



The Fairview Christian Newsletter

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Office Hours:

Monday to Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday Services:

Sunday School - 9:40 a.m.

Regular Worship Hours:
Traditional - 8:30 a.m.
Blended - 11:00 a.m.

Fairview Nights - 5:00 p.m.

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ALL CHURCH PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, September 26

8:00 a.m.



All members of the church, young and young-at-heart, are invited to an all church prayer breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy great food, wonderful fellowship, a time of devotion and prayers for our nation and leaders, our world, the church as a whole, our church leadership and for our church family. Call the church office to save a seat for you and your family.

FAIRVIEW NIGHTS CONTINUES THIS WEEK!



Fairview Nights begins its regular schedule this Sunday, September 27.

A snack dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m..
Classes and groups will meet at 6 p.m.

Classes will focus on relationships with family, with friends, and with God.

- † **Kindergarten thru 5th grades** will feature classes on family enrichment- love of family, responsibility to family, and ways to strengthen family relationships.
- † **Junior/Senior High Youth** - it's all about Dating and Waiting.
- † **For Couples Only** - *10 Great Dates* is the theme for a married couples only class regardless of age and length of marriage years. This group is encouraged to bring their married friends. **This class begins at 5 p.m. with a short video, then break for dinner and/or date.**
- † **Book Study** - *Crazy Love: Overwhelmed By A Relentless God*, by Francis Chan. A book and video study of how we can enhance our love relationship with God. It is a study that is thought provoking and causes soul searching. It is a study, as the author states, "for those who want more Jesus." Donation for the cost of the book is \$10. *If you have not picked up your book, which you need before class time, stop by the church office to get yours during office hours.*

JACK'S JOTTINGS

Occasionally something will come across my desk either by a member, from the Internet, or another congregation. I do not know who authored the following story, but here is one of those items that I wish to share with you.

The Silent Sermon

A member of a certain church, who previously had been attending services regularly, stopped going. After a few weeks, the minister decided to visit him. It was a chilly day. That evening, the minister found the man at home all alone sitting by a blazing fire.

Guessing the reason for his minister's visit, the man welcomed him, and led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited. The minister made himself at home but said nothing.

In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After some minutes, he took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth all alone. Then he sat back in his chair, still silent.

The host watched this in quiet contemplation. As the one lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow and then its fire was no more.

Soon it was cold and dead.

Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The minister glanced at his watch and chose this time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately it began to glow once more, with the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

As the minister reached the door to leave, his host said, with a tear running down his cheek, "Thank you so much for your fiery sermon. I shall be back in church next Sunday."

Prayerfully,

Jack

FACTS -n- FIGURES - September 20

Attendance - 8:30 - 27

Sunday School - 131

11:00 Worship - 136

Sunday School Offering - \$1,709.00

Total Offering - \$4,180.00

PRAYERS / CONCERNS

LGH: Della Wilson (Norris Wilson's mother)

HOME: *Dorine Graybill*, 232 Arrowhead Dr., Madison Heights 24572

Betty Drinkard, Appomattox, VA 24522

Ryland Tuck, Fort Ave., Lyg 24501

Wayne St. John, address unknown (Bobby St. John's brother)

Pat Cox, 1059 Cuddington Lane, Forest 24551

NEW ADDRESS: *William & Barbara Eubank*, 95 Farmington Rd., Lyg 24502; Phone # 845-8848 (same number)

TEMPORARY: *Earl Wright*, Summit Health & Rehab, 1300 Enterprise Dr., Lyg 24502

CONCERNS: Marie Ashworth, Estelle Austin, Sarah Augis, Elizabeth Bradley, Corene Carey, Reba Childress, Jennifer Colbert, Louise Colbert, Kathy Coleman, Nancy Crance, Verna Cundiff, Ray Davidson, Dorothy "Dot" Davis, Arlene Davis, Eleanor Dawson, David Doss, Roger Lee Doss

SPECIAL CONCERNS: Johnny Edwards****; Richard Lindsay****; Juanita Symthers****; Donna Maddox***; Larry Lewis***; Kamron Clark***; Butch Thorp***; Ryland Tuck*; Peggy Jamerson Keese*; **Frances & Elroy King** (parents/in-laws of Mary & Jesse Kearns); **Joe Warren** (cousin of Karen Warren); **Gladys Clements**; **Marie Bondurant** (Brenda Rowland's aunt)

PRAYER CHAIN: If you need to activate the prayer chain, please call Jean Reynolds (845-7859) or church office.

