



It's Time for Your Comeback

Motivational speaker Tim Storey gives a positive perspective in his book, *It's Time for Your Comeback*. "All of us experience setbacks in life. Maybe one of your children is in trouble, your finances are in crisis, or your marriage is falling apart. But, just because your dreams are currently a nightmare does not mean it's over! God is in the business of resurrecting dead visions. It does not matter how big a mess your life may be in – don't take a step back – because God has already prepared your comeback."

Storey goes on to assert that, "No matter what you have lived through, what wrong decisions you have made, what challenges are staring you in the face, make a decision right now not to poison your future with the pain of your past. Your comeback is already prepared, and it's time to get ready for action."

With Anticipation,

Les

Upcoming Events

Thursday, Aug. 1

6:30 p.m. – Christian Ed. Meeting

Sunday, Aug. 4

9:00 a.m. – Bible Study

10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time

10:15 a.m. – Worship Service

Teachers for Aug. 4

Nursery

Evalyn Fate / Sydney Collins

Kids' Time

Ruth Ann Monroe / Chris McFarren

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Remain in service – summer break

Resumes on Aug. 11

Stewardship Report

July 28, 2019

Giving Toward:

Current Expenses	3,044.00
Missions	160.00
Building/Maint Fund	65.00
Match Fund	80.00
Total	\$ 3,349.00



Becomers Class Schedule

The Becomers Class encourages reading ahead to prepare for class discussions. The readings for August are:

August 4 – Luke 5:17-26

August 11 – Luke 5:27-39

August 18 – Luke 6:1-16

August 25 – Luke 6:17-26



Make Your Own Sundaes



Loren and Judy Wanner will be celebrating fifty years of marriage. On August 11, they want to invite the church family to the fellowship hall for just ice cream and toppings. It will be immediately after the worship service.

Student Information



The church will celebrate Christian Education Sunday during the worship service on August 11. In preparation for this event, there is a sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer for you to write your student's name, grade, and school. We include pre-school through college. We use the information to create prayer magnets to pass out to the congregation.



Good News Shoes Start Time

Previously when a few people arrived at the church at the scheduled time, all the shoes and tables had already been loaded. This year we promise to wait until exactly 9:00 a.m. to start loading trucks with shoes and tables. On Saturday, August 10 **please come** to the south side of our FBC building, by the elevator, to help. We will begin hauling stuff out and loading at precisely 9:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time. 😊

The Day Our Building Caught Fire

Monday, June 10, 1946

When the smoke cleared and the fire subdued, the FBC church building was almost a complete loss. No one associated with our fellowship back then could have anticipated the colossal task ahead to rebuild the charred structure.

Seventy-three years ago the area we now call The Gathering Place was totally gutted, as was most of the sanctuary. From start to finish this momentous rebuilding project took nearly six years.

It's impossible for us to imagine all that the building committee and church family faced in terms of hardships, setbacks, and disappointments. During that difficult season, FBC worshipped in borrowed sanctuaries and held Sunday school classes at city hall.

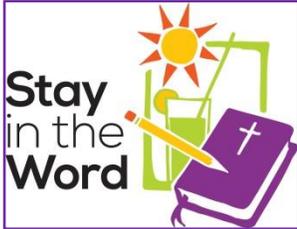
Our forbearers' unified financial sacrifice will blow your mind. A final audit revealed a total cost for the church building restoration, reconstruction, and furnishings was \$187,000. Now consider that back then a gallon of gasoline cost 21 cents, a brand new car was \$1,125, and a First-Class U.S. postage stamp ran a person 3 cents.

The equivalent purchasing power of their \$187,000 in 2019 dollars would be \$2,456,338 (that is almost two and a half million dollars). Wow! They left us a huge example of faith and sacrifice. We want to do the same for subsequent generations.

Through Christ,

Les





Homebound Members

Christian Care

Mildred Huss – Room 219B

Clyde Shady – Room 228B

Phyllis Shady – Room 254

River Terrace

Eulis West – Room 114

Home

Ed Goetz

Rose McCormick

K Casper Life Center

Judy Bierie – Room 268

Markle Health and Rehabilitation

Larry Gilly – Room 210

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This Sunday

9:00 a.m. – Sunday School

10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time

10:15 a.m. – Worship Service