

Church Family,

Let me draw your attention to a few things ...

1. Valuable information to assist you in casting a biblically responsible and God-honoring vote on November 8, 2022.

Type into your search engine afa.net. Once at the American Family Association (AFA) website go to the long skinny blue bar towards the top of the page and click on AFA action. On the AFA action window, find IVOTERGUIDE and click on it. Follow directions. You will find much useful information about the candidates. I encourage you to vote for the candidate who stands the closest to and for biblical truth and values.

2. The Community Thanksgiving service will be held November 20, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. at Word of Faith church (right next door to us).

It has been years since this service has been held. Please make plans to come. I look forward to seeing you there.

3. As disciples of Jesus Christ let's be intentionally active about telling the people we encounter about Jesus Christ!

I have just returned from the 186th Mississippi Baptist Convention. I have been reminded of just how much God has blessed Mississippi Baptists. This has much to do with the faithfulness of God's people to obedience to the Word of God, to the Great Commission, and seeking to honor and glorify God in the decisions we have made and actions we have taken.

Mississippi Baptists realize that only together can we reach Mississippi for Jesus Christ! The theme this year was "Impact Mississippi." According to one website, "Mississippi has more churches per capita than any other state in the country, and they're not just buildings taking up space ("Mental Floss"). A 2009 Gallup poll found that, "people in Mississippi actually go to church more frequently than residents of any other state." That is great news, isn't it? It is! What does that really look like on any given Sunday in Mississippi?

Out of the 2,960,075 people who make up this great state, ONLY 740,019 people are in church on any given Sunday. That's right, only 25% of Mississippians are gathered with other believers on Sundays. That 25% of Mississippians are gathering in over 109,816 local churches (churches-in.com). On the average Sunday, churches (which includes the 2,200+ Southern Baptist Churches) across Mississippi, have a lot of empty seats.

If there has ever been a time when God's people need to stand up and be God's people it is now. We are the only people in the world who have the answer this world needs. His Name is Jesus Christ! Each of us as God's children have been commanded to go and tell someone about Jesus Christ. We are God's plan for bringing Yazoo City and County, Mississippi, this nation and world the greatest news they could ever hear – the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

Let us commit our lives as the people of FBC Yazoo to bringing the Gospel message into the lives of those we encounter ...

- The waiter/waitress who is serving your food.
- The person you sit beside at a ballgame.
- The person waiting with you in the "checkout line."
- The person whom God has just suddenly brought into your life.
- A family member or friend.

God is for you! If you will say "yes" to your LORD, "I want to tell others about Jesus Christ," then you can rest on His Word and promises that He will enable you to do just that.

Matthew 28:18-20, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Master, said, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come on you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

If you need Gospel tracts or a little guidance on how to talk to someone about Jesus – we can help you. Call the church office and we will do all we need to do to equip you to share Jesus Christ with those you encounter.

The next time you look at those empty pews on a Sunday whisper a prayer to your Father, "Lead me this week to someone who needs Jesus Christ. Give me the courage and the words to tell them about your love for them!" God will use us to "Impact Mississippi" for Jesus Christ!

Happy Thanksgiving! I am so thankful for each one of you! It is a joy to serve as your pastor. May we continue to grow in our love for and continuous thanksgiving to Almighty God our Father, and in our love and thanksgiving for one another!

Byron

Hey everyone,

The leaves are falling, the air is getting crisp and the extra layers are coming out. I would say fall is really upon us!! With this comes some much needed time of celebration and family time. We have a couple big things remaining on our youth calendar before it gets too cold and hectic: guys camping trip and FAST FOOD THANKSGIVING! The camping trip date is still TBD, but Fast Food Thanksgiving will take place on November 16th. Y'all know how this works... Everyone bring your favorite fast food item for potluck dinner!

I also wanted to give a special thanks to all of you who have served, washed dishes, and made Wednesday Night Suppers possible. Our team has rocked it and done such a great job! We couldn't do it without you.

Love you all, Tiki



CHURCH FAMILY
Thanksgiving
DINNER

Please join us Sunday, November 13th following Worship!

THE CHURCH IS PROVIDING THE MEAT. WE ARE ASKING FOR THE FOLLOWING:

If your last name ends in **A-H**, please provide an appetizer.

If your last name ends in **I-Q**, please provide a side.

If your last name ends in **R-Z**, please provide a dessert!

PLEASE DELIVER YOUR DISHES TO THE KITCHEN BY 9:45.

During our Thanksgiving Lunch, we will collect a

HARVEST OFFERING

This offering will help cover the budget expense deficit for this year. Thank you for giving generously.

Benton Academy will host its Annual Veterans Day Program on Thursday, November 10th @ 10am in the school's gymnasium.

Manchester Academy will host its Annual Veterans Day Program on Friday, November 11th @ 9am in the school's gymnasium.

All veterans and their families are invited to attend both events!



October Budget Offering

October 2	October 9	October 16	October 23	October 30	Online Gifts
\$10,867	\$13,913	\$8,588	\$5,604	\$5,310	\$11,543



Mark your calendar now! I am sure with the history of the wonderful music program that exists at FBC,

this has probably been done in some way or fashion, but not in recent years.

