

There is surely a future hope for you - and your hope will not be cut off.

Proverbs 23:18

You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

Isaiah 48:6 (NIV)

You have heard these things; look at them all. Will you not admit them? From now on I will tell you of new things, of hidden things unknown to you.

Revelation 21:5 (KJV) And he that sat upon the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new". And he said unto me, "Write this down: for these words are true and faithful".

It is hard to imagine that in just a few days we will be ushering in a New Year! For some of you, 2019 has been a good year. For others, 2019 has been a year full of trials, losses and disappointments and you are ready to put this past year behind you. The Lord told Isaiah (Isaiah 43:18-19) to "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?"

One of the themes that runs throughout the Bible is that God is in the business of making things new. In the Psalms, there is a promise of a "new song" in the mouths of the faithful (Psalm 40:3). In Isaiah there is the promise of "a heaven and a new earth" (Isaiah 65:17). In Ezekiel, there is a promise of an "undivided heart and new spirit" (Ezekiel 11:19). In Joel, "new wine and oil to satisfy fully" (Joel 2:19). In the New testament, there are promises of "new treasures" (Matthew 13:52), "new lounges" (Mark 16:17), "new wineskins" (Luke 5:38), "a new covenant" (Luke 22:20), "new commands" (Matthew 5 - 7, John 13:34), "new armor" (Ephesians 6:10 -17) and "new life" (Acts 5:20).

I don't know what 2019 was like for you, but what I do know is the scriptures proclaim that something new in Christ is in the horizon of 2020! God is making all things new! Do you not perceive it?

God is good and loving, and every new thing that he will do in 2020 will be for the good for those who love him, and are called according to his good purpose (Romans 8:28). In the coming year, we can rest assured that Christ will be with us at every moment, having what we need, and covering us with his love and mercy. May He give us the eyes and faith to perceive his wondrous presence and activity!

In the coming year may we look for new opportunities to love and serve the Lord and to care for those around us. May we lovingly share the Good News with a world that desperately needs "change".

Being renewed daily, PC



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.

Galatians 2:20

Happy New Year!!!! For some, this past year of 2019 was great, while for others this year was the hardest year they've ever had. As 2020 continues to move along, let's try to be aware of those around us. We also need to be aware of ourselves and how we are processing life. Where did we start, where are we now, and where is God leading us? Our testimony is a great place to start to find those answers! If you have never thought about your personal testimony, Faith and I want to challenge you to do that. New Year's resolutions many times are huge, setting goals that don't usually end well, but this goal of getting your testimony together is not only attainable, but necessary as a believer. It really does touch people's lives to hear other folk's testimonies, and it boasts of God's awesome qualities! We have a lot of great things planned for this year so please be on the look out for events:)

January

Jan 3rd & Jan 4th: Fusion Prayer Retreat 6PM-9AM

Jan 5th: FUSION Birthday Game Night 6pm-8pm (Bowling sign up deadline)

Jan 12th: FUSION 6pm-8pm

Jan 19th: Parent Meeting, in music room after each service

Jan 19th: FUSION 6pm-8pm

Jan 20th: Fusion Bowling Night 6:30pm-8:30pm

Jan 26th: FUSION 6pm-8pm (Snow tubing sign-up deadline)

Jan 30th: Youth Sunday Practice 6pm-8pm (worship team)

Jan 31st: Youth Sunday Practice 6pm-8pm (skit team)

February

Feb 1st: Youth Sunday Full Run Through Practice 9:30am-11:30am (lunch for students involved)

Feb 2nd: YOUTH SUNDAY!!! NO FUSION

Feb 7th-9th: High School Retreat 3pm (2/7) -3:30pm (2/9)

Feb 9th: NO FUSION

Feb 14th: Fusion Snow Tubing Trip at Ski Liberty 7pm-9pm

Feb 16th: FUSION Birthday Game Night 6pm-8pm

Feb 23rd: FUSION 6pm-8pm

For more information about these events please find us on Facebook at Fusion Youth Ministry, email us at fusionfbcg@gmail.com, check out our Fusion Youth table in the youth building, or see Pastor Matt.

