Lunch & Learn Event Draws Crafty Crowd

Approximately 28 ladies and girls enjoyed a light lunch and rag wreath craft at the May 7 event. Pictured above left: Lynn Hilliard chooses fabric colors for her wreath project; above middle, Natalie Hilliard shows off her creation; above right, Cele LeBlanc's completed patriotic wreath. Special thanks to Kathy Crowe and Bridget Hilliard for coordinating this event.

Youth Ministry Wraps Up Year With Fun & Fellowship

Youth Ministry News

This year has been so much fun with a small, but dedicated group of teenagers in our Youth Ministry! On Wednesday nights we have enjoyed 2D Worship, then games and small group. Special thanks to Nathan and Kristen LaShoto for leading small group on Wednesdays. We wrapped up our year with an ultimate paint ball adventure in May, then recognized our five graduating high school seniors on Graduate Sunday. Next year's Youth Group will look different, but we are confident the new leadership will bring a fresh energy to this important ministry in our church!.

Dear Church Family,

I have enjoyed my time as Interim Children's Minister. Thank you for your encouragement, your prayers and your support.

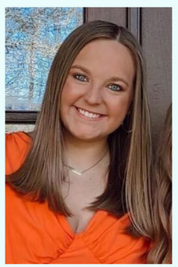
This ministry is so important to the life of our church and it takes all of us working together to keep it moving forward. Please pray, as we continue to look for the person God will use to fill this position. As usual, my family and I will be involved in church activities and spending time with our church family. Our Children's Committee consists of:

Marlee Fleming, Lauren Hill, Bridget Hilliard, Millie Sheffield, Nicole Souther and myself. If you would like to volunteer, have ideas, or questions please feel free to contact any one of us.

As I often say, it takes a **VILLAGE** *and I LOVE our village!*

To God be the Glory!

Love always,
Mrs. Leigh



Welcome Back!

This summer, there will be a familiar face in the Children's Ministry! Kaley Irvin will be leading Sunday morning Children's Ministry activities, for the months of June and July! Be sure to stop by and say hey!

Attention MOSAIC Volunteers!

I know we are accustomed to having a lunch meeting to get all the details about MOSAIC Arts Camp, but we will do things differently this year! Leigh will send a video link via email to each teacher with instructions. Also, each MOSAIC Staff member will need to fill out a NEW background check. Please make every effort to come by the church office during office hours next week (Mon.-Thurs. 8 AM - 4 PM) to fill out a form before Monday, June 12.

HOMEWARD BOUND
A CELEBRATION OF AMERICAN MUSIC
6:00 PM | JUNE 25 | FBC

Due to the tremendous response to last year's concert, our Sanctuary Choir and professional orchestra will present *Homeward Bound: A Celebration of American Music*, Sunday evening, June 25, at 6:00 p.m. in our sanctuary. This musical gift to our community will highlight the music of America, both from our sacred heritage and popular culture.

The sacred portion of the concert will highlight several spirituals and by popular demand end with Mack Wilberg's stunning arrangement of *Amazing Grace* sung by the choir and audience accompanied by the orchestra. And yes, the bagpiper will be back!

The second half of the concert will be a delightful time of sampling music from some of America's leading popular music composers and arrangers such as George Gershwin, along with some stirring patriotic selections. I encourage you to use this event as an opportunity to invite your family and friends to attend and get to know our church.

Help us fill our sanctuary for a time of inspiration and fun, all to the glory of God!

Grateful,
Randy

Surprise! Larry Whitfield Turns 80

From The Northeast Georgian

Evie & Larry Whitfield

Family and friends gathered May 19 to celebrate Larry Whitfield's 80th birthday with a surprise party at Habersham EMC. The Whitfield Funeral Home staff and Evie managed to keep the party a secret.

"It was a such a big surprise," said Larry, "I was really shocked. They pulled one over on me for sure." The Whitfields have been in the local funeral business since 1971.

It was a great day to celebrate Larry and all he does for the community, said Whitfield's General Manager, Everett Huffman.

MINISTRY BUDGET FINANCIAL STATEMENT

April, 2023

Receipts:	$43,515.19	YTD:	$160,952.99
Expenses:	$43,503.61	YTD:	$192,878.52
Net:	$11.58	YTD:	-$31,925.53

Average SS Attendance: 66 Average Worship Attendance: 108

UNIFIED MISSION OFFERING FUND

April, 2023

Beginning Balance:	$20,150.92	YTD:	$15,325.90
Receipts:	$4,454.52	YTD:	$15,147.54
Investments:	-$1,937.00	YTD:	-$7,805.00
Ending Balance:	$22,668.44	YTD:	$22,668.44

