Life Focused?

And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth. Luke 12:15

In his classic story "How Much Land Does a Man Need?" Tolstoy tells of a greedy man who wanted a vast estate. He is offered what seems like the opportunity of a lifetime. For a small sum of money, he can have all the land he can travel around in one day's time. Beginning early in the morning, Pahom sets out, determined to claim the best land he finds and as much as he can. He stops to rest and eat only reluctantly, and pushes himself to cover more and more ground. Finally he makes a desperate rush to return to the starting point before sundown so that he does not forfeit his money and his land.

He reaches the hill just as the sun sets and falls dead from exhaustion. Tolstoy concludes, "Pahom was dead! The Bashkirs clicked their tongues to show their pity. His servant picked up the spade and dug a grave long enough for Pahom to lie in, and buried him in it. Six feet from his head to his heels was all he needed."

The things of this world are only temporal. "For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out" (1 Timothy 6:7).

A life focused only on the things of this world will never make a real impact for eternity.

Pastor Terry



Church Council

The Floyd Baptist Church Council held its regular monthly meeting July 21, 2024, 8:30 am, in the Church Fellowship Hall. David Hall was the moderator. The following is a brief summary.

- ⇒ On July 7, Vicky Shaffer was elected by church membership to fill the Deacon Fellowship position previously held by Connie Browning. Praise God! Also, four of the current members of the Deacons will rotate off the Fellowship in October. Nominations for these positions will take place on July 28, with an election to follow on August 25.
- ⇒ The "Floyd Baptist Church Activity and Group Questionnaire" has been mailed to group and activity leaders. Following the August 9th due date, work will begin on an informative brochure. Also, an updated card for visitors to complete, titled "Let's Get Acquainted," is now available in the sanctuary.
- ⇒ The WARM Group and friends will serve supper at the Roanoke Rescue Mission on July 29. Also, the Group is collecting items needed by Floyd Baptist Preschool as they begin a new school year.
- ⇒ Pastor Terry Semones plans to begin a Wednesday night Bible Study/Prayer Meeting in September for adults.
- ⇒ Plans are being made to meet together at the beginning of August 17th Operation In As Much for prayer and a group photo.

Church Council Meeting

Sunday, August 18th @ 8:30 AM In the Fellowship Hall





Deacon Service Ministry

Deacon of the Week

August 4 Mark West

August 11 Billie Hall

August 18 David Hall

August 25 Isabel Lovitt



DEACON ELECTIONS - August 25th

The following members have been nominated for deacon at Floyd Baptist Church for the coming three year term:

Jack Morris, Winky Nichols, Jeremy Quesenberry, and Darrell Thompson.

Thanks for their willingness to serve and to those who nominated them.

The deacon election will take place August 25th.

Announcements

Floyd Baptist Church Activities and Groups Brochure

We are making an informative brochure about our church activities and groups. If you received a "Floyd Baptist Church Activity and Group Questionnaire," please complete it, then email to floydbaptist@swva.net or place in the Secretary's Mailbox in the library. If you are the leader of a group or activity and did not receive a questionnaire, there are copies on the tables in the sanctuary. Contact Isabel Lovitt, 540-267-4585, if you have questions.

Thank you, Visitation and Outreach Committee





Begins September 18th

Announcements

Lord's Supper

Sunday, August 4

WARM Meeting

Thursday, August 8, 10:00am, FH
OIAM Day

Saturday, August 17

Church Council Meeting

Sunday, August 18, 8:30am, FH

Deacon Elections

Sunday, August 25, 11:00am

Deacon's Meeting

Monday, August 26, 7:00pm, FH

OIAM PICTURE & PRAYER

All participants of OIAM are requested to meet at FBC at 8:00 am on August 17th for a photo and a time of prayer as we begin this day of serving our Father & Lord.





FRIDAY FOURSOMES

FRIDAYS AT 5PM AT GREAT OAKS COUNTRY CLUB

Contact Steve Hamlin with questions.

Floyd County Schools Start on Tuesday, August 13th. Drive Safely!



Weekly Schedule for Fellowship Hall Usage August, 2024

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
Aug 2	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Aug 6	7-9pm	Cub Scouts
Aug 8	10am	WARM
Aug 11	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Aug 14	7pm	Business Meeting
Aug 16	All Day	OIAM
Aug 17	All Day	OIAM
Aug 18	8:30am	Church Council
Aug 18	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Aug 18	12-4pm	Thompson Reunion
Aug 19	5pm	Adult Handbells
Aug 20	7-9pm	Cub Scouts
Aug 25	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Aug 25	12-3	J. Short, B'day Party
Aug 26	7pm	Deacon Meeting



Thank You Notes

Thanks to everyone for cards, calls and visits from Floyd Baptist Church. Prayers always appreciated!

God Bless!

Catherine Moran



Music Ministry



MUSIC MINISTRY CALENDAR

Aug. 7 Sanctuary Choir 7:00p.m.

Aug. 14 Sanctuary Choir 8:00p.m.

Aug. 19 Adult Handbells 5:00p.m.

Aug. 21 Sanctuary Choir 8:00p.m.

Aug. 28 Sanctuary Choir 8:00p.m.

Do you feel like praising the Lord in song? The Music Ministry has opportunities for you to be a part of a group praising the Lord in song.

The Sanctuary Choir meets regularly on Wednesday evenings to prepare to sing praises during the worship services on Sunday mornings. Christmas cantata rehearsals will begin in September.

The Praise team is always looking for volunteers to be a part of the team.

The Adult Handbells meet on the first and third Mondays of each month at 5:00p.m. The rehearsals will begin on August 19. This group is looking for ringers and substitutes to join in ringing.

All music ministries are always looking for persons to become involved. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Karen Whitlock, Minister of Music

Preschool News



Open House - August 25th Preschool starts - August 26th

Preschool starts again soon! We are excited to see all the kids again and to make lots of new friends!

Missions

Operation Christmas Child.

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

In August, School Supplies will be collected.

(Including small plastic pencil sharpeners, markers, colored pencils, crayons, erasers, glue & small writing tablets)

Cash donations are also appreciated!
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 August is:

Canned Fruits & Vegetables

Please drop off your donations by <u>August 31</u>

in the box outside the Fellowship Hall.



OPERATION IN AS MUCH

August 17, 2024

OIAM day is fast approaching!! This day is another opportunity for us to reach out into our community and share God's love. It is a special day where you are able to choose from a variety of ministry projects and help others in your local community. Start praying about where you are being led to serve.

Matthew 25:40... "I tell you the truth, inasmuch as you have done such things for the least of my brothers and sisters, you have done the same for me."

Free for all / yard sale give away: Billie Hall

- ⇒ Drop off donation items at the church annex.
- ⇒ We need many volunteers and help for sorting, moving tables and cleanup afterward.





Cookie Ministry: Hope Short & the Youth

- ⇒ Our youth will deliver the cookies.
- ⇒ Cookie donations will be needed.
- ⇒ Delivering to: Sheriff's Dept., Rescue Squad, Fire Dept. and Nursing Home.

Fire Wood Delivery: Mark West

- ⇒ Need names of people who need firewood.
- ⇒ Need volunteers with trucks to deliver the firewood





Card Ministry: Kathryn West

- ⇒ Need names of shut ins and military persons to send cards to.
- ⇒ Need volunteers to help with writing and addressing the cards.

Lunch for the volunteers: Janice Short

- ⇒ Planning to serve hotdogs & drinks for lunch.
- ⇒ Need food donations.
- ⇒ Need Volunteers for preparation and clean up.





Visitation to the Nursing Home: Isabel Lovitt

⇒ Need volunteers to go visiting from 10:00 - 11:30am

Please be in prayer that we have a successful and fun event and that we will serve our Father and Lord faithfully.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	5pm-Friday Foursomes 6:30-Youth, Annex, End of Summer Bash!	3 12pm –Last Wk Svo on Citizen's Ch 20
4 Lord's Supper 9:25am- Prayer Meeting-FH 9:45am- Sunday School 11am Worship Svc	5 11am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20	6	7 3am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20	8 WARM- 10am FH	9 5pm-Friday	10 12pm –Last Wk Svo on Citizen's Ch 20
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