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The Heartbeat

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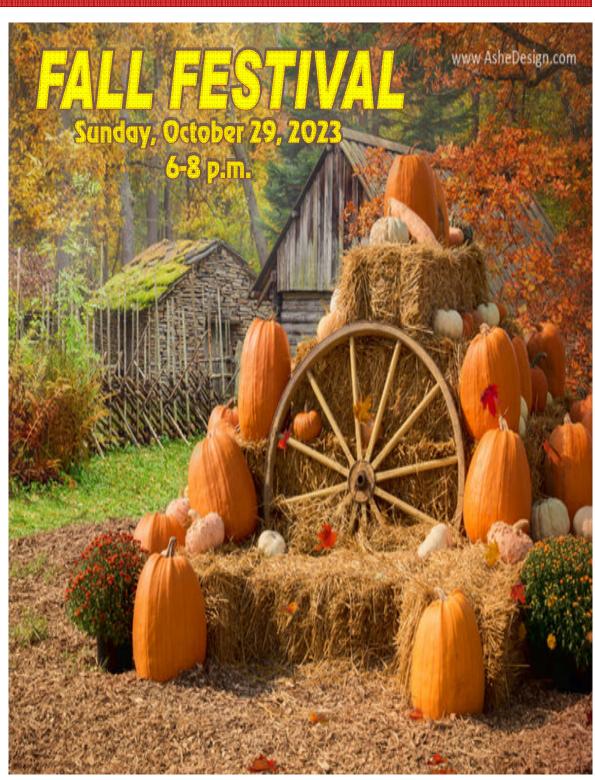
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Perspectives -

One Word can make a World of Difference

Have you ever noticed how much of a difference one word can make? C.S. Lewis said that "there is quite a difference between 'A God' and 'THE God.' One word can make all the difference in the world." 'A God' means he is one of MANY gods who reign over various areas of the universe. On the other hand, 'THE God' means there is no other equal to or like Him, and that He and He alone deserves to reign in our lives. Yes, that 'one word can make all the difference in the world.'

Faith is the key. Faith is a gift from God. Scripture consistently teaches that faith is not conjured up by the human will but is a sovereignly granted gift of God. Jesus said that "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him" (John 6:44). God draws a person to Jesus through two amazing tools: the Spirit of God and the Word of God. Here is how those two amazing tools work together.



The Spirit of God convicts a person of their sin. When that person feels the weight of what their sin has done in creating a gap between them and God, the Spirit burdens them to admit or confess their sin. And 1 John 1:9 teaches that "if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us of all unrighteousness." So, if faith is a gift from God and faith is the key, where does faith come from? Glad you asked.

Romans 10:17 says that "faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." That means that our gracious God sends His Word to us to produce faith. But according to that verse, the Word of God has to be **heard** in order to produce faith. The three primary ways we can *hear* the Word of God is by reading, by teaching, and by preaching. A person can gain daily access to the faith-producing-tool of the Word of God by reading God's Word every day in a daily devotion time. Add to that the weekly access to teaching via Bible study groups on Sunday morning, Sunday night children's and youth times, Wednesday morning adult Bible study group, and two Wednesday night groups - the 6:00 Bible study class taught on Facebook and the 8:00 Women's Bible study group via Zoom. When you add to those the weekly access by preaching in our Sunday morning worship time, your faith should be growing and productive.

I came across a verse this past week that I memorized when I was in high school found in Galatians 2:20 - "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." That is in the New King James Version translation. In the original King James the phrase, "I live by faith in the Son of God," reads, "I live by the faith of the Son of God." Back to the theme of this article, "one word can make all the difference in the world." The one word that is changed makes a difference. It is when a person puts their "faith **IN** the Son of God" that their life is forever changed. But it is what kept Jesus on a cross dying for our sins that makes all the difference in the world - "the faith OF the Son of God" to believe that His single sacrifice of dying for sin had the power to forgive the sins of the entire world.

Our amazing God has given us the gift of His forgiveness that we can experience by the gift of faith. What an amazing gift from our amazing God!

