

Pastor's Notes

In case you were wondering if this month's Bits and Blessings got lost in the mail - please let me explain. We held up on sending out the newsletter till all of the Spectacular September Sunday services were finished so that I could include a few thoughts from those events.

When I came up with the name "*Spectacular September Sundays*" - I did not realize how appropriate that title would be. Every one of the services was spectacular in their own way. We were blessed with incredible speakers who shared some amazing truths with our church. We had inspiring and uplifting music in each of our services. God blessed our church with great crowds each service with several visitors. We enjoyed a wonderful outdoor worship service in the park followed by a scrumptious fish fry. One of the highlights of the services was that we had a couple join our church. Please be sure to welcome Rush and Michelle Killips to our church family!! A huge thank you goes to each and every person who helped make each of those services run so smoothly. God really did bless us!

Another incredible opportunity took place on **September 17th** at LaGrange Moscow Elementary School as we held our first after school Lighthouse Club. We had over 45 kids and 10 volunteers for that first meeting. It was such a joy to see kids excited about singing songs about the Lord, learning memory verses, and hearing Bible stories told. I am incredibly grateful for the opportunity we have been given and for the faithful willingness of many of our members to be a part of this ministry for it would not be possible without them! Please remember us in prayer every Tuesday during the school year at 3:30 p.m.

Now Looking Ahead:

October 7th - we will start another year of Arise 2 Read tutoring at LaGrange Moscow Elementary School. Each tutor spends an hour a week tutoring two second graders in the area of reading. I am grateful for those who have signed up to be a part of this wonderful ministry. We have been involved in this ministry since its inception four years ago.

October 13th we will be observing Harvest Day at our church followed by a potluck meal. This is always such a special service. Our Harvest Day offering goal this year is \$2,500.00 with the money to go towards purchasing a new keyboard for the church. I hope you will make plans to attend and bring someone with you.

October 25th - 27th: The Brotherhood will host several young men from the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home Ranch in Millington out at the Ames Plantation. This will be a great time of hunting, fun fellowship, and eating some of Mr. Bobby's gourmet dishes! Most importantly, it will be a time to invest in the lives of young men for all of eternity! Please lift this event and these men up in your prayers that weekend.

October 27th - DREAM Night - We will have our second dream night on October 27th during the evening service. We did this last year and a lot of the ideas that were shared were implemented this past church year. I hope you will take some time between now and October 27th to pray and think about things that we might be able to do as a church for ministry and missions in 2020. We will have a handout in the bulletin a couple of weeks before so that if you are unable to attend that evening but would like to share an idea then you can write it down and put it in the offering plate prior to October 27th.

Blessings,
Bro. Troy

Thank You

First Baptist Church Grand Junction,

Words cannot accurately express the appreciation I have for this church. The abundance of school supplies is such a blessing to our staff and students. I am lucky to belong to such a wonderful church family. Thank you for always being so supportive and thoughtful. Looking forward to continuing our partnership

Best Regards,
Courtney Breeden

To Our Church Family,

Thank you for the donation of the Gideon Bibles and for being there for us during this time.

Edith, Nicole and Natalie

August Report

Average Attendance in Sunday School	59
Average Offering	\$6,104.75