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From The Pastor's Corner:

You don't realize how fast time truly goes by until you have a once-a-month deadline or obligation to meet. It seems as though I type the final period on the newsletter, and it is already time to start writing the next one. This is no different than the lives we have been afforded on this earth. When we are young, we cannot wait to grow up. Then, when we are older, we would give most anything to be able to return to our youth. The passage of time is why it is so important to make the most out of every opportunity we are given, for when the moment has passed, there are no "DO OVERS". Unlike our favorite TV program or movie, we cannot pause or start over because we may have missed something. Life is the most precious thing that we have, and we must make sure that we do not look back with regrets and thoughts of what could have been. I realize that there are things in every one of our lives that we would go back and change if we could.



We cannot, however, let those things hinder us from moving forward with the life that we have left ahead of us. When we are young, we think we will live forever but in a moment, most of our life is in the past. I do not say this to bring you down but rather to encourage you to live the life that lies ahead to its fullest, and that can only be done by allowing the Lord Jesus to live in and through you.

I want to encourage all of you, young and elder alike, that when you lay your head down each night, do not worry or dread what tomorrow may bring, but rather think of each and every day as another opportunity to shine for the glory of God.

When we worry about things that may or may not ever come to pass or things that are completely out of our control, it is always counter-productive. Take care of what you can and ask the Lord Jesus to take care of the rest. James 4:13-15 says, "(13) Go to now, ye that say, today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: (14) Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. (15) For that ye ought to say, if the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that."

May every night bring you rest and peace and every day bring you joy and happiness.

Pastor Robert

September 22nd – First Day of Fall

"It's the first day of autumn! A time of hot chocolatey mornings, and toasty marshmallow evenings, and, best of all, leaping into leaves!"

Winnie the Pooh





Daughters of the King will meet Tuesday September 10, 2024 at 6:00 PM. In September, we will have an evening of fellowship and will be discussing our bible study opportunities for the upcoming year. There will not be a Zoom meeting for the month of September. Looking forward to seeing you all!

Valerie

The Nominating Committee has been meeting to fill positions for the upcoming church year (October 2024- September 2025). This committee's role plays an important part in the ministry of our church, and the committee's work is not taken lightly. Please continue to pray for our committee and to those volunteers who are asked to serve. If you have questions regarding any position or committee, please see a member of the Nominating Committee (Van Alford, Elisha Holt, Julie James, Michael Hayes, Jeanna Gregory or Pastor Robert). The Nominating Committee's recommendations will be presented for a church vote on Sunday, September 22nd.



September 2024

To God Be The Glory



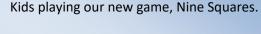
A candid shot of several awaiting their next rotation.



Our next Parents Night Out meeting will be Friday, September 6th from 6:00 – 9:00pm. While this is a holiday weekend, we are still hoping for a good turnout. Last month, we had 42 kids and played our new game "Nine Squares" which was donated to our children and youth. Special thanks to the family who purchased our game as well as many others who give to our program. Our lesson will be a miniseries on Moses. Our memory verses will coordinate with our lessons as we continue to teach children the bible stories as well as bible strengthening skills.

For those volunteers who are able to come early, there will be a brief meeting on Friday (9/6) at 5:30pm, prior to PNO.

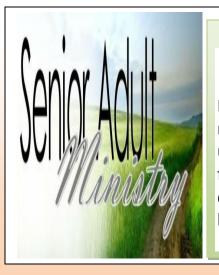






If we don't teach our children to follow Christ, the world will teach them not to.





Senior Fish Fry Saturday, September 21st at 4:30pm

Richard has been fishing and brought home a few fish! He needs to fry them up so I can empty my freezer before the upcoming holidays. Hope you will join us here at the church for a fish dinner! Current menu is fish, french fries and coleslaw. There is a signup sheet in the narthex. Bring a hungry appetite and join us!

Linda Moody

September 2024



Children's Church:

It's almost Fall!! The kids are back to school and hopefully the hot days are soon to be behind us. The Fall Festival is just around the corner, and I know the kids are looking forward to that. Before we know it, it will be Christmas! This month we have studied Jesus at the well, Jesus walking on water, and the power of prayer. Our verse of the month is Matthew 4:19, "And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men". We are continuing to learn the Books of the Old Testament.

I am looking forward to what God has in store this month, and I hope everyone has a blessed month.

Pastor Jesse





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Youth Ministry:



See the last page of the newsletter for an update on the Youth Lock In held last month.

On another note, we are starting something new called "Pizza Wednesday" with the kids on selected Wednesday nights. To all our children and youth, please join us on Wednesday nights at 7:00pm!



Children's Church Schedule:

Sept 1st Michael & Angela Hinson Sept 8th Mike & Melissa Tabor

Sept 15th Sherri Hannah

Sept 22nd Sam & Jeanna Gregory

Sept 29th Gary & Tina Dancy

Pastor Jesse's Thought for the Day:

All our actions, as well as our thoughts and words, should praise Him who always blesses us.

Charles Spurgeon

September 2024

Let's Celebrate!!

Happy Birthday to......

Robert Leazer – 2nd
Taylor Dalton – 7th
Tom Childers – 10th
Gary Dancy – 14th
Joyce Hinson – 21st
Bani Jones – 21st
Evelyn Barbour – 23rd
Judy Julian – 23rd
Timothy Wilson – 23rd
Karen Suttles – 27th
Ronnie Thompson – 27th



To God Be The Glory

Happy Anniversary to...

Clyde & Judy Paschal – 4th
David & Carol Hager – 6th
Scott & Elisha Holt – 10th
Gary & Tina Dancy – 21st
Bennie & Audry Springs – 24th
Billy Hodge & Julie James – 27th
Bill & Judy Moore – 29th
Daniel & Wilma Pinkerton – 30th





This Month's Big Shout Out goes to all of our Parents Night Out workers! It takes dedication and service to make our program a success, and we are so appreciative to all those who give of their time and energy!

September Events:

Sept 6th Parents Night Out
Sept 8th Steve & Freida Bishop,
Deacons Meeting
Sept 10th Daughters of the King
Sept 15th Heritage Day
Sept 22nd Nominating/Budget

Approval and Deacon Election

Sept 29th Morning & Evening Song

Service, Baptist Men





Special thanks to Pastor Jesse for organizing and leading the lock-in which was not an easy task!

Strategizing the Nine Squares game!



Youth Lock-In

Last month, as many of you know, we had a youth lock-in on Friday, July 26th. It was a blessing and the kids had a great time! We had pizza and an ice cream bar, and spent much of the night playing the new "Nine Squares" game. Let me say, that game is fun playing at 1:00am (ha ha)! We watched movies and played hide and seek while using flashlights for light. The kids really enjoyed that. Our lesson of the night was, "The Lord is our Shepherd". I want to say "thank you" to all those who volunteered for the lock-in. While it was a long night, it was a good time. *Pastor Jesse*

Taking a break and deciding next steps!



