Weekly Summary	8/25/24	9/1/24	9/8/24	9/15/24
Chi Alpha Wed.	-	-	5	-
AWANA	-	-	39	-
Sunday Bible Studies	144	145	RR	148
WOW Bible Study	-	-	27	-
Worship Attendance: 10:30AM	203	207	107	182
Worship Totals: PreK/Kidszone/Online	258	246	107	238
Offering	\$7,828.00	\$14,094.00	-	\$11,904.94
E-Giving 8/27/24-9/9/24	\$11,283.63	-	-	-

Ministry Opportunities

Tuesday, October 1

7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
10:00 a.m. Bramstedt Bible Study (B3)
6:00 p.m. Pickleball (Gym)
6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4)
Wednesday, October 2

9:00 a.m. FB Bible Plan Discussion (FB)
10:00 a.m. Pickleball (Gym)

7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee (CR) 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (Gym)

Thursday, October 3

10:00 a.m. Remnants Sewing Group (217)10:00 a.m. Bob Foster Small Group (Café)1:00 p.m. PT Game Time (B3)

6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4)

Sunday, October 6

9:15 a.m. I'm a Christian Now class (207)
11:30 a.m. Business Meeting (WC)
2:00 p.m. Christmas Choir Rehearsal
3:30 p.m. Bylaws Committee (CR)

7:00 p.m. Volleyball (Gym) **Monday, October 7**

1:00 p.m. History Committee (Library)
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

7:15 p.m. Properties Committee (CR) **Tuesday, October 8**

7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
10:00 a.m. Bramstedt Bible Study (B3)
11:30 a.m. May Clermont WOM (FH)
2:00 p.m. Prime Time Council (B1)
6:00 p.m. Pickleball (Gym)
6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4)

7:00 p.m. Strategic Planning Committee (C112)

Wednesday, October 9

9:00 a.m. FB Bible Plan Discussion (FB) 10:00 a.m. Pickleball (Gym)

7:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee (C112) 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (Gym)

Thursday, October 10

10:00 a.m. Remnants Sewing Group (217) 6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4)

Sunday, October 13

9:15 a.m. I'm a Christian Now class (207) 2:00 p.m. Christmas Choir Rehearsal 5:00 p.m. Sunday Night Connect

Monday, October 14

9:15 a.m. Wagner/Scherer WOM 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Tuesday, October 15 7:00 a.m. Meals on W

7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels 10:00 a.m. Bramstedt Bible Study (B3) 4:00 p.m. Loaves & Fishes

4:00 p.m. Loaves & Fishes 6:00 p.m. Pickleball (Gym) 6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4)

Wednesday, October 16
9:00 a.m. FB Bible Plan Discussion (FB)
10:00 a.m. Pickleball (Gym)
5:30 p.m. Missions Committee (FH)
8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (Gym)

Thursday, October 17
10:00 a.m. Remnants Sewing Group (217)
10:00 a.m. Bob Foster Small Group (Café)
1:00 p.m. PT Game Time (B3)

6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4)

Sunday, October 20

9:15 a.m. I'm a Christian Now class (207) 11:45 a.m. Children's Committee (CR) 2:00 p.m. Christmas Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Volleyball (Gym)

Monday, October 21
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Tuesday, October 22 7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels 10:00 a.m. Bramstedt Bible 9

| 10:00 a.m. | Bramstedt Bible Study (B3) | 6:00 p.m. | Pickleball (Gym) | 6:30 p.m. | ESL class (B1, B4)

Wednesday, October 23

9:00 a.m. FB Bible Plan Discussion (FB) 10:00 a.m. Pickleball (Gym) 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (Gym)

8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (Gyr Thursday, October 24

10:00 a.m. Remnants Sewing Group (217)

6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4) **Sunday, October 27**

9:15 a.m. I'm a Christian Now class (207) 2:00 p.m. Christmas Choir Rehearsal

5:00 p.m. Trunk or Tre **Monday, October 28**

10:00 a.m. PT Summit Fall Market/Lunch Billy G's

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice **Tuesday, October 29**

7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels 10:00 a.m. Bramstedt Bible Study (B3) 6:00 p.m. Pickleball (Gym)

6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4) Wednesday, October 30

9:00 a.m. FB Bible Plan Discussion (FB)
10:00 a.m. Pickleball (Gym)

8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (Gym)

Thursday, October 31

10:00 a.m. Remnants Sewing Group (217) 6:30 p.m. ESL class (B1, B4)

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WEEKLY EVENTS SUNDAYS

9:15 a.m.—Bible Studies (All Ages) 10:30 a.m.—Worship Service 10:30 a.m.—KidsZone No KidsZone on 4th Sundays Lord's Supper on 4th Sundays

