

First Baptist Church  
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Return Service Requested

# OCTOBER 2024

# Baptist Visitor

FIRST  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH



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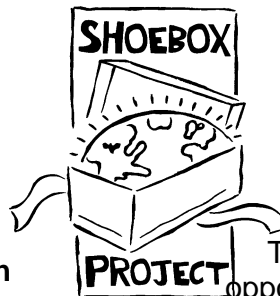
### SUNDAYS

9:00 Sunday School

10:20 Morning Service

### WEDNESDAYS

6:00 BEF and Bro/Sis



### Operation Christmas Child

O. C. C. is an opportunity to spread the love of Jesus by sending love and gifts, a along with the Good News of Jesus Christ, to millions of boys and girls in over 100 countries around the world!

This year we are again offering you the opportunity to fill a plastic shoebox for a needy child somewhere in this big, wide world! Anyone interested in doing so, may pick up the needed Information Sheet and Instruction Sheet either at the back of the sanctuary or in the church office. Filled shoeboxes should be in Fellowship Hall by Monday, November 7.

**ALL** monetary donations (\$10 each) for O.C.C. should be placed in a separate envelope (designated O.C.C.) and either placed in the offering plate or sent to the church office, or drop it in the secretary's box on her desk (make sure it is marked for what it is please).

### From the Deacon Bench



As I write this the Nominating Committee is getting organized to begin their work filing any open positions on one of our boards or Officer positions. I know many of you are already serving and have been for many years. We appreciate you all! As our attendance has dwindled, we have been forced to be creative in order to get the work done. If you're not serving, we would ask you to consider doing so. It's worthwhile, I assure you. Please pray and ask God to give you direction. No matter what your gifts are, we can use you.

Thank You.  
Mike Schrader

“But whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”  
Mark 10:43b-45(ESV)



**STAFF**

Teresa (Tess) Brotherton ([secretary@keokukfbc.org](mailto:secretary@keokukfbc.org))  
 Julie Ramsey, Organist  
 Russell Brotherton, Custodian



**OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday-Friday**  
 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
 12:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.

# Stewardship ATTENDANCE

| August | Sunday School | Parking Lot | Sanctuary /Nursery |
|--------|---------------|-------------|--------------------|
| 25     | 38            | 1           | 43                 |
| Sept   |               |             |                    |
| 1      | 36            | 5           | 48                 |
| 8      | 46            | 5           | 50                 |
| 15     | 45            | 2           | 50                 |
| 22     | 37            | 5           | 53                 |

**INNER LIGHT**

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 CORINTHIANS 4:6 KJV



**Prayer Chain:** If you need to start a prayer chain you may call the office 319-524-3684 or email me at [secretary@keokukfbc.org](mailto:secretary@keokukfbc.org)



**Third Quarter Reports due October 11.**

**October's Prayer Requests:**

**Friends & Family:** Unspoken Requests, Michelle Dorethy, Jeff Matlock, Jeanne Davis, Ginger Richardson, Tom Rudd, Teresa Glasscock, Ginger Curfman, Mike Gibson, Bob & Barb Collier, Bev Brotherton (eyes), Mark & Kelly Neuendorf, Jeanne Taylor, Teresa Brotherton, Don Hale, Teresa Jefferson, Lisa's Dad, Family of Samantha Glasscock,

**Missionaries:** Doug & Amy Roeglin, Kristy Engel, Tim & Erin Nehre, Shawn & Teresa Ott (Forest Lake),

**Political:** Nations of the World

**Please pray for Christians kidnapped in Egypt:**

Suzan Zekry Shehata, 33 yr. old woman and her 3-year-old son, Fady.



# Pastor Bob's Corner



Dear Church Family,

John the Apostle records letters to seven churches that existed in Asia Minor in the first century A.D. The stories of those churches are found in Revelation 2 and 3. Each of the seven letters has basically the same pattern. The Lord (through John) writes to tell what is good about each church, what is bad about each church, as well as instructions as to how to correct the bad and how to keep doing the good. Also, promises are given to those who overcome. There is also a refrain, which is exactly the same for each church: "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

In the next section I have summarized the promises to those in the ancient churches who were victorious overcomers. *Strive* to be like them. I am listing those promises without commenting on them. My hope is that you will *think* about those promises, *pray* over them, maybe *memorize* them, and *be greatly encouraged* by them! (The following verses are all from the New American Standard Bible. In the NASB, the capital letters indicate quotes from the Old Testament. Italics indicate words that are supplied for clarity but are not in the original language.)

