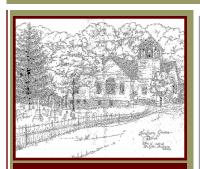
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Upcoming Events

September

5th-Golden Agers 5th-Womens's Fellowship

October

7th-150th Year Celebration





Real Hope For Haiti Update

UPDATE ON MYKENLEY

Mykenley is doing well. He has been having fun during summer vacation. He likes to play with his friends near his home. Sometimes they play soccer in the evening and sometimes they go swim in the river. He also helps his mom sweep the yard.

He tells me his favorite color is blue and he also likes yellow. His favorite thing this school this past year was writing and coloring. He thinks when he gets older he would like to be a doctor or a teacher.

Licia Betor Real Hope for Haiti





BEST-SELLING AUTHOR AND BIBLE TEACHER BETH MOORE TO SIMULCAST HER SEPTEMBER 2018 LIVING PROOF LIVE EVENT AT FAITH COVENANT FELLOWSHIP

Faith Covenant Fellowship presents the Living Proof Simulcast on Saturday, September 22, 2018

Faith Covenant Fellowship excitedly announces the Living Proof Simulcast event with Beth Moore on Saturday, September 22, 2018. Along with Beth Moore, one of today's top women's ministry leaders, worship pastor, and Dove Award recipient Travis Cottrell will lead worship via simulcast.

Since it began 20 years ago, over two million women have experienced Living Proof Live events and simulcasts around the world. "I was brought to tears when the dream the Lord planted in my heart came to fruition," Gail Berube said following the 2017 Living Proof Simulcast. "To see 87 ladies worshipping together in our tiny town from 50 miles around filled me with unspeakable joy. To know that the Lord used me to play a small part was humbling. What an amazing day!"

Living Proof events bring women from all walks of life together for a weekend of biblical teaching, worship, and encouragement.

The Living Proof Simulcast begins at 9:30am on Saturday, September 22. Doors open at 8:30am. The cost of the simulcast is \$20/person. Lunch will be on your own at an area restaurant or you may bring your own and spend time in fellowship at FCF.

To register visit www.fcfnow.org, download and register on our mobile app - Faith Covenant Fellowship, or fill out a registration form and send it to 1010 W Washington Street, Monticello, IN 47960 along with your payment of \$20. If you have any questions, contact our office at (574)583-7928.

In Christ,

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A Moment To Spur And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. (Hebrews 10:24)

Our education was important to our parents. That was why they took the bait when a door-to-door salesman offered a complete set of off-brand encyclopedias. The purchase happened in about 1970. Having the answer to every question asked by humankind under their roof seemed a good idea to my parents.

My sister may have used the set two or three times. She was much smarter and more studious than I. I remember using it once for a school report. I also remember that my gerbil escaped and chewed a hole in the spine of one volume. But that is a traumatic story for another time.

The days of digging through the volumes alphabetically to find the answer to dates of historic events or the accomplishments of Thomas Edison are gone. Today you are one quick Google search away from answering pretty much any question that inquiring minds want to know.

Google is the most-searched search engine in the world and also provides insight into what interests us. I googled (yes, it's a verb now) the top searches in both 2017 and thus far in 2018, and it was a fascinating look into our culture.

What is our culture searching for?

This year it seems Ariana Grande and Lady Gaga were among those who captivated us in the music category, while pop culture had us interested in Matt Lauer and Meghan Markle. Our techie folks were into the iPhone X, and apparently a whole host of

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you people were trying to figure out how to make slime, while others were in the market to lose belly fat fast.

The trending searches of 2017 included these questions:

- How far can North Korean missiles go
- How much will the wall cost
- How many refugees are there in the world
- · How do hurricanes form
- How to help victims in Mexico, Puerto Rico, Houston, and Las Vegas
- How to make a protest sign
- How to run for office
- How to make a difference
- How to be a strong woman
- How to be a good parent

In any given year, it may be a different country, a new natural disaster, or a different variation of social injustice, but it's the same problems painted with new dates, new faces, and new names. Solomon was right in Ecclesiastes 1:9 when he lamented, "What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun."

What is our culture not searching for?

Perhaps even more enlightening is what's missing from the lists of top Google searches. In my admittedly highly unscientific study, I could not find a single list where the Bible or God was listed in the top 100.

