Something for everyone in September



FBC LADIES RETREAT Sept. 16-17

Men's Bible Study Mondays @ 7:15 am



KICK-OFF Sept. 14 @ 5pm YOUTH BIG & MESSY EVENT Sept. 3 @ 10:30 am

> IGHTHOUSE Hosted by the FBC Ramsey YOUTH

> > SEPT. 23 6:30 -9:00pm

CHURCH PICNIC Sept. 11 @ 4pm @ RLSP

FROM PASTOR JEFF

"... And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." - Matthew28:20b

Last week was an interesting week for me. I woke up Monday morning absolutely overwhelmed with all the pressures and worries of my life. Our roof is leaking, the oven is broken, some small appliances were fried in the latest electrical storm, issues with family, issues at church, and then to top it all off I had a few minor health issues, as well. Whew! Separately, none of these would be hardly a blip on the screen but collectively, I was drowning.

The old temptations of wanting to doubt or question the care and provision of God began to yell in my ear yet again. But then that small still voice reminded me of something: **He is with me. Be still. Know that I am God.**

Something quite remarkable began to take place. Each one of those concerns began to fade. The issues at church were resolved. My health began to improve. The roof, while still not fixed, is not going to cost as much as we thought. Family issues subsided. And the oven miraculously started working again! But something even better than that happened: Peace and wonder abounded.

His hand was clearly seen and each things were put into perspective as I sat in awe and wonder of a God who loves us so much. It reminded me of a principle we try to live our lives by: "When life seems like it has gotten too big, focus on the God who is bigger, nothing can compare to Him."

What a great and gracious reminder. God is with you when you are struggling. God is with you when it hurts. God is with you when you are drowning. God is with you when you feel overwhelmed. God is with you when others lash out. God is with you when you fall. God is with you when you can't see. God is with you. And He is God.

There is nothing in this world more overwhelming than God - what a great thing!

Following Him,

Pastor Jeff

We will observe the Lord's Supper on Sunday, Sept. 4th at 6pm



Sunday, Sept. 11@ 4pm Ramsey Lake State Park Stokes Memorial Shelter

The church will provide the meat, table service, drinks and condiments. Everyone please bring side dishes and desserts. Bring lawn chairs and lawn games.

R3+ Women's Retreat

Sept. 16-17 This year we're having a retreat for the members and regular attenders of our church at Lake Sallateeska. It will be a great time for our ladies to get connected and be encouraged. Retreat begins Friday at 6pm and ends Saturday at 11am. Sign up in the foyer or contact Stephanie to register.

More details can be found on the Women's Facebook Group & the bulletin board at church Wednesday night activities will move to 6pm starting Sept. 21st. Business Meetings will be at 7pm.

Church offices will be closed Monday, Sept. 5th for Labor Day



<u>Mission Kids Kickoff</u> Kids in Preschool thru 6th grades are invited to a wienie roast and family fun night to kick off the new year of Mission Kids! Wednesday, September 14 @5pm at Ramsey Lake State Park

FROM PASTOR MATT

"So I say to you, *ask*, and it will be given to you; *seek*, and you will find, *knock*, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, it will be opened" *Luke 11:9-10*. Prayer, otherwise known as a conversation with God, is vital to the life of a follower of Jesus and His Church as a whole. In youth on Wednesday nights, we have had a good discussion on the relationship aspect of prayer, the persistence of prayer, and the goodness of God. Speaking of prayer, thank you to those who were able to come out to our night of prayer for the school as well as those who have been praying for the beginning of the school year. I trust that God is going to give the Ramsey School District a wonderful year. Thank you also to those who were able and willing to come serve lunch for the District Staff. It was a great way to serve our schools.

Our GIANT Summer Extravaganza was a BIG hit with the youth. We played eight giant games such as connect four, ping pong, and soccer pool. In addition, we ate mini foods and drank mini sodas. Ty Benhoff was our overall winner with ten other youth winning various other awards.

In September we have a Big Messy Game called **Organized Mass Chaos** scheduled to take place on **Saturday, September 3, 2022, at 10:30am**. The students will have a blast getting doused with shaving cream and water along with possibly rocking out to some air guitar. **Fellowship of Christian Athletes** will start meeting at the school on the **first and third Tuesday at 7:30am** in Mr. Eddy's Room beginning on **September 6, 2022**. The first **Lighthouse** is also going to be **September 23, 6:30 to 9:00pm**.