The Church at Ephesus—"To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God" (2:7b).

The Church at Smyrna—"He who overcomes will not be hurt by the second death" (2:11b).

The Church at Pergamum—"To him who overcomes, to him I will give *some* of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it" (2:17b).

The Church at Thyatira—"He who overcomes, and he who keeps My deeds until the end, TO HIM I WILL GIVE AUTHORITY OVER THE NATIONS; <sup>27</sup>AND HE SHALL RULE THEM WITH A ROD OF IRON, AS THE VESSELS OF THE POTTER ARE BROKEN TO PIECES, as I also have received *authority* from My Father; <sup>28</sup>and I will give him the morning star" (2:26-28).

The Church at Sardis—"He who overcomes will thus be clothed in white garments; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels" (3:5).

The Church at Philadelphia—"He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name" (3:12).

The Church at Laodicea—"He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne" (3:21).

Drink deeply of these "very great and precious promises" (2Peter 1:4, NIV)! Fix your eyes on Jesus, and all will be well.

Until the End,  
Pastor Bob Brandhagen

*Pastor Bob Brandhagen*

The CE Board is in need of 2-liter bottles of pop for the Family Fall Festival. Thank You



Thank you so much for all the cards, birthday wishes and gifts! You made my day!

Tess

Thank you to everyone who helped with the 2024 UVBS and the cookies for it.

Thank you to my crew;

- Abigail Taylor
- Debby Baum
- Pat Salama
- Kali Daniels
- Abby Schrader
- Hilary Daniels
- Sally Brotherton
- Russell Brotherton
- Steve Baum
- And Frankie



**First Baptist Church**  
Presents  
**Our Annual Family Fall Festival**  
Sunday October 20th  
5:00 PM 7:00 PM  
Join us for Food, Games and Fun

Trunk or Treat at 7:00 PM

# October

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY   | TUESDAY                                   | WEDNESDAY               | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY  |
|--|--|---|-------------------------|---|---|---|
|  |  | 1<br>Noon Sewing & Crafts<br>4:00 Prayer  | 2<br>6:00 BEF / BroSis  | 3   | 4   | 5   |
| 6<br>1:00 CE Board   | 7  | 8<br>Noon Sewing & Crafts<br>4:00 Prayer  | 9<br>6:00 BEF / BroSis  | 10<br>9:00 Effie Linquist Circle<br>6:30 Trustees meeting   | 11<br>Quarterly Reports Due.  | 12<br>   |
| 13<br>3:30 Lionize At McDs   | 14<br><br>Columbus Day | 15<br>Noon Sewing & Crafts<br>4:00 Prayer | 16<br>6:00 BEF / BroSis | 17<br>9-2 Food Pantry   | 18<br><br>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE | 19  |
| 20<br>11:30 Deaconess<br>11:30 3 <sup>rd</sup> ¼ Bus. Meeting<br>5:00-7:00 Fall Festival | 21   | 22<br>Noon Sewing & Crafts<br>4:00 Prayer | 23<br>6:00 BEF / BroSis | 24  | 25  | 26<br> |
| 27<br>3:30 Deacons   | 28   | 29<br>Noon Sewing & Crafts<br>4:00 Prayer | 30<br>6:00 BEF / BroSis | 31<br><br>Happy Halloween | 2024  |   |



3 Lynn Johnson  
Shannon Neil  
Nick Billings  
Ben Hayhurst  
4 Martha Isenmann  
Olivia White  
5 Joe Collier  
6 Greg Wirsig  
7 Cathy Weirather  
Michael A. Nehre  
8 Don Davis  
Bruce Billings  
11 Taylor Dickens  
Brianna Newlon

12 Stephanie Ewing  
13 Carolyn Baker  
16 Priscilla Clinton  
17 David Arrowood  
Debbie Seibert  
21 Kerri Huffman  
Teresa McCombs  
22 Anthony Glasscock  
25 Ginger Richardson  
27 Sophia Roberts  
28 Max Snodgrass

Shawn & Hilary Daniels  
October 2, 1993

Jeremy & "Shy" Matlock  
October 15, 2011

Bill & Marilyn Wixom  
October 4, 1969

Tim & Sarah Ruddell  
October 15, 2011

Brent & Rita Varner  
October 5, 2012

Chris & Heather Ryland  
October 17, 2009

Don & Jeanne Davis  
October 6, 1979

Kurt & Emily Hasson  
October 18, 2003

Donnie & Tiann Davis III  
October 15, 2005

Gabe & Leslie Rose  
October 26, 1991

