

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." Luke 19:10 (NIV)

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

John 20:21 (NIV)

The Lord is...patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. 2 Peter 3:9 (NIV)

Last month, I went to the new Avenue Restaurant in Gettysburg. I had been to the old restaurant several times and had an okay experience there, but then they closed at the end of last year. Several months ago, I began to hear people drop a word about it reopening under new ownership and management. "Outstanding food, friendly service at a good price", best summarized what I was hearing. Well, guess what? I was so moved to give it a try and it was a great experience! Friendly service, great good at an affordable price, just like folks said! Since then, I have mentioned it to others and I have taken folks there and also have been taken there (with Jenny) by others.

Word gets around when something is good and when we experience it for ourselves we become part of free word of mouth. Perhaps this is how the gospel is best meant to be shared. Like when I first received Christ as my Lord. I had heard about him for many years. My first bible was given to me by my grandparents at age 6 and a godly uncle told me he was praying for me and demonstrated the peace, wisdom and love of Christ. Then a friend of the family invited us to attend his church. It was called Circle Drive Baptist Church in Colorado Springs. I heard the gospel and was asked to respond, and I did, repenting of my sins and asking Christ to be my Lord and Savior. God used so many individuals and events along the way, sovereignly awakening me and drawing me to him. I was 14 years old. How old were you when you first believed?

The same God who drew us and saved us is still working lovingly, mightily, desperately and sovereignly all around us, seeking and saving those who know him not. Although our world pressures us to keep our faith to ourselves, how can we deny that he is the best thing that ever happened to us? We can't! God has already set in our midst our mission field, as there are many people around us who do not know him and who are not fellowshipping with the body of Christ. According to the 2010 census taken in Adams County, only 55.1% of the residents have any church affiliation. That means many (60k) in our workplaces, schools and neighborhoods live their lives as though he does not exist.

Jesus came for all; first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. All are precious to him. Rich or poor, white or black, male or female, healthy or sick, Muslim or Hindu, Jesus came to save all! This is the Good News of the gospel! But how can one be saved unless the good news is shared? We must not keep this truth to ourselves but prayerfully, purposefully, humbly and lovingly make an effort to share this blessed GOOD NEWS. HE IS RISEN and he beckons us to share this great news! Tell someone; their life may depend on it.

Blessings, PC



#### Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Now more then ever it seems, our young people have gigantic targets on their backs that the enemy keeps dropping bombs on. "Born Again" has usually seemed like a safe identity, but the truth is, it's not. In fact it's like willingly wearing a bullseye on your chest. But you know the amazing thing? Our youth are still CHOOSING to wear that vest daily. Your prayers are needed so greatly for our, your students. They are so incredibly strong through all of the enemies attacks but they need the prayers of those around them to withstand the enemy. Please partner with us in covering these students and their families in prayer. We are so proud of these students and their hearts for God. The high school retreat was such an incredibly freeing time we got to spend with the high schoolers. We faced lies that the enemy had been feeding us about ourselves and were then able to speak truth into the students with the Word of God, and what we as their youth leaders saw in them and knew to be true. If you weren't able to go this year, put it on your calendar now and get ready for a powerful time with God!

Upcoming Fusion events for April, May, and June:

#### **April**

April 1st: NO FUSION (Happy Easter!)

April 8th: Fusion bday/game with SPECIAL GUEST! night 6pm-8pm

April 15th: FUSION 6pm-8pm

April 20th-22nd: Middle School Retreat

April 22nd: NO FUSION

April 23: Help at Bethel's Food Pantry 4pm-7pm

April 29th: FUSION 6pm-8pm

#### May

May 6th: Fusion Parents Meeting (after each service in music room)

May 6th: Fusion bday game night 6pm-8pm

May 13th: NO FUSION (Happy Mother's Day!)

May 20th: FUSION 6pm-8pm (Missions week sign up deadline)

May 27th: NO FUSION (Memorial Day Weekend)

May 28th: NO FOOD PANTRY (Memorial Day)

#### June

June 3rd: FUSION 6pm-8pm

June 8th & 9th: High School Girls Night Sleepover 6pm(8th)-9am(9th)

June 10th: FUSION 6pm-8pm

June 17th: NO FUSION (Happy Father's Day!)

June 24th: Fusion bday/game night 6pm-8pm

June 25th-30th: Missions Week!!!