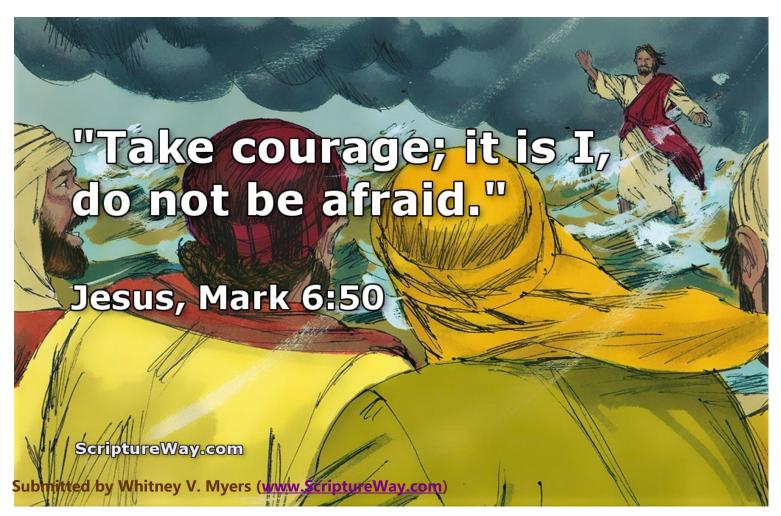
God Bless, Pastor Matt & Faith:)

^{*}If your student (s) is involved in extracurricular activities such as sports, music, drama, etc please give me or Faith a copy of their schedules/dates if they would like us to come watch them. We love supporting our students in this way and really love seeing them in their element!

MEET THE FAIN FAMILY



John Fain will be joining us here at FBC to speak to our congregation on **Sunday, February 9th @ 6:30pm**. His topic will be Spiritual Warfare. John studied in Philadelphia as well as England and Sweden and did his Doctoral Thesis on Spiritual Warfare. He is a dynamic speaker so mark your calendars. He and his wife currently work for Pioneers and serve in Asia (Thailand) as Regional leaders overseeing 300 adults and their families. They come alongside other leaders to help them thrive so they can share Christ with Muslim, Hindu, and Buddhist peoples.













GET READY FOR SPRING LIFE GROUPS!

Life Groups will be starting up again in March. This is a great way to connect and meet new people while digging deeper into God's word. 5 More info coming soon.....

BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAYS

Men's study of Romans - 5:30am led by Pastor Carl in his office 9:30am study of Zechariah led by Pastor Carl in his office

Let's Dig In together

SUNDAYS begins 1/5

Sunday School Hour

Led by McBeths @ 9am
in Lewis Hall will be doing a series
on dealing with stress, anxiety and
depression from a biblical
perspective

Ecclesiastes - Open discussion in kitchen 9am

Book of Genesis

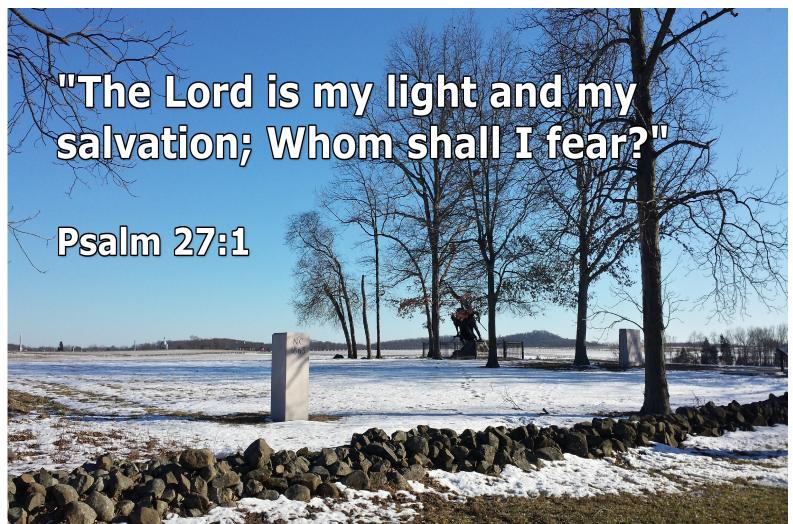




Can You Guess The Hymn?

