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### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### The Triumph

But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) Ephesians 4:7-10

The concept of a parade to honor the victors of a battle or sporting event is an ancient one, but it was honed and perfected to an art form by the Romans. Following a significant victory, the winning general would be welcomed into the city of Rome with a massive parade. The surviving leaders of the defeated foe would be forced to walk through the streets to be mocked by the waiting throngs. The spoils of war would be displayed—weapons, art, jewelry and statues. Then the leaders of Rome would escort the victorious general into the city for his official triumph. Gifts would be given to the people from what the victorious leader had captured on the field of battle. Great banquets would be held across the city, and music and celebration would continue long into the night.

The Roman Triumph was a celebration of victorious power over the enemy. This is the image Paul used for the victory of Christ over Satan, death, and the grave. Jesus did not just overcome Satan, He defeated him forever, and took from the devil what he prized most—the souls of every person who would trust Him as Savior. Jesus distributes to His children good things from His resources, reminding us not only of His victory but also its impact on our daily lives and our eternal futures. The death of Jesus on the cross was not the moment of Satan's victory, but the moment of his complete and utter defeat. He is a conquered foe, and in the power of God, we do not need to fear him.

We serve a victorious Savior, and His grace provides us with victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil.



## CHURCH COUNCIL

Floyd Baptist Church Council held its monthly meeting on August 17, 2025 at 8:30 AM in the church fellowship hall.

Pastor Terry opened the meeting in prayer.

### **Pastor Report**

- I've had several good visits in August. I'm very encouraged by everything going on at Floyd Baptist Church.
- Looking forward to several activities coming up in the future.
- Please remember, I am always available to talk or visit. Just give me a call.

### **Deacons Report**

- Jeremy Quesenberry reminded everyone of the upcoming Deacon elections on August 24. The new Deacon mentorship is being set in place.
- Please plan on attending the next upcoming business meeting scheduled for September 10,
   2025. Our budget for the upcoming year and other important decisions need to be voted on.

### **WARM**

- Terri Morris informed us that the women spend a great deal of time praying for the needs of others and the Church during their monthly meetings.
- A meal for the football team is scheduled for September 26, 2025.
- The warm group is also collecting back-to-school supplies for the preschool children at our church.

### **Sunday School**

- Leisa Holman discussed the reconstruction needed for the Sunday school classes. A special meeting is scheduled to go over possible changes.
- The Small-Town Youth are planning a bowling event coming up soon.

### Visitation and Outreach

- Denise Peters reported that the committee continues to visit homebound and nursing home residents.
- Please send out requests for visits.



### **DEACON INFO**



Sept 7 Isabel Lovitt

Sept 14 Jack Morris

Sept 21 Winky Nichols

Sept 28 Michael Patton

### **OUR NEW DEACONS:**

The following people have been elected to serve on the Deacon Fellowship for the upcoming three years:

### Belinda Alderman - Steve Hamlin Brett Holman - Taylor Quinn

We would like to thank our newly elected deacons for their commitment to serve and ask our church members to pray for all our deacons as they serve the church.

We'd like to thank Isabel Lovitt, Michael Patton,

Michael Shortt and Fred Wirt for their commitment to serve on the Deacon Fellowship for the past three years as you rotate off.

We appreciate everything you guys have done for the Fellowship and the Church!





## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



### **Dates to Remember**

### **Business Meeting**

Wednesday, September 10, 7:00pm, FH
WARM Meeting

Thursday, September 11, 10:00am, FH

### **Church Council Meeting**

Sunday, September 21, 8:30am, FH

### **Deacon Meeting**

Monday, September 22, 7:00pm, FH

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Friday Foursomes**

Fridays at 5pm

**Great Oaks Country Club** 

Contact Steve Hamlin or Richard Wood with questions.





### New year begins September 17!

We look forward to seeing you! Wednesday nights - 6:30-7:45pm Preschool though 6th grade



### **PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2025-26**

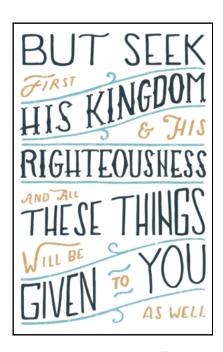
The proposed budget was presented at the August business meeting and will be voted on at the September business meeting (September 10th).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a member of the Stewardship Committee.

Thank you,

The Stewardship Committee: Dale Profitt, Chair Gayle Semones - Connie Quesenberry - Sarah Browning Jeremy Quesenberry - Terri Morris,

Church Treasurer – Ex-officio



## FELLOWSHIP HALL SCHEDULE

## Schedule for Fellowship Hall Usage September 2025

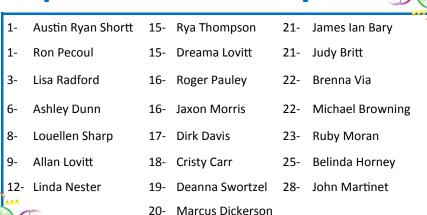
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Date	Time	Group/Person
Sept 2	7-9pm	Cub Scouts
Sept 8	5pm	Adult Handbells
Sept 10	7pm	Business Meeting
Sept 11	10am	WARM Meeting
Sept 12	12-9pm	OCC, J. Britt
Sept 13	9-3pm	OCC Project Leader Workshop
Sept 14	12:30-4pm	Moran Reunion
Sept 15	5pm	Adult Handbells
Sept 16	7-9pm	Cub Scouts
Sept 20	All Day	Baby Shower, R. Linkous
Sept 21	8:30am	Church Council Meeting
Sept 22	7pm	Deacon Meeting
Sept 26	All Day	WARM Food Prep; Football Team



If you plan to have an event in the Fellowship Hall and it is not listed here, please call the church office at 745-2677 or email at floydbaptist@swva.net to get your event added to the calendar.

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

### **September Birthdays**



## **MUSIC MINISTRY**

#### Calendar

Sept. 3 8:00p.m. Sanctuary Coir

Sept. 8 5:00p.m. Adult Handbells

Sept. 10 8:00 - 8:20p.m. Cantata

Sept. 10 8:20p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Sept. 15 5:00p.m. Adult Handbells

Sept. 17 8:00 - 8:20p.m. Cantata

Sept. 17 8:20p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Sept. 24 8:00 - 8:20p.m. Cantata

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### **Music Ministry Notes**

Are you beginning to feel fall in the air? Do you 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, 8:00 - 8:45p.m., to prepare to sing praises during the worship services on Sunday mornings. Christmas cantata rehearsals begin on September 10, 8:00 - 8:20p.m., also on Wednesday evenings. We are looking for voices who wish to make a joyful noise.

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

The Adult Handbells meet on second and third Mondays of each month 5:00 - 6:00p.m. We begin the fall season working on Christmas music.

The handbell group is looking for new ringers - experienced or non-experienced, beginners or advanced. No matter where your skill level is, we would love to have you join us.

An exciting opportunity for children, beginning with grade 1 through grade 6, will be an introductory handbell group. No experience is necessary.

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



## THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Friends at Floyd Baptist,

Thank you for your faithful support over the past year and the many ways you help Young Life reach lost and disinterested Floyd Youth. Thank you for your partnership and the love of God you show through this outreach.

Sincerely, Joanne Sholar, FYL Committee



### A Thank You from a Skyline Rehab & Narsing Center resident

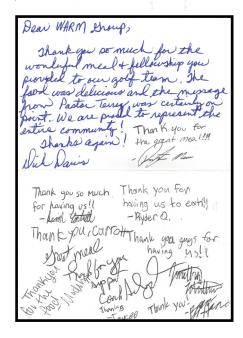


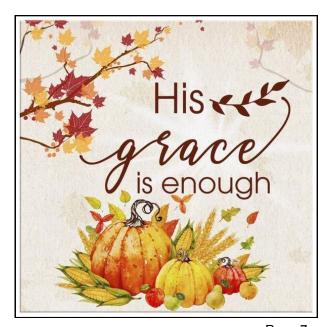
During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us....

Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered.

The Allen Family (Leisa Holman)

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Steve Hamlin and Richard Wood for their terrific job cleaning my deck, the things on it, the lattice and the condenser on Saturday. May God Bless you! Cheryl Sharpe





## PRESCHOOL NEWS

Preschool has gotten off to a wonderful start! The children are learning new faces, making great new friends and learning Jesus loves them and lots more!

A huge thanks to the WARM group for donating to the preschool lots of useful supplies! This group never fails to provide us and many more, with their generosity, thoughtfulness and loving ways.

Also many thanks to our preschool committee folks, Martha Thompson, Christy Carr, Michael and Sarah Browning and to Pastor Terry and Gayle for helping out at open house! We greatly appreciate their help!

Peggy Proffit and Brenda Allen are also such a blessing to us as they come and help the first few days of school and any other time we need them!

We are looking forward to a wonderful new school year! Ms. Janice



## **OPERATION IN AS MUCH**

#### **Small Project**

The Small Project for OIAM was to clean a large porch for a lady in town. We successfully cleaned the entire porch by hand and were able to revitalize the look of her house. She was very thankful.

### **OIAM Firewood**

- In late March, several men from Floyd Baptist Church split wood to be delivered in the Operation In As Much project.
- There were 18 loads of firewood delivered to households in Indian Valley, Willis, Alum Ridge, Reedsville, Woods Gap, Shooting Creek, Stonewall, White Oak Grove, and Lick Ridge on Saturday, August 16.
- Elementary, high school, as well as college students, worked with the firewood delivery. Also, adults of all ages from Floyd Baptist Church and a member of New Haven Baptist Church delivered firewood.
- We thank all who split and delivered wood. But we know that none of you who did the work did it for your own glory.
- We thank Richard Wood who has provided land to store the wood to be delivered since the beginning of Operation In As
  Much in September, 2014. He has also done much work in the splitting and delivery of wood. His kindness and generosity
  makes it for possible for the quality of lives of numerous Floyd County residents to be improved.



## **OPERATION IN AS MUCH**

#### Skyline Nursing and Rehabilitation Center 0IAM Team Report

Eight members of Floyd Baptist Church had the joy of visiting Skyline Nursing and Rehabilitation Center as part of Operation In As Much. The staff warmly greeted us. We shared God's love, read the Bible, sang, and prayed with residents and their family members. Eighty-eight gift bags were handed out. The gift bags were made possible by the donations of team members, Cheerful Helpers S. S. Class, W.A.R.M. Group, other FBC members, and members of our community. Many children, youth, and adults beautifully decorated the gift bags. What rich blessings we eight team members received through this ministry!

With sincere thanks to all who contributed and to our Heavenly Father, Team Leader Isabel

#### **Food Preparation**

The folks that provided the workers a meal for OIAM were blessed to feed the wood crew, the free for all workers, the note writers, 9 shut ins were taken food also and anyone else that wanted a meal! Helpers that provided food and helped with the meal were Leisa Holman, Deanna Swortzel, Vicky Shaffer, Janice Shortt, Kam & Rayleigh Tucker. OIAM is a great opportunity to give back to so many in need!

#### **Cookie Deliveries**

A total of 9 members of Floyd Baptist's "Small Town Youth" group delivered cookies to Floyd County's first responders as an act of appreciation through Operation In As Much. This included the sheriff's office, fire department, rescue squad and Skyline Nursing Home. The youth not only expressed gratitude by handing out the cookies but by personally thanking our first responders. Afterward, the youth enjoyed spending extra time together while getting ice cream from Floyd Express. This closed out the youth's summer activities after having a "summer bash" cookout, a trip to El Charro, a lock-in, and a trip to Carowinds. We are looking forward to welcome in the Fall activities with the youth group and are excited to see the plans that God has in store for our youth next.

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." I Thessalonians 5:18 Thank you all for your prayers and support! - Caleb and Marlena Chaffin

#### Free For All

Our Annex was alive with activity on that Saturday morning! We had 153 guests come through our door to shop. They were greeted by smiling volunteers ready to help. The atmosphere was energetic and exciting!

Many of our guests found "things" they needed. We were thanked many times for providing this service to our community. Several made monetary donations to help with our work.

Anyone seeing the Annex before we opened that morning knows what a large project this was. It was able to happen with all your donations! We also had one really big donation from the Methodist Church (A good example of our community working together to help others.)

Thank you to all those who worked for weeks getting this together and those suppling extra tables and racks to stage our items to make a guest's shopping experience easier.

We all want to thank our God and Savior for allowing us to serve and show His love to our community.





## MISSION NEWS



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD FOCUS FOR SEPTEMBER

IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS! What an awesome opportunity to participate in shining HIS Light to all corners of the world!

We have several things to focus on this month. We need paper folders to put paper in, 1-subject notebooks, silverware (spoons or forks) can be used but in good condition, and children's sunglasses.

Thank you so much for your support of this mission. We must keep in mind that each box results in salvation for 1 in 4 of the people touched by that box. Please continue to pray as we work toward our November collection week.

### **Food Drive**

Please help us collect food items for the local food bank.

The theme for September is:

### Peanut Butter, Jelly & Crackers

Please drop off your donations by **September 30** 

in the box outside the Fellowship Hall.







# SEPTEMBER



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