June 25th: Help at Bethels Food Pantry 4pm-7pm

For more information about these events please find us on Facebook at Fusion Youth Ministry, email us at <a href="mailto:fusionfbcg@gmail.com">fusionfbcg@gmail.com</a>, check out our Fusion Youth table in the youth building, or see Pastor Matt.



# CAM (College Age Ministry)

#### CAM (College Age Ministry) January Newsletter

#### Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope"

Right now we are going through a study on James during our Monday night group and the Sunday school class is studying Revelations and digging in to some pretty deep conversations. Please keep praying for our college students, military troops, and recent graduates and the leaders/teachers who partner with Faith and I in the college age ministry. God has been allowing great trials and tribulations on this age group and we covet your prayers for them as they desire to stay strong in their walks with God but can get very discouraging when the waves keep crashing on them. One thing we know to be true though is that everything has to pass through Gods hands before it can get to us, and He promises never to give us more then we can handle.

We are planning events for this spring/summer/fall for CAM and are so encouraged by the feed back we have been getting. God bless!

#### **April**

April 2nd: CAM 6:30pm-8pm

April 9th: CAM 6:30pm-8pm

April 16th: CAM 6:30pm-8pm

April 23rd: Help at Bethel Food Pantry 4pm-7pm

April 30th: CAM 6:30pm-8pm

#### May

May 7th: CAM 6:30pm-8pm

May 14th: CAM 6:30pm-8pm

May 21st: NO CAM (Rice's on vacation)

May 28th: Help at Bethel Food Pantry 4pm-7pm

#### June

June 4th: CAM & Summer Kickoff Cookout 6:30pm-9pm

June 11th: CAM 6:30pm-8pm

June 18th: CAM 6:30pm-8pm

June 25th: Help at Bethel Food Pantry 4pm-7pm

If you are in college or age 18-25yrs old, please feel free to come see myself, Faith, JR and Robin Crushong, Jaime and Rick Rivera, or Dave and Heidi Poe to get plugged in to our Monday evening bible study (currently studying the book on James) and our Sunday morning Sunday school class, or find us on the CAM Facebook page.

Pastor Matt & Faith:)

For the month of APRIL, we will be collecting food for the Gettysburg Soup Kitchen

We only need TWO THINGS: Cans of Chunky Soup and boxes of Macaroni and Cheese. A large wooden box will be placed in the foyer on April 1st for donations.



#### MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN A CHILD'S LIFE -

#### **VOLUNTEER IN AWANA**

Children look forward to AWANA all week! It's where they hear the gospel and learn the Bible in a fun setting, complete with games, theme nights, and special events. But AWANA can't happen without dedicated volunteers who serve each week. Volunteers make all the difference in these children's lives.

Whether you like to teach, be a listener, work with kids, play with puppets or keep records, we have a place for you. One thing is for sure – you will have fun!

#### Help us reach more kids with the gospel!

At FBC, AWANA is held on Wednesday evenings from 6-8pm September 6-April 11.

\*\*\* To volunteer or for further information, please contact Neil Tate at 717-226-7378, Melanie Tate at 717-515-0591, or mntate90@gmail.com. \*\*\*

[Volunteers are cleared to work with children and youth].





# 'Answers for Women' Conference coming in April WHEN? April 6-7

WHERE? Florence, KY (Florence Baptist at Mt Zion)

This conference is called 'LIFE...contending for life from beginning to end'... you will learn how to contend for life at every level. The most vulnerable in our society today are the unborn, the disabled and the elderly. Our culture is increasingly devaluing human life, putting the lives of precious humans, made in God's image, at risk.

For all the information to this link

https://answersingenesis.org/outreach/event/answers-for-women/



# Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Have you been having a desire to get involved, be part of something bigger, or to be used by God, but teaching just isn't your thing? We are looking for individuals who have a heart to help the less fortunate, who can bring structure, organizational skills, planning, ideas, and creativity to the ministry of Operation Christmas Child in our area! If you are feeling God's tug on your heart to become involved with this incredible, life changing ministry, please follow the Holy Spirit's leading and join this amazing outreach. We are one body in Christ and every part is just as vital as the next!

