

FACTS—FIGURES—FELLOWSHIP

GIVEN TO REACH OUR WORLD FOR CHRIST

BUDGET REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 1-25, 2015

SEPTEMBER 1-25 RECEIPTS	\$31,013.00
MONTHLY BUDGET NEEDED	\$33,327.98
RECEIPTS NEEDED FOR BUDGET.....	\$ 2,314.98

ACTUAL BUDGET RECEIPT/EXPENSE REPORT

SEPTEMBER 1-25 Receipts.....	\$31,013.00
SEPTEMBER 1-25 Expenses.....	\$17,980.11
SEPTEMBER 1-25 Receipts over expenses.....	\$13,032.89

FINAL BUDGET REPORT FOR AUGUST 2016

RECEIPTS	\$32,258.24
MONTHLY BUDGET NEEDED	\$33,327.98
RECEIPTS UNDER FOR BUDGET.....	\$ 1,069.74

ACTUAL BUDGET RECEIPT/EXPENSE REPORT

August 1-31 Receipts.....	\$32,258.24
August 1-31 Expenses.....	\$27,575.76
August 1-31 Receipts over Expenses.....	\$ 4,682.48

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

David Anderson, Curtis Dalton,
Matthew Hulbert & Jon Huguley

OCTOBER LIST FOR DEACON OF THE WEEK*

2—Lee Miller	9—Jon Huguley
16—Mike Sullivan	23—Terry Wood
30—Mark Burquest	

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AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR SEPTEMBER

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY— 87

MORNING WORSHIP— 131

If you are not plugged in with a Small Group Bible Study you are missing a blessing. Small Group Bible Study begins at 9:15 a.m. Join Us! We have groups for all ages!



Keenagers
Monday, October 3
Noon—Covered Dish

Upcoming Senior Adults Hosted Trips

Thursday, October 6—Atlanta Botanical Garden's
Chihuly Exhibit—Estimated Cost: \$45

Wednesday—Friday, October 26-28—Senior Adult
Homecoming Toccoa Conference Center—
Total Cost: \$160

Thursday, December 15 - Rock Ranch Christmas
Lights

Sign-up sheets are located in your Bible study classes



WMU—Current Missions

Our WMU Current Missions group meets the
3rd Thursday of each month at **10 a.m.**
(occasional exceptions)
Our next meeting will be **October 20**. We
encourage our ladies to join us as we study,
share and plan for mission opportunities.

Columbus Day Monday, October 10

The church office will be closed
in observance of Columbus Day.
We will resume regular hours on
Tuesday, October 11.



Family Promise News Host Week October 2—9, 2016

Upon receiving this, preparations are in place for our next rotation of
Family Promise. Please pray for the 13 precious souls we will be
ministering to beginning Oct. 2.
We have been saving some designated money to buy a firm queen-
sized mattress and box springs for overnight hosts. We have a num-
ber who serve as overnight hosts with tender backs. However if you
have a queen mattress set in good shape that you no longer need,
please let us know.
Thank you church family for all that you do to support this ministry.
Time, money, food, and especially prayers make this work.

Quarterly Family Meeting Wednesday, October 19, 2016 6pm in Chapel

All team leaders: please have a written copy of your report to
give to clerk, Wanda Burquest.
We encourage all members to attend this meeting to support
the decisions of the church.

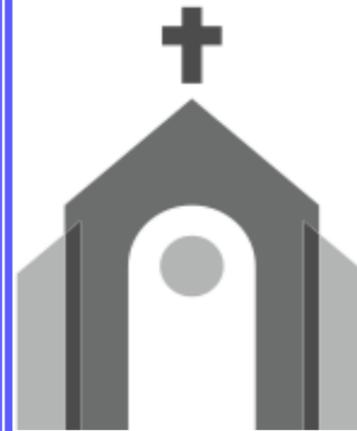
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"We Seek to Glorify God By Making Disciples of ALL Nations"

Our Ministerial Staff:

Chad Wood

Nick Prieto

Rusty Grace

Pastor

Worship & Youth Pastor

Discipleship & Systems Pastor

From the Pastor

I love my kids. I love when they play together and laugh together and sing together. I enjoy watching them grow and learn. As their father, I get a lot of joy in playing with them and seeing them grow in their obedience. My 3 kids are all at different ages where I often wonder if they fully understand obedience. When I tell them to do something, they are supposed to simply do it because I am their father. It is really quite simple. However, when they don't obey, I wonder if it's because they simply don't get it, or if they are being rebellious. When they do obey, it makes my heart glad. But here are a few things I have never seen my children do. If I say to them, "go get in the bath", they never respond by saying, "daddy, we know what you *mean* by go get in the bath. We've studied the concepts of what a bath does for us and have even learned what the word *bath* means in greek. We've discussed at great length about the benefits of a bath." While I think I would be shocked at such an intellectual response, all that would really matter to me would be if they simply did what I said.

I think sometimes we miss this simple truth in the Christian life. When Jesus said, "go make disciples" it wasn't just so that we would talk about it. It was that we would actually do it. When scripture talks about serving, giving sacrificially, fellowship, worshipping, praising, being joyful, and doing ministry it isn't for us to just reflect on it and discuss it. It's that we would actually do it. And when we actually obey our Father's commands, I'm sure it makes His heart glad. May it be our prayer that FBCWR would truly be a church full of God's children who gladly obeys our Father in what He has told us to do. Love you church!

Pastor Chad

Recommended Reading: Rediscovering Discipleship by Robby Gallaty

OCTOBER 2016

*Birthdays

Sundays

8:30 am Prayer Group
9:15 am Small Group Bible Study
10:30 am Morning Worship
6:00 pm CONNECT—Youth

Wednesdays

6:00 pm Mid-Week Activities
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm Band Rehearsal

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>*Sharon Lilly</i>
2 Connect—6pm	3 Keenagers Noon	4 Annual Staff Planning Day off campus	5	6 Keenagers Going to Botanical Gardens <i>*Mary Sanders</i>	7 Youth to Six Flags in Atlanta <i>*Donald Callan</i>	8
← FAMILY PROMISE HOST WEEK October 2–9, 2016 →						
9 Communion Pastor Rusty Grace preaching NO CONNECT Pastor Chad— vacation	10 Columbus Day Church Office Closed <i>*Carl T. Wood</i>	11 Pastor Chad— vacation	12 Pastor Chad— vacation	13 Youth—Meals on Wheels Pastor Chad— vacation	14 <i>*Patsy Knight</i>	15 Pastor Prayer Partners—9am <i>*Marvin Waters</i>
FALL BREAK FOR HOUSTON COUNTY SCHOOLS						
16 Church Council—3:30pm Stewardship— 5pm Connect—6pm <i>*Dr. Ward Meyerhoeffer</i>	17 <i>*Billy Fortenberry *Aubrey Kegley *Mary Van Atta</i>	18 <i>*Mary Brophy</i>	19 Quarterly Family Meeting— 6pm	20 WMU—10am	21 <i>*Nancy Miller</i>	22
23 Connect—6pm	24 <i>*Deborah Pope</i>	25 RBA Annual Mtg. <i>*Joyce Lanier *Linda Gibbs *Kadie Griger *Ricky Wood</i>	26 Fields of Faith 6:15pm <i>*Jane Speer</i>	27	28 <i>*Barbara Lipsey</i>	29
Senior Adult to Toccoa Homecoming Conference						
30 Reformation Sunday CSM 5th Sunday Food Drive Connect—6pm	31		 <p>Christian Social Ministry 5th Sunday Canned & Dry Goods Drive— October 30 Please bring your canned and dry goods so we can help replenish the shelves at CSM. The collection box is located in the welcome area.</p>			

From the Worship/Youth Pastor

Do you ever struggle with joy? Are you a person that rejoices often? Recently, I have been teaching through the book of Philippians with the Youth on Sunday nights. I have consistently been reminded of Paul's circumstances when writing this letter to the church of Philippi. Paul wrote from a jail cell and had faced strong opposition to this message about Jesus. Read the book of Acts, and you will get a clear sense of the struggle Paul faced. They wanted him dead. Despite everything he was facing, Paul found joy in the Lord. Throughout the letter to the church in Philippi, Paul constantly reminds the people to *rejoice* in the Lord.

