

# Good News Letter

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Dear FBC Family:

What a month to put behind us. As a congregation we were saddened by the passing of two of our members in October. Pam DeBiasio died on October 14 after fighting cancer for a number of years. Evelyn Lee died on October 15 following complications from a fall.

A memorial service was held for Pam on October 19. Evelyn's memorial service will be held at 2:00 on November 19 at the Devore-Snyder funeral home. We extend the condolences of their church family to both of the families. Since they are not a part of our local church family, many have wanted to send word to Evelyn's sons. Their addresses are:

Rick Lee  
1133 Davis Road  
Hamilton, OH 45013

Doug Lee  
2241 Meredith Road  
Delaware, OH 43015

In times of loss we turn to the promises of God. Before his death Jesus told his disciples, "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also." John 14:3,4.

In the intersection of faith and life lies our opportunity and responsi-

bility as citizens to cast our votes in November. As your pastor I cannot endorse candidates for election. However, I can encourage you to consider the issues before us in light of God's call for justice. As a people who believe that God calls us to speak out for those who have no voice I encourage you to vote for the Mental Health levy as well as the Delaware city schools levy. Our children and those suffering from

mental illness are counting on your support. I recognize that we have differing opinions in our congregation about overturning SB 5. As I noted in last Sunday's sermon I believe this is a justice issue. The teachers, firefighters, and nurses in our own congregation are counting on you.

As we approach the Thanksgiving and Advent seasons let us not neglect the assembling of ourselves each Sunday as has become the habit of some, but let us provoke one another to love and good deeds.

Invite a friend to church,

Your Pastor,



## Pam DeBiasio

Pamela Kay DeBiasio passed away on October 14th, 2011 after a long illness.

Pam was born in Huntington, West Virginia. She attended Huntington East High School, and Marshall University. She moved to Columbus, Ohio, where she worked as a paralegal assistant and as a Court Appointed Special Advocate.

Pam is survived by her daughter, Dominique; and her husband, Frederic.

A memorial service was held at the First Baptist Church on Wednesday, October 19th. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in her honor to the Susan G. Komen Foundation, Columbus chapter. We extend our condolences to Pam's family.



## Evelyn Lee

Evelyn B. Lee, 84, died on October 15, 2011 at Ohio State University Hospital Medical Center due to injuries from a fall at her home.

Evelyn was born in 1927 to Arthur and Mary Whitcomb Battles in



Chesterland. She graduated from Chester High School and in 1947 she received a B.S. in Home Economics from OSU. She married Richard Earl Lee in 1947 and they lived in Ada before moving to Delaware in 1949. She taught school in the Dola School System and then at Willis High School.

She was active in the First Baptist Church for more than 62 years. She was also a member of Delaware County Home Economists, PEO Sisterhood-Chapter CW and Delaware Women's Club. Evelyn served as a Cub Scout Den mother, Home-stead Guys & Gals 4-H, and served two terms on the Delaware City School Board. She also served with Church Women United, Delwood Children's Home of Delaware, the Agricultural Home Economics & 4-H Extension Committee, the Delaware Speech and Hearing Board and was a volunteer for American Red Cross and Andrews House.

Her survivors include two sons, Richard E. (Marcia) Lee Jr. and Douglas A. (Linda) Lee; daughter-in-law Barbara N. Lee; six grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 43 years in 1990; her son, Bruce Lee, in 2000; her sister, Arvilla B. Lee; her brother, Thomas Battles; and her nephew, Ben Lee.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 19th, at 2:00 p.m. at the DeVore Snyder Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be given to People In Need or the Delaware County American Red Cross. We extend our condolences to Evelyn's family.

## P.I.N. Donations for November

Each month we collect taxable items for

distribution by P.I.N. This month we are asking that you bring laundry



detergent. All donations will be collected from the P.I.N. basket and delivered. Thank you for your support.

– Kathy Chesser

## Common Ground Free Store

Wish List:

- New socks
- New underwear
- Large black trash bags
- Liquid floor cleaner

Care to volunteer? Please see me.

– Beth Trigg

## And A Good Time Was Had By All

We enjoyed good weather and good fishing at this year's retreat at Camp Christian. About 25 people attended the retreat with our numbers growing to about 30



for Sunday morning. We enjoyed watching the Rob Bell videos and the following discussions as well as the good food, the campfire, and all the other activities of the weekend. Why don't you join us next year?

## Thank You

I would like to thank the choir for the lovely necklace they gave me when I "retired" from singing with them on Sunday mornings.

Music has always been part of my life, at home and in church, even though I could not read the notes but memorized them.

My continued loss of hearing has made it difficult, so again thanks choir and congregation for letting me be a part of musical worship for 58 years.

– Jeanne Ekelberry

## ABW Sewing

For many years American Baptist Women have met and made bandages, baby quilts, lap robes and children's clothing, which were given to missions out of our country and locally.

One of the many groups that Evelyn Lee supported was the Christmas Clearing House. Our October/November projects have gone to them for the last five years and will again this year.

If you can thread elastic in a casing for little girls' skirts or tie thread in a baby quilt, then please join me Wednesday, November 2 from 10:00 to 12:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

– Jeanne Ekelberry

## Trustees Report

- Jerry Palmer refinished the front doors on the old "south" vestibule.
- Electrician Mike Clark made a repair to the plug for the washer at the "old" parsonage.
- Broken window glass in the kitchen of the "old" parsonage was replaced, using glass left over from the classroom project several years ago. There was no cost.
- Heating-plumbing man Don Patrick did extensive work this fall:
  - The boiler at the "old" parsonage was worked on.
  - A broken toilet at the "old" parsonage was repaired.
  - All seven gas furnaces at the church were inspected, serviced, cycled once and had their filters changed.
- The pipe organ was tuned, serviced and the blower was checked by John Muller.
- The Gable Elevator Company did a safety inspection.

– Peter White  
Reporting for the Trustees

## Things That Make Us See Red

At this year's retreat we discussed the things that make us hot under the collar, raise our ire, make us see



red, etc. Instead of giving you 10 things to do this month, I am asking you to take a look at this list. Are you guilty of doing any of these things or causing them? Is there something

you can do to make this a more peaceful world by taking away someone else's source of anger?

1. People who don't return carts to the stall at the store
2. People on their cell phones in public or while driving
3. People who check their cell phones or text while having a conversation in person
4. People not willing to work together
5. Irrational people
6. People who don't keep promises
7. People who talk without knowing what they are talking about
8. Having meetings just for the sake of meeting
9. Parents who want immediate feedback from teachers during the school day
10. Parents oblivious to their children's behavior in restaurants and stores
11. Ignorance
12. When people judge one another without meeting the person first
13. Selfish people
14. People who put themselves down, are self-effacing
15. Poor grammar
16. Sales telephone calls
17. Credit card calls

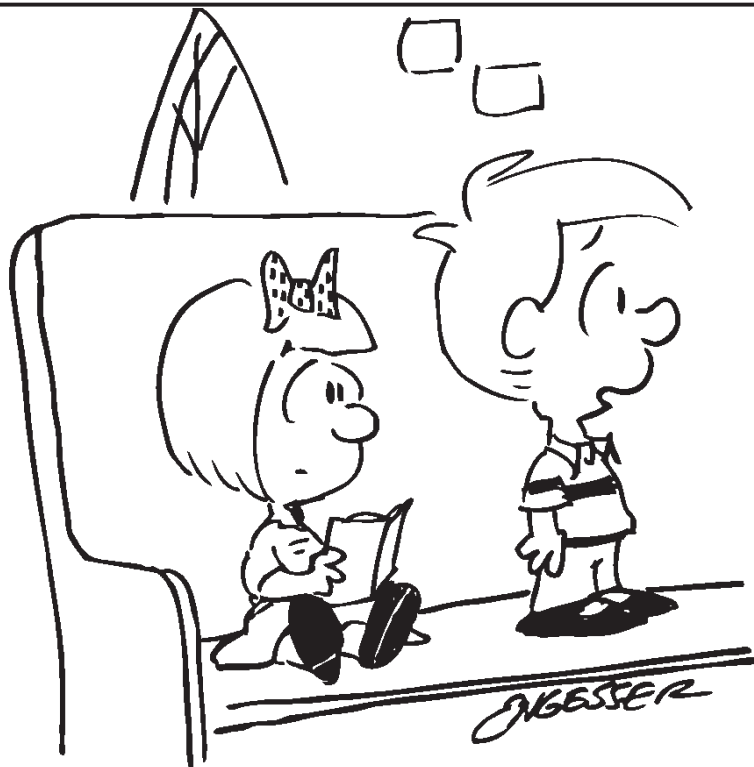
## PRAYER LIST

*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	<b>Pam Debiasio's family</b>	Prayers of sympathy, comfort, and celebration of her life
	<b>Evelyn Lee's family</b>	Prayers of sympathy, comfort, and celebration of her life
	<b>Bertha Van Brimmer</b>	Health issues
	<b>Florence Faulk</b>	At Delaware Court
	<b>Jimmie Moore</b>	Car accident injuries
Lana Palmer	<b>Penny Hagaman</b>	Health issues
	The Palmer's grandson, <b>Cpl. Jeremy Chaffin</b> , and <b>severely injured troops</b> in Echo Battery, 1st Platoon, Unit 44125 deployed in Afghanistan and the medical personnel caring for these Marines.	
Jean Wickum	<b>Fran Cook</b>	Heart problems
Barb Reed	<b>Regan Riedmiller</b>	Health issues
Betty Porter	<b>Dotty Florance</b> at Willow Brook South	Rehab for injury from fall

