

MONTHLY CONNECTION



Mark Your Calendar

- September 7 (Labor Day)
Church Office is closed
- Wanda Galimore's Group:
Meets at Wanda's home on **Sept. 8 and 29**—lunch at noon, study at 1 p.m. The group will finish *Along the Road* by John A. Beck, then resume its biweekly schedule in October with *Learning to Love Leviticus*.
- Pastor Carl's Group: Thursdays, 9:30–11 a.m. in the Youth Room, beginning **Sept. 10**. Studying *Through Paul's Epistles*.
- Sue Feaga's Group: Thursdays, 6:30–8 p.m. in the Music Room. Studying *Modern Marxism* by Patricia Engle of *Answers in Genesis*, with a biblical perspective on cancel culture and social issues. Contact Sue at saintsusie@gmail.com
- **UNPACKING HEBREWS** Join us for a Wednesday night Bible study on the book of Hebrews, running weekly from 6:00 – 7:15 PM during Awana.
- Location: Pastor's Study
- Capacity: Limited to 10 participants (due to room size)
- Please sign up online to reserve your spot!

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Pastor's Pen



As many of you know, FBCG began its ministry partnership with Haiti following the 2010 earthquake that killed roughly 220,000 Haitians, injured another 300,000, and left 1.5 million people in Port-au-Prince (PAP) homeless. At the time, Clotaire Celius (and his brother, Jonas) were attending FBCG and were from La Gonâve Island, about 50 miles from PAP. After prayer and the Lord's leading, Tony Clark and I joined Jonas and Clotaire in 2010 for our first trip to PAP and the island.

Since then, I have visited Haiti 14 times, working on church construction projects, overseeing the creation and maintenance of an airstrip for small planes, teaching and preaching, and, on seven of those trips, taking medical and work teams. In 2016, we brought a team of teens who ran a soccer camp where many came to Christ. (Continued on next page)





Pastor's Pen Cont'd



Our primary ministry site has been on La Gonâve Island in the village of Gros Mangles, where many of Clotaire's family members reside. There, we have partnered with local residents to help build classrooms, purchase and transport a dump truck, and fund the drilling of a well and the installation of a reverse-osmosis water treatment system. Much of this work has been done in collaboration with the Nazarene Church in Gros Mangles, where Reverend Honore Beramon serves as pastor. We have hosted Pastor Beramon twice at FBCG during his visits to the United States.

When COVID hit in 2020, we were unable to return, and since then, political unrest and gang control have prevented further visits. Aside from supporting a few younger students at the Nazarene school, helping a student complete her medical training in PAP, and occasionally sending money for rice and beans, we have not been able to do much to assist them. They also have not asked for help during the past five years.

However, last month Pastor Beramon contacted me and asked for assistance. The metal roof over their sanctuary in Gros Mangles is failing. To be honest, I thought it needed replacement 15 years ago when we first visited, but now it is rusting through and has many holes. The church compound also serves as a Christian school for 425 students.

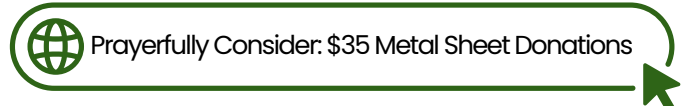
To repair the sanctuary roof, they need 150 sheets of metal at a total cost of \$5,350 USD (\$35 per sheet). They have been raising funds for several years and have already collected \$2,000 toward the project. Considering the average income on the island is only \$2–\$3 USD per day, this is a remarkable effort. However, they **still need to raise** \$3,250, which equates to 93 sheets of metal.

With the approval of the Mission Board and the excellent artwork provided by Stan Gallimore, we are asking the FBCG church family to help our brothers and sisters at the Nazarene Church in Gros Mangles raise the remaining \$3,250 needed for this project.

During the month of September, we ask that you prayerfully consider purchasing one or more sheets of metal by donating \$35 per sheet. Please visit the sign-up table in the foyer during September and write your name beside the number of sheets you wish to donate or online from "Sign Up Here" in the footer.

I know that many people in Haiti are suffering and feeling isolated and forgotten. What a wonderful opportunity to let them know that we see them, care about them, and love them.

Pastor Carl



Keeping it in Prayer

- Pray for our missionaries as they endeavor to make disciples of all nations, to the glory of God.

First Baptist Church Gettysburg (FBCG) hosts a monthly Chapel service for the residents of Adams Rescue Mission (ARM). Services take place on the fourth Thursday of every month at ARM, located at 2515 York Rd, Gettysburg.

Holding this ministry in prayer: May God richly bless the chapel services hosted by First Baptist Church Gettysburg at the Adams Rescue Mission. We pray for every resident who attends—that they find deep comfort, hope, and the transformative love of Christ during these monthly gatherings.

To learn more about this ministry or how to get involved, please reach out to Deacon Kristine Nelson.



