



# Family Newsletter

*Because we are recipients of God's love and grace, we will seek to be instruments for sharing His love and grace with everyone.*

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## Pastor's Note

*"...Give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."  
(1 Corinthians 15:58)*

Greetings brothers and sisters! As you read this note, I want you to reach around and give yourself a huge pat on the back! And as you're doing that, I want you so say something like "Atta' boy!" or "Atta' girl!"

What's the cause for the celebration?...You are!

We're celebrating all of the energy...all of the zeal...all of the joy you brought to our 2007 Summer Outreach Ministries. But most of all, we're celebrating God's goodness and faithfulness to us. Jesus promised that when we lift Him up, He will draw the whole world unto Himself. And God has been faithful to do that this summer through you!

Through your missions effort, we lifted up Jesus to the Choctaw Nation in OK in June. Through your labor and perseverance, we lifted up Jesus to

more than 110 adults, youth and children in VBS in July. And through your efforts, we lifted up Jesus to several hundred people at the Long Wharf Concerts on Sunday evenings in August.

So, give yourself a great big "Atta' boy!" or "Atta' girl!" because you've earned it. God has blessed our labors with a good summer of outreach and we are reaping the harvest of some of that right now. Let's be faithful to give God thanks for the new families He is drawing to FBC and to the new professions of faith we are witnessing.

Take a quick break! A little breather! You've earned it! You've worked hard this summer!

But then let's get ready for a fresh round of ministry as we prepare to head into the fall. Let's give ourselves fully to the new work God has in store for us in the coming months.

Thanks again for the privilege of serving as your Pastor!

For His Glory,

*Pastor Jerry Wade*

## A Summer of Missions

It has been a busy summer for FBC as we have faithfully lived out our commitment to be an Acts 1:8 church! Through many outreach events, the FBC family has shared love and the news of Jesus Christ with the Cambridge community, international students in Ocean City, and the Choctaw Nation in Oklahoma.

At downtown Cambridge's "Second Saturday" events, FBC connected with local children by providing face painting. The events were also an opportunity to share information about Vacation Bible School and the Long Wharf summer concert series.

On Monday, July 9, 2007, a team from FBC cooked and served dinner to an estimated 300 international students in Ocean City. Many of the student summer workers were from former eastern block countries, Russia and several of the Russian republics, Romania, Turkey, and a few from Ireland and elsewhere. For these young adults who are working hard to save for their education, these home-cooked dinners provided by area churches are often the highlight of the week. What a powerful way to witness of God's love for them!



Setting up for 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday



Wayne Asplen, master face painter!



FBC members serving dinner.



Terry Phillips & Scott Hook welcoming students.



Students enjoying dinner.



Michaiah Hook & Rachel Russ handing out water.

### A Summer of Missions continued. . .



FBC Mission Team: Donna & Andy Engle, Bill Wyatt, Jay Phillips, Judy & Moreen van Curen, Chrissy, Samantha, & Marissa Stanley, Carole Livingston, Francis Gilbert, Sheri & Josh Phillips

In June, FBC sent 13 members to Oklahoma to minister to the Choctaw tribe. The FBC team was part of a 73 member team from Mississippi & Louisiana. During the day, some visited individual homes, nursing homes, & a veteran's facility. Two spent the week working on a construction team at Greenhill Baptist church. Some were involved in prayer walking, while still others traveled 50 miles from camp to do a VBS in an Indian church. At night, the FBC

team conducted a VBS for children & adults at Pine Grove Baptist church. This very small Indian church had not had a VBS in two years because there were not enough missionaries to go around. Because of the support of our FBC family, the gospel was heard at Pine Grove Baptist church!



As the summer heat rose, FBC's mission efforts continued with VBS. From July 29-August 3, an estimated 110 children, youth, and adults enjoyed bible-based, action-packed evenings as they learned how to become heroes by focusing on Jesus.

Thanks to the hard work of our VBS director, Rosemary Harper, the teachers, teaching assistants, helpers and prayer volunteers, VBS was a huge success, with many lives touched and several decisions for Christ. Efforts will continue in the next couple of months to follow-up with those who participated.



VBS students learning to be heroes.



VBS Director Rosemary Harper



Nancy Oliver & Natalie Ruark taking snacks to the classes

## Sunny Day Christian Preschool News

Sunny Day opens the new school year with an open house on August 27<sup>th</sup>. The staff are joined by Ms. Sharon Hoge. Please remember to pray for another successful year for director Robin Barwick, the staff, & the students.

### Fulton and Ruth Evans Memorial Scholarship



Moreen van Curen & Robert Evans

Congratulations to Ms. Moreen van Curen! On May 20, 2007, she received this year's Ruth M. and Fulton Evans Memorial Scholarship. The award of \$1000 was announced and presented by Robert Evans, son of Ruth and Fulton Evans, during the morning worship service. The scholarship is endowed by the Evans family and inspired by Mrs. Ruth Evan's love of church and her desire to see youth continue their educations. Moreen will be using her scholarship to attend Chesapeake College where she will major in early education.

### New Bible Study!

Primera Iglesia Bautista Hispana is beginning a Sunday-afternoon Bible study. The study will begin on Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:00pm.

### Long Wharf Concert Series



remember to invite a friend!

Continuing a 37-year tradition, FBC opened its Long Wharf summer concert series on Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup> with the performance of Ms. Barbara Sandbek. Because of threatening thunderstorms, the opening concert was held in the church sanctuary. This past Sunday, many people came out to enjoy the uplifting sounds of Amy Bennet, Melissa Wise-Slacum, & Karla Wilkins-Eberspacher. Please mark your calendars to join us for the remaining concerts &

*August 19th St. Paul's Praise Team from St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Cambridge  
August 26th Evening Song Praise Team from Iverness Presbyterian Church in Dundalk*



## Calling all Men! Stand in the Gap!

*Ezekiel 22:30 "I looked for a man among them who would **build up the wall and stand before me in the gap** on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it . . . "*

Plans are underway for the men of FBC to participate in the 2007 Stand in the Gap event. This historical gathering of men will take place on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at the Washington Monument in Washington, DC. Inspired by the biblical account of Nehemiah (see Nehemiah 1:1-8), the event will provide Christ-following men with the opportunity to "gather together, shoulder-to-shoulder with one another and face-to-face before God to give account of themselves and to commend the works of God to men of other generations ([www.standinthegap2007.org](http://www.standinthegap2007.org))." The day will include worship, singing, a variety of speakers telling (and retelling) God's Great Story, and an opportunity to commit (or recommit) to be in a spiritual father in the home, church, and community. The theme verse for the gathering is Psalm 145:4:

*"One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts."*

**Please be in prayer now for this historical event & all men who will be participating. For more information about attending, please contact Dale Foxwell (410-463-0445).**

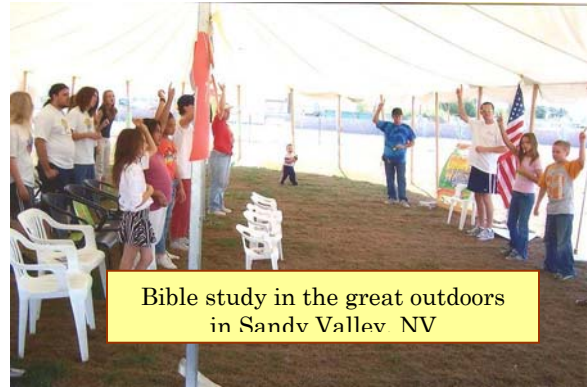
## Missions Lifestyle Opportunity

The American Legion Dorchester Post 91 is leading an effort to support local troops recently called up to Iraq & Afghanistan with it's "Pack with Care" campaign. You are invited to collect items listed below & donate them to Post 91. Local veterans will package them into personalized parcels & send them to troops overseas to remind them that someone is thinking of them back home. Donations can be dropped off at 601 Radiance Drive, Cambridge any Monday or Thursday from 8:00am until 12:00pm. Also, if you have a loved one serving, please send his or her name and APO address to John Shaughnessy, Commander Dorchester Post 91, PO Box 6, Newcomb, MD 21653 (or email [JSHAUG2886@aol.com](mailto:JSHAUG2886@aol.com)) to have that person added to the list.

<b>Food Items</b>	<b>Personal Items</b>	Advil, aspirin, cold med.	Pens & pencils
Canned or dry fruits, nuts	Razors & blades	Body wash	Small flashlights
Canned tuna or chicken	Toilet paper	Wash cloths	Dominoes; puzzles
Beef jerky or Slim Jims	Shampoo & conditioner	Wipes	Paperback books
Small boxes of cereal & instant oatmeal	Deodorant	White socks	Playing cards
Instant coffee & tea bags, Kool aid packs	Toothpaste & brushes	Tampons	<b>DO NOT SEND</b>
Small packs of sugar	Mouthwash	Combs	Anything glass
Microwave popcorn	Dental floss	Make-up	Chocolates
Sardines	Sunblock	Nail files	Colored socks
Granola bars & crackers	Chapstick	<b>Practical Items</b>	Pork/pork products
Cookies & single serve chips	Lotion & powder	Batteries	Alcohol
Hard candy, gum, mints	Hand sanitizer	Envelopes & paper	Tobacco
Soup & Ramen noodles	Cotton balls & Q-tips		

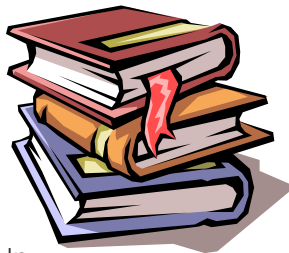
## God Sighting!

Speaking of a missions lifestyle, FBC's own Donna Engle didn't rest after taking part in the Choctaw mission. Instead she went on a second trip to Sandy Valley, Nevada with a team from First Baptist church in Princess Anne. Donna describes Sandy Valley as 2 hours and "a world away" from Las Vegas, a place populated with people who are mostly spiritually lost. She was assigned to teach youth at Sandy Valley Baptist's VBS. The pastor told her that it is very hard to reach youth in the Valley. Prayers were lifted up for the Lord to reveal ways to reach the youth. God answered in a big way! Donna has 10 youth in her class who came each day – the largest VBS class! At an evening event away from the church, 28 youth showed up as well!