The sure provisions
of my God
attend me all my days;
O may thy house
be my abode,
and all my work be praise.
There would I find
a settled rest,
while others go and come;
no more a stranger
nor a guest
but like a child at home.





Winter Scene - Gettysburg NMP North Carolina Memorial - Submitted by Whitney V. Myers





SENEGAL, AFRICA 2020

Please keep our Senegal team in prayer as they prepare to go to Senegal, Africa for the week of January 13-20, to visit Bill and Kathy Martin and work alongside them at Dakar Academy helping in the **English Center and other** ministries. Pictured to the left are Jen Harris, Bri Miley, Warren Wagner and Adrienne Fitzgerald. Bri is holding a picture of Matt O'Brien, who will also be joining them on the trip.



Alley Plank - 1

Clotaire Celius - 1

Annika Stasny - 3

Elliana Stasny - 3

Mike Hoepfl - 3

Cathy Hertz - 4

Sharon Sheagren - 4

Cooper Rivera - 5

Kathy Negro - 6

Bethie Celius – 8

Eric Holsopple - 12

Vicki Holtzople - 12

Jessica Arentz - 14

Jerry Statler - 16

Landon Harrison - 16

Beth Bjorkman - 18

Helen Stonesifer - 18

Sue Stockman -18

Tyler Holtzople -18

Keri Ann McGlaughlin - 20

Matt Reiter - 20

Norris Flowers - 22

Tony Gipe -22

Travis Arentz - 22

Hope Hess - 23

Kenneth Cooper - 24

Judy Giorno - 25

Joy Flinn - 27

Kristen Hoffman - 28

Abigail Hirneisen - 29



Karen and Dan Bream - 27

We're having a

SOUP-ER BOWL SUNDAY and a CHILI -COOK OFF!!!!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2020

FOLLOWING OUR COMBINED SERVICE.







Make a difference in a child's life! Volunteer at **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.

Mark your calendars for some upcoming events:
Awana Grand Prix build is Saturday, February
15th @ 9am and the Race is Saturday, March 7th!
Also, T & T Quizzing is
Saturday, February 22nd in York.

At FBC. AWANA is

EVERY Wednesday @ 6-8pm Sept-April.

Contact Neil (717-226-7378) or Melanie Tate(717-515-0591) or mntate90@gmail.com



John Fain from Pioneers will be speaking on Spiritual Warfare Sunday, February 9th @ 6:30 pm @ FBC.

We will also be skyping with Stephanie for a few Sundays in February.

Don't forget to pick up a
Missionary or Ministry Card if you
haven't already done so. 11

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

January **EVENTS**

Wednesday, January 1 Office Closed

Thursday and Friday, January 3 & 4 Youth Prayer Retreat Overnight 6pm - 9am

Sunday, January 5

Sweet Hour of Prayer Healing Service 6pm

Tuesday, January 7Board Meetings

Wednesday, January 8 AWANA 6-8PM

Thursday, December 9Men's Bible study 5:30 am - Book of Romans 9:30 am Bible study - Book of Zechariah

January 13 - 17

FBC Africa Team in Senegal, Africa

Wednesday, January 15 AWANA 6-8PM

Saturday, January 18 Men's Breakfast 7:30 am

Sunday, January 19

Youth Parent Meeting after each service

Monday, January 20 Youth Bowling Night 6:30 - 8:30pm

Wednesday, January 22 AWANA 6-8PM

Saturday, January 25

Wild Game Dinner 5pm

Sunday, January 26

W2 Group Hymn Sing 6:30 pm

ANSWER TO HYMN: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

All articles for the newsletter must be submitted by the 20th of the previous month.