In our society, I believe it is very easy to wrestle with being joyful. The circumstances of life, whether it is at home or on the job, can leave us searching for joy and contentment in so many different things. It is often the case that people run from thing to thing in order to find what pleases and satisfies them. This is not the answer. Paul, despite being in awful circumstances, was joyful and content. Why? His joy was not found in anything of this world but only in Jesus. His goal was to know Christ and make Him known. Joy in our lives will only be found and sustained through knowing God and growing to know Him more. Just as the Holy Spirit at the moment of salvation made us into a new creation, He must continue to indwell and bear the fruit of joy in our lives each day. Galatians chapters 3 and 5 talk of this very thing. Do you want to rejoice in the Lord always (Philippians 4:4) and be joyful? Pursue Christ in all you do and seek to know Him above all.

Nick

**Come join the Grow and Go
Kids Wednesday Night
Activities!**

Begins at 6pm.
Enjoy a Bible Lesson,
Memory Verses, Snacks,
Games, and More!

Hope to see you there!



It is that time of year again!
We get to fill shoe boxes with
fun stuff for boys and girls all
over the world. Empty shoe
boxes will be available
Sunday, October 9th and we
ask that you bring them back

filled on or before November 6. We will have
dedication for them on Sunday morning,
November 6. A brochure will be in each box,
please read it for ideas of gifts as well as things
not to put in the box. Thank you so much for your
participation in this wonderful ministry.

Rusty's Ramblings

As followers of Jesus, we've received so much from God's hand. He has so generously showered us with His kindness. As an expression of gratitude and in obedience to God's Word, we are called to share with others what we've received. There are many ways to do this, of course. We get to share the Gospel. We get to pray for others. We also get to serve others, as a demonstration of the grace of God active in our lives. As a church, we have been presented with another opportunity to bless our local community. We've been asked to help serve our local community by providing food for students at a local school who may not have access to food on the weekends. This is a real need, even in our community, and we have the privilege of getting to help. We will begin collecting non-perishable food items that will be distributed to these students. We will be responsible for providing enough food for roughly 20 individuals for one weekend a month. We will continue to advertise this initiative, but I want to encourage everyone to support this effort in any way you can. No gift will be too large or too small. Perhaps every time you buy groceries, you could pick up one item off this list. Or you might enjoy making a special trip just for these things. Donations can be put in one of the collection bins near our main entrance. (As an aside, the other collection bin is still available for anyone who wants to donate coats to the RBA's Appalachian Ministry. We have a lot of opportunities to do good!) This project will be on-going and can be part of how God will demonstrate His love and His faithfulness to others. Here's a list of the items that will be collected.

Granola bars, energy bars, cereal bars, individual packs of baked chips, pretzels, etc., dried fruit in individual packs, pudding cups, individual sealed cups or small boxes of cereal, tuna pouches in foil, pop tarts, cups of mixed fruit, individual bags of almonds, small microwavable cups of spaghetti or any of those that Chef Boyardee makes. No peanuts or peanut products.

Rusty

**Rehoboth Baptist Association Annual Meeting
Tuesday, October 25**

Sandy Valley Baptist Church **Guest Speaker:**
Registration—3:15-4:00pm Michael Lewis—NAMB
Afternoon Session—4:05pm speaking at 7:40pm
Evening Session—6:50pm

**FIELDS OF FAITH
OCTOBER 26, 2016**

1307 North Ave., Perry, GA (football field)
6:15pm—Music & Food
7:00 pm—Program Begins

IT STARTS HERE
THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES