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15? You have seen the signs all around the church but what exactly does “15” stand for around here? “15” is the difference — the difference in where we are financially and where we could be with your commitment to “15.” Let me explain. Every year since I arrived we have come up short on our annual budget. We have faithfully increased it each year but we have never fully realized the full potential of our ministries request. God has been extremely good and we have been abundantly blessed beyond measure but I believe we can do more. Here's how we can give sacrificially together to make a difference in our community and around the world.

In 2008, our average attendance each week was 249 and our undesignated giving for the year was \$365,877.11. In 2009, our average weekly attendance was 272 and our undesignated giving was \$388,324.81. In 2010, our weekly average attendance was 288 and our undesignated giving was \$446,277.60. In 2011, we saw a tremendous increase in both attendance and giving. Average weekly attendance was 330 and undesignated receipts were \$451,011.99. So, you understand how truly blessed we have been during these tough economic times.

My challenge for 2012 is “15.” What difference can “15” really make? Here it is: According to our treasurer, Pam Habeb, we started 2011 with 126 giving units and by November we were down to 108 with an average of 117 giving units for the year. From that number 32 are weekly givers, 39 are bi-weekly and 46 are once a month. Based on those numbers if our weekly givers increased their giving by \$15 a week, it would mean an increase of \$480 a week; \$1920 a month; and \$23,040 a year. If our bi-weekly givers increased their giving by \$15, it would mean \$585 bi-weekly; \$1,170 monthly; and \$14,040 a year. If our monthly givers gave \$15 more a month, it would mean \$690 a month and \$8,280 a year. Together we could realistically see an overall increase of over \$45,000 in a year. Truly the difference between last year's giving and this year's budget. Then anyone else who took up the challenge to begin supporting the church through tithes and offerings would be a blessing to our entire church body.

Join me and others who have already taken on the “15” challenge and let's sacrifice together for the Kingdom of God. My challenge for you is **“Doing whatever it takes to reach one more for Christ.”**

Until the Whole World Hears,

Pastor Greg

*“This is my command:
Love one another.”*

John 15:17

Bible Fellowship and Discipleship

The opportunity to serve a **Great Church** with **Great Teachers** is an honor I am cherishing.



The fact that each of our teachers does such a great job and dedicates countless hours to their classes is something that everyone in our Church is blessed to experience. To any of you that have not found a class, let me encourage you to do so and to experience the deeper fellowship that comes from the classes and leaders.

By the time you read this, we will be halfway through our study of Ecclesiastes. The "Pursuit" study is a wonderful tool to help us discover the futility of thinking of life the way the world does. I hope each of

you has begun to experience and live out the Christian Worldview the study teaches. What a wonderful way to live out our faith! Once we understand the worldview we should have and begin to apply it, we begin to see that some of the things we thought were differences among us fade away. I have come to truly understand how blessed I am to serve with each of our teachers and those who attend their classes. We are seeing change happen in the lives of those who are committed to going deeper in their relationship to the Lord and to the other members of God's family they worship with.

Teachers, you will see order forms in your books early this month to order your regular materials for next quarter. Also, there is a teachers' meeting on February 19 at 4 p.m. We will

have Greg Wrigley from our state office with us to help us learn some new ways to practice evangelism through our classes. Please plan to attend this training since it will help us with our outreach efforts. This month you are going to begin seeing contacts in your attendance books for follow up from their recent visits to Fairlawn. Please try and contact as soon as you can and let me know if you need help or any other support.

For our entire congregation, I want to advise about the three Bible studies that will be going on this month. First, we have the remainder of the Pursuit study. It is not too late to be blessed by this study, find a class, and come fellowship with us. If you need help finding a class, please contact me and I will be glad to help you find the right one. Second, the ladies'

Bible study is still ongoing and they would be glad to have you on Monday nights at 6:30 p.m. or Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Third, and finally, we have the men's study "The Game Plan" beginning on February 6 at 6:30 p.m. I am very excited to see so many opportunities for people to become involved! Please find your way to one of these enriching studies.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve and walk along side you! I am blessed and thankful to be here!

