

# *fbc* Faith News

*Love Christ. Love Others. Think Biblically!*

July 2018 | Monthly Newsletter of First Baptist Church



## Mark Your Calendar

**7.1-7.6**

Hidden Acres Church Camp

**7.2**

El Salvador Youth Mission  
Trip Meeting-3pm

**7.4**

Happy 4<sup>th</sup>! Church Office  
Closed

**7.7**

Women's Ministry Think Tank  
-9am

**7.8**

Christian Ed Outreach-  
11:40am

Trustee Meeting-11:40am

El Salv Youth Mission Trip  
Meeting-6:30pm

**7.9-13**

CIY- High School Move

**7.10**

Church Council Meeting-7pm

**7.15**

Quarterly Church Business  
Meeting-11:40am

**7.21**

Men's Rooted Conference-8am  
-3pm

**7.22**

Baptism & Child Dedication  
Sunday

**7.24**

J.O.Y. Circle – 7pm

**7.28-8.3**

El Salvador Mission Trip

*"They saw what seemed to be tongues  
of fire that separated and came to rest  
on each of them." ~ Acts 2:3*

The book of the month for July is Billy Graham's "The Holy Spirit." As I was reading it, I was struck by something he mentioned that I had never really thought about before. He said that on the day of Pentecost, when 120 disciples were gathered together praying and worshipping, the Holy Spirit came upon them and was like tongues of fire, and gave them special giftedness to preach in various languages. What he said next was interesting, he said that about 3,000 people heard the message and were saved that day, but there is no mention that they experienced the same phenomena. In other words, even though they received the Holy Spirit on the very same day that the Holy Spirit was so powerfully and visibly manifested to the disciples, the average persons' experience was far less extraordinary.

That struck me, even though it so obvious. Obviously everyone's experience with the Holy Spirit is different. Yet, we so often are searching, hoping or expecting someone else's experience, and want it to be our own. I am often guilty of that, and sometimes I'm guilty of trying to reproduce a past experience I have had

with God. It is a mistake to pursue experiences rather than God. Desiring God may or may not be accompanied by overwhelming emotion. The Bible tells us we are saved by grace through faith, not grace through sensation. I wonder if this is why some people struggle to believe they are really saved. They expect a sensation, but the confirmation is trusting God at His Word.

A relationship with God is such a wonderful, complicated and unique thing. It incorporates every aspect of our human nature. Our heart, which is subconscious feeling, the mind which is our intellect, the soul, which is the will, and the strength, which is faith in action. James even says that without action faith is dead. Maybe this is why a Christian is called to worship (heart), learn (mind), pray (soul), and walk (strength). The Holy Spirit is guaranteed as a deposit for all who trust in Christ, and His job is to help us in all these things. Not only that, but he convicts us when we sin, He strengthens us when we're weak, He equips us for a purpose, and gives us understanding of God's will, and much, much more.

Whether you read the book or not, I hope and pray that you'll lean on the Holy Spirit more and more as you grow deeper in your friendship with God. In Christ, Luke



# Volunteer & Giving Information

Date	Nursery	Kids Worship
<b>July 1st</b>	Ronda Moffit, Rusty, Marcy & Shaylee Smet	No Kids Worship. Instead, the kids will participate in or enjoy watching the VBS Presentation.
<b>July 8</b>	Ronda Moffitt, Crystal Clark, Vernonica Moffit & Maddie Dunn	Denise Bowker, Leslie Connell, Joyce & Logan Thomas, Mollie Dunn, Jason, Brady & JJ Connell, & Haley Johnson
<b>July 15</b>	Ronda Moffitt, Jo Bjorling, Penny Dixon, Sidney Quarm	Denise Bowker, Tina McCaw, Tammie Trout, Mollie & Lucy Dunn, Melissa Struble & Sheila Busch
<b>July 22</b>	Ronda Moffitt, Dixie Bodeen, Susan Potthast & Lucy Dunn	Denise Bowker, Felicia Bonyng, Angela Pauley, Jenna Ruh, Mollie & Maddie Dunn, Jess Weist & Jessica Swift
<b>July 29</b>	Ronda Moffitt, Sharon Moffitt, Deb Carpenter & Bryce Moffitt	Denise Bowker, Cimion Norwick, Kathy Olson, Mollie & Lucy Dunn, Shannon Sedam & Alison Lafever