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

6:00 p.m.
AWANA (Pre-K –2nd grade)
RA's / GA's (grades 3-5)
Chi Alpha Youth Small Group
W.O.W. Women's Bible Study
Adult Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

Sympathy

To **Mike and Gail Sinnett** at the passing of Mike's mother **Mary Sinnett** 09/05/2024

To **Derald and Twila Harris** at the passing of Derald's mother **Nadine Harris** 09/14/2024

International Food Pantry

Food items needed for Aug/Sept include:

Canned Stew Canned Chili Crackers Granola Bars Cereal

Donations are due by Nov 16

Coffee With a Cause

Our Coffee With a Cause this month will go toward candy for this year's Trunk or Treat

There is a **Thank You** card from the **Bridgeton Police Department** available for viewing in the church office during the month of October.

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A Word From Senior Pastor, Britton Carter

You Are Gifted

Most school districts have some version of a "gifted and talented" program. Children who exhibit intellectual abilities beyond those of the average student in their grade are labeled "gifted" and placed in more academically rigorous courses. The rest of the kids are given fun labels like "normal" or "not special" and placed in classes taught by coaches. Some of you were placed in advanced courses as a child, and you have lived your entire life with the label "gifted" proudly hanging over your head. Others of you were not placed in that program, and maybe you have lived your entire life believing you aren't that special—that you aren't gifted.

Regardless of the labels our educational system has given you, I want to share a word from Scripture with you: If you are in Christ, you are gifted.

1 Corinthians 12:7 teaches that every Christian has received a manifestation of the Holy Spirit for the benefit of the body of believers. In other words, each of you has a spiritual gift—a God-given talent and ability to advance the cause of Christ. You have the ability to grow us in our devotion to Christ, our organization in service to him, our understanding of God's will for us, our service to each other and to the world, and/or our ability to reach the lost with the gospel. You're gifted—and our church needs your gift.

For some of you, your gifts fit neatly into an established ministry of our church. You can teach children or youth. You can be a warm and welcoming presence for guests on a Sunday morning. You can cook meals for funerals, homebound church members, or special occasions. You can sing, play an instrument, or run a sound board on Sunday mornings. You can teach English to community members who want to learn the language. I would highly encourage each of you to look at the opportunities for service that our church provides and see if your gifts align with any of those ministries.

For others of you, your gifts do not neatly align with any established ministry. God has given you a talent and a passion for something else entirely. In your case, I would encourage you to pursue that ministry to the best of your ability. Don't wait for the church to set it up; take the ministry and run with it.

In either case, know that you are gifted. We need you. Let's see what the Holy Spirit can do in our church through you.

In Christ, Britton

Prime Time

Gloria Fox, Director of Senior Adults & Bible Study

Bible Reading Plan

I know that many of you have been faithful reading through the entire Bible with me over the last 4 years starting in January 2021 and ending the last day of December of 2024. I think it is important to read Scripture together as a church. It is a great way to share and learn with others in the church about what **God is showing us through Scripture** that makes us see **how good He is and how much he loves us.**

As we wind down this plan, I have been led to develop a plan for **2025** that will take us 1 chapter (or portion of a chapter) each day **chronologically through the New Testament.** I look forward to talking with you about how the 4 Gospels fit together in time order. I also look forward to reading the letters to the churches as they intersect with events in Acts. Ask God to start preparing your hearts for this new method of reading Scripture. Just maybe, like the disciples returning to Emmaus, Jesus will explain "what was said in all the Scriptures concerning Himself." Luke 24:27b. Wouldn't that be awesome?

Look for your new bookmark in December!

Prime Time

ATTENTION: DATE AND LOCATION CHANGE. On Monday, October 14 at 10 a.m., we were scheduled to board the bus for Grant's farm. BUT THAT CAN'T HAPPEN. GRANT'S FARM IS OPEN TO TOURS ONLY ON THAT DAY. Consequently, we will go to the Missouri Civil War Museum at Jefferson Barracks on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10. The cost is \$9 and lunch will be announced on the sign up sheet.

On Monday, **October 28**, we will go to the **Summit Fall Market in Kirkwood** at 10 a.m. At the market shed, you will find great produce, local foods, candy and treats and a great selection of seasonal décor. There will also be pumpkins, mums and more. The bus will leave at 10 a.m. and lunch will be at **Billy G's**.

Look for details in the next forerunner for our trip to the **Omnimax** and **Zia's** in November and a night time trip to **Missouri Botanical Garden** for Garden Glow in December.

Bible Study Corner

Our Bible Study groups meet each **Sunday at 9:15 a.m**. Hope you have joined one. If you don't know where to go, Gloria can help you find a good fit. Each group meets for an hour before the worship service. Groups are studying **Lifeway** literature, using **Right Now Media** and discussion, or just working there way through the Bible. There is a place for everyone.

