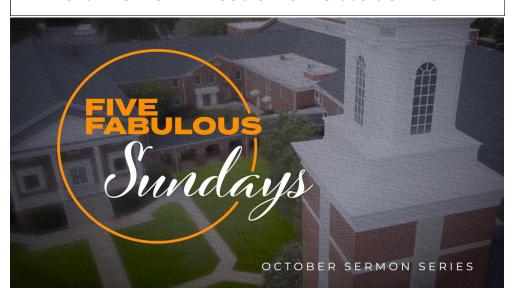
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From your Discipleship Pastor:

I'm starting this article with a "Shout Out" to 2 different groups. First a "Shout Out" to the Edna Franks Sunday School class for their generosity in support of Franklin Graham's Samaritan Purse relief efforts. The class donated \$300 for relief from storms that hit Kentucky and an additional \$350 towards help from the floods this past August. Thank you Ladies for putting feet to your concerns. Eric and Mindi Steele teach this class. I also want to give a "Shout Out" to the men who attended the Men's Retreat in September. There were 17 men in attendance and it was a great time of relationship building and faith strengthening. Thank you guys for attending. There is an expressed desire to make this as an annual event and I assure you we will be looking forward to it in 2023. October will be a busy month here as usual. The big event will be October 2nd when Pastor Wade returns from his sabbatical. We are happy he has had this time for rest and refueling. We have missed him and are so happy he's back. In connection, I want to give another "Shout out" to you who have remained faithful through this time and the support and encouragement you have given not only to this pastor, but to our pastoral staff team as a whole. Thank you for the way you have followed our lead and settled in to the continuation of our schedule with Sunday School at 9:15am and worship at 10:30am. It's great seeing the family together in worship. I believe it has brought greater unity to the family which will only lead to greater growth and love.

October contains a 5th Sunday, so remember on October 30 the adult classes will unite in the Fellowship Hall for a joint session. Teachers and Leaders will meet in the choir room for their quarterly workshop. Thank you for the good response to our Sunday Night Study hour which continues at 4:30pm each week. The current topics of study options are Ladies meeting in A268 studying Free From Me and in A34 a group is meeting with Ron Haught's teaching How to Share Your Faith in Today's Culture. Blake Callens is new to our teaching group by leading a study on How to Apply your Christian Life in Today's Culture. It is a study based on Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book on applying the sermon on the mount and making it an integral part of your daily lives. His class meets in A 38. October 20th David Jeremiah will be at the Wellness Center. Admission is free, but tickets are required. I still have a few tickets available if you are interested. Those of you who have not signed up yet, can still get tickets from me as long as they last but you will have to provide your own transportation. We have 3 vehicles, 2 buses and a van, but they are filled to capacity.

See me or Ron if you need a ticket.

Have a great day in The Lord, Bill

From your Senior Adult Pastor:

Fall is in the air and I'm excited about a couple of events we have coming up this month. Tuesday, October 2, will be our monthly Sonshine Fellowship meeting. It will be in the fellowship Hall with Upstate Brass providing a program of music beginning at 10:30am. Following the program will be our fellowship meal. The church will provide meat for the meeting but for sides and desserts it will be potluck provided by you who will be attending. Please sign up, not only will we be feeding each other, but the band is a sizeable group. We've been pleased with the number of you who attend, but many of you do not sign up to help us know how much meat to have available. Case in point, last month 10 people signed up and we had 30 show up. It puts a lot of strain on our kitchen when they expect to provide for 10 people and 30 people attend.

Also, Celebrators Conference in Pigeon Forge will be held October 10-13. It is really exciting to know we have 45 from our church signed up to go. The bus will leave the church no later than 9:45am that Monday morning.

Have a great day in The Lord, Bill



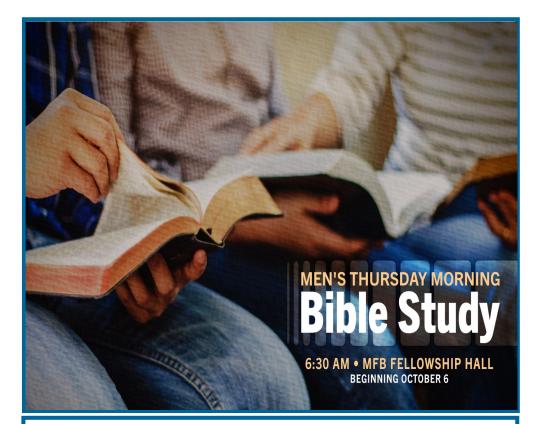
Fall is a wonderful time to pick up an extra light weight jacket if you don't have one of "ours" yet. We have men's sizes large, xl, double xl and 3Xl. For Women we have L-XXL. Check with Ron or me to get yours at \$25.00 each. Not only are these great jackets, they identify us as MFB when we go off on trips.





*For those who have registered, we will leave MFB

no later than 9:45am on October 10, 2022*



MFB Sanctuary Renovation Project



Church Family, we're excited to update you on our progress toward our sanctuary renovation. In addition to the Finance Committee and the Properties Committee, we have 2 teams actively working toward the goal of getting our campaign underway in a few weeks. These committees are working in unison with prayer and a loving spirit with unity and purpose. The team working on our fundraising has met together with the finance committee and is well down the road on developing an exciting campaign that will not only allow us to raise the necessary funds, but involve everyone in the exciting time in our church. The design team has met twice, once as a team, and once with our design partner Durham Greene Construction. We're pleased to inform you that, with the aid of an expert interior designer, we have tentatively selected colors, fabric, seating, carpet and paint. Once we have a rendering to look at, we'll be able to make the necessary tweaks and reveal this beautiful new design to the church. All of the folks who working so diligently on this project appreciate your continued prayers as we seek to make sound decisions that will ultimately serve the church best, and more importantly, glorify God.







