

A monthly newsletter for members and friends of
First Baptist Church of Painesville - October 2019

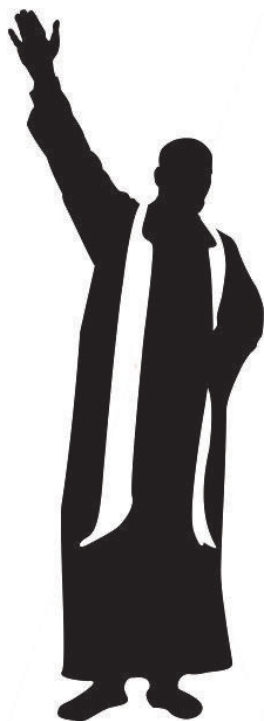
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From the Pastor's Desk

Faith that Works

Faith in God is indispensable to the Christian life. The author of Hebrews capsulized it by writing: *“Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him” (11:6)*. Believing who God is, what He says and what He does is the key to the kingdom of God.



Consider how important the concept of faith is. *You are saved by faith (Ephesians 2:8,9)*, and you *“walk by faith, not by sight” (2nd Corinthians 5:7)*. In other words, faith is the basis for our salvation and the means by which we live. If we are going to continue living free in Christ, we need to keep in mind three simple faith concepts.

Faith Depends on Its Object—the truth is, everyone lives by faith. The only difference between Christian faith and non-Christian faith is the object of our faith. Telling people to live by faith is invalid if they have no understanding of the object of their faith. Your ability to believe isn't the problem; it is the object of your faith that has proven to be untrustworthy. The fact that God is immutable is what makes Him eminently trustworthy (see **Num. 23:19; Mal.3:6**). God cannot change, nor can His Word.

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How much Faith you have is Dependent upon how well you know the Object of your Faith—when people struggle with their faith in God, it is not because their faith object

has failed or is insufficient. It is because they don't have a true knowledge of God and His ways. If you want your faith in God to increase, you must increase your knowledge of God. That is why Paul wrote that *"faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God"* (Rom. 10:17). The only limit to your faith is your knowledge and understanding of God, which grows every time you read your Bible, memorize a Scripture verse, participate in a Bible study or meditate on His Word.

Faith is an Action Word—in the book of James (2:17,18), the writer declares that faith without works is dead. In other words, faith, if it has no works, is dead, being by itself. But someone may well say, you have faith, and I have works; show me your faith without the works, and I will show you my faith by my works. In other words, really believing will affect one's walk and one's talk. If we believe God and His Word, we will live accordingly. Everything we do is essentially a product of what we have chosen to believe.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Edwards

ATTENTION HOSANNA CIRCLE SISTERS



It's meeting time again. Let's begin the 2019-2020 year by attending the Monday, October 7 meeting at 7 p.m. at the home of Jacquie Wolf. (Ask me for directions.) Until then, God bless each of you.

Help First Baptist by Purchasing Giant Eagle Gift Cards



Giant Eagle gift cards are available for you to purchase from First Baptist. We have \$25, \$50, \$100, \$200 gift cards. Purchase them during the week in the office. This is a benefit to First Baptist because we earn 5% of the total we sell!

Recycle Paper



Place your paper to be recycled in the green and yellow *PaperRetriever* bin on east side of the church building. Items accepted: **newspapers, magazines, catalogs, direct mail, office paper, phone books, school paper shredded paper in clear plastic bags.** Items not accepted: **cardboard, cereal boxes, kitchen/bathroom paper products, plastic, metals, garbage.** We can earn between \$5 and \$20 per ton of paper we collect and help the environment at the same time!

A big THANK YOU...

...for your food donations. We are not allowed to give expired food so please check the expiration dates before bringing food items.

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October Birthdays

Jamie Balstad	2
Pastor Anthony Edwards	8
Jeffrey Sell	10
Jacqueline Wolf	13
Judy Spence	19



No October Anniversaries

If you are not included in our birthday and/or anniversary lists and would like to be, please call the office at 440-354-4454. Thank you!



Nursery/Toddler Volunteers (9:50 am)

10/6	Caregiver: Wendy Fredebaugh Helper: Jenny Silbaugh
10/13	Caregiver: Sandy Namestnik
10/20	Caregiver: Amy Whipple Helper: Judy Whipple
10/27	Caregiver: Toni Walker Helper: Jackie Dwyer

Hospitality Volunteers

Greeters

10/6	Hedy Takacs
10/13	Carla Reynolds
10/20	Anna Samples
10/27	Jenny Silbaugh

Welcome Center

Jacquie Wolf
Wendy Fredebaugh & Jackie Dwyer
Lindy Leathers & Mary Anne Kelly
Peggy Ryan

Wednesday Bible Study/Prayer Meeting

Come at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and join in with others who are seeking God's face, praising Him, and then interceding on behalf of others. (Please note that Bible Study/Prayer Meeting will be cancelled on October 9 and October 16.)

Worship Service Scripture Readers

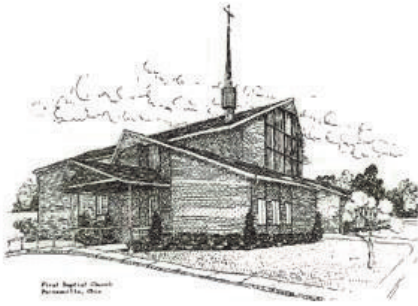
10/6	Jacquie Wolf
10/13	Bob Wolf
10/20	Bev Smith
10/27	Ingrid Balstad



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Weekly & Monthly Events & Meetings

Bible Blast, Youth & ABF - Sundays, 9:00 a.m.

Praise Practice - Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

Worship - Sundays, 10:30 a.m.

Communion - First Sunday of each month, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

1st Baptist Singers - 3rd Sunday of each month, 12:30 p.m.

Hosanna Circle - First Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m. (October, November, February, March, April and May); 6:30 p.m. - (December & June)

Bible Study/Prayer Meeting - Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Mary/Martha Prayer Circle - 2nd Thursday, 10:00 a.m.

“Link” Reports Due - 18th of each month