If you are unable to serve the day you are scheduled in the Nursery, please make arrangements in advance to switch with another person on the schedule. Please contact **Ronda Moffitt, Nursery Coordinator**, for all concerns on her Cell:(309) 371-3021. Thank you! **Kids Club Worship**—PLEASE come to the Fellowship Hall by **10:00am** so you can help & prep. \*Please continue to let me know if you are switching with somebody. I have it set up so there are two adults plus myself helping at a time. Please do not switch with a couple if you are an individual. Thank you so much for your service! ~Mollie. If you need to contact Mollie about Kids Club Worship, call –309-371-6962.

## **Committee Member of the Month**

**Finance Board Member of the Month for July – Melissa Struble**

**Trustee of the Month for July - Don McConaughy**

## **Prayer Team**

**July 1st- 8am**-Mary Lee Finch, Peggy Johnson & Kurt Diesch—**10:15am**-Tina McCaw, Anita Parkinson & Ron Moffitt

**July 8–8am**-Marty South, Jon & Lindsay Ricke—**10:15am**-Jeanne Barber, Robyn Bottens & Laurie Louck

**July 15 - 8am**-Troy & Tish Riddell - **10:15am**—Lisa Litwiler, Britni Ewing & Barb Bryant

**July 22 –8am**-Doug & Diane Hessman **10:15am** Jason & Shelly Snyder & Lonnie Maynard

**July 29– Elden Cirks**

## **Attendance & Offering Year To Date**

Year To Date Weekly Attendance Average— 352

Year to Date 2018 FBC Budget— \$282,028.75

Year To Date Giving—\$295,219.39



## **Lives Changed by Jesus Christ!**

Year To Date Baptisms—21

Year To Date Decisions for Christ - 20



# Kids Club Ministry



Summer is well underway and we've had a lot of fun with our kids and youth already! A group of Jr. High students went to CIY, youth have been gathering at

church for Bible studies and games on Thursdays, we had a great Dad's Archery Event, we sponsored a VBS Pop-up at Buttonwood Trails, we had an AWESOME week of VBS, a pool party, and a group of 16 kiddos are at Hidden Acres Camp as you read this. AND, there's still more fun and excitement yet to come. Thank you to every single person who has served in every way!

If you missed out in helping with all of that, don't worry, we have lots more to do! Which means, we need lots more help. Here's how you can serve for the next few months...

## School Supply Pop-Ups:

We're having two school supply pop-ups (at Joy Food Pantry on July 23<sup>rd</sup> and Buttonwood Trails on August 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>) for parents to

come shop for school supplies. We're using our VBS mission money and donations for these two endeavors. Please visit the school supply donation



board in the church foyer (by the women's ministry table) to sign-up to bring school supplies. Please have them at the church by July 22<sup>nd</sup>. We also need volunteers to set-up and serve during these pop-ups. Please contact Mollie at 309-371-6962 if you're interested. Thank you so much for your help!

## **Kids Worship & Kids Club Snacks:**

We offer the kids individually wrapped, prepackaged snacks on Sunday mornings and during Kids Club. Please visit

the donation board (by the women's ministry table in the foyer) to sign-up to bring snacks by mid-August. No candy or nuts, please. Anything else individually pre-packaged is welcome (cookies, chips, crackers, fruit snacks, etc.)



**Kids Club on Wednesdays:** I know we're still in the middle of the summer, but we're starting to recruit our Crew for the fall session of Kids Club on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm September 5<sup>th</sup> through November 14th. We need about 20 adults to help out with nursery through 5<sup>th</sup> grade kiddos. If you're interested in serving in this way, please contact Mollie at 371-6962 for more information.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and please let me know if you have any questions! Thanks for reading!

*Mollie, Children's Pastor*



# COLLIDE YOUTH!

## Collide Youth Summer Update From Seth



CIY MOVE is coming up and we need our prayer warriors to mount up and pray for the High Schoolers that will be attending. Also pray for Pastor Luke & Vickie Korn as they lead the youth attending CIY.