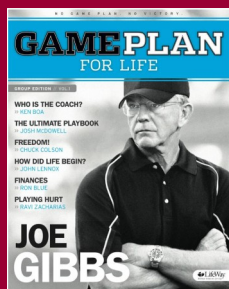
Jason Spade
Bible Fellowship Director

2 Timothy 3:16 (HCSB) All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness.

P.S. The best way to enjoy Christian fellowship is to join a class!!

Bible Fellowship Classes

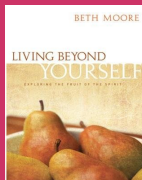
Adult VI
Adult V
Adult IV
Friends in Faith
Ladies Class
John 3:16
Adult I and II
Youth Parents
The Loft
College Ministry
The Warehouse (grades 6-12)
Fifth Grade Class
Discoverers (grades 3-4)
Learners (grades 1-2)
Preschool 5 (Kindergarten)
Preschool 4 (Pre-K)
Preschool 3 (Threes)
Preschool C (Twos)
Preschool B (Babies)
Preschool A (Babies)



Men's Bible Study

The Men's Ministry Bible study will begin February 6. They will meet on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. The study is called "Game Plan for Life." Joe Gibbs provides an honest look at 11 key issues facing men today. Joe Gibbs is a three-time Super Bowl champion coach and the owner of a three-time Nascar champion team.

Women's Bible Study



The women's Bible study continues on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. and Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Childcare is provided during the Monday evening study. It is Beth Moore's study "Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit." Even if you don't complete your homework, please attend the group sessions.

Monthly Newsletter

If you have anything that you would like included in the newsletter, please e-mail the information to Charlene Brannon at charlene@fairlawnbaptist.com with a copy to Gina Cheshire at ginac@casinetmet.net by the 15th of the month prior to publication. The deadline for the March issue is **Feb. 15.**

Teachers' Meeting

There will be a Bible Fellowship teachers' meeting on February 19 at 4 p.m. Greg Wrigley from the state office will be present to teach on practicing evangelism. Please plan to attend.

VBS 2012

As a child, did you ever discover an old trunk or box filled with items from another era? Did it cause your imagination to soar? What if that box was filled with an old bomber jacket, a pilot cap and goggles, old flight logs, photos of the inside of a 1930's airplane cockpit, and a journal filled with exciting stories and amazing facts? What if this pilot flew all over the world and was able to visit some of the most spectacular natural wonders? Wow! You suddenly realize that those natural wonders are just as wonderful as they were generations ago . . . and so it the One who created them!



It's time to plan VBS '12 – Amazing Wonders Aviation. You know you want to be part of this amazing adventure. Please see Sue Whited or call the church office to sign up now. Early bird signers have more training opportunities available and additional time to order supplies, creating a wonderful environment for their children. Last year we set a new enrollment record! God already knows who will be coming this year. Thank you for prayerfully considering this opportunity to serve Him in this special mission field.

VBS Dates:
June 25 – 29
from 9:00 – 12:30

VBS Motto:
Awesome God!
Amazing Power!

VBS Scripture:
“Our Lord is great, vast
in power; His
understanding is
infinite.” Ps. 147:5

The WV Convention of Southern Baptists is offering state VBS team training on February 25 at Freedom Baptist Church in Nutter Fort, WV. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The training is from 9 a.m.— 2:30 p.m.

Deacon Training



Roy Saint

The WV Convention of Southern Baptists is offering training for deacons and wives on February 10-11 at the State Office in Scott Depot. The theme of the training is “Lead Like Jesus.”

The training is on Friday evening from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m.— 4 p.m. The cost is \$10 without lodging or \$50 with lodging. The guest speaker is Roy Saint of the Florida Baptist Convention.

Chrismon Class

There will be a class on Feb. 11 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in room 132 to teach how to make bead Chrismons for the 2012 Christmas trees. Diana Barnes will teach the class. She will have some kits available for purchase. No previous experience is needed.

For questions or more information, please contact Diana Barnes at (304) 863-3904.

Church tidbits

Women's Ministry

The Women's Ministry team will meet Feb. 1.

SAM

The SAM planning meeting will be Feb. 1. The next meeting is March 7.

MOMSnext

MOMSnext will meet on Feb. 3, where the topic will be Parenting Tips on Puberty. On Feb. 17, we will have Date Night. Details to be announced. Bring your spouse for a fun night out. You must arrange your own childcare.

