

Good News Letter

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Dear FBC family,

Learning to share is tough for children, whose early understanding can be summed up as "It's mine!" We begin by taking turns with things in limited supply like crayons or skateboards, experience the immediate satisfaction of playing with someone else, and start to understand that sharing strengthens friendships. Teenagers experience the fun of shared jokes and the healing comfort of sharing broken hearts. As

adults, we seek organizations that share our vision and perhaps a special someone to share the rest of our lives with. We come to know that sharing is bedrock to being fully human, and it brings incredible joy.

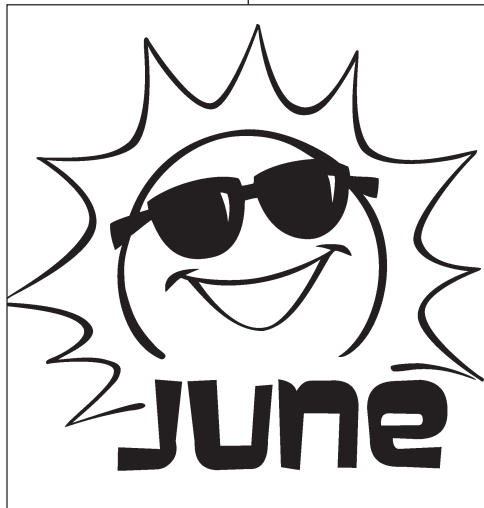
Soon, we will be invited to help people in aching need through the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. By sharing our resources, combined with offerings from thousands of congregations in eight other

denominations across the United States, we

- build homes, schools, medical clinics, and clean water and sewage facilities in villages devastated by earthquakes, floods, and poverty

- bring safety, shelter, and food to refugees after often violent circumstances have made their hometowns uninhabitable

- nurture stronger futures and self-sufficiency through health care, education, job training, and tools for livelihoods.



We are blessed that God is able to provide when and where help is needed, through us. (2 Corinthians 9:8-15) In what may seem an amazing twist, we ourselves benefit from the sharing. One Great Hour of Sharing donors say:

- Giving just feeds my soul! This is what life is about—not collecting things, but helping people.

- Giving lifts me out of my own troubles. It helps me appreciate what I have. • As I see needs met, I am reminded how God takes care of me. • One Great Hour of Sharing lets me put my hands on problems that need attention throughout the world.

Sharing because we have felt God's love aligns our lives with God's

own life and work in our world. By sharing we are renewed and transformed. "Those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them." (1 John 4:16) Sharing our love for God through One Great Hour of Sharing, we offer ourselves to others as they need us, imitating Christ's offering of his life for us. In turn, we receive him more deeply into our own hearts, bringing indescribable joy.

Giving changes so many things—for the receiver and for the giver. Please give generously through One Great Hour of Sharing. It's all about sharing—sharing resources, changing lives!

Your Pastor,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim".

One Great Hour

This year we are concentrating our efforts to make it truly 'One Great Hour.' We will be taking up our offering on Sunday, June 12. We hope to reach our goal of \$600. Offering envelopes will be in the pews throughout the month of June, but we are hoping most of you will bring your offering on June 12. Remember—Sharing brings Joy.

—Missions Committee

**SHARING
BRINGS JOY
TO US. TO OTHERS. TO GOD.**

No Newsletter Next Month

There will not be a July newsletter, but a July calendar will be available in late June.

Support PIN This Summer

Each month this year we have done a great job of bringing one special item for PIN (People In Need). During the summer months, with children home and not having school breakfast and lunch, there is an increased need for food for families.

Some suggested items are cans of chicken, Noodle-A-Roni, Pasta-A-Roni or Rice-A-Roni, and Hamburger Helper, Chicken Helper, or Tuna Helper.

Please continue to support PIN through the summer.

Retreat News

The year's church retreat is fast approaching. Be sure to set aside September 24-25 to "Get Away" at Camp Christian. We are hoping to have a great turnout this year.

Trustees' Notes

- The Gable Elevator company did a service and inspection test.
- At press time the painting of the parsonage was well underway, and it may be completed by the time you read this. It looks so much better and the trustees appreciate Joe Mowery's efforts between all the rain we have had.

- Peter White
Reporting for the Trustees

Do One Thing

1. Pray for fathers all over the world.
2. Ask for forgiveness.
3. Learn how to become beekeeper.
4. Contribute more to the ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING offering.
5. Eat lunch with someone who usually eats alone.
6. Pray for freedom for the millions

of people who are currently held as slaves.

7. Send a thank you note to church members.
8. Hang laundry outside instead of using the dryer.
9. Have a yard sale or bake sale and give the money to a charity.
10. Say something kind to your least favorite person.

Personals

• **Jimmie Moore** has been battling an infection and is currently back at University Hospital.

• **Chris Riedmiller** underwent some tests with good results.

• **Jean Wickum** is now home from her stay at Delaware Court. She thanks everyone for their cards, prayers, visits, and well wishes.

