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#### **Welcome & Congratulations**

Welcome to Willow Rose Fellows, born on Monday, September 9, 2013. Congratulations to the proud parents, Nate & Erin Fellows & proud grandparents, Dwight & Chris Townsend.

#### **Christian Love & Sympathy**

is expressed to Ruth Turner & family in the loss of Ruth's husband, Kenneth. Kenneth was a member of FSBC.

#### Thank You!

Many, many thanks to my church family for all your prayers, visits, cards and most of all your love shown to me during my surgery and recovery. My "JOY" Class, as usual, was there for me, to feed me, pray for me, drive me places, and just love me.

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU! Barb Swisher

#### **Offering Information**

Budget Needed: \$ 10,636.21 Offering Received: \$ 7,589.00 Designated Other: \$ 25.00 Designated V2V: \$ 285.00 **Total:** \$ **7,899.00** 

Sunday School		<b>Worship Services</b>	
Adult	104	AM	141
Youth	16	PM	
Children	20		
Preschool	13		
Total:	153		

#### Church Staff

#### **Pastor**

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Worshiping, witnessing, growing, serving...in the name of Jesus Christ and for His glory.

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### **Calendar of Events**

Saturday, September 28

Sunday School Banquet - 6:00 PM

Monday, September 30

Sunday School Team Meeting - 1:00 PM

Sunday, October 6

Sunday School Worker's Meeting in FLC - 9:00 AM

Lord's Supper - AM Service

**Sunday, October 13** 

Minister's Appreciation Day

Church-wide fellowship following evening worship service in FLC

Monday-Tuesday, October 14-15

SCBI Convention

**Tuesday, October 15** 

XYZ Group going to Brown County State Park

Sunday, October 20

Business Meeting - 7:00 PM

Saturday, October 26

Family Fall Festival at the home of Bobby & Robin Miller

**Sunday, November 3** 

Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday School Worker's Meeting in FLC - 9:00 AM Gideon Speaker - AM Worship Service

Deacon's Meeting - 7:25 PM

### Pastor's Paragraphs

Next Sunday we will be blessed to hear from Bro. Elijah Soritau of the Emanuel University of Oradea in Oradea, Bihor, Romania. He will bring the message and a ministry report in the morning service. Dr. Elijah has been a friend of FSBC for several years, and is a faithful preacher of the word, Christian leader in Romania, and witness for Christ. He is married to Raelene, and they have three children. Their youngest, Victoriana ("Tori"), is a cancer survivor, having undergone numerous surgeries and treatments in the USA. Dr. Elijah and Raelene also conduct a ministry to bring Christ to families with terminally ill children. Plan to be present Sunday to hear the message from this great man of God. Invite a friend. Everyone is welcome.

Iames tells us to "receive with meekness the implanted word which is able to save your souls" (1:21). There is power in the word of God. Is it any wonder, then, that throughout history opponents of the faith have tried to ban or destroy the Bible? Paul tells us to be "transformed by the renewing of your mind" (Rom. 12:2). On Wednesday nights, we've been talking about telling ourselves what God tells us about who we are in Christ, being "transformed" by "renewing our minds," in other words. The word is able to save our souls because it is the message of salvation by faith in Christ. Additionally, the word is able to transform us by the power of the Holy Spirit in us as we hide his word in our heart, obey it, and conform our lives to its teachings. Are you living in the Word?

See you Sunday, Bro. Russ

# The Upcoming Week

#### Sunday, September 29

9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship Service
5:00 PM Preschool & Graded Choirs
Discipleship & Youth Training
6:00 PM Worship Service

#### Monday, September 30

1:00 PM Sunday School Team Meeting

#### Wednesday, October 2

5:45 PM Meal: Pork chops, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad

6:30 PM Mission Friends, GA's, RA's Adult Prayer/Bible Study Youth Bible Study Worship Choir Rehearsal

7:40 PM Handbell Team Rehearsal

#### **Thursday, October 3**

8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's

#### Friday, October 4

12:00 PM HSM in FLC until 4:00 PM

#### Saturday, October 5

8:00 AM Men's Intercessory Prayer Meeting

#### Sunday, October 6

9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting Sunday School Workers Mtg in FLC

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:45 AM Worship Service - Lord's Supper

5:00 PM Preschool & Children's Choirs & Discipleship training

6:15 PM Worship Service

#### XYZ Update

The XYZ group will be having lunch in Brown County State Park at the Lodge to enjoy the autumn colors on Tuesday, October 15, 2013. There is a sign-up sheet located in the lobby.

## A Word from John

Now that summer has ended and school is back in session, our music groups are back together serving the Lord in the new church year. Our church is blessed to have talented musicians who serve faithfully and skillfully in the music ministry. Thank you, orchestra, guitarists, and pianists for giving of your time and talents to honor the Lord and lead our church family in worship.

We are also blessed by the men who serve behind the scenes in our audio/video booth each time we gather for worship. Romans 10:13-14 says,

"For whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?" Thanks to our A/V team, we can hear the preacher, the singers, the prayers, the testimonies, the readings, and everything else that occurs each week in our worship services, and we can view the words, pictures and videos that appear on the screen. Thank you to each one who serves in the audio/video area.

Our ushers and greeters arrive early and tend to many important details that make the worship experience more meaningful for each of us every week. The flower team contributes their talents in providing decorations for the sanctuary. Our worship choir so faithfully offers a song of worship each week to inspire and motivate worship in our hearts and to exalt Jesus.

All of these individuals and teams are a blessing to our church and we are thankful for their ministry among us. All that we do is for the glory of God and the magnifying of the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Bro. John

# Remembering in Prayer

Maple Manor: Ada Dunn

Wedgewood: Katie Cawthorn, Juanita Zuberer

Westminster: Calvin Wiseman

Home: Annette Anderson, Mary Burke, Marie Click, Tracey Coke, Mary Eddings, Esther Figueroa, Brenda Gaunce, Ione Howard, Donna Huff, Abbey Hunter, Ruth Leffler, Mary Alice Northington, Daphne Ryan, Kenny Sullivan, Barb Swisher, Beulah Truesdell Shut-Ins: John & Mattie Stith, Bettyruth Wilson

Through the Bible in a Year			
Sept. 25	Isaiah 4-6 & Galatians 3		
Sept. 26	Isaiah 7-9 & Galatians 4		
Sept. 27	Isaiah 10-12 & Galatians 5		
Sept. 28	Isaiah 13-15 & Galatians 6		
Sept. 29	Isaiah 16-18 & Ephesians 1		
Sept. 30	Isaiah 19-21 & Ephesians 2		
Oct. 1	Isaiah 22-23 & Ephesians 3		

#### **Kitchen Towels**

The kitchen crew is missing many towels from the kitchen. If you have taken any home, please return so they will have them for the meals on Wednesday night. Thanks!

#### Mark your calendar!

Family Fall Festival at the home of Bobby & Robin Miller on Saturday, October 26, 2013. More info next week.

#### **Short Term Mission Fund**

A designated fund has been established to help fund short term missions. A return trip to Mexico is planned for November. If you'd like to help support this, please contribute to this fund and designate it "short term mission projects".

Are you interested in attending an estate planning seminar? Several people from our church recently attended a seminar here led by Ray Barrett of the State Convention of Baptists. The seminar presents valuable information and resources on how to be wise Christian stewards of the material possessions he has given us. The seminar received a very positive response from our people. Ray is willing to return to our church and repeat the seminar for those who were unable to attend. If you are interested, please sign the sign-up sheet at the welcome center in the lobby.