We are also continuing the book study on Effective Parenting with Mike Currey. The dates are Feb. 13, Feb. 27, and March 12 at 6:30 p.m. each night.

WMU

WMU will meet on Feb. 9 at 10 a.m.

Deacons

The deacons will meet on Feb. 12 following the evening service.

Lord's Supper

We will partake of the Lord's Supper in both morning services on February 12.

Business Meeting

The monthly business meeting is Feb. 15.

SAM

Senior Adult Ministry

Breakfast

On Feb. 16, SAM will have a breakfast at 10 a.m. Biscuits and gravy, ham, and fruit cups will be provided. Attendees may bring other breakfast dishes.

Game Day

On Feb. 23, SAM will have a game day.

Mystery Lunch

On March 15, SAM will have a mystery lunch. Attendees may bring a mystery dish.

Painting Class

There will be an acrylic painting class starting Feb. 13 from 5-7 p.m. The cost is \$10 per class.

For more information, contact Joann Taylor at (304) 863-5862.

Sock Hop

It's time to take those old records off the shelves! SAM will sponsor its annual church wide Sock Hop on March 30 from 6-9 p.m. at the Lubeck Civic Center. There will be a variety of 50s music and dance styles. Hot dogs, chips, snacks, and drinks will be provided. Poodle skirts and pomade welcome!

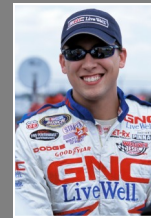


Super Bowl Fellowship

There will be a church-wide Super Bowl fellowship on Sunday evening, Feb. 5 at 6:30 p.m. SAM will provide soup. Please bring your favorite Super Bowl appetizer, drinks, and board games. This will be a fun time for the entire family. Come cheer on your favorite team!



SPORTSMAN'S BANQUET & EXPO



The Sportsman's Ministry will have a banquet on Feb. 18.

The menu will consist of ham, scalloped potatoes, corn, rolls, dessert, and wild game sampling. There will be vendors present. Door prizes will be given. The cost is \$10 donation per ticket.

The guest speaker will be Hank Parker Jr. A former race car driver, Hank Parker Jr. currently co-hosts "Hank Parker 3D," airing on the Versus Channel & the mini-series "Hunt Like a Parker," airing on ESPN Outdoors, with his brother, Billy "Catfish" Parker, and his father Hank Parker Sr.

If you would like a ticket, please contact the Church Office or stop by the Sportsman's table on Sunday mornings.

Women's Conference



Fairlawn Baptist will host a Women's Conference on March 16 and 17. The theme is "Oasis: Finding Peace in the Midst of Problems." The conference will be Friday evening from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The guest speaker is Martha Peace. Martha is the author of six books, is a Christian counselor, and teaches women's Bible studies.

Tickets are \$35 if purchased by March 1. From March 2-16, tickets are \$40. Childcare will be provided if children are registered by March 2. You may register in the Worship Foyer. Call the church office for more information.

Creative Arts Ministry

The month of February is already on us. As I write this, the choir has just begun our rehearsals for our Easter musical, "Hallelujah, Praise the Lamb." The musical is based on a recovery camp where people are dealing with different issues that life has thrown at them. As I read the play, there was one point where chills went through me. If you want to be a part of this musically, come to choir Sunday nights at 5 p.m. We have a great time working not only on the musical, but also music that we sing each Sunday. If you would like to take a part in the play, in front or behind the scenes, see Denise Varndell. I'm sure she would appreciate whatever



help you could give her.

I'm also very excited to announce that we will be having a special guest come to Fairlawn that quite a few of us got to hear at the state convention this year. Marc Ivey will be coming to sing for us during the Sunday morning services and will present an evening concert on April 29. Please be in prayer for him as he comes to worship with us on that day. We will be taking a love offering for him and his ministry during the concert.

I would like to meet with people who are involved in presenting special music. We have grown to an incredible size, which is great! I thank God for the talent that He has blessed us with. There are some things that we are going to try and do so that our rotation of singers

isn't so long (Right now, I could schedule people all the way from January through the end of June). I would like to talk with you about this as well as some things that we could do to make your experience better as well as that of the congregation. This meeting will be held the Sunday, February 12, right after second service. We will have pizza for you and your family. I don't expect the meeting to take all that long, but it is a very small way for us to say "Thank You" as well for the vital role you play in the ministry at Fairlawn.