Special Gifts: April, 2023

Memorials: Ministry Budget - Dale Blair, Larry Warren

Honoraria: Missions - Marlene Kuntz

Children's Ministry - Pat Carter, Allyson Carter

Ministry Budget - Olga Vyrjikovskaia

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

1st Sunday

No First Sunday Breakfast this month.
10:00 AM - Sunday School
11:00 AM - First Sunday Family Worship

TUESDAY, JUNE 6

No Men's Prayer Breakfast this week.
8:00 AM - Tuesday Crew
9:30 AM - Quilting Ministry

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, JUNE 11

MOSAIC ARTS CAMP June 12-16

10:00 AM - Sunday School
11:00 AM - Worship
12:15 PM - DEACON'S MEETING, FELLOWSHIP HALL
12:30 - CHOIR LUNCH/BONUS REHEARSAL BANQUET ROOM/MUSIC SUITE

JUNE 12-16 MOSAIC ARTS CAMP

8:00 AM - 12 Noon
Church office will close at 2:00 PM Monday-Thursday during camp.

TUESDAY, JUNE 13

7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Stew & Que
6:00 PM - NGTC ESL Awards Banquet, FBC Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

10:00 AM - Sunday School
11:00 AM - Worship

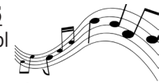
TUESDAY, JUNE 20

7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Stew & Que
8:00 AM - Tuesday Crew
9:30 AM - Quilting Ministry
6:30 PM - BONUS CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, JUNE 25



10:00 AM - Sunday School
11:00 AM - Worship
6:00 PM - ***Homeward Bound, A Celebration of American Music***

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Stew & Que
8:00 AM - Tuesday Crew
9:30 AM - Quilting Ministry

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

Next Month...

Dear Church Family,
Thank you for being such a thoughtful and caring fellowship. Your cards, calls and prayers were greatly appreciated after the recent losses of my grandfather and my uncle.
Sincerely,
Dustin Thomas and Family

Dear First Baptist Church,

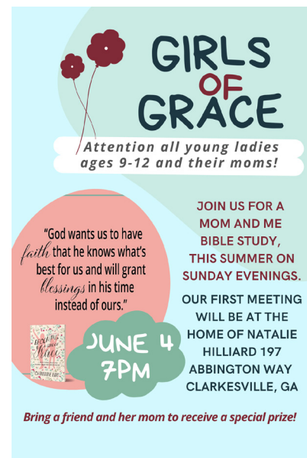
(Letter edited for space)

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for you, our sweet friends at FBC. From the bottom of our hearts, we are so thankful for you and the relationship we have with you. As you know, there's a lot happening on CC Mondays! Not only are we getting together to share knowledge academically, but on the playground and at the lunch table, friendships are forged and hearts are connected. We parents share our wins, our struggles and our prayers. Homeschool can be hard! Life can be hard, but we remind ourselves - within your walls - that God is our strength and our guide and we can do hard things with His help. There's real ministry happening here! So with all sincerity, thank you for hosting us with such gracious hearts. Thank you for your patience when we are noisy in the hallways. Thank you for keeping the air conditioner and heat running upstairs. Thank you for sharing your space with us! You are helping us raise young men and women for the Kingdom.

With all of our love, Classical Conversations of Habersham & Brittany Liberatore, director

June Service Reminder

4th	11th	18th	25th
PATROL	**PATROL**	**PATROL**	**PATROL**
Wade Hasty	Ed Vaughn	Donald Crowe	Mitchell Trotter
Ushers	**Ushers**	**Ushers**	**Ushers**
Phil McClain	Grant Bentley	Donald Crowe	Al Carter
Dennis Tedder	Bill Chandler	Kathy Crowe	Jason Hughes
Ed Vaughn	Myra Chandler	Jack Irvin	Richard McMullan
Patsy Vaughn	Steve Doran	FBC Youth	Mark Reed
	Larry Whitfield		



DEACON OF THE WEEK

BILL CHANDLER	-	JUNE 4
DONALD CROWE	-	JUNE 11
KATHY CROWE	-	JUNE 18
STEVE DORAN	-	JUNE 25

The July *Good Tidings* will be a smaller version of our newsletter as we allocate staff time to learning our new Tithely church management software. We'll share more details about this in August!

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GOOD TIDINGS

OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CORNELIA

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Dear Church,

Over the past year we've had a tradition of gathering for dinner and a devotional called **2D** on Wednesday nights. What started as an idea to incorporate family worship resulted in a regular gathering of well over 60 people coming together to fellowship and grow closer to God. Between the kids playing, good food, worship, and conversations, our time together went better than we could have ever planned. I hope you enjoyed this time as much as I did. I look forward to picking up this tradition in the fall and worshiping with you.

May God watch over your summer, and may you still find ways to worship our Creator.

Grace and Peace,
Nathan

2D FUSION A mid-week worship experience for all ages ROMANS 12:5

Photos from 2D Worship on Wednesdays