For info, see Fran Rohrer



# **ACPM** breakfast

WHERE? FBC GETTYSBURG
WHEN? WED. APRIL 28TH, 2018
TIME? 8:30- 10:30 am

Come out to this free breakfast! Anyone who is interested in learning about this ministry. Please RSVP to Kathy by April 26, 2018 (717) 334-2564



FBCG MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT
APRIL 20 -22



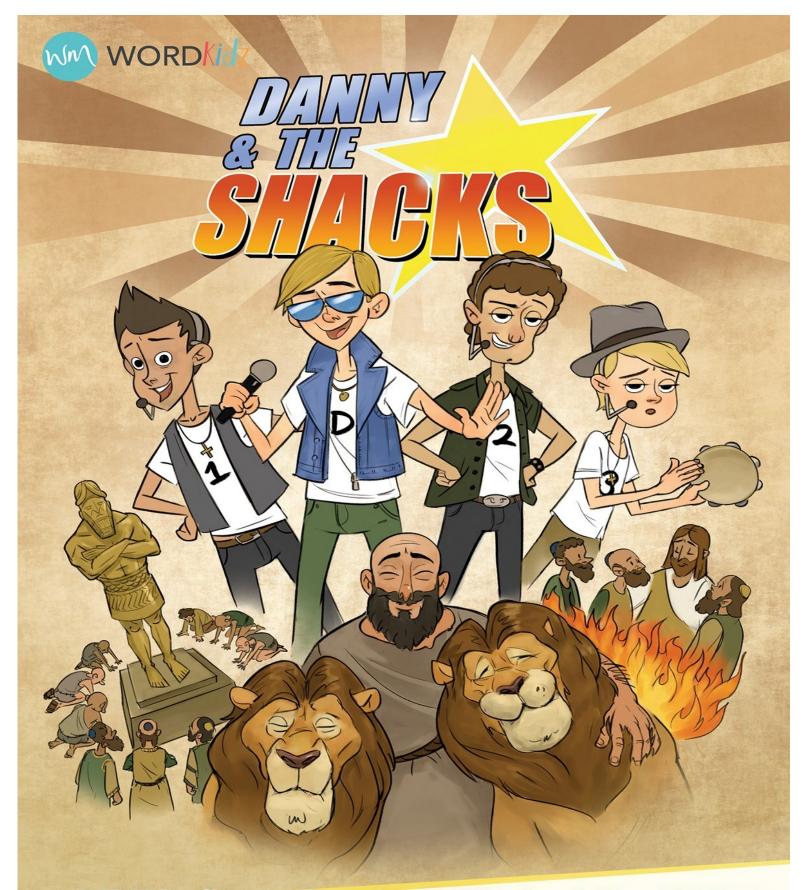
**CALLING ALL HELPING HANDS** 

# Church Work Day

Saturday, May 5th **BREAKFAST @ 7:30 AM** 

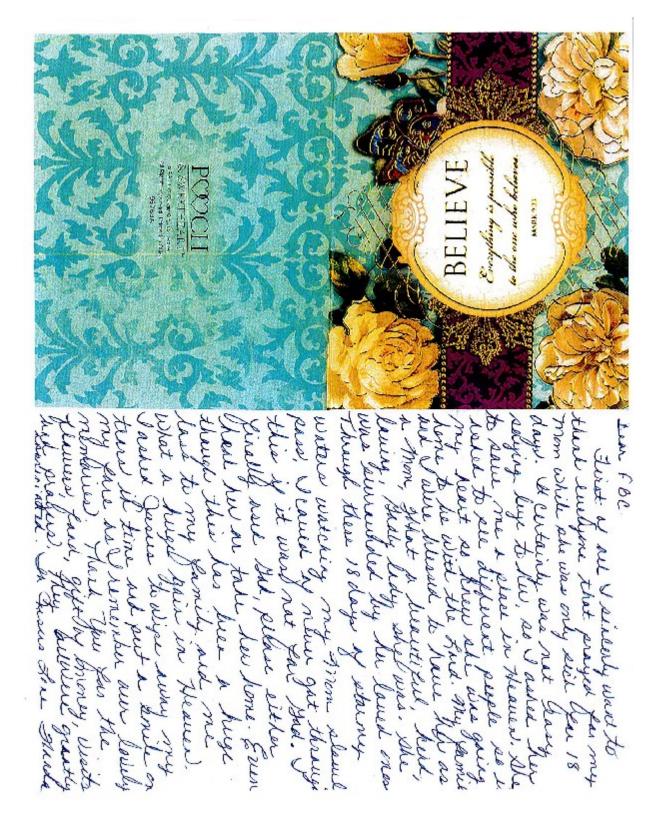


**DUE BY APRIL 22** 



# A Bible Story-Inspired Musical For Kids

Coming to FBC soon!
Practices will be during Sunday classes starting June 10th.
For ages 3-11



THIS IS A THANK YOU NOTE FROM WANDA WERNER

In the 18 days that her mom, Mary, was sick, she was visited by 6 pastors as well as 62 other people! This was an amazing, godly, well loved woman.



April MEN'S BREAKFAST

Come out and join the fun. Have some great food and fellowship on

April 21st at 7:30 am. If you would like to help cook breakfast, contact Pastor Carl.



## Life Together Groups Spring 2018

WHO: Bob and Shirley Smith

WHAT: Multiple topics, call for availability 528-4348
WHERE: Smith's home - 640 Buttonwood Rd. York Springs

WHEN: Sunday nights 6:30 - 8:30pm



WHO: Kevin and Mary Ann Filler

WHAT: Abundant Living in the End Times

WHERE: Thomas home - 320 Montclair Rd. Gettysburg

WHEN: Sunday nights 6:30-8pm



WHO: Van and Kristen Weber

WHAT: Book of Romans; study the Roman road to salvation

WHERE: Weber home - 71 Regiment Dr. Gettysburg

WHEN: Wednesday nights 6:30-8:pm

WHO: Pastor Carl

WHAT: Men's Bible study of the book of Hebrews

WHERE: FBC Music Room

WHEN: Thursday mornings 5:30-7pm



WHO: Wanda Gallimore

WHAT: Women's Bible study titled "Deeper Still"

WHERE: Gallimore home - 85 Apple Way Rd. Gettysburg

WHEN: Every other Thursday  $12-2:00 \mathrm{pm}$ 



WHO: Pastor Carl

WHAT: Bible study on the book of Mark

WHERE: FBC Music Room

WHEN: Thursday mornings 9:30 - 11am

# Sunday, April 1, 2018

# EIS RISEN

celebrate the savior

SUNRISE SERVICE

AT 6:30 AM

this is an outdoor service weather permitting

COMBINED

EASTER WORSHIP SERVICE

@ 10:00 AM

no Sunday classes or kíd's church

# Can you guess the hymn?

Answer on last page

Now, I've a hope that will surely endure After the passing of time; I have a future in heaven for sure, there in those mansions sublime. And it's because of that wonderful day when at the cross I believed: Riches eternal and blessings supernal from His precious hand I received.



It's always nice to receive a card or a phone call when you're going through a difficult time. Below are some of our members who would benefit from a call, card, or visit. Place the Stamp Here One Cent for United States, and Island Possessions, Cuba, Canada and Mexico. Two Cents For Foreign.

