

First News

October 9, 2024

What a Great Time We Had Together Last Sunday!



All three worship services were able to worship and embrace one God and each other at the combined service. It was followed by a delicious lunch of fajitas, Mexican rice, red beans and rice, Horchata, Agua de Jamaica, and dessert! This was a great way to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and World Communion Sunday. Thank you to our wonderful cooks, to everyone who brought a dessert to share, and to all who donated to help mission work in Cuba and CBF Global Missions. A total of \$1,248.27 was collected!

Hurricane Helene Disaster Response – How You Can Help

Pray: Please continue praying for all who have been affected by Hurricane Helene. Pray for persons who have lost family members and friends. Pray for persons who have lost their homes and businesses. Pray for the first responders, FEMA workers, and National Guard troops who are continuing to move through the initial phases of search and rescue and clean up. Pray for the power workers who continue working to restore power. Pray for healing.

Give: The most important tangible gift we can send to support areas devastated by Hurricane Helene is money. Especially in the hardest hit areas, it is very difficult to get needed items into communities by truck. Therefore, giving money to organizations that can purchase water, baby formula, food, etc. and airlift it

Deacon Nominations for 2025

We have an exciting announcement! It is time to nominate a new slate of active deacons for January 2025. We are looking to nominate 3-5 additional active deacons to join our current active deacons. The deacons help to support the pastor and staff in the mission of the church, ensure peace and harmony in the church, and work for cooperation in all efforts beginning January 2025. Deacon nomination forms are available to the congregation in the church office during the week, at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings, or by clicking the link below. These forms explain deacon qualifications as they appear in our by-laws and the Bible. Please review the form's instructions, prayerfully consider nominating members to be reviewed by staff, interviewed by a deacon nominating team, and elected by the church. Please be sure to sign your form so your nominee(s) will be included.

to where it is needed most is our most helpful response. You can certainly give to well-known disaster response groups like the Red Cross or World Central Kitchen who are already on the ground and feeding people across Helene's Impact area. You can also give to our church through the mail, in person, or online and all of your contribution will go to Helene disaster recovery through the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and the Baptist General Association of Virginia. Please memo your contribution for Helene Disaster Response. So far, we have collected \$2,205!

Should an opportunity arise where we can give items to the communities in need, we will let you know.

Go: The Baptist General
Association of Virginia has
issued a call for Disaster
Response volunteers to go to
Southwest Virginia during the
month of October. Volunteers
are needed for feeding,
assessment, chainsaw, clean up,
and crisis care teams. Training
will be provided. We are
interested in taking a team the

The deadline for turning in deacon nomination forms will be Sunday, October 20. Thank you participating in this process!

Nomination Form

Quarterly Church Conference

Sunday, October 13 at 5pm Payne Fellowship Hall

Come out and hear about what has been and will be happening at FBCNN! We will also discuss the various ways we can Embrace God, Embrace Each Other, and Embrace Our Neighbors. Click the button below to read a copy of the Church Conference Report.

Conference Report

week of October 13 – 19 or October 20 – 26. Men and women are both welcome to go and you do not need to be a church member to participate. The work will be hard and it is likely we will have limited creature comforts. However, we will have the privilege of embracing our neighbors with the arms of Jesus. Please email Nikki Reid (nikki@fbcnn.org) if you are interested in going.

Flood Buckets: Several of you have asked about flood buckets. The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is collecting flood buckets containing cleaning supplies and distributing them to areas affected by Hurricane Helene (and potentially Hurricane Milton). You can help by filling up a bucket. Simply click the button below to find instructions and a list of items needed for the buckets. (Printed copies will be available at the Welcome Center or in the church office.) Buckets can be dropped off at church and we will make sure they are delivered to CBF. Thank you for your willingness to help and embrace our neighbors as they

begin the cleanup following the hurricanes.

Flood Bucket Instructions

Additional News from FBCNN



Family Pumpkin Patch Trip
Saturday, October 19
Meet at FBCNN @ 9:30am or
Holly Fork Farm @ 10:30am

(4901 Holly Fork Road Barhamsville, VA)

Let's have a fun, family day together at Holly Fork Farm! There are lots of fun things to see and do—farm animals, play areas, corn bins to play in, tire fun zone, hayrides, and pumpkins to pick. The cost is \$5 per person plus any individual purchases. We can eat lunch while we are there; they have

Upcoming Events

October 10 - Virginia Peninsula Mobile Food Bank will be in our parking lot. If you or anyone you know is in need of food assistance please let them know about this opportunity.

October 13 - Quarterly Church Conference at 5pm; reports will be available at to pick up at the Welcome Center on Sunday or download a copy here.

October 20 - College/Young
Adult Lunch immediately
following the 11am service, all
young adults and college
students are invited to join
Randy Shepley for lunch.

November 3 - Requiem Concert at 4pm, members and active participants who have passed away during the past year will be remembered as well.

hot dogs, stew, BBQ sandwiches, and ice cream available for purchase. Invite your friends and family!

Make a financial contribution to FBCNN today by clicking on the Donate link.

Donate

Staff October Birthdays

10/7 - Nikki Reid

10/9 - Sharon Hertzler

Take a moment to wish them a happy birthday!

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, October 13 at 8:30 and 11am! Randy Shepley will be leading us in worship.

The Sunday worship services are streamed directly to our <u>website</u> and can be accessed by clicking on **Upcoming Live Stream** tab located on the home page. If you miss a service, you can click on **Sermon Library** in the **Resources** tab to select the service you missed. (Services are listed in chronological order with the most recent on top.)

The following is a list of weekly events. Learn more about children's events on Facebook and youth events on their Instagram page-@fbcnnyouth.

Sundays

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

9:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study

9:45 a.m. Children's Bible Study

9:45 a.m. Infant-Preschool Bible Study

9:45 a.m. Youth Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship

11:00 a.m. Extended Session - infants through age 4

11:00 a.m. Hispanic Bible Study

12:30 p.m. Hispanic Worship

Mondays

7:00 p.m. Young Single Adults

Wednesdays

6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. K-Motion & Youth

6:30 p.m. Hispanic Prayer and Bible Study

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays

10:00 a.m. Swingin' Singers

Click on the button below to watch the combined worship service from 11am this past Sunday.

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