Collide High School is continuing to meet and their favorite snack is oatmeal cream pies or any Little Debbie product. Continue to pray for the candidate for youth ministry position. We have our prayer rocks, coins and anything you chose to remind us to pray for this person.  
~Seth

**SUMMER**  
**Collide Field Games**  
**FREE!**  
**Every Thursday this Summer**  
**Thursdays at 2pm**  
**All Student grades 6th-12th Welcome!**  
**@ FBC-Outside**  
**Enjoy some fun in the Summer sun!**  
**Bring a friend!**  
**\*\*Cancelled if raining.**

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## CIY—Summer Conference!

CIY MOVE—NOW  
SOLD OUT! JULY 9TH-  
13TH IN WHEATON, IL.

Pray for the kids and adult  
leaders attending CIY  
MOVE!

**HS Summer Conference**  
**CIY move**  
July 9-13th, 2018  
AT Wheaton College  
**COST- \$173**  
Register online at [firstbaptistledacom](http://firstbaptistledacom)  
\$50 non-refundable deposit due to reserve  
spot (12 spots available)  
Questions? Contact Luke Dunn- 309-582-7812

**SUMMER**  
**Girls Bible Study**  
*Free Event*  
**6th-8th Grade Girls**  
**Thursdays at 1pm**  
**@ First Baptist - Lower Enon Room**  
**June 7th-July 26th**  
**No Need to RSVP. Join Any Time!**

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All girls grades 6th-8th are invited to a Summer Bible Study. We are using the SOAP Bible Study method to study and discuss topics that relate to you.

**When: Thursdays from 1pm-2pm**  
**Dates: June 7th-July 26th**  
**Where: At FBC-Lower Enon Room #4**  
**Who: All girls grades 6th-8th**

No Need to Sign up, just show up. Questions or want more class details see Britni Ewing or e-mail her at: [britni.ewing@yahoo.com](mailto:britni.ewing@yahoo.com)



# Praise In The Park

## Mark Your Calendars for First Baptist Church Praise in the Park Family Festival! Coming Sunday, September 2nd @Aledo's Central Park 10am-3pm



- Bring your lawn chair!
- Praise & Worship Service followed by a FREE Lunch!
- Music, Water Inflatables (Kids, bring your swimsuits!)
  - Kona Ice!
- Family Photo Booth Fun!
- Messiah's Magic Show by Jonathan Kirk!



This will be a great day for you to invite friends, family and neighbors who don't have a church home to join us for worship, lunch and family fun in Aledo's Central Park.

←—————→  
**Coming up this Fall at First Baptist Aledo!**  
**Wednesday Night Live!**  
**New Fall classes for adults and children!**  
**Wednesday Nights Sept. 5th-Nov. 14th from 6:30-8pm.**



### Adult Classes:

Pastor Luke will be teaching a class based on a book by A.W. Tozer—Prayer: Communing with God in Everything. Watch the bulletin and the August Newsletter for other adult class information & registration.

### Kids Programs:

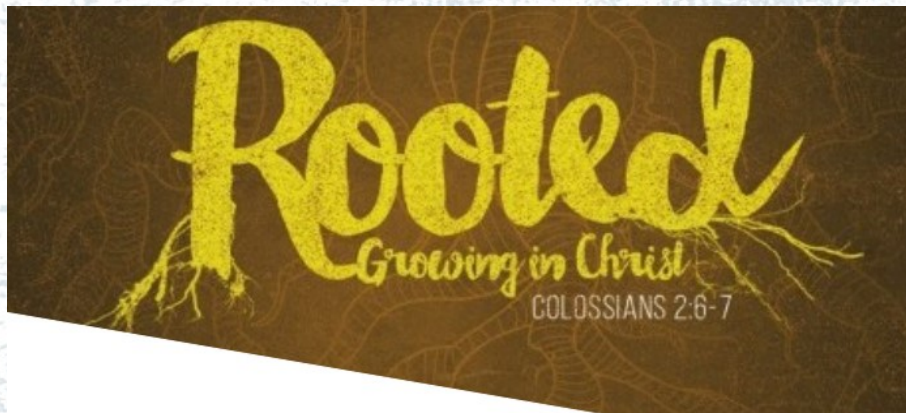
- Kids Club for ages 3 years old through 5th grade.
  - Collide Youth Group— 6th-8th grade.
- High School Collide Bible Study for 9th-12th grade.
- Nursery for 0-2years old.