Stephen & Meagan Stremmel - 145 Brookside Ln Biglerville, PA Phone 677-0667

Linda Punchard 80 Maple Ave Gettysburg, PA Phone # 334-8672

Cathy Hertz 2370 Mummasburg Rd Gettysburg, PA Phone# 339-8283

J.R. Crushong - 735 Fairview Fruit Rd. Gettysburg, PA Phone# 968-9689

Danise Kelly -1760 Shriver's Co. Rd Gettysburg, PA Phone# 717-778-8712

Bobby and Lucille Smith - CALLS ONLY! 717-659-4348

**Becky Cortina-3** 

Josiah Reiter - 3

**Marian Parsons- 4** 

Sam Hurda - 4

McKenna Double - 5

**Kevin Filler -8** 

Brianna Miley -9

Natalie Potter -11

Lauren Holtzople -12

Jenny Harris -14

Micah McGlaughlin - 14

**Steph Gigous -17** 

**Bob Conover - 18** 

Erin Cooley -25

Katie Smith -26

Jamee Conover -28

Deanna Smith -29



Garey Roden -20

Michael Negro -22

**Tony Miley - 24** 

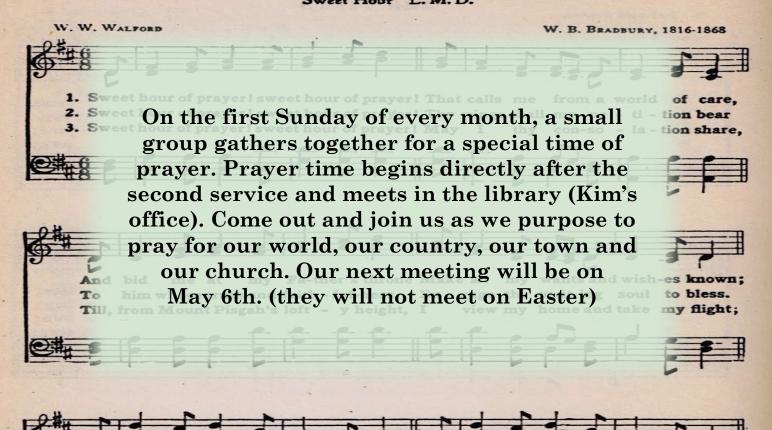


Marty and Carolyn Tuckey -3

Kenny and Stacy Cooper -15

Bob and Kathy Negro -16

J.R.and Robin Crushong - 18



# plug in & serve



Hospitality

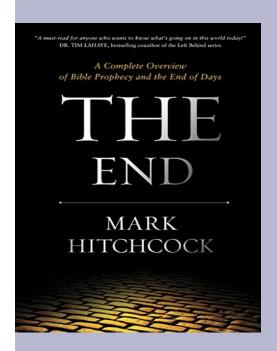
## SUNDAY CLASSES AND BIBLE STUDIES...



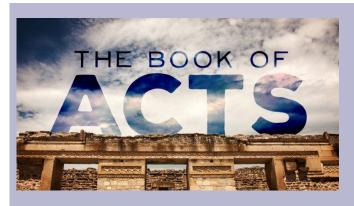
Walk through the New Testament Sundays @ 9am. Wanda Gallimore leads.



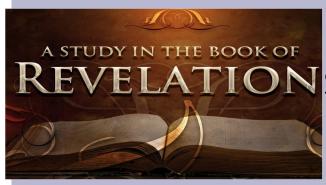
New study @ 9 am . McBeths lead. Dive into the fruit of the spirit.



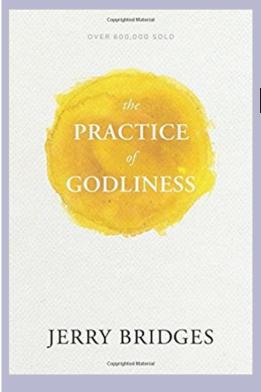
Walk through the prophecies foretelling of the end times.
Sundays @ 10:30 am. Mark Punchard leads.



Open discussion in the kitchen area Sundays @ 9am



CAM Study for ages 18-25
Sundays @ 9am Crushong,
Rivera & Poe lead.



It is our duty as Christians to pursue godliness. Ladies Only! Wednesdays @ 10:00am

Jan Newton leads.

## **Our Ministry Team**

#### **Senior Pastor**

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#### **CHECK OUR WEB SITE**

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# **April EVENTS**

#### April 1

Easter Sunrise Service @ 6:30 am Combined Easter Service - 10 am

#### April 3

Intercessors - 5:30 pm Boards - 6:15 Official Board - 7:30 pm

#### April 5

Lay Visitors - 11 am

April 8 Softball Coach's Meeting - 2pm Healing Service - 6 pm

## April 11 Awana Awards Night - 6 pm

**April 15**1st New Member's Class

April 18 ACPM Meeting @ FBC -9:30 am

April 20 -22 FBC Middle School Retreat

#### April 22

Semi- Annual Reports Due 2nd New Member's Class

#### April 24

Soup Kitchen - 10:30 am A.R.M. -7:30 pm

**April 29**3rd New Member's Class

#### ANSWER TO HYMN: Heaven Came Down and Glory Filled My Soul

#### SUNDAY CLASSES

#### **Book of James**

Led by Mac and Arla McBeth Sundays @9:00am in the preschool room

#### Revelation

Led by Riveras, Crushongs & Poes 18-25 year old's Sunday mornings 9:00am

#### **Basic Bible Knowledge New Testament Study**

Led by Wanda Gallimore Sundays @ 9:00am in Lewis Hall

#### The End

by Mark Hitchcock Led by Mark Punchard Sundays @ 10:30am

**BREAD PICK-UP** Holtzople - 7 Hess/VanArsdale - 14 Merson - 21 **Gipe - 28** 

## **W2 GROUP**

### **Next meeting:** April 29

They will be watching the Max Lucado film "Max on Life" and enjoying a salad bar. Linda Kump will do a devotional