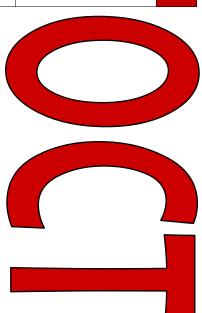
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Mike Colston Senior Pastor

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29 Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service & Facebook, 10:50 a.m. Youth, 6 P.m. Fall Festival 6-8 P.m.	30	31 Halloween				



WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Adult Bible Study 10 A.M.

Adult Prayer & Bible 6 -7:30 P.M.

Study

Awana (ages 3 - 8th grade) 6 -7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Praise Band Practice 8:30 A.M.
Children & Youth 9:30-10:40 A.M.
Bible Study
Adult Bible Study 9:40-10:40 A.M.
Sunday Worship 10:50 A.M.— 12 NOON

BIRTHDAY

3 Deb Colston
6 Janet Lanphierd 25 Keith Douglas
10 Anita Duvall
30 Tommy Bright
19 Mark Hatfield



CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB

The Christian Book Club will start on Saturday, October 28 at 10 A.M. We will be reading Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Curtis Higgs. You can contact Dianna Moore or Deb Colston.

MISSIONS

We are collecting paper towels, tissues & baby wipes for Second Street School. We will also be collecting gently used shirts, pants, socks (no holes, tears, or stains) and new underwear to support the School Resource Office. This will be an ongoing collection. If you have any questions, contact Dianna Moore.

FALL FESTIVAL INFORMATION

We need volunteers to help with food, games, and other activities for the fall festival. We will also need candy for this event. Please contact Dianna Moore about being a volunteer and to help set up the games.

THANK YOU

Thank you for your generous donation of donuts for our High Attendance Day celebrations! The students LOVED them! POMS Administration and Staff at Bondurant Middle School.

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. Galatians 5:1

UPCOMING EVENTS

SNL (Sunday Night Live)

Sunday Nights in Kid's Cove from 4:30-5 P.M.

YOUTH SMALL GROUPS

Sunday Nights at 6 P.M. at the Meadows' House.

GYF LUNCH / MEETING

Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 12 NOON in the Narthex. We will have lunch, meeting and Fall Fun activities.

LEADERSHIP MEETING

Sunday, October 8 in the Narthex at 12:15 P.M.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT

Third Thursday, Oct. 19 in the Youth Area. They will have light snacks from 6-6:30 P.M. and Bunco starts at 6:30 A.M. If you are interested, go to the Cinderellas Closet Central KY.

CULTIVATE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Immanuel Baptist Church, 3100 Tates Creek Road, Lexington on October 20 & 21. Cost is \$39 per person. Events begins at 7 P.M. on Friday night and 9 A.M. on Saturday. You can sign up on the website https:// www.kybaptist.org/cultivate/

TOBY MAC CONCERT

Toby Mac, MercyMe, & Zach Williams Concert on Saturday, November 4, 2023 at KFC Yum Center in Louisville, KY. See Lee Meadows about tickets.

Donation given in honor of Lauren Meadows.

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	Sunday Aug. 27	Sunday Sept. 3	Sunday Sept. 10	Sunday Sept. 17	Totals
Bible Study	48	48	49	41	
Worship Service	57	62	63	48	
Facebook	58-12	74-4	86-7	116-13	
Budget Offerings	5,434.00	3,343.56	4,220.00	5,002.00	17,999.56
Lord OT Harvest	2,355.00	650.00	325.00	760.00	4,090.00
Designated Gifts	82.00	140.00	0.00	175.00	397.00
Online Giving	250.00	520.00	0.00	200.00	970.00
Total Gifts	8,121.00	4,653.56	4,545.00	6,137.00	23,456.56



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Future Events



First Baptist Church 128 North Main Street Somerset KY

November 11 -14

Go to https://www.kybaptist.org/annualmeeting/ For information about anything else related to the annual meeting, please contact Cheryl Frerman: (502) 489-3340 or (866) 489-3340 (toll-free in KY) cheryl.frerman@kybaptist.org.

UPCOMING MINISTRY



We will need boxed instant potatoes, mac & cheese, stuffing, & desserts, canned corn, green beans, peas, fruit, & cranberry sauce. We will collect items as well as money to purchase food during October & November.