I want to thank the people that are stepping forward to help with the ads that you see on the wall each Sunday. Right now, this is a job that I do, but I am getting ready to turn it over to a group of people that have volunteered to help with this

important ministry. I will be scheduling a meeting with these people soon. Please pay attention to your bulletin so you can see when this is. If you would be interested in helping, please contact me or the church office.

There will be more things coming up in the future where you will have a chance to plug in and help. As God continues to bless Fairlawn, there will be more jobs for people to do. Look for ways that you can plug in. God didn't call us to be Sunday morning viewers. He wants us to get involved in what He is doing. We are the last and only line that stands between people and hell. What are you doing to make a difference?

Rick Morgan
Music Director

Family Worship Night

The first Wednesday of every month will be Family Worship Night. We will begin with a meal at 5:30 p.m. followed by worship in the Fellowship Hall. Families are encouraged to sit together, eat together, pray together, and worship together. We plan to end by 7:15 p.m. and everyone will assist in cleaning up. There will be a give away for a Family Night Gift. The cost is \$11 per family, \$4 for adults, and \$3 for children.



The first Family Worship Night is February 1. Dinner will be spaghetti with choice of meat sauce or alfredo, salad, dessert, and drinks.

Deacon Ordination

During the second morning service on February 5, there will be an ordination service for Bob Wilson.

Connect 101

Are you visiting or new to the church? Are you interested in finding out more about our church and its ministries? This event is for you! Come meet with the staff and ministry leaders and their spouses for food, fellowship, and connection at Fairlawn Baptist Church on Sunday, February 12 at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Reservations are required and space is limited. Please respond on the tear-off sheet in the bulletin.

Easter Cantata

The Easter Cantata will be presented at 6:30 p.m. on March 24 and 25. It is called "Hallelujah, Praise the Lamb." Both music and drama will be incorporated to tell the story of people at a recovery camp dealing with different issues of life. The choir welcomes new members to practice on Sunday evenings at 5 p.m. If you are interested in participating the drama, please contact Denise Varndell.



Pinewood Derby / Chili Cook Off



It's time again to get out your saw and your chili pot! The annual Pinewood Derby and Chili Cookoff is March 2. Weigh ins start at 4:30 p.m. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. The races start at 6:30 p.m.

There will be races for all age categories, including adults. Pinewood Derby kits are available for purchase in the Playground or during the week at the Church Office. New car kits are \$4. You may use an old car for a fee of \$2. All donations go to Helping Hands.

The chili will be judged in various categories.

Door prizes will be given throughout the evening. Bible Fellowship Classes are being asked to donate themed baskets to be used for door prizes.

If you have questions, please contact Ben Carmichael or Julie Morgan.



The boys and girls were excited to get back to school to see all of their friends and let them know what Santa had brought them.

The month of January came in the like a lion. The students' first day back we had a one-hour delay due to SNOW. In the classroom the students made snowmen in different shapes and sizes. They talked also about the weather changing and what kind of clothes that we would wear.



When the weather is cold, we like to hibernate just like some of the animals. The boys and girls talked about hibernation and which animals hibernate for the winter.

The teachers and I are getting activities ready for Buddy Night on Monday, February 6 from 6 - 8 p.m. If you have a couple of hours in the evening and you would like to come and help, please come join us. We would love to have you.

In February, we have Groundhog Day. Wonder if he will see his shadow? We will be talking about community helpers and

we can't forget Valentine's Day. The preschoolers will be getting Valentine cards to give to that special someone at their Valentine's Party. With Parent / Teacher conferences on February 29, the teachers have been completing their skill checks with the little ones.

Thank you to the church family that helped with the assistance for tuition in the month of January. Just a little info about the family: baby Owen is 4 months old; he has been diagnosed with Sanfilippo Syndrome (MPS III), a disease which causes progressive damage throughout his entire body, which will lower his life expectancy. Owen has two brothers, Noah, who is attending the preschool, and Ben. Ben has the same disease that Owen has. Baby Owen is doing well. The family has been keeping in touch with us through family members. Please keep the Dulaney family in your prayers. As a parent and grandparent, I can't image what the family is going through. If you wish to help with Noah's tuition for February through May, please come see me. It would be a true blessing to the family.

