

Pastor's Notes

I hope this fall finds you and your family doing well. We have enjoyed a wonderful month of September here at FBCGJ. Let me share with you some of the highlights.

September 3rd - The WMU went to the Bolivar Christian Care Center and did an activity with the residents there.

September 22nd - We held our Picnic in the Park which everyone enjoyed. We had a BBQ lunch afterwards which provided a great time of fellowship. We had originally scheduled it for September 15th, but the weather changed those plans.

September 24th - We took a trip down to the Baddour Center in Senatobia, MS. The "Miracles" had come to our church back in August and so we wanted to go and tour their place. It was amazing to see all that is being done there for those residents. After our tour we ate at the Fresh Garden Market Restaurant. I believe everyone who went was touched by what they saw and experienced.

September 26th - Members of our Brotherhood worked at Cheryl Smith's home to remove a large tree that had fallen on her property recently. I want to thank each of those men for their time and effort in helping with this!

September 29th - We will observe the Lord's Supper during our Morning Worship Service and then we will have 5th Sunday Singing during our Evening Worship Service.

There are several things planned for the month of October as well.

October 3rd - We will take a day trip to Love Packages in Decatur, AL. It is always such a blessing to be able to help this organization.

October 13th - We will celebrate Harvest Day with a potluck meal to follow the morning service. There will be no evening service. Our Harvest Day offering goal is \$3,000.00 which will be used to help "refresh" the sanctuary.

October 19th - We will have a morning of "plarning" from 9-11 AM.

October 21st - The Hardeman County Baptist Association will host their annual meeting at Hornsby Baptist Church.

October 31st - We will have our "Goodie Giveaway" from 5:30-6:30 PM.

We are also continuing to collect supplies for Operation Christmas Shoebox. We will be getting ready to pack those boxes the first of November.

Praying God's blessings on you,

Bro. Troy

September 2024 Report

Average Attendance in Sunday School:	33
Average Offering:	\$ 4,813.05
Golden Offering to Date:	\$ 3,650.00

Pastors Appreciate Your Prayers

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, an observance that some clergy don't publicize. It's an ideal time to thank pastors for their dedication to God's people and the ministry. A written note, a card or even a free meal is a nice gesture of appreciation. But if you were to ask pastors what they'd like or what they need, most would probably reply, "Pray for me."

That's what the apostle Paul requested throughout his letters. To the church at Rome, he urged, "Join me in earnest prayer to God on my behalf, that I may be rescued from the unbelievers in Judea and that my ministry to Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints, so that by God's will I may come to you with joy and be refreshed in your company" (Romans 15:30-32, NRSV).

As you appreciate and encourage your pastors, remember them in your prayers. Then let them know you're doing so!