## Recent Additions to the FBC Library

The FBC library continues to be a great resource for readers of all ages. The library contains volumes on a variety of topics related to the Christian walk. Recent additions include the following books, which were donated in memory of a cherished loved one:



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In memory of Hope Cheezum  
*"Last Light" by Terri Blackstock*

In memory of Mary Ann Creighton  
*"Night Light" by Terri Blackstock*

In memory of Doris Davis  
*"True Light" by Terri Blackstock*

In memory of Donald Burton Sr.  
*"Every Day Deserves a Chance" by Max Lucado*

## New Members & Baptisms

We've celebrated the recent baptisms of Rachel Russ; Samantha Stanley; Savannah Barwick; John Barwick; & Joshua Baum. We've also welcomed several new members: Francis Gilbert; Marty Andrews; Misty, Jerry, Kathleen & Joseph Wade; Greg & Sarah Filegar; Joe & Natalie Ruark. Please continue to lift these individuals up in prayer as they grow in their faith.



## Coming Events

FBC approved a fall ministry plan at the last business meeting. Please see the website (<http://www.fbccares.org>) for details of the plan.

September 9<sup>th</sup> –Church Picnic

September 9<sup>th</sup> through 16<sup>th</sup> – Embrace Baltimore

September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Dorchester Showcase

October 7<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm – Ordination of José Nater & reception

October 14<sup>th</sup> – Celebration of Pastor Appreciation Day

October 28<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm – Commissioning & Celebration Service for Primera Iglesia Bautista Hispana



If your birthday is missing or incorrect, please contact the office with correct information. **Happy Birthday from the Family!**

### JULY

2 Chris Phillips  
3 Anna Tyler  
4 Austin Nute, Margaret Dickerson  
5 Carly Vincent  
7 Ed Rine  
8 Ashlie Worth, Thomas LaPerch, James Johnson  
10 Taylor Warfield, Alice Foxwell  
11 Ivan Crandell, Darlene Jones  
12 Richie Woolfolk  
13 Matt Laird  
14 Alecia Golden  
18 Matt McCollister, Tori Sharp, Robin McDuffie  
19 Wesley Harper, Juli Harper, Joye McPeake  
20 Russell Phillips Sr., Chad Edmundson  
21 Madelyn Harper  
22 Sheri Phillips, Cathy Moore, Kenny Wheatley, Ashley Willey  
23 Xavier Beckett, Rosemarie Harper  
24 Kelly Hunt  
25 Cole Messick, Adam Brooks, Morgan Elzey  
26 Tyrone Pinder, Gloria Ovwigho, Donnie Fraley, Shea Dawson  
29 Lee Dodson  
30 Leonard Hubbard  
31 Mary Moore

### AUGUST

1 Mickey Foxwell  
3 Wallace Harper  
4 Chris Harper, John Schnoor  
5 Mike Cox, Serena Ovwigho  
6 Billy Fraley Jr.  
7 Austin Rhodes, Caleb Frampton, Thomas Paul Jr., Dylan Anderson  
8 Jacob McClarren, Austin Foxwell  
9 Casey Bennett, Michael Post  
11 Jessica Benton, Jonathan Whitaker  
12 Taylor Palamaras  
13 Brian Lucas, Marie Gunby  
14 Brandee Hook, Sue Harper  
16 Mildred Phillips  
18 Jay Phillips, Bernice Robinson  
20 Emily Fehsenfeld, Susan Mills, Freida Rogers  
22 Tommy Gebert  
23 Barry Groves, Mary Wyatt  
24 Chuck Wheatley  
25 Nellie B. Webster  
26 Beverly Burton, Heath Kelsey  
27 Brett Sirmon, Deanna Tobin  
28 Wayne Potter  
30 Moreen Van Curen, Woody Moran, Lauren McCollister  
31 Micah Slacum

### SEPTEMBER

1 Megan Sirman  
3 Elaine Robbins, Robert Willey  
5 Brooke Cabeceiras, George Harper  
8 Sandy Murphy  
9 Krystal Robinson, Samantha Crutchley  
10 Patti Carol Smith  
11 Matt Gootee, Donna Engle  
12 Sam Oliver, Bernice Burkey, Cody Alexander  
13 Debbie Dodson, Jon Cannon, Josh Cannon  
16 Rhonda Robinson, Cole Ledger, Rachel Ewing  
17 Ashlyn Mann  
21 Joe Dickerson, Wendy Tieder, Carolyn Armiger  
22 Sylvia Vannoy, Haley Bennett  
23 Lisa Crutchley  
24 Galen Ennals, Cole Russ, Judy Van Curen  
25 Samantha Willey  
26 Charis Ovwigho, Cathy Phillips, Carson Taylor  
27 Hunter James, Kathy Dickerson, Benito Cannon Jr.  
28 Kathleen Wade, Yulissa Martinez  
30 Wendy Frankel, Julie Weldon