



### A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

#### Go and make disciples...

The Word of God tells us that Christians are people who have been redeemed by the precious blood of Jesus Christ, who through faith in His finished work on the cross, have been given a new life and a new purpose for that life. The command to go and make disciples was given to all Christians – not the "super saints." Our Lord and Savior expects us – each one of us - to obey His command to love the lost, share the Gospel, bring in a spiritual harvest, and help those we lead to salvation to grow in spiritual maturity.

He has given us, individually and corporately as a church this task to make disciples. Here at FBJ, we believe that being and making disciples is essential to our spiritual health and growth as a church. We have chosen to invite people into small groups because we believe that people experience transformation and grow spiritually better together in small groups.

We have multiple layers of groups here at FBJ that you can connect with throughout the week. Most of our **LifeGroups** meet on campus during the 9:30am hour on Sunday mornings, where we gather to learn to obey Jesus and His Word. We have LifeGroups for children, students, and adults.

**CommunityGroups** are designed to be smaller and more intimate, as we meet in homes throughout the week to pray together, eat together, and study the Word together. We have **PrayerGroups** who meet together throughout the week to intercede for others in our congregation and community. **D-Groups** are small groups of believers (3-5, same gender) that meet weekly for mutual accountability and Bible study.

All of our groups are designed to help you love, follow, and obey Jesus as a disciple of Christ. Our goal is to help you connect with Christ and others in ways that equip you to be a disciple who makes disciples. Want you join us on this journey of growing and making disciples? You can connect with a group by visiting the Welcome Desk on a Sunday morning or going to our website and looking for the Groups tab.

- Pastor Andy Cauble

# UPCOMING EVENTS

ROC BASKETBALL
REGISTRATION
STARTS OCT. 3

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT OCT. 7

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES STARTS OCT. 8

GAS MOTHER/DAUGHTER LUNCHEON

OCT. 9

SBN Men's Breakfast OCT. 15

STUDENT WINTER CAMP DEC. 28 - 31

\*For more info and/or to register, visit www.fbcjonesboro.com or call 770-478-6710



On Sunday, September 25, we worshipped together for the first time in our newly renovated Worship Center after almost 6 months of worshipping in two separate locations simultaneously.



FBJ Mission Trip to Cuba - Lanson Newsome and Howard Kerstetter ministering to families in Santiago.

# FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

First Baptist Jonesboro will have its Family Fall Festival this year on Saturday, October 22, from 1 - 5pm. There will be food and activities for the whole family to enjoy including inflatables, face painting, games, trunk-n-treat, costume contest, pumpkin painting, cookie contest, and more! And of course there will be CANDY!

You can find cards located throughout the church to use to invite your friends and neighbors.

#### How you can get involved:

- **Trunk-n-Treat**: If you would like to host a trunk, register by emailing Cress at cwelch@fbcjonesboro.com.
- **Costume Contest:** Get creative, dress up as a group or individual, but please nothing scary or gory.
- Cookie Contest: Make your favorite fall cookie for a chance to win. Register by emailing Brantley at bhorn@fbcjonesboro.com.
- Candy Donations: We are in need of individually wrapped candy for the Family Fall Festival. If you can help, please bring donations to the marked bins in the Foyer & ROC.

# SALT | SENIOR ADULTS DOING LIFE TOGETHER

Our Senior Adults will begin gathering monthly for fellowship, covered dish lunch, singing, and time of devotion. The first gathering will be on November 3, 12pm in the Fellowship Hall. For more information and to register, contact Rhonda Butler at 770-478-6710 or rbutler@fbcjonesboro.com.

# MISSIONS UPDATE

In the months of August and September, FBJ has:

- Carried the gospel to rural villages of Honduras through medical/evangelism teams.
- Seen 112 individuals pray to received Christ as Lord in Cuba.
- Provided relief to hundreds of refugees in Ukraine.
- Trained leaders and baptized new members of the Haitian Church in the Dominican Republic.
- · Prepared new partnerships in Toronto & Vancouver.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- · Pregnancy Care Center Banquet October 6
- Parent's Night Out October 7
- Celebrators Conference October 10-13
- WinShape Homes Informational Meeting October 16
- Family Fall Festival October 22
- Kentucky Mission Trip October 24-29
- SALT | Sr. Adults doing Life Together November 3
- Church wide Thanksgiving Dinner November 20
- · Christmas at Jonesboro December 9-11

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Giving as of September 29, 2022

Giving Received MTD - \$432,377.71

Giving Required MTD - \$444,392.00

Variance to Budget MTD - (\$12,014.29)

Giving Received YTD - \$4,038,394.89

Giving Required YTD - \$4,332,822.00

Variance to Budget YTD - (\$294,427.11)

Given towards Fund the Finish - \$32,776.63