On Sunday, December 11th during our morning worship service, we will have a FAMILY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION! Beginning our service at 10:50am, our Children's Choir will present "The Amazing Christmas Maze, Finding Our Way to Jesus."

Immediately following the children, our Worship Choir will present "A Promise Kept, The Blessing of Christmas." It is a wonderful presentation filled with inspirational music both familiar and new. Please, mark this on your calendar...

DECEMBER 11th @ 10:50am.

Blessings, John

Gifts were received for the following designated funds:

- Capital Improvements in memory of Vernon Sikes
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- Music Ministry in memory of Vernon Sikes
- Margaret Lackey State Missions in honor of Kyle & Jessica Wever
- Local Benevolence in memory of Vernon Sikes
- Local Benevolence in memory of Kenneth Buckley
- Youth Ministry in memory of Kenneth Buckley
- Manna House in honor of Cheryl Carver
- Youth Ministry in memory of Jo Lee
- Capital Improvements in memory of Kenneth Buckley
- Capital Improvements in memory of Bill Quimby
- Challenge to Grow in memory of Vernon Sikes



Hey mom and dad, it's getting down to crunch time with the kids Christmas musical. We will be presenting this musical on Sunday morning, December 13th, during the morning worship service. Although K4C will end on November 6th, we will continue our rehearsals from 5:00-6:00 on November 13th, 20th, and December 4th. Please make every effort to have your children present for each, very important rehearsal.



Most of our people know the reasoning behind our family festival being held on October 31st, but I would like to explain for those who are not aware. Personally, I have always felt by doing one of these yearly festivals, the church was offering an "alternative" to trick or treating. I believe that we could achieve several things by doing this on the 31st. First off, a nice alternative. Secondly, a great night for all ages in our church. Whether you are a senior adult or empty nester, providing a trunk or sitting out visiting with peers or fellow members by the bonfire or a parent of a young family simply enjoying the festive environment, the whole night is proven to be for everyone. And thirdly, the outreach by asking friends and extended family to meet or join you is a wonderful way to show the love of God in a very casual and somewhat disarming setting. All that to say, it has always been my desire to provide the alternative and not hold our festival any other day. This is not intended, by any means, to single out any other church or organization for choosing a different day. I realize sometimes this makes things more difficult, but for me personally, holding this event any other time than the 31st would defeat the purpose. Down the road... the emphasis changes... then we can move it. I just needed to share with those who did not know and for the rest who needed a reminder. All that said, a special thank you goes out to David and Sandy Warren for being such great hosts and all those who volunteered their trunks, as well as, special help with hotdogs and s'mores. Truly a great night! Thank you!!



Quite a few of you have picked up your Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes and that is such a blessing to see, not to mention how much of a blessing it will be to a child.

If you haven't picked yours up, we still have several! Go head and bless a child today. Pick one or more up, fill them, and return with the \$10 donation for shipping/processing no later than Sunday, November 13th.



Ok church family, we need your help! As most of you are aware, we try to really add extra ingredients to our Backpacks of Hope for holiday breaks. Obviously, we are unable to give ample food for the entire break, but along with a few extra items, we include a regular sized box of kids cereal...you know...the good stuff. The next time you head to the grocery store, pick one up, will you?! That packing will take place on Wednesday, November 16th.



Christmas Poinsettias

If you'd like to order a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone this Christmas Season, now is the time! Using one of our giving envelopes, please leave a note for whom your poinsettia will be purchased. Cost is \$15 each. Deadline to order is November 20th.

MANNA HOUSE FOOD DRIVE

WE ARE ACCEPTING FOOD DONATIONS, PAPER GOODS, MEAT, AND MONEY! BOXES WILL BE SET UP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL & SANCTUARY FOYERS. ANY MONETARY DONATIONS CAN BE PLACED IN AN ENVELOPE AND LABELED "MANNA HOUSE."

CALL THE OFFICE WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Sunday, November 20th following worship, we will be decorating for Christmas! We will have sack lunches available for those who plan to help! We'll decorate the Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, and will put the big Nativity Scene up out front!



Community-Wide Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 20th
5pm
Word of Faith Church



November 2022

Sunday Activities

Sunday School—9:40am
Worship—10:50am
PM Activities—5pm

Wednesday Activities

Men's Prayer Breakfast—6:30am
Bible Studies & Prayer Meeting— 6:00
Choir Rehearsal—6:50

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Men's Fish Fry @ 6:30	2	3	4	5
6	7 Ladies Candle Party 6pm	8 Ladies Candle Party 6pm	9	10	11 	12
13 Church-wide Family Thanksgiving	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 Christmas Decorate Day Community Thanksgiving	21	22	23 No Services	24  Office Closed	25	26
27 BBQ Lunch & Business Meeting	28	29	30	Deacon of the week: 4—Phillip Pope, 11—JD Rees, 18—Billy Redd, 25—Pat Rush		

WATCH US LIVE ONLINE SUNDAYS AT 10:50!

Sunday morning services are available **LIVE** online. You can watch the service by going to www.fbcyazoo.org and clicking on the "Live Stream" on our home page. We are also Live on Facebook each week!



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