A BIG thank you to Ms. Pat McDonald for having the Preschool staff Christmas Party at her home. It was wonderful.

Some things the preschool is in need of are men's ties, matchbox cars, and a little

tikes garage. If you would like to donate these things to the preschool, please contact me at (304) 863-8609.

Happy Valentine's Day!

God Bless,
Georgeanna Bird
Director

CWE Buddy Night

CWE will have its annual Buddy Night on February 6 from 6 p.m. — 8 p.m. This is a time for the preschoolers to invite their adult buddies for a time of fun. Dinner will be from 6 p.m.— 6:30 p.m. and will consist of hotdogs, chips, drinks, and a cupcake treat to take home.

There will be activities throughout the church, including an obstacle course, a block area, and a car area.

THE WAREHOUSE

Student Ministry

THOUGHTS FROM JOEL

The Warehouse is celebrating Valentine's Day by beginning a study in Song of Solomon. This misunderstood, complicated, and rarely studied book is full of relational advice, and not just for married folks! I realize that Song of Solomon deals with some racy stuff. Don't worry. The study will focus only on what teens need to know to have healthy relationships now. While the focus will be on dating, there will also be a correlation of how this book can help any relationship...friends, family, classmates ... you name it. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.



Moving on! Since February is the month of love, here are some helpful hints on how to show your teen love this month.

- **Continue to show affection to your child whenever you can.** Even though days may be very busy, there is always time for a hug or a quick 'how are you'? Tell them you love them...multiple times a day.

- **Talk to your children** and encourage them to talk to you. While they may not want to share every detail of their lives, they need to know that you are there for them if they have a problem. Communication is key in any relationship.
- **Always ask them questions about their plans.** They may get annoyed when you ask them about all the who, what, when, where, why, and how's, but in time they will understand that you ask all these questions because you love them and want to keep them safe.
- **Help your child with their schoolwork** and emphasize the value of a good education.
- **Take an interest in your children.** Ask them questions about their lives and be genuinely interested in their responses. Find out why they like the things they do and then go participate in the activity with them.

Serving the Savior,
Joel McMullan

LOOKING AHEAD

Feb. 5: Super Bowl Fellowship in The Warehouse with competitions between quarters.

Feb. 12: IWC Romania Trip meeting at 7:30 p.m. in The Warehouse.

Feb. 18: Wild Game Dinner. Please come help!

Feb. 24-26: High School Ski Trip. **Balance of \$70 is due Feb. 19.**

March 9-11: Middle school retreat, Great Wolf Lodge. **Deposit of \$20 due Feb. 19.**

June 16-23: Romania Mission Trip

COLLEGE MINISTRY

The College Ministry meets on Sunday evenings at 7:45 p.m. in the room upstairs. You can follow our events and updates on our Facebook page by searching for and liking Fairlawn College Ministry.

EVENTS

On February 5, we will NOT meet due to the Super Bowl Fellowship.

We will begin a new study on Christian principals and applying them to everyday life on February 12. Michael Cheshire will be leading the study with

opportunities for students to lead sessions if they choose.


On February 26 at 8 p.m., we will have a game night. Bring your favorite group game. Pizza will be provided.

The College Ministry is MOVING! We will now meet in the room upstairs.



February



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		 Happy Birthday!	1 Dan Brannon Rob Phillip	2 Brian Parnell	3	4 Chip Fenske Heidi Adams
5 Terry Hardman Terry Jacobson Gail Hall	6 Matt Dawson	7 Vida Sprouse	8 Austin Bell	9 Paul Fordyce	10 Jerry Theobald David Lemon	11
12	13	14 Dolores Smith	15	16 Rob Johnson	17	18 GiGi Knight Andrew Satow
19 Lori Siers	20 Lisa Smith	21 Greg White	22 Jim Markley	23 Norma Cottrell Diana Barnes	24 Triston Lane	25
26 Georgeanna Bird	27 Kenneth Martin	28 Ginger Kerby	29			

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