

# THE FORERUNNER

## FEE FEE BAPTIST CHURCH

*TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN*

### A Word From The Pastor

This passage of scripture has always amazed me. Not only am I amazed that God loves me so much that He created me Himself but this passage also lets me know that He created me to do something special for Him. That in itself would be mind-blowing. But to think that He created me to do something that He had planned for me, even before I was born. If God put so much effort into preparing things for me to do before my creation, then I should put an equal amount of effort in finding out what those things are and do them. I was created for a purpose. That purpose is to do the things God wants me to do. The only way I can know what He wants from me is to get into contact with Him. Contact with God involves prayer, Bible study, devotion, and walking by faith. God is always by our side, wanting to help us fulfill our mission for Him. We often get sidetracked by the things of this world that beg for our attention. The most important thing that you could ever do in your life is to realize that you were made special by God and you were made for a purpose. When you find that purpose it brings not only joy and satisfaction, but also it pleases the one who created you. God has a job for you to do, will you do it?

The 210 year anniversary celebration was a great success. Many thanks to the History Committee and to all who had a hand in making it so wonderful. It was great to be reminded of the

rich history that we have but it was also a challenge for us to look toward the future to what God would have us do. We stand on the shoulders of those who have been faithful in the past and so we, too, must be faithful today so that the future generations can stand on our shoulders and pursue and achieve the will of God.

*"We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."*  
Ephesians 2:10

I want to encourage you to be faithful in your attendance and also in your giving. It is so important to fully staff and fund our ministries so that we might continue to reach the children in our community for Christ. We need your help in several areas. From the nursery to Awanas to our small group Bible studies, there are many places where you can serve. God has blessed us mightily and now it is our turn to make sure that we repay Him with our service and giving to help reach those who have yet to come to know Christ.

One of the wonderful things that God has called you to do is to share your story of how Jesus has blessed your life. You are an expert on this subject. Share it with those around you and invite them to join you for Bible study and worship. Our church will be only as effective as you are in inviting people to come hear the good news. Seek out what God has created you to do and do it. It will bless you, our church, and the kingdom of God.

*Brother Randy*

### Ministry Opportunities

**Sunday, October 1**  
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship  
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time  
 10:00 a.m. Youth Connect  
 Preschool/Children/Preteen  
 Worship & Activities  
 10:10 a.m. Bible Study  
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
 3:30 p.m. Tree Choir Rehearsal  
 5:00 p.m. Precepts Bible Study

**Monday, October 2**  
 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking  
 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice  
 7:00 p.m. Pick-Up Basketball

**Tuesday, October 3**  
 7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels  
 6:30 p.m. ESL Classes

**Wednesday, October 4**  
 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking  
 5:00 p.m. Family Dinner  
 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
 6:15 p.m. WOW Bible Studies  
 Men's Bible Study  
 AWANA  
 Youth Small Groups  
 Stewardship Committee

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee  
 8:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

**Thursday, October 5**  
 6:30 p.m. ESL Classes

**Friday, October 6**  
 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking  
 1:00 p.m. Prime Time Game Time  
 5:00 p.m. Super Start Live thru 10/7

**Saturday, October 7**  
**Sunday, October 8**  
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship  
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time  
 10:00 a.m. Youth Connect  
 Preschool/Children/Preteen  
 Worship & Activities  
 10:10 a.m. Bible Study  
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
 3:30 p.m. Tree Choir Rehearsal  
 5:00 p.m. Precepts Bible Study  
 Deacons' Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. Ember Worship Night

**Monday, October 9**  
 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking  
 9:15 a.m. Wagner/Sherer WOM Group  
 9:30 a.m. Sewing Group  
 6:15 p.m. Properties Committee  
 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice  
 7:00 p.m. Pick-Up Basketball

**Tuesday, October 10**  
 7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels  
 10:00 a.m. Spirit Lifters NH Visits  
 6:30 p.m. ESL Classes  
 Socials Committee

**Wednesday, October 11**  
 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking  
 5:00 p.m. Family Dinner  
 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
 6:15 p.m. WOW Bible Studies  
 Men's Bible Study  
 AWANA  
 Youth Small Groups  
 Personnel Committee

7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee  
 8:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

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Weekly Summary	9-10-17	9-17-17
Sunday Bible Study Attendance	230	233
Small Group Attendance	8	25
Total Bible Study Attendance	238	258
Worship Attendance: 9:00 AM	181	182
11:00 AM	137	166
AWANA Clubs	50	47
WOW Bible Studies	30	34
Nursing Home Ministry	28	-
Additions	-	-
Offering	\$15,920.09	\$14,485.53
E-Giving (8/26-9/11)	\$11,148.00	

### Wednesday Night Supper Menus

<b>October 4</b>	<b>October 11</b>
Pizza	Breakfast:
Salad Bar	Pancakes
Pudding Delight	Sausage
	Eggs
	Cinnamon Rolls

### Welcome, New Members

On Sunday, September 17—  
 Baptized:

- Austin Flack
- Emily Paden

### Sympathy

Our love through Christian sympathy is extended to

...**Paul (Norma) Snow** in the death of his brother-in-law, **Bill Williams**, on September 11.

...**Sylvia Jordan** in the death of her brother-in-law, **Rodney Wielms**, on September 8.

...**Vernita (Bill) Wilson** in the death of her brother, **Doyle Mayfield**, on September 17.

### Ministry Opportunities

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**Thursday, October 12**  
 6:30 p.m. ESL Classes  
 10:00 p.m. Prime Time returns from Memphis

**Friday, October 13**  
 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking  
 6:00 p.m. Missions Explorations thru 10/14

**Saturday, October 14**  
 8:30 a.m. International Community Pantry

### History DVD

DVDs of the Fee Fee History are available in the Media Center for \$1. This amount helps to offset the cost of the DVDs. Visit the Media Center while they are open on Sundays to get your DVD.

### Fee Fee Baptist Church Vision:

Intentionally reaching our community by living a lifestyle committed to Christ

## Prime Time

Gloria Fox, Director of Senior Adults & Bible Study

Did you know there are only 94 days left until Christmas? Don't you just love Christmas shopping – from your couch in your PJ's under the glow of the Christmas lights? But before we get to Christmas, we have a few more things to do. I hope all of you will pack a couple of Christmas boxes for Operation Christmas Child and will think of those who might need your help. We will once again be purchasing coats for kids and will send Christmas meals home for our kids through our backpack ministry. Please continue to be generous and full of grace as Jesus has been with you!

### Upcoming events include:

- Deutsch Country Days on Saturday, October 21, at 9:00 a.m. (Check out their website)
- Tour of the Cathedral Basilica and lunch at Duff's on November 9 at 10:00 a.m.
- The play, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, at the Florissant Civic Center on December 1 at 5:30 p.m.
- The Singing Christmas Tree on December 15, 16, and 17

Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to join us for some of these events.

## Bible Study Corner

In addition to our regular Sunday morning Bible study classes, Women's Bible studies on Wednesday nights at 6:15, Precepts on Sundays at 5 p.m., I am pleased to announce the following new studies:

Two New Topical Studies starting October 1:

- *Live, Know, Grow*, facilitated by **Vernita Wilson** in RM 215
- *The Good Book* facilitated by **Jim McMahan** in RM 213
- And the long awaited Men's Bible Study beginning Wednesday, October 4, at 6:15 p.m., *The Quest for Authentic Manhood*, facilitated by **Matt Fisher** in RM B1.

Hope to see everyone involved in Bible Study!

## Backpack Ministry

We have increased the amount of students we are serving this year and we thank you for your continuing support of this ministry. We have the following immediate needs:

- Tomato and chicken noodle soup
- Saltine crackers
- Snack crackers
- Canned beef stew and chicken and dumplings
- Pasta sauce (no class jars please)

## Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found is filling up again. Please look through these items to make sure you don't have anything there. It is located across from the church office in the Literature Room. We will be getting rid of all the items in the lost and found by this month's end.

## Music Musings

Ronna Paden, Director of Music

### Angel Rehearsal Reminder

Angel rehearsals are scheduled to begin on October 8 at 3:30 p.m. Please sign the list on the bulletin board by the choir room. We will need names and contact information.