Think about this: if Google processes roughly 40,000 searches every second, or 3.5 billion searches per day, and God isn't

even in the top 100 searches--Houston, we have a problem. Our culture is clearly searching for answers to life's tough questions but doing so in ways that will not offer the true wisdom that only God provides.

Who should our culture be searching for?

God is the only source for those seeking true wisdom and answers to life's toughest questions. Solomon said it best: "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding" (Proverbs 9:10).

Who is God? He is our Creator.

Who is God? He is our Creator (Genesis 1); our refuge (Psalm 46:1); our stronghold in trouble (Nahum 1:7); our deliverer (Psalm 18:2); our healer (Exodus 15:26); our provider (Philippians 4:19); our advocate (1 John 2:1-2); the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6).

Technology advances, presidential administrations change, new tragedies persist, yet our culture is still searching for the same answers. As Christians, our challenge should not be in finding the answers but instead helping our culture redefine the question. Our culture is Googling "how" questions when they should actually be seeking "who."

As Christians, we have the one true answer. Jesus Christ is the answer to life's deepest, most important questions.

Solomon concluded there was nothing new under the sun, so he anchored his faith in the One who reigns over the sun. When you put your trust in the One who is sovereign over all things, the One who is the answer to all of life's questions, your life displays the only answer our culture truly needs: Jesus.



September 18

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Women's Fellowship-August 1st 2014

Submitted by Brenda Johns

President Leisha Hill opened our meeting with prayer. Gloria Wharff provided refreshments and read devotions titled "6 Steps to Forgiveness". 11 women answered roll call of "what is the hardest thing you've ever had to forgive?"

Jo Dill passed cards to be signed for the sick and shut ins. Lonetta Felz reported for material aid committee that her and Ron delivered the diapers and wipes collected and that Birthright was extremely appreciative of the donation of items and the \$100 check. Birthright is going to start doing the baby bottle fundraisers in the fall and we discussed that we would probably stop the Matrix baby bottle campaign to support the more local baby bottle fundraiser. We support Matrix in other ways throughout the year. Birthright, ran by Tim and Holly Stewart, offered to give us a tour of their facility. Lonetta is to ask Holly of a good date and if we can incorporate it with our meeting night, Leisha will check on venue for meeting. We had also discussed doing something for Tami Veach, as a school teacher. Donna Riddle had spoken to Tami who said she would get a list together. Brenda Johns motioned that we just give Tami \$100 to get supplies as she needs them. Pat Cotner 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Brunch and Bazaar is October 20th from 8-12. Please be working on projects or thinking of baked goods to provide. Consumable items and homemade items that can be purchased for gifts seem to sell the best. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and all are encouraged to participate. Gently used items will be accepted as well for the gently used table.

Craft day is Saturday, August 11. 9 to 5. Donations of books, magazine, hotel samples, gently used items, etc. Don Hughes has always been very gracious to deliver these items. Please keep your secret sister in prayer and bless her with a card or small gift from time to time. Thank offering will be taken in November so please continue to throw some money in a jar as you are reminded of your blessings!

Brenda Johns will be collecting for the Matrix Super Hero Walk on September 29th. She has not decided whether she will attend this year or not but will collect for their fundraiser. Brenda motioned that we give \$100 toward this fundraiser as we have in the past. Gloria Wharff 3nd motion, motion carried.

Meals are being taken to Barb Pelligreni to help her and her family while she is going through chemo treatments. Angie Altman will deliver them. Please see Angie if you have any questions. Lonetta Felz motioned that we give Amy a Kroger gift card for \$100 to assist her while she is off work due to back injury. Leisha Hill 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Brenda shared invitation from The Ark for their annual Ladies Retreat to be held September 14-15. Information is on the table in back of sanctuary. Several from our church have attended these over the years and it was fun and inspirational.

Brenda Johns closed meeting with prayer.

Golden Agers

Submitted by Violet Hughes

The Golden Agers met August 1, 2018 at the home of Ruth Crawn with 17 persons present. Don Hughes opened the meeting with prayer followed by a carry-in meal which was enjoyed by all.

Ann Bowman gave devotions using a story of a young boy thanking God for the ice cream he was hoping mom would buy for dessert, a story emphasizing the importance of focusing on the message at worship service and not the people around us and a devotional on the difference between joy and happiness. We were happy to have Pastor Erick join us and lead us in prayer for concerns in the church. Our next meeting will be held at Gary Reedy's on Sept 5th. All retirees are welcome!

Ice Cream Social

Submitted by Brenda