Mission Kids is beginning in September! Our kickoff will be at 5:00pm on September 14, 2022, at the park. Mission Kids will meet regularly on Wednesday nights starting at 6:00pm. It will be a great time for the kids to learn more about God's Word in fun creative ways.

I started this article talking about prayer and I want to end it talking about prayer. On **Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 7:00am** we will be participating in **See You at the Pole (SYATP).** SYATP is a unique opportunity for students, school staff, and parents to pray publicly together for the school's success, safety, and salvation to take place. Praise God!

Pastor Matt

OWN **it** 365 2022 Reading Through the Bible Together <u>SEPTEMBER</u>

- Luke 1:26-56, John 1:1-14, 1 John 1:1-5
 Matt 1:18-25, Deut 24:1-4, Isa 7:13-14
 Luke 2:1-40, Isa 9:6-7, 1 Tim 3:16
 Matt 2, Micah 5:2-5, Luke 2:41-52
 Matt 3, Luke 3:1-23, Isa 40:3-5
 Matt 4:1-11, Deut 8:1-3, 1 John 2:15-16
 John 1:15-51, Deut 18:15-19, 1 Peter 1:18-19
 John 2:1012, Isa 24:11, John 13:1
 John 2:13-25, John 3:1-21, 1 Peter 1:23
 John 3:22-36, John 4:1-42, 2 Kings 17:24-41
 John 5, John 8:56-59, John 10:29-33
 Matt 4:12-17, Isa 9:1-2, Luke 4:31-44
- 16 Matt 4:18-25, Luke 5:1-11, Matt 9:9-13
- 17 Luke 5:12-26, Mark 1:32-45, Mark 2:1-12
- 19 Luke 5:29-32, Luke 7:36-50, Luke 18:9-14
- 20 Luke 6:1-16, Mark 3:1-21, John 15:12-17
- 21 Matt 5, Matt 6, Luke 6:17-49
- 22 Luke 7:1-16, Matt 8:5-17, Isa 53:4
- 23 Matt 8:18-22, Luke 9:43-62, Matt 16:24-26
- 24 Luke 7:18-35, Matt 11, Isa 35:3-6
- 26 Luke 8:19-40, Mark 4:25-41, Mark 5:1-20
- 27 Luke 8:41-56, Mark 5:21-43, Matt 9:14-38
- 28 Matt 10, Micah 7:5-7, Mark 6:7-13
- 29 Matt 12, Hosea 6:6, Isa 42:1-4
- 30 Matt 13, Isa 6:8-10, Psa 78:1-4

MISSION ILLINOIS OFFERING & WEEK OF PRAYER

September 11-18

Each church a **missionary**

missionillinois.org

Associational Meeting at Bethel Baptist Church Saturday, Sept. 10 @ 4pm

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Addie Eddy
- 2 MyKaela Shouse
- 3 Sandy Worker
- 4 Becky Eddy
- 4 Joe & Amy Hill
- 5 Bob Hoffman
- 5 Paul & Dee Temmen
- 5 Ron & Charlotte Blunt
- 6 Matt & Tasha Oller
- 9 Amy Hill
- 12 Brett Eddy

- 14 Matthew Summerlott
- 19 Jenn Philbrick
- 20 Anna Benhoff
- 20 Leo Thoele
- 24 Candi Hayes
- 24 Jessica Runge
- 25 Gerald & Laurna Casey
- 26 Brailee Lockart
- 27 Juanita Hayes
- **30 Richard Carruthers**
- 30 Shirley Lay

<u>SEPTEMBER</u> <u>FOOD PANTRY</u> Pancake Mix Syrup Dry Cereal Gravy, Biscuit & Muffin Mixes

Canned Soup

Applesauce

Monetary Donations

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September 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Youth OMC @ 10:30am
Sundays	SS 9 am/	Worship 1	0 am			
4 Deacons' Meeting 5pm Lord's Supper PM	5 Labor Day Office Closed	6 FCA @7:30am	7 Youth @6:30pm Adult Bible Study @7pm	8	9	10 Rehoboth Associational Annual Meeting @4pm
11 Church Picnic 4pm	12 Week of Prayer	13 For IL Missions	14 Mission Kids Kickoff @5pm Business Meeting 7pm	15	16 R3 FBC Ladies Retreat →	17 R3 FBC Ladies Retreat
18	19	20 FCA @7:30am	All Activities @6pm	22	23 Lighthouse 6:30-9:00pm	24
25	26	27	28 SYATP @7:00am All Activities @6pm	29	30	