



September Birthdays

- 9-2 Jeff Bright
Timberly Couch
- 9-3 Wenona Winters
- 9-5 Rick Couri
- 9-6 Katherine Morton
- 9-7 Allen Daniels
Joyce Woodruff
- 9-8 Ron Howe
- 9-9 Frank Back
Mary Chronister
Martha Weeks
- 9-10 Mary Goforth
- 9-12 Bob Dorey
- 9-13 Cindy Groom
- 9-15 Frances Butler
Tommy Robertson

UNABLE TO ATTEND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Marjorie Powers-Shoup

(Please reach out to her this week)



**OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
SEPTEMBER 7.**



9/2 Online Streaming of Wednesday Night Bible Study at 6:00 PM. Pastor Troy will teach Unit 6 "God Speaks, Part 2" of *Experiencing God*.

9/3 Pickleball - 6:00 PM
Personnel Committee – **6:30 PM**



Pastor Troy & Karen celebrate their 36th Anniversary September 1st

SEPTEMBER MEMORY VERSE

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

Galations 6:9

LADIES' LUNCHEON

Bring your own lunch and join us for a fellowship time!

September 14 at 11:30 A.M.
Fellowship Hall

From the Pastor

We had a great time on Sunday celebrating the Lord's Supper for the first time in a long time due to the circumstances we live in today. I had not had the pleasure of having the Lord's Supper with our church until Sunday and it was different since we used the individually packaged wafer and juice that worked well even though I miss the passing out of each of the elements and serving the deacons their bread and juice as I did in my last church. I hope that the worship music, communion time, and message blessed your heart as much as it did mine, and we look forward to having the Lord's Supper again on Christmas Eve as we have our candlelight service for all those who will be able to attend this special service prior to the Lord's birthday.

It is difficult to plan very far in advance in our world today, but we can look toward the next four months as being ones of anticipation for the cooler months and the times of celebration for Thanksgiving and then Christmas. Since the schools are finding that there are many challenges with the virus and we will be dealing with many of the same challenges as we encourage them to come, I am postponing our Awana Club start until January. We had hoped to do the start-up of this great program for the children in September or even October, but with the way that this virus is hanging around, we will be better served to let it run its course over the next few months and we can go full force into the new program. I am probably even more ready for our church to attract children and their families than most, but I want everyone to feel excited about serving in this program without big concerns for their health.

I spoke on Sunday about faith and having it as part of our spiritual disciplines. A discipline is a habit that we develop over time and hopefully you have had some great faith experiences through the years. As we looked at the heroes of the faith in Hebrews 11, we see that God spoke to those great people through many means. Some were more traditional like a voice from heaven or angels coming to tell them what they needed to know, but others were from a burning bush or through a donkey. God speaks in many ways and the important thing is that God is speaking, and we need to be listening. We listen with our ears that hear what God is saying through His Spirit and then through our eyes as we see Him working around us. We just need to be ready to do what He is asking us to do when He guides us to do His will.

This weekend we will be looking at fasting, meditation, and prayer and how we can hear more clearly from the Lord when we do all three of these disciplines. We have talked about prayer earlier and know that it is important to stay in constant contact with God through our prayer time, but we will look at what it means to meditate and fast and how they go together very well in listening to the Lord and knowing what to do as we move forward in our personal lives as well as our church's direction. Karen and I are enjoying our 36th wedding anniversary on September 1st which is a blessing to both of us and we are so grateful for all that God has done in our lives together. Have a blessed week in the Lord!

In Christ,
Pastor Troy



FBC Poteau Happenings

Serving, Encouraging, & Showing People FBC Activities

Sunday Life Groups

FBC	9:15 A.M.
Casa de Restauración	11:00 A.M.

Sunday Worship Services

FBC	10:30 A.M.
Casa de Restauración	12:15 P.M.

Staff:

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Mark (2:18-20)

- Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. And people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast? Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? They cannot, so long as they have him with them. But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and on that day they will fast."