**All classes and programs are FREE and open to the public. Invite your friends to join us!**  
**To register or get more info visit [www.firstbaptistaledo.com](http://www.firstbaptistaledo.com) or call 582-7812.**



# Men's Ministry/A Word From Pastor Seth



## FBC Men's Rooted CONFERENCE 2018

DATE: Saturday, July 21st

TIME: 8am - 3PM

7am-8am-Tailgate Breakfast

Open To All Men of First Baptist

Location: First Baptist Church-Aledo

### FREE ENTRY

Register on

Sunday's Connection Card

CALL NOW FOR MORE INFO OR REGISTER AT

**309.582.7812**

KEY NOTE SPEAKER



KC Cupp

K + J Living



Lunch Catered by  
Mi Casa Mexican Cuisine



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**Online Registration now available for the Rooted Conference for those who haven't yet signed up via the Connection Card . Visit [www.firstbaptistaledo.com](http://www.firstbaptistaledo.com) and Men's Ministry Tab.**



### Be Renewed Titus 3:5-6

I recently watched "Hells best kept secret" by Kurt Cameron and Ray Comfort after hearing about it on WDLN. This is a video on YouTube and it's free for all to watch. In the video they

talked about evangelism and some of the issues or statistics were alarming to me. They mentioned that out of 100 people that claim to give their life to Christ 80 people will turn away, fall away or backslide from the faith. The alarming number is because, as they suggest, the way we do evangelism or our approach to reaching people. A lot of the approaches is that we tell people to add Jesus to their life. (Continued in next column)

*(Be Renewed-continued)*

Jesus will make your life better, give you your dreams, bless you or prosper you almost like a sale pitch. People then add Jesus to their life and find out that all they were told was false. Nothing got better or in fact things got worse. People then cast it off as a lie and something they have tried and it didn't work.

The truth is that Christ does offer us life but it's eternal life with Him forever. In this world we will have trouble, trials and tribulation, Paul mentions it very well in II Corinthians 4:7-18. This life and all of it is temporary things are passing away. I don't need to add Christ to my life like I've added a budget or added a medicine to help me function. I need to add my life to Christ. Nobody is making it out of this World alive and no-one is making it out of God's presence without judgment. My only hope and my only option to survive God's wrath on sin is Jesus Christ. He isn't something I've tried on and found didn't fit. He is something that wears me everyday and I submit to Him as Lord, I submit to Him as my Master, I submit to Him as a slave and consider it an honor to be His bondservant.

Don't lose heart brothers and sisters. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. Praying for the washing, regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit in us all. God Bless.

~ Pastor Seth



# Women's Ministry

**Women's Ministry Think Tank Meeting-** All ladies are invited to this meeting on Saturday, July 7th at 9am in the Enon Room.

**Praying For One Another** —The Women's Ministry would like to make all women aware of an amazing opportunity for women to serve other women. As you know, we have recently begun a prayer ministry where all the active women of our church are being faithfully prayed for by another woman in the church. We are going one step further with our prayers. Once a month, we will be meeting to collectively pray for a group of these women. By meeting once monthly, in a year, we will have joined together to bring all our women before the Lord! We will meet the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 am in the Enon Room. Our next meeting is July 7<sup>th</sup>. If you feel lead to serve in this way, please consider joining us as we “strive together in prayer.” Romans

15:30 If you are one of our 20 prayer warriors, we will let you know when your list of women is being prayed for. We hope you will attend at that time. But feel free to join us any time. Questions see Jeanne Barber or Peggy Johnson.

**J.O.Y. Circle Meeting**—Our July J.O.Y. Circle meeting is Tuesday, July 24th at 7pm in the Enon Room.



## Check Your Calendar! Women's Thrive Conference



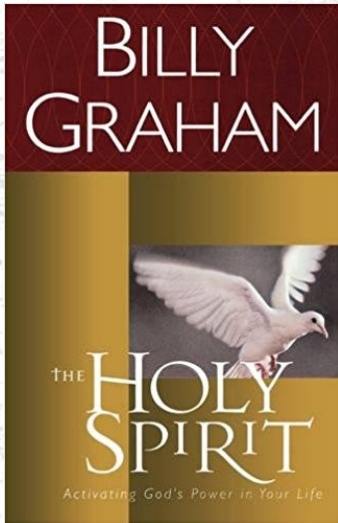
Life Action Camp  
Buchanan, Michigan  
November 2nd-4th, 2018  
Online registration begins in  
August at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).  
Questions, see Jenny Dixon



# Book of the Month/Other Meetings/Thanks!

## Book Of The Month for July "The Holy Spirit" by Billy Graham

With prayerful reverence and focused wisdom, Dr. Graham puts an understandable face on this mysterious third Person of the Trinity: The Holy Spirit is "not an impersonal force, like gravity or magnetism. He is a Person, with all the attributes of personality. But not only is He a Person, He is divine as well.



