- ANNOUNCEMENTS-



Birthdays: Landon Dowdy (8/21),

Alex Feamster (8/22), Dan Franks (8/23), Sarah Easton, Betty Cook, Edie Sauls (8/26)

Anniversaries: Tom & Patsy Luczak (8/26)

IMPORTANT meeting immediately after church today for all volunteers helping with the Block Party next Sunday night (adults and teens). Planned for 8/27 from 5 to 7 PM, the Block Party features booths with games and prizes, an inflatable bounce house, a dunk tank, "carnival" food, music, and ministry information tables. Please support this outreach by inviting friends and neighbors!

This event will also serve as a kickoff for the Relaunching of FBC's Youth Group, under the Direction of Hannah and Scott Vogelsong and Pastor Ben! Youth Group meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 to 8:15, at the same time as AWANA, and officially begins 9/6.



Gracie Reynolds, welcome to the FBC Family! How happy we are that you have joined us! ♥

BENGALI SEWING CIRCLE RESUMES SOON! WATCH THE BULLETIN AND FACEBOOK FOR THE DATE.

TONIGHT

 \Rightarrow Bible Study with Pastor Ben at 6 PM

⇒ Business Mtg. & Church Council to follow.



Helen Keller said, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." Ladies, there is still time to snag a ticket for the sold-out **Extraordinary** Women's Conference in

Lynchburg 10/13 and 10/14. The cost is \$130, which includes tickets, lodging, lunch, and breakfast on Saturday, exciting guest speakers and performers, and the opportunity to feel empowered and uplifted by and with your sisters in Christ. See Brenda Wallace to sign up by 9/22 to attend.



Parents, if your college students would like to receive notes or care packages from folks at FBC, please let the office know their college addresses.

August Tithes/Offerings

Regular \$13,562.00, Building Fund \$100.00, AE Scholarship Fund \$500.00, Worldwide Hunger \$210.00, Missions \$250.00, OCC \$1,540.00, Youth Fund \$50.00, Other \$675.50. Offering plates are up front on both sides of the sanctuary AND now in the sanctuary's front foyer. Online giving is available at fbcfairlea.com. Scroll down to "Digital Giving", or text the word "give" to 304.600.7300.

August shoebox items: soap, washcloths, crayons, coloring books, pencils.

Prayer needs: Joanne Perry (in CAMC hospital); Ron Whitehair (per Betty Rose); Hazel Caldwell (Eileen Allman's mother); Gail Camp; John Smith; Will Godby; Rhett Dixon; Jan Memel; Jack Smith; Judy Long; family of Carlos Dixon (passed last week); Rodena Belcher; Reilly Heinbaugh; Peggy Lockhart; Haylee Heinsberg; Donna Yates; Lisa White; Mary Ellen Windon; Kevin Ahern's dad; Aretha Dowdy; Rene Ley; Missy Van Buren; Abby Bailey; Joe Bennett's brother; Debbie Holmes; Brandy Feamster; Al & Vi Clowser; the A. P. Search Committee.



But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 19:14

FIRST BAPTIST FAIRLEA

Back-to-School/Promotion Sunday August 20, 2023

> 9146 Seneca Trail S. Ronceverte, WV 24970 304.645.3533 fbcfairlea.com "Gather, Grow, Go!"

Pastor Ben's contact info: bensemail40@gmail.com 304.641.6003 WELCOME! We are so glad you have chosen to worship together with us this morning! This is a vital part of "Gathering, Growing, and Going". If this is your first time with us, we would love to both give you some information about our church and get some contact information from you so Pastor Ben can connect with you sometime soon.

> Welcome & Call to Worship—Isaiah 45:21-22 Pastor Ben

Worship Song: "How Great Thou Art", #147,vv. 1, 3, & 4FBC Praise Team

Opening Prayer: Gary Wallace

Special Music: Brentz Thompson

Missions Moment: AWANA 2023/24 Julian Meadows

Worship Song: "You Alone Can Rescue" (video)

Introduction of Sunday School Classes & Teachers, Relaunch of Youth Group Pastor Ben

Dismissal of Adventure Kids

God's Message from Colossians 4:2-6 "A Salty Open Door" Pastor Ben

Closing Song: "Take My Life and Let It Be", #597, vv. 1 & 5

Benediction: Pastor Ben

- Sermon Notes -

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



-Sunday School at 9:45 AM for ALL ages. -Nursery provided during all services. -Adventure Kids for children age 3 through 5th grade offered during the 11AM service.

-AWANA, the dynamic Bible club children's program, meets Wednesdays

from 6:45 to 8:15 for children age 3 (if potty-trained) through 5th grade, beginning 9/6.

-Youth Group, for students grades 6-12, also meets Wednesdays at 6:45 beginning 9/6.

Servant Ministries

Today's Deacon: Gary Wallace Next week: Bruce Sloan

Sunday School Nursery: Betty Mulkey, Linda Bennett

11:00 Nursery: Travis & Jennifer Bennett *Next week: Betty Mulkey, Kallie Cochran*

Adventure Kids: Holly Ridpath, Lori Baldwin, Beth Shafer, Kiersten Moses

Next week: Herb Ley, Nate Bryant, Holly Ridpath, Kiersten Moses, Beth Shafer

Security: Alex Feamster, Dale Jackson Next week: Mike Holmes, Larry Kemper

Sound Specialists: Johnny Shores, Brent O'Dell Next week: Eric Fritzius, Jon O'Dell

Videographer today: Kevin Ahern, Joey Moses

Praise Team: Kallie Cochran, Johnny Shores, Grace Douglas

Ushers: Dan Franks, Kenny Goodall, Alex Feamster, Alfred Taylor, Jr. *Next week: Glenn Camp, Mike Holmes, Matt Dean, Julian Meadows*

Special music next week: Jane Tallman