Speaking of a place for everyone, we also have all age groups meeting **Wednesday nights** at 6 pm – 7:30. Kids can attend **Awanas**, **GA's** and **RA's** (depending on their age), youth meet together in the Rafters, pastor is leading a Bible Study starting in Genesis, and the women are studying Ephesians. You can jump into any of these groups at any time!

Join us in Bible Study!

Music Musings

Ronna Paden, Director of Music

Christian Music comes in many different flavors (genres). Here is a list of several types of Christian music. You may enjoy multiple styles.

Praise and Worship

Yet Not I But Christ in Me (Live) Selah

Alternative Rock

Newsboys That's How You Change the World

Indie

Fire Fall Down Hillsong United

Folk

Deep Enough to Dream Chris Rice

Jazz

Kirk Whalum Sunday's Best Gospel According to Jazz - Chapter IIV

Inspirational

David Phelps We Shall Behold Him (Live)

Blue Grass

The Isaacs Daniel Prayed (Live)

Gospel

Kirk Franklin I Smile

Christian Blues

Jonathan Butler - Live Falling in Love With Jesus

Christian Country

Josh Turner
Me and God (Live from Gaither Studios)

Chi Alpha

Tyler Kiefer, Interim Youth Director

Christian

MUSIC

It has been so great to have Wednesday night activities back again. In this month we will be continuing our series through the book of **Philippians**. Wednesday gatherings are a great way for our students to dive into the word and also grow closer together. The youth has also started serving in various areas around the church. Every fourth Wednesday we are **leading games for Awanas**, and we will also be **greeting occasionally on Sundays**. Our youth are not the future of the church, **they are the church now!** I believe that is impactful to create a culture of service now, so as our youth mature in their faith service will be a priority.

We are still looking for leaders. Please consider partnering with us in our youth ministry. More leaders will help us do small groups and activities better. If you are interested in discipling our youth, contact me at tyler@feefeebc.org

Family Front

Kathy Scott, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Wednesday Night Activities for kids began September 11 at 6pm. We are having a great time! If you have an hour on Wednesday nights, we would love to involve you in helping our kids learn scripture!

I'm A Christian Now class will begin October 6. This is for kids (with a parent) who have made a profession of faith in Jesus. In this class, we discover what the Bible says a Christian is, what the Lord's Supper and Baptism is and is not, what is the Church and how I can serve, and how to grow as a Christian. If you know of a child who has not had this class and have received Christ already, I would love to talk with them and include the family in this class.

October 27 is a big day for our church! We are going to have a **Trunk or Treat/ Fall party** to welcome our community. We plan to have something outside to attract families then have trunks down the alleyway and in the back, and games and other activities inside gym. This will be a churchwide event to involve all. If you cannot be there, your job will be to provide candy.

Needs for this event:

- decorated trunk and provide candy for your trunk
- provide candy
- run a game
- engage people in conversation
- manage food (popcorn, hotdogs and cotton candy)
- help with parking and activities and point people toward back and gym

We may even have judging opportunities for trunk and booths. We hope you will invite your neighbors, friends and family to join us to host our community.

Most of you know it takes many hands to have a God-honoring **Children's**Ministry. We have some openings that need adults to help make these ministries to our families successful and safe. None of these are hard and some are just once a month. It just takes willing individuals to be used by God to love our kids.

1 more adult each Sunday for preschool worship care (1/month)

KidsZone helpers (1 adult to assist the leader each Sun. 1/month)

Games leader from 7:00-7:25 on Wed. Nights (1/month)

1 teacher for toddler Sunday School class (every Sun.)

1 more adult to help a child on Wed. nights to learn their scripture (each week)

If you can serve, please talk to me. God can use you in a wonderful way!

Eph.3:20-21 Now to him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us—to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generation, forever and ever. Amen.

Impact Week

Thanks for all your help during this year's impact week. We served **Chick-Fil-A** to the **Bridgeton police**, a **coffee truck** to The Academy of Innovation aka **Remington Traditional School**, sang in nursing care facilities, cleaned parks, served at **Loaves and Fishes**, did some carpentry work, had two pickleball tournaments, and washed a whole bunch of cars, topped off windshield fluids, checked and aired tires, served hot dogs, popcorn and water on our parking lot Saturday – all for free- from 10-2pm. It was a great week of showing love to our community. I know that some of you took cookies to firemen and police in your area, collected food for our crisis pantry and collected donations of new socks and underwear for the residents of Loaves and Fishes. While I'm sure I don't have everyone's hours, I have recorded about **400 hours of community service** extended to our surrounding neighbors during the 6 days from 9/9 to 9-14. **Thanks for helping to share Jesus' love in our community!**