Exciting, revolutionary power is available exclusively to you as a Christian . . . It is the supernatural power:

- To transform human nature
- To be the salt of the earth, and the light of the world
- To bring about a dramatic but peaceful revolution in those around you
- To face any crisis

You cannot buy this extraordinary power, nor can you find it by searching the earth for it. As a Christian it resides in you already, an awesome gift from God that you have only to claim and use once you know and accept its Source.

Christians are powerful people, Billy Graham reminds us in this inspiring and insightful book, because "we have the mighty power of God available to us through . . . the Holy Spirit," He comes to us with no conditions attached. Jesus simply said, "If I go, I will send Him to you."

Read this amazing book and see anew how this Person can transform your life and give you the power "to be truly good" and "to live victoriously."

**Copies of this book are available in the church lobby for \$12 each or they can be ordered on Amazon.com**

**Deacon Meeting** – Tuesday, July 3rd at 6:30pm.

**Trustee Meeting** – Sunday, July 8th at 11:30am.

**Christian Ed Outreach Meeting** — Sunday, July 8th at 11:40am

## Church Council & Business Meeting



**The Church Council will meet Tuesday, July 10th at 7pm and the FBC Quarterly Business Meeting will be Sunday, July 15th following the 10:15am service.**

## Thank You!



This is written with heartfelt gratitude. This is a HUGE THANK YOU to all ladies for making decorations; doing the decorating and making everything look great for Marty's Graduation Party.

Marty's Graduation Party.

This is a HUGE THANK YOU to all the ladies who made cupcakes and dessert. Plus, THANK YOU to the ladies that supplied the punch and necessities needed for the party.

Special Thanks to Barb Bryant for organizing a large part of this party!

Special Thanks to Cindy Maynard for the delicious cake!  
**PRAISE GOD!**

Sincerely, Darren & Janet Rind & Family





## CPR Class Being Offered At First Baptist In August

Janice Klink will be offering a CPR class on Saturday, August 18th from 830am-1130am at the church. Cost will be approximately \$20. Checks are to be given to Janice. Watch for a sign up coming soon.

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### **The Joy Food Pantry sponsored by the 180 Zone has M-O-V-E-D!**

The 180 Zone Food Pantry that was in Joy, Illinois has been moved to the Keithsburg City Hall. The address of City Hall is 302-14th St., Keithsburg. This is effective immediately. The Pantry in the west end of our county is open the 4th Saturday of every month with a few exceptions for things like holidays and open to help anyone in need of food assistance. In July, the food pantry will be on Saturday, July 21st from 9am-11am at the new location in Keithsburg.



# *Scripture For July*

## **Scripture Reading List**

1. Psalm 93/1st Corinthians 1
2. Psalm 94/1st Corinthians 2
3. Psalm 95/1st Corinthians 3
4. Psalm 96/1st Corinthians 4
5. Psalm 97/1st Corinthians 5
6. Psalm 98/1st Corinthians 6
7. Psalm 99/1st Corinthians 7
8. Psalm 100/1st Corinthians 8
9. Psalm 101/1st Corinthians 9
10. Psalm 102/1st Corinthians 10
11. Psalm 103/1st Corinthians 11
12. Psalm 104/1st Corinthians 12
13. Psalm 105/1st Corinthians 13
14. Psalm 106/1st Corinthians 14
15. Psalm 107/1st Corinthians 15

16. Psalm 108/1st Corinthians 16
17. Psalm 109/2nd Corinthians 1
18. Psalm 110/2nd Corinthians 2
19. Psalm 111/2nd Corinthians 3
20. Psalm 112/2nd Corinthians 4
21. Psalm 113/2nd Corinthians 5
22. Psalm 114/2nd Corinthians 6
23. Psalm 115/2nd Corinthians 7
24. Psalm 116/2nd Corinthians 8
25. Psalm 117/2nd Corinthians 9
26. Psalm 118/2nd Corinthians 10
27. Psalm 119/2nd Corinthians 11
28. Psalm 120/2nd Corinthians 12
29. Psalm 121/2nd Corinthians 13
30. Ephesians 1-3
31. Ephesians 4-6



## **Birthday**

Jeremy Miller	July 1
Bill Smock	July 3
Scott Williams	July 5
Carroll Franks	
Lydia Clark	
Sadie Bonyng	July 6
	July 8
Veronica Moffitt	
Patty Hay	
Marge Goding	July 7
Ellie Smock	July 9
Bree Elliott	July 10
Logan Thomas	
Jackson Huffstutler	July 11
Sharon Moffitt	July 12
Sarah Hess	
Hudson Ringle	July 13
	July 14
Collier Buttgen	July 15
Tanner Hessman	July 16
	July 17
Gordon W. Cooper	July 17
Grace Buttgen	July 18
Katelynn Loving	
Kelly Higgins	
Mindi Schultz	
Kelli Koch	
John Huffstutler	July 19
Trenton Higgins	
Jadon Bowker	
Hollie Johnson	July 20
DJ Smith	
Andrea Noble	July 21
Adell Struble	July 22
Sandi Williams	
Gene Bear	
Jordan Riddell	July 23
Braxton Kellett	July 24
Elijah Brennan Kelly	July 25
Sonja Huffstutler	
Marjie Earl	July 26
Darron Moffitt	
Javin Dellitt	
Taylor Lukaszewski	
Gracie & Essi Lloyd	July 30
Cameron Monson	July 31

## **Anniversary**

Kurt & Renee Diesch

Stewart & Jan Klink  
Brian & Monica Dennison

Claude & Eloise Moreland

Mike & Kathy Sponsler

Brock & Dawn Huffstutler



Dear First Baptist Church Family,  
Thank you so much for all your continued  
prayers for me during my illness.  
Sincerely, Lauryn Russell

Dear First Baptist Church Family,  
We want to thank you so much for all your continued  
support and prayers during our time in Springfield. It was  
awesome to see the Lord work and open so many doors  
for our Lyme Disease Legislation.  
In Christ's Love,  
State Representative Dan Swanson



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**HEALTH AND WELL BEING**

Joe Sproston, Family of Frances Howard, Connie Freeman, Family of Casey Hitchcock, Baby Max, Garen Nelson, Tom Hasson, Kyle Dew, Family of Dick Maynard, Family of Sherry Bieri, Family of Virginia Ewing, Hallee Kammerman, Shirley Harker, Betty Lou Young & family, Bill Searl, Darren Rind, Carol Willits, Doug Jones, Austin Loving, Chuck & Amy Coulter, Mary McMeekan, Kevin Ricke, Dave Barnhouse, Family of Kevin Jones, Family of Valerie Carlson, Dee Dellitt, Sharon Adams, Jack Appleby, Brian Lair and family, Kelly Smet, Theresa Busch, Kirsten Leeper and baby girl, Sophia Carter, Paul Maas, Rod & Chris Rader, Tabby Fitchner, Janet Rind, Amy Hess, Tracy Randolph, Jessica Ruh, Tricia & Rory Conway, Marshall Easley, Veronica Moffitt, Jacee Columbia, Allison Adams, Lisa Hammill, Bob & Myrna Sell, Bill McKinley, Kris Salmon, Calvin Frye, Sheryl Robertson, Doris & Marc Dewey, Pastor Mark Harris, Lisa McWhorter, Marilyn Hessman, Francie Jane Easley, Henry Leichty, Lauryn Russell

**NURSING HOME**

Bill McKinley, Marge Goding, Betty Weeks & Bob Sell

**MISSIONARIES & MILITARY**

Danika Volz & Rigoberto Cruz

Jackson McKay, Brad Olson, Holly Mattson, Joe Elliott, Spencer Zielke, Jon Szalonek, Christopher Schultz, Eric Nelson, Tyler Mattson, Kyle Mandle, Charles Schultz, Terry Schaefer, Matt VanderHeyden & Tara Helmick

**OTHER CONCERNS**

The church & all decisions