Ministry Spotlight

PRAYER MINISTRY – Did you know that we are surrounding our church family and leadership in prayer through two meaningful ministries:

- *Worship Service Intercession:* Quietly praying through the worship service as it happens, covering our congregation and leaders in real-time.
- *Prayer & Fasting Calendar:* Every day of the year 1 to 2 people are dedicating to pray through key focus points provided by our pastor.
- Interested in learning more contact Arla McBeth at arlastarnermcbeth@gmail.com

Church Family News

Happy Birthday's go out to:
9/3 – Sherry Weber,
9/9 – Sophia Miller,
9/10 – Ying Qian He,
9/12 – Jeremy Rice,
Brandon Deardorff, Marty Tuckey,
9/16 – Carl Harris,
9/19 – Tim Staub,
9/25 – Diana Staub

A Little Extra

In 1950, a small group set out to start the area's first Baptist church—there wasn't another one within 30 miles! They began with weekly prayer meetings in their homes, and on November 12, 25 charter members officially joined.



Mark Your Calendar

- *AWANA Registration*

Registration is now open for Awana, ages 3yrs old through Sr. High. Awana meets regularly on Wednesday evenings from 5:45pm-7:30pm, beginning September 16th.

 Register Today 

- Sunday Bible Fellowship has resumed for the school year.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's Kids for Christ musical! it was "FAB"ulous!.



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Children's Ministry



The Younger Class (**Kindergarten–2nd grade**) will learn about God's love and promises, His judgment of rebellion, and His provision for those who love and obey Him through the books of Numbers and Judges.

The Older Children (**3rd–5th grade**) will study these same lessons while also learning about Christian martyrs and missionaries throughout history.

The Key Memory Verse for this month
Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

Children's Church is learning about Paul's first missionary journey in the book of Acts, his letter to the Corinthians addressing a divided church, and his letters to Timothy and Titus.

The Key Passage for September
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.
Matthew 28:19–20

Mark Your Calendar

- *Fusion Youth Pizza & Shoebox Party*

Packing Party TENTATIVE:
Watch for updates!

When: Sept 27 | 6–8 PM

Who: Open to the whole church!

Details: Join us to pack Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes and make a global impact. Pizza provided!

RSVP: Sign up with Matt or Faith.
Let's come together to serve and bless kids worldwide!

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Youth Ministry

Father–Son Camp 2026

How does a young boy grow into a man—a man of character, principle, and faith? In a world filled with confusion and competing messages, the path to manhood can be difficult to navigate.

While we can't address every spiritual and social challenge in a single four-day weekend, we can come alongside fathers who want to make the most of these fleeting years of boyhood.

Join us for a meaningful weekend of connection, growth, and intentional investment in your son's life.

Children must be age 6 or older to attend.

For more information and to register, visit fathersoncampeast.org or contact Matt or Faith.

FUSION Guys Night!

Middle and high school guys, join Pastor Matt for an overnight at the church on October 2–3!

- Drop-off: Friday at 6:00 PM
- Pickup: Saturday at 9:00 AM
- Dinner and breakfast provided!

Bring your friends and let Pastor Matt know you're coming by **September 27** so we can plan meals. See you there!

Fusion Youth: September Birthday Game Night

Invite Your Friends!

When: September 27th

Details: Come celebrate all our September birthdays with an epic game night.

Bring your crew, bring your game face!



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Beyond Our Walls



Walking Stick Ministry – This year 14 volunteers manned our booth at the South Mountain Fair meeting people, sharing our testimonies and often praying with those inquiring about the gospel and our church, giving away walking sticks, gospel bead bracelets, gospel tracts and the like. This year many conversations took place, 75–100 on the first 3 days and another 100–200 at the Friday and Saturday sessions. Fellowship of Christian Farmers provided lots of materials and our mission budget covered the very few expenses of this work. This is a GREAT ministry that anyone in the church can take part in with minimal investment of time and training so consider taking part the next time the Fair comes around. BTW, you woodworkers can help us by making up more walking sticks for future fairs since we're almost out of our current stock.

Lexie Tate (serving with the Pioneers Chad team) is presently unable to return to Chad because of the world political situation and so is staying in London, UK, where she is getting some additional training and working with other exiled teammates to refine and rework their strategy and seek alternative viable approaches to working with Chadian peoples. Pray for God's hand to open the doors that only He can move so the Americans on the team can rejoin other non-US mission workers in country where their witness and work can be put to best use. Pray for health and safety for this courageous young woman who is sacrificing mightily to see the most desperately lost of tribal nomads come to understand how rich and deep is God's love for them.

Brian & Cathy Hutchens (serving with Shiloh Military Ministries) are presently at Fort Bragg, NC, having just been reassigned from Fort Polk, LA, where they are ministering to military service members, providing a solid Christian environment and example for off duty soldiers and families, particularly those in crisis or dealing with emotional and spiritual issues beyond what the military can readily solve. With 50,000 US military personnel deployed, mostly to the Middle East, and the challenging times of short notice deployments, the frequency of crises is clearly higher than ever. Pray for the Hutchens as they settle in at Fort Bragg, get the ministry well established and ask the Lord to bring through their doors those most in need of the help and encouragement they can provide.



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