• **Barbara and Kip Smith** are expecting a baby in August.

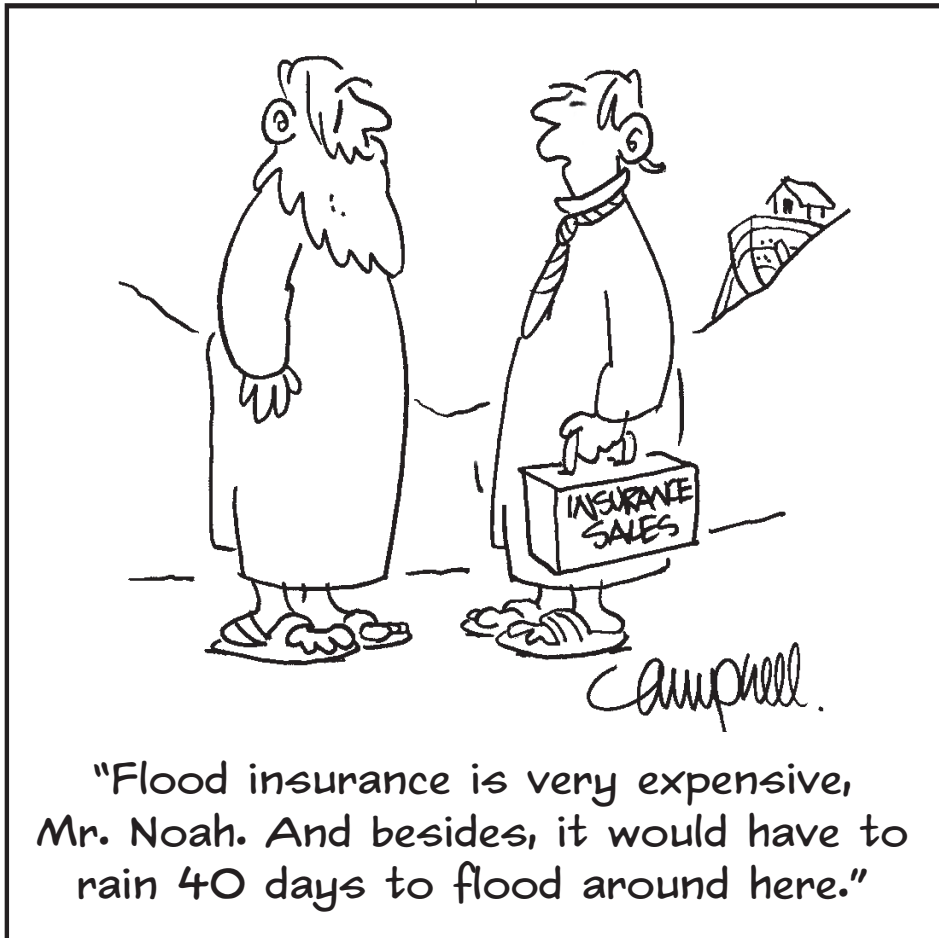
• **Jerry and Lana Palmer's** grandson, **Corporal Jeremy Chaffin**, has been deployed to a desolate area of Afghanistan and would appreciate mail to keep up his spirits. His mailing address is:

Cpl. Chaffin, Jeremy T.
1/12 Echo Btry 1st PLT
Unit 44125
FPO AP 96607-4125

Lana and Jerry say, "Cards and letters (under 1 oz.) may be mailed for a 47¢ U.S. stamp. We know Jeremy would appreciate the mail. He is stationed at a very primitive-appearing outpost, and (based on the color pictures on the internet) the surrounding area looks like desolate, gray desert. Thus, mail — we're sure — would help keep spirits and morale up. Thank you."

• Two friends from the **Chessers'** former church in Indiana visited them and our Sunday worship the weekend of May 1.

• **Don and Sally Williams's grand-daughter** was a fourth-generation graduate of OWU this spring.



PRAYER LIST

This list is prepared by the Deacons.

Prayer requests will be removed after 2 months unless "renewed".
Please send changes to Larry Faulk (Lfaulk01@aol.com)

Church Contact	Name	Reason for Prayer
The Deacons	Pam Debiasio	Health Issues
	Jimmie Moore	Car Accident Injuries
	Jean Wickum	Recovering from cat bite
	Sophia Stephenson	Health Issues
	Tommy Ford's Mother, Lucy	Cancer
Jean Wickum	Betty Porter	Health Issues
Jean Wickum	Fran Cook	Heart Problems
Evelyn Lee	Bertha VanBrimmer	Health Issues
	Florence Faulk	At Delaware Court
Barb Reed	Regan Riedmiller	Health Issues

*Always keep your words soft and sweet,
just in case you have to eat them.*

THE YELLOW LIGHT

The light turned yellow, just in front of him. He did the right thing, stopping at the crosswalk, even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection.

The tailgating woman was furious and honked her horn, screaming in frustration, as she missed her chance to get through the intersection, dropping her cell phone and makeup.

As she was still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious police officer. The officer ordered her to exit her car with her hands up.

He took her to the police station where she was searched, fingerprinted, photographed, and placed in a holding cell.

After a couple of hours, a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted back to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects.

He said, "I'm very sorry for this mistake. You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, flipping off the guy in front of you and cussing a blue streak at him. I noticed the 'What Would Jesus Do' bumper sticker, the 'Choose Life' license plate holder, the 'Follow Me to Sunday-School' bumper sticker, and the chrome-plated Christian fish emblem on the trunk, so naturally....I assumed you had stolen the car."

Priceless.

– Submitted by Jean Wickum

• **Ken Peterson** went on an Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. and had a great experience. (Honor Flight is a non-profit organization that transports military veterans to Washington D.C. at no cost to see the memorial of the war they fought in.)

• **Pam Faulk** took a trip with her mother to Branson, Missouri.

• **Sarah Bowman** and **Jane Mercer** went to Washington, D.C. with the 8th grade class trip from Dempsey.

• **Emily Bowman** was inducted into Thespians at Hayes.

• The Dempsey string orchestra, of which **Claire Turner** and **Sarah Bowman** are members, participated in a statewide music competition and received a rating of a 1, which is the best score a group can get.

*– Pam Faulk
Personals Editor*



**DON'T TAKE A
VACATION
FROM CHURCH**

Birthdays and Anniversaries

June

- 2 Jerry & Lana Palmer
- 4 Patricia Foor
Dwight Davidson
- 8 Pam Faulk
Carol Serviss
- 10 David & Mary Lou Lovell
Aidan Ferguson
- 11 Randy & Jennifer Turner
- 12 Sam & Lindley Chesser
- 16 Bud & Becky Sykes
- 17 Matthew & Marci Cooper
- 19 Wyatt Cramer
- 22 June Grubbs
- 24 Beth Trigg
- 27 Dwight & Kari Davidson
- 28 Jami Riedmiller
- 30 Jimmie & Jane Moore

July

- 1 Robert & Patricia Foor
- 3 Phil Mercer
- 5 Victor & Deborah Fogle
- 6 Sam Chesser
- 6 Lindley Chesser
- 7 Roger Kennedy
- 11 Karsen Grace Riedmiller
- 12 Pam Shears
- 14 Sara Bowman
- 15 Sandy Van Brimmer
- 17 Nichelle Trigg
Ed and Angie Burton
- 18 Peter & Linda White
- 19 Jarrod Trigg
- 23 Robert Russell
- 28 Regan Riedmiller
- 31 Ashlee Inscho

Please report any errors or omissions to Jim Stephenson.

Blanket Sunday

First Baptist! What a wonderful way to honor the women of our lives on Mother's day. We raised \$285.00 for Church World Service. This is one of three activities each year to raise money for Church World Service and the mission work they do worldwide. Next will be Tools of Hope on Father's Day, followed by the CROP walk this fall. Thanks again for your wonderful support of Church World Service!

– Randy Turner, Financial Secretary

DEDICATIONS

Jim and Anna Brown, in honor of Elizabeth Bowman and Carol Grubbs

Sam Chesser, in honor of Kathy Chesser, Katherine Fischer, and Wendy Chapman

Tim Chesser, in honor of Hazel Chesser

Geneva Evans, in memory of Ernestine Frost

Erin and Larry Faulk, in honor of Pam Faulk

Pam and Larry Faulk, in honor of Evoleno Cole, Florence Faulk, Laurie Faulk, Erin Faulk, Pat Rose, and Jean Wickum

The Fergusons, in honor of Sylvia Ferguson and Audrey Carter

Vic Fogle and sons, in honor of Debbie Fogle

The Vic Fogle family Grandma Serviss and Grandma Lovell

Carol Grubbs, in memory of Ruth Brown

Lisa Lawrence, in honor of Marge Matthews

Evelyn Lee, in honor of Barb Lee, Linda Lee, and Marcia Lee

Rick and Marcia Lee, in honor of Evelyn Lee

Dave and Mary Lou Lovell, in honor of Mary Lou Lovell, Deborah Fogle, and in memory of Jennie Lovell and Margaret Morby

Melissa Neill, in honor of Emily Inscho, Erin Inscho, and Jenna (Weakland) Inscho

Ken and Genevieve Peterson, in memory of Amanda MacNeill and Jessie Peterson

Betty Porter, in honor of Jennifer Cramer, Janet Porter, and in memory of Martha Jane Guy and Blanche Berger

Jim Stephenson, in honor of Sophia Stephenson

Calvin, Ben and Claire Turner, in honor of Jennifer Turner, Melissa Mercer, Lorelea Matheny, and Rowena Sizemore

Randy and Jennifer Turner, in honor of Jane Moore and Tonabell Turner

Linda White, in honor of Margaret Seckman and Loraine Elder

Jean Wickum, in memory of Wick Wickum