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From the Pulpit to the Pew...



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Jonathan Threlfall said, *"The New Testament's teaching on spiritual gifts focuses not on self-discovery but on loving service. In fact, the anxiety about discovering 'my' spiritual gift will probably fade completely when you focus on what you can do to build up the body of Christ."*

Everyone who is saved has received spiritual gifts from the Holy Spirit, which is a great blessing from God.

Identifying our spiritual gifts can be done in different ways. Taking a spiritual gifts test or inventory can help us gain a good understanding. Confirmation from others close to us can also give insight to our gifts. Others who observe us serving the Lord can often identify a spiritual gift in us that we may not recognize. Also, prayer is very important. The one person who knows exactly what our spiritual gift is would be the gift giver Himself, the Holy Spirit.

We must always remember Christ and the Holy Spirit has given each of us spiritual gifts for the purpose of edifying the church (the body of Christ).

Ephesians 4:11-12, "And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some

pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying (building up) of the body of Christ"

1 Peter 4:9-10,
"Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."

I read a few weeks back where David Jeremiah wrote in one of his devotionals, "Earlier this year, an Ohio woman bought a painting for \$2.99 at a thrift store and sold it for nearly \$3,000 when she discovered it was the work of a gifted artist. Most of God's children are like that. We underestimate our value and the value of the spiritual gifts God has given us."

God Bless,

David

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:15 Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service	4	5 6:00 Pickleball	6 6:45 Adult/Youth/Kids Bible Study	7 6:00 Pickleball	8	9
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24 9:15 Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service	25 6:30 Deacon's Mtg	26 6:00 Pickleball	27 6:45 Church Conference	28 6:00 Pickleball	29	30
31		Life Groups meet each week at 6:00pm on Mondays at the Sparks Home	Life Groups meet each week at 6:00pm on Thurs- days at the Royalls home			



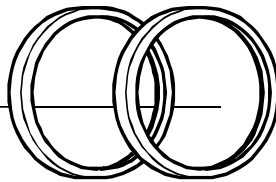
August 2025



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3	4	5	6	7 Rex Inscore	8 Angel Foster Dane Mastin Shepherd Royall	9
10 Holly Richardson	11 Jasmine Parker	12 Andrea Smith Diane Souther	13 Mark Adams	14	15 Ashley Foster Benjamin Foster Kimberly Johnson Kelly Sloop	16 Alan Everette
17 Brian Curry Gabe Cox	18	19 Doug Bumgarner Autumn Hunnicutt Sydney Reavis	20 Ruby Pardue	21 Ashley Faw	22	23
24 Ethan Adams Karson Church Camden Reavis	25	26 Brady Johnson Brandson Johnson	27 Maxton Knox	28 Sandra Foster Patsy Nichols	29	30
31 Debbie Church Chandler Souther						

Celebrating

An Anniversary This Month



August 4

Bill & Rachel Reavis

August 14

David & Chasidi Wellborn

August 27

Eric & Amanda Stanley

August 11

Kent & Rosie Burchette
Derrick & Christina Messick

August 20

Ronnie & Debbie Gregory

August 29

Cody & Danielle Wingler

August 22

Jonathan & Tabitha Foster

August 31

Jessic & Diane Souther



If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please inform Shannon Lowe so we can update our records.

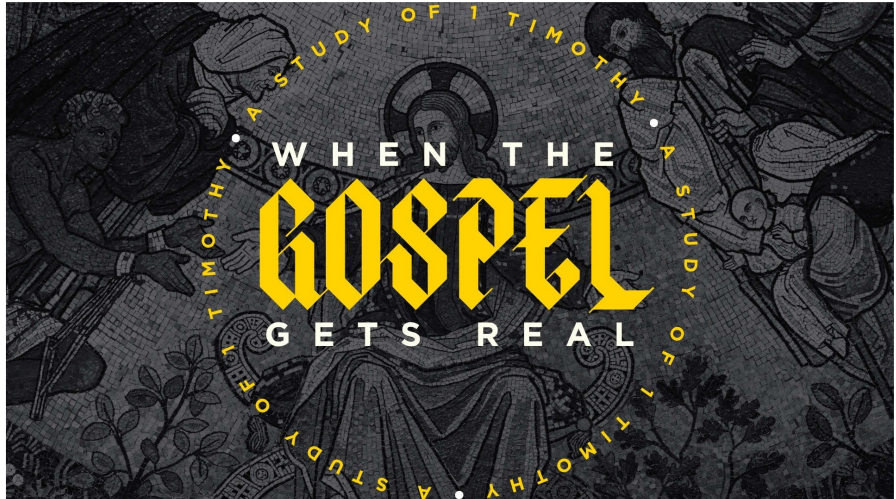
YOUTH UPDATES

Verse of the month:

But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. **1 Timothy 6:11-12a**

Updates

- We have set up a video series that we will be using for Children's Church & Team Kids during the Worship Service hour! This will help provide consistent biblical teaching and help teachers feel prepared to lead those classes! If you have any questions, please let Rev Trev know!
- If you haven't already set up your free RightNow Media account, scan the QR code below to get access to your free account!



Join us for our new series in 1 Timothy!

Thoughts for August

Upcoming Events

- **WYLD's Back-to-School-Bash**
- August 2nd
- We have just recently started a new series called "When the Gospel Gets Real" going verse by verse through the book of 1 Timothy! Join us on Sunday mornings & Wednesday nights!
- **Sunday School** - every Sunday @ 9:15am
- **Wednesday meals** - every Wednesday @ 5:45pm
Starting back in September
- **Wednesday Bible Study** - every Wednesday @ 6:45pm

As always, summer is the busiest time of year for me personally! We have VBS, summer camp, lots more activities we try to plan, and then on top of that my entire immediate family has summer birthdays!

This summer has been no exception - it has been incredibly busy! But it has all been great things! The new youth room opened, VBS was incredible, Caswell was incredible, and we've seen more and more youth involvement this summer! Praise the Lord!

It has been awesome to see our youth group steadily growing! Continue to pray for growth in faith and number! The main goal is to disciple who is showing up! But I pray more show up so that more can be saved and be disciplined!

Also, please pray for unity in our church. The enemy will attempt to use anything and everything to create division. Let's keep our eyes set on Jesus, and in His strength and love, seek to be unified as a church body!

Sincerely,

Rev Trev

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Welcome to the Arbor News. The Arbor News is published monthly and will be left on the table in the vestibule at Fishing Creek Arbor Baptist Church. The Arbor News will be published the last Sunday of the month. Don't miss an issue. You may also find the Arbor News on the church web page and app each month along with the church bulletin and teaching schedules each week.

Please pray for the newsletter and pray that it will be a blessing to someone. Your help and suggestions are needed in order to make the newsletter a success. To comment on the newsletter or to make suggestions about what you'd like to see in future issues contact Shannon Lowe at 336/984-4155 or email to secretary@fishingcreekarbor.org.

Your Place to Call Home

We encourage you to forward this newsletter on to family and friends.

We're on the web!

<http://www.fishingcreekarbor.org>

September Newsletter Deadline: August 20th

Mission Project

For the month of August we will be collecting items for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Items collected will be boys and girls socks (ages 10—14), washcloths and deodorant. Thank you for supporting our monthly mission project.