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

Jack Hamilton - 851-1641; Joshua Bell - 851-1642

GOALS for RALLY DAY 2009

Sunday, October 4

<u>Class</u>	<u>ATT</u>	<u>OFF.</u>
Nursery	5	\$ 20
Primary	15	75
Middle Class	10	25
Sr. High	20	200
Genesis	20	1,000
Christian Workers	28	2,000
Adult Bible	30	1,200
LS&D	50	2,500
Sunshine	20	800
Loyal Men	15	500
TOTAL	212	\$ 8,605

NOTES and NEWS



ATTENTION PRIMARY YOUTH &

PARENTS: The youth in K-5th grade will be learning new songs to sing for the worship service on Sunday, November 29, which is the first Sunday of Advent. Please have your child(ren) here at 9:45 a.m. for a time of rehearsal before going to class time. If you can come earlier, that will be a big help to us. Thanks, **Primary Department Teachers**

LOYAL SONS & DAUGHTERS CLASS will have a class meeting on Sunday, September 27, following 11 a.m. worship service.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT will meet in the Primary Assembly Room on Sunday, September 27, following the 11 a.m. worship service. All department members are asked to be in attendance.

SEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING is planned for Monday, September 28, at 6:30 p.m. All committee members are asked to be in attendance. Your input into the growth and ministerial needs of Fairview is important. **Wayne Gordon**



ATTENTION DAYSPRING SINGERS: We will sing at Virginia Baptist Hospital on Tuesday, September 29. Car pooling from the church is available. Please wear black

and white and color scarf/tie. **Reminder** - we will sing at the worship service at the Summit Assisted Living on Sunday, September 27. Car pool from the church leaves at 2 p.m. Service is at 2:30 p.m.

CHOIR & PRAISE TEAM REHEARSALS: The Chancel Choir is now rehearsing on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. The praise team will rehearse again on Wednesday, September 30.

BUDGETS PLANNING: All departments are asked to begin reviewing their current budget with plans for 2010. Budgets will be reviewed in October.



CHURCH FALL FESTIVAL is Saturday, October 10, at the Farm. Plan now for an afternoon of fun, fellowship and good food! More details to come!

CRAIG SPRINGS WORK WEEKEND is October 9-11. The help received from this weekend's volunteers is the life blood of the camp's outdoor ministry. It also provides an outlet for you to share with others what this ministry means to your life. Registration is due by Thursday, October 1. Registration forms can be picked up in the church office. If you have questions, see Joshua Bell.

RALLY DAY IS COMING! Please join us on Sunday, October 4 as we celebrate 104 years of the establishment of Fairview Christian Church and kick off the 105th anniversary observance. A covered dish lunch is planned following the worship service. Drinks and paper products will be provided. We will have a fun filled meal with lots of fellowship and memory sharing, and we also want to hear your ideas on how to celebrate our 105 years. This will be a year long occasion and we look forward to celebrating with you! **Nannette Boswell**, Membership Department



RALLY DAY / WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY October 4, 2009


Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service - 10:45 a.m.
No 8:30 a.m. Service

Come celebrate communion with other Christians around the world on this special observance day.

THANK YOU NOTES

In case you haven't heard, we have a new ice machine in our kitchen! Words cannot adequately express our appreciation for this additional improvement that helps so much in serving meals, hosting meetings, etc... in our Fellowship Hall. We want to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to the CMF and the CWF and to the whole church for making this possible. Also we express our real appreciation to Curt Elliott, Sr., Curt Elliott, Jr., and Elmo Torrence for contributing their knowledge and know how to the tile repair and the installation of this wonderful addition to our kitchen. On behalf of our church family, we thank you! **Vivian Hamilton**



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Sunday, September 27, 2009

ELDERS: (8:30) **Wayne Gordon**
(11:00) **Bill Hubbard**

DEACONS: Susan Elder, Curt Elliott Jr., Mike Gordon,
Milton Gregory, Nancy Gregory, Russell Krantz, Bernice
Maddox, Ray Maddox, Chris Toler, Jennifer Toler, Ray
Ugron

CHOIR SERVERS: Carolyn Brown, Nancy Gregory

GREETERS  **SCHEDULE**

8:30 - Ray & Bernice Maddox

11:00 - Mike & Bonnie McKee



8:30 a.m. - Unavailable

11:00 a.m. - Sheila Roach, Stacey Jones

4 - 9 years old - **Children's Worship**

Bus/Van Driver: Ray Ugron

(Van leaves church at 9 a.m. to begin pick up)

Acolytes: - Light: Suzanne King, Joshua Lynn
Extinguish: Allyson Gordon, Hannah Moore

Worship Leader - 11:00 - Erica Dodson

Sunday School Secretary - Sheila Roach

THIS WEEK: September 25 - October 1, 2009

FRI: -Bethel Mennonite Young Marrieds, Farm, thru
Sun AM

SAT: -All Church Prayer Breakfast, FH, 8 am

SUN: -**8:30 & 11 am Worship Service, Sanct.**
-**9:40 am - Sunday School**

-DSS to Summit Assisted Living, worship
service, 2:30 pm (car pool leaves, 2 pm)

-10 Great Dates Class video, 5 pm

-Fairview Nights, snack supper, 5:30 pm

-Groups & Classes, 6 pm

-AA mtg, 8 pm

MON: -**Search Committee mtg, 6:30 pm**

TUE: -Bridge Group, FH, 9:30 am

-DSS to BA Baptist Hospital, 2 pm

-Choir/Praise Team rehearsal, 6:30 pm

THU: -AA mtg, 8 pm

