



Loving Our Neighbors

Photos left and below: Our FBC Children wrapped up a month of service projects, which included making treat bags for four-legged friends at the Cornelia Dog Park and creating Valentine cards for shut-ins. They capped off their January service month with a visit to the Cornelia Soup Kitchen.

At the Soup Kitchen, Shirley Dillard explained the work of the ministry and lead the children in rolling silverware and packing treat bags for patrons.

Leigh Thomas and Sandy Whaples are hard at work planning a fantastic week of **MOSAIC ARTS CAMP, June 10-14**. Registration coming soon!



Youth News

- **Let's play Glow In the Dark Capture the Flag, Friday, February 23!** This event, designed for 3rd to 7th graders, is free. Invite your friends and family members to come and play on a team from 6 to 8 PM. For more information, contact Sandy Whaples.
- Our youth and older children are planning to attend Passport Camp this summer! To raise money for camp, they will host a **Spaghetti Fundraiser on Sunday, February 25**, following worship. Please see Youth Committee members Carrie Trotter, Kristen LaShoto or Bridget Hilliard for tickets. Tickets are \$10 each.



COFFEE & CONVERSATION

WITH PASTOR NATHAN LASHOTO
of First Baptist Cornelia



WHY LENT?

7:00 PM THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15
BSG COFFEE & CAFE
147 HODGES STREET | CORNELIA



JOIN THE CONVERSATION!

THE ONE ABOUT LENT

Pastor Nathan will lead a conversation about Lent over coffee at Cornelia's newest java spot, BSG Coffee & Café, at 7:00 PM Thursday, February 15. Our hope is to meet old and new friends in our community - outside the church walls - and begin having spiritual conversations with them.

JOIN THE MEDICAL MISSION TO NICARAGUA

Join us as we once again send a team to Nicaragua to work in the mountain villages alongside our friends at FBC Matagalpa this summer. You do NOT need any special skill or talent to be an important part of this team! We don't yet have cost details (but last year's cost was approximately \$1800 per person). We DO know the dates. So mark your calendar for JUNE 1-8 and prayerfully consider if God is calling you to go with us this year! Please contact Rhett or Tammy Weaver, or the church office, if you have questions or are interested in going. - Rhett Weaver

NICARAGUA
MISSION IN THE MOUNTAINS June 1-8 | 2024

FEBRUARY DATES TO REMEMBER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

12 Noon - PrimeTimers Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
Reservations required



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9:45 AM - First Sunday Breakfast, Banquet Room

10:00 AM - Sunday School

11:00 AM - Worship | Week 3 Sermon Series
A Desire to Change



TUESDAYS | FEBRUARY 6, 13, 20, 27

7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Stew & Que



8:00 AM - Tuesday Crew, retired gentlemen enjoying coffee & cake, and doing tasks around FBC. Join the crew!

9:30 AM - Quilting Ministry

WEDNESDAYS | FEBRUARY 7, 21, 28

10:00 AM - Coffee & Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
Pastor Nathan continues his study in The Gospel of Mark

5:15 PM - Fellowship Dinner, reservations required.
Make reservations at fbccornelia.org by Monday at Noon, or bring a brown bag supper.

5:45 PM - 2D Fusion, Fellowship Hall. Join us for a time of worship and a devotional message from Pastor Nathan!

6:15 - 7:15 PM - Children & Youth Activities

6:30 PM - Choir Rehearsal



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

10:00 AM - Sunday School

11:00 AM - Worship | Week 4 Sermon Series
A Desire to Change

12:15 PM - DEACONS' MEETING, FELLOWSHIP HALL

WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 14 | ASH WEDNESDAY

No Morning Bible Study

5:15 PM - Fellowship Dinner, reservations required.
Make reservations at fbccornelia.org by Monday at Noon, or bring a brown bag supper.

6:00 PM - ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE, SANCTUARY
No Children & Youth Groups. Families will participate together in the service. Nursery provided.

6:30 PM - Choir Rehearsal



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | BOOK CLUB | DETAILS TBD



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 | YOUTH FUNDRAISER SPAGHETTI LUNCH

Join us for the Youth Fundraiser Spaghetti Lunch, Sunday, Feb. 25, following worship. Dine in or take plates to go. Meal includes, spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, garlic bread and brownie for \$10. Tickets can be purchased in February on Sundays following worship (cash, check, Venmo, Cash App) or on Wednesday nights (cash, check, debit/credit card). The event will raise money for our youth & children to attend summer camp. Please see Carrie Trotter, Bridgett Hilliard or Kristen LaShoto for details.



A Note from Mary Turner...

Dear precious First Baptist Cornelia friends,

For over fifteen years I have served as your pianist and organist. It has been my honor, joy, and pleasure to serve you for these years; however, due to health issues, I feel I must resign my position and give Randy the opportunity to find my replacement. It is with much sadness that I must make this decision. You have been most supportive and generous to me over these last few months. I will be available to play for funerals, weddings, and other special occasions. My thanks to all of you for the cards, letters, texts, emails, and food. Most of all for all the prayers during my recovery. I pray the year ahead will be a healing one and I can soon return to church.

All my love,

Mary Turner

"We look forward to honoring Mary's years of ministry service to our church in the near future."

- Randy LeBlanc, Minister of Worship & Music

FEBRUARY SERVICE REMINDER

FEBRUARY 4

Deacon of the Week
Rhett Weaver

Patrol
Wade Hasty

Ushers
Phil McClain, Dennis Tedder
Ed Vaughn, Patsy Vaughn

FEBRUARY 11

Deacon of the Week
Rick Bridgeman

Patrol
Ed Vaughn

Ushers
Grant Bentley
Bill Chandler
Myra Chandler
Steve Doran
Larry Whitfield

FEBRUARY 18

Deacon of the Week
Al Carter

Patrol
Donald Crowe

Ushers
Doug Burrell
Donald Crowe
Kathy Crowe
Jack Irvin

FEBRUARY 25

Deacon of the Week
Shirley Dillard

Patrol
Mitchell Trotter

Ushers
Al Carter
John Edmonds
Jason Hughes
Mark Reed

MINISTRY BUDGET FINANCIAL STATEMENT | DECEMBER 2023

Receipts: \$145,533.68 YTD: \$613,702.54

Expenses: \$57,498.98 YTD: \$579,950.74

Net: \$88,034.70 YTD: \$33,751.80

Average Sunday School Attendance: 68

Average Worship Attendance: 102

UNIFIED MISSION FUND | DECEMBER 2023

Beginning

Balance: \$26,251.98 YTD: \$15,325.90

Receipts: \$4,395.52 YTD: \$49,666.01

Investments: \$-17,369.00 YTD: \$-51,713.41

Ending Balance: \$13,278.50

SPECIAL GIFTS -

Honoraria: Budget - Shirley Burton, Hannah Conklin, Tina Pasley, Jane Ferguson, Sarah Gardner, Al & Marlene Kuntz, Lewis & Glenda Moore

Honoraria: Missions - Donald & Kathy Crowe, David & Mary Turner

Memorials: Budget: Linda Doran **Music:** Bobbie Foster