



The Family Church at the Family Beach

September 9 Newsletter

Some years back one of my sons was the supervisor on a warehouse floor. There was a worker who wasn't popular, who didn't interact well in a group setting, and would always be perceived as not being a team player. The time came for his review, and my son thought long and hard to come up with an accurate description. There wasn't anything inherently wrong in what this person did in his work, but the way he went about it sometimes wasn't so pleasing to his coworkers.

When he went in for his review, my son could tell he was steeling himself for yet another bad review. But my son had thought of something positive to say about this man's work. So along with constructive criticism, there was a point of praise. The man started crying, saying that not once in all the years he had worked there had any boss given any kind of a positive review. When my son told me this story, I was reminded of how Christians sometimes operate. So often we are quick with our opinions and have no problem sharing any disagreement we may have with a person or program in the church, or sadly even outside the church, all the while not thinking about how this comes across to the person or persons who are in our crosshairs. We form opinions about people and keep them forever. We see what we want to see and think what we want to think, and at times are careless in how we treat each other. It is so important to give words of encouragement to those in the body of Christ and elsewhere!

Hebrews 10 tells us to "consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds... encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." We know how a kind word can lift our spirits for a long time. So let's be diligent in encouraging others so the world can look at us and marvel at the love we have for each other in spite of our differences. Ask God to open our eyes to those we come in contact with so we will be faithful in showing Christ's love. James 3:10 tells us to not let blessings and cursings come out of the same mouth. Let's make sure our mouths are pouring out blessings!

A song by Brandon Heath called "Give Me Your Eyes" goes like this:

Give me Your eyes for just one second
Give me Your eyes so I can see
Everything that I keep missing
Give me Your love for humanity
Give me Your arms for the broken-hearted
The ones that are far beyond my reach
Give me Your heart for the ones forgotten
Give me Your eyes so I can see

As we work together for God in an ever-increasingly broken world, let it be our prayer to see our fellow workers in the body of Christ, as well as those in the watching world, as God sees them. Then let us be diligent in letting our words and actions show that we see as God sees.

Kathleen Gambrell

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

- 9:00 AM: Inside Service and Sunday School
- 10:30 AM: Inside Service and Sunday School

Sunday Evenings

- 4:30 PM: Choir Practice
- 6:00 PM: Adult Equipping Classes, Youth & Children's Ministry

Tuesdays

- 7:00 AM: Men's Bible Study at Bob Evans
- 6:00 PM: Celebrate Recovery

Wednesdays

- 10:00 AM: Prayer Meeting
- 11:00 AM: Women's Bible Study

Thursdays

- 10:00 AM: Faith Class

Upcoming Schedule

Sunday, September 12

- 11:45 AM: Discover FBC Lunch for New and Prospective Members

Tuesday, September 14

- 3:00 PM: Devotional at St. Gabriel

Wednesday, September 15

- 3:00 PM: Devotional at NHC

Friday, September 17

- 6:00 PM: Family Fellowship Night

Wednesday, September 22

- 6:00 PM: Admin Council Meeting

Saturday, October 2

- 8:00 AM: Men's Breakfast
- 10:30 AM: wMu

Sunday, October 10

- 11:45 AM: Discover Lunch

Wednesday, October 27

- 6:00 PM: Church Conference

Friday, October 29

- 6:00 PM: Fall Festival

Sunday's Worship Guide

The Gospel Of Luke: Good News For All People Prosperous Poverty; Luke 16:19-31

- I. Death – The Great Equalizer (19-21)
- II. Death – The Great Divider (22-26)
- III. Gospel – The Life Giver (27-31)

Welcome New Members

Please welcome to our church family, Shirley & Lee Ritchey

Christmas Haiti



It's simple ! Help put a smile on a Haitian child's face this Christmas by supporting Christmas Haiti. Filled shoeboxes for Christmas Haiti must be returned by Sunday, Sept. 26th

Starting Sunday, September 19th, all children are invited to the Good News Club (GNC) where everyone will learn from the Bible and earn GNC BUCKS to spend at the GNC Store. Come and invite your brother, sister, friend, and get your GNC Tool Box and start earning your GNC Bucks! All children can be dropped off in the fellowship hall starting at 6:00-7:30 PM (must be checked in by a responsible adult).



Volunteers Needed for Prayer Team



Our Prayer Ministry Team is in need of volunteers to help with prayer on Sunday mornings during both worship services. If you are willing to help at either service (9:00 or 10:30) with this important ministry, please contact Georgette Meyer (864-247-9922) or Dot Bessinger (843-421-0297).

DISCOVER
FBC SURFSIDE

FOR NEW AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Sunday, September 12 at 11:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Call the church office to order lunch and reserve your spot!



Friday, September 17: 6:00 PM

Bring your dinner and lawn chairs and join us for a night of family fellowship!



Save the Date

Fall Festival

Friday October 29th

More details to come