*Remember daily all the men and women in the military — those stationed in the USA and those deployed throughout the world. GOD BLESS AMERICA!*



*"Dad's not liking the Thanksgiving sermon on gluttony."*

- 18. Loud people in the library
- 19 Very loud cars, especially super loud radios
- 20. Slow drivers in the fast lane
- 21. People who don't use a turn signal
- 22. People who drive more slowly than the speed limit on a 2-lane road
- 23. People who don't follow the rules at a roundabout or 4-way stop

– Pam Faulk

### Personals

- Penny Hagaman was re-admitted to the hospital for further tests. She is now out and staying with her sister.
- Jimmie Moore had successful dental surgery.

- Steve and Sharon Baker have moved back to Delaware.
- Matt and Marci Cooper vacationed in New England.
- Pam and Larry Faulk toured Canada and New England.
- Phil and Melissa Mercer took a trip to New York.
- Sophia and Jim Stephenson took a trip to Kentucky.
- Jerry and Lana Palmer took a trip to Virginia.
- Mary Lou Lovell celebrated her birthday with a visit from her sister and father.
- Betty Porter's cousin from Israel visited.
- Jane and Jimmie Moore had a visit from their former pastor from Painesville and his wife.

– Pam Faulk, Personals Editor

### Poinsettias

You're invited to order poinsettias to decorate our sanctuary during Advent. They can be given in memory or honor of a friend or relative, and you can take your poinsettias home after our Christmas Eve service.



The cost is to be announced (probably around \$9). Please place your orders with Jim Stephenson or Melissa Mercer by Sunday, Nov. 20.

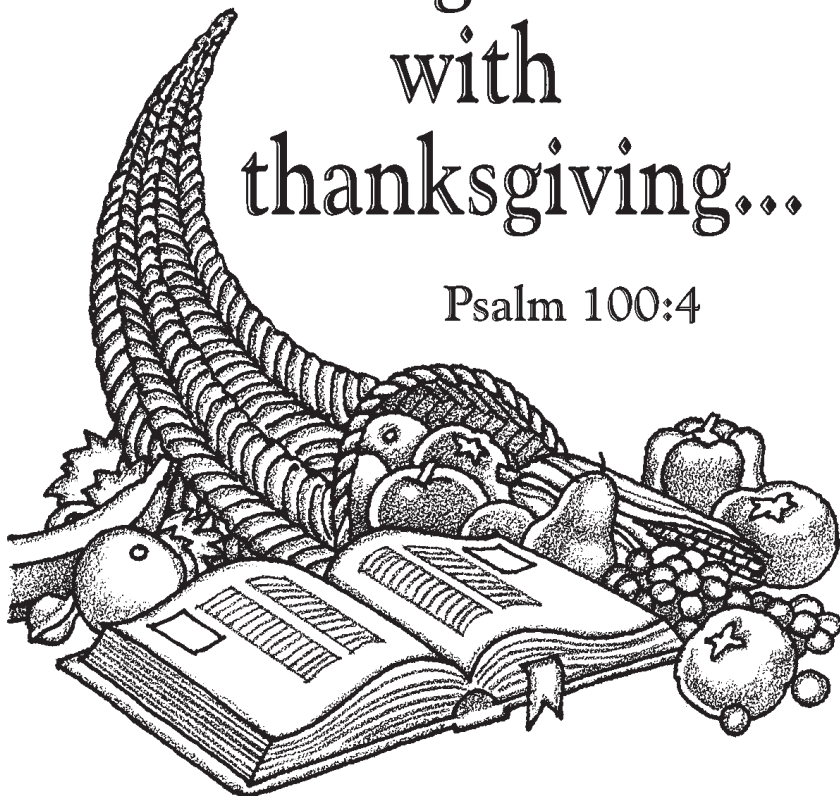
### Andrews House Annual Kitchen Cupboard

Please plan for your contributions to this yearly event on December 3, which will include the cookie sale and baked goods table. These items may be taken in on December 2nd, or before opening on the 3rd.

This is one of the fund raisers for Andrews House and the need is great.

Enter  
his gates  
with  
thanksgiving...

Psalm 100:4



### *Birthdays and Anniversaries*

- Nov. 5 Victor Fogle  
Kathy Russell
- 12 Jackson Trigg
- 15 Harold Van Broekhoven
- 17 Jim and Ann Brown  
Emily Inscho
- 19 Steve Ferguson
- 20 Randy Turner  
Molly Grace Kennedy
- 22 Peter White
- 28 Karen Stoner

*Please report any errors or omissions to Jim Stephenson.*