### Christmas Choir

Thanks to all who attended the initial reading of the Christmas music. It is already evident that the singing is going to come together nicely.

Sunday rehearsals are at 3:30 p.m. in the choir room. At that time music scores will be distributed along with rehearsal CDs. Additionally, the first 30 minutes of our regularly scheduled Monday evening rehearsals will be devoted to practicing Christmas music.

### Thanks for the Music

Thanks to **Eva Mackoul** and **Rennae Jones** for working with the children's music for Kidszone. These two very gifted ladies are both naturals when it comes to working with the kids music. Coming from the perspective of teaching, they have the knowledge and special talent for creating an atmosphere that defines the importance of music in worship. Eva and Rennae, thank you for the music.

### A Gift That Has Kept on Giving

Did you know that Thomas Musick, early Pastor of Fee Fee, donated the land to build the historic Musick Baptist Church on Fee Fee Road in Maryland Heights? The church was founded in 1811 by slaves and has remained in its original location for 206 years.

The present pastor, Pastor David L. Scott, is also Captain of Engine House No. 6 in South St. Louis. He has said, "I like to keep people from burning on both ends." As a pastor, he has a desire to bring the gospel to every single person, especially those who have strayed away from the Lord.

Sounds like another mission statement I know: "To know Christ and make Christ known."

## Family Front

Kathy Scott, Director of Children & Family Ministries

SUPER START for preteens (5-6 grade LIVEWIRES) is October 6-7. Best event in the nation for preteens right here in our area! We have a great group of preteens going. Pray for them to experience a closer relationship with Christ.

Missions Exploration for kids, 1st through 4th grade. The event is at South Missouri Baptist Camp in Van Buren, MO October 13-14. We will drive down on Friday evening, then back on Saturday in the evening. Cost is \$25 per person. Kids will need money for supper on the way back. Packing list and other info will be available soon.

Trunk or Treat is Sunday, October 29, 5:00-7:30 p.m. If we plan on the crowd we had last year (over 700), we will need lots of help: many trunks with games, others to run various activities, set-up and take down, and LOTS OF CANDY DONATIONS! Put it on your calendar. Sign up sheets are posted. Sign up for how you would like to help. FFBC welcomed the community last year in a great way! Let's do it again!

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me... People who are like these little children belong to the kingdom of God." Mark 9:14

## Chi Alpha News

Andrew Yakel, Minister to Students & Outreach

### See You At the Pole – Wednesday, September 27

See You at the Pole is an annual day of prayer for students! All around the globe, in every time zone, students will be gathering at their flagpoles before school, praying for their school, friends, families, churches, and communities. Make sure to be a part of this incredible event by getting to your school early to pray on Wednesday, September 27!

### Ember Worship Night – Sunday, October 8 – 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Ember is our monthly youth led night of live worship, engaging teaching, big games, and more! In October we're doing Tacos and Testimonies! We'll provide tacos for dinner and students will share how God has been moving in their lives.

### International Community Pantry – Saturday, October 14

On Saturday, October 14, our church body is serving those in need by volunteering at the International Community Pantry (formerly the Bosnian Food Pantry). Arrive at the church at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. We will travel by church bus to the food pantry to help organize, package, and hand out food to families in need. We'll return to the church by noon. This is a great chance to be the hands and feet of Christ!

### Small Groups are back! – Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m.

Youth Small Groups are back! Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:15 as we play games, eat snacks, and talk about the Bible together! There is a Youth Small Group Reading Plan at the church and on the website that encourages students to read through the Bible with your small group. Pick up a copy and follow along with us.

### Upcoming Dates:

September 27 – See You At The Pole

September 29 – Escape Room

October 8 – Ember Worship Night

October 28 – Youth and Family Trip to Eckerts'

November 4 – Youth Trivia Night

# TRUNK or TREAT



### October 29, 5-7:30 p.m.

We are accepting candy donations for the Trunk or Treat! Last year we had over 700 children! Please donate early and often. Sign up to host a trunk and activity; it's a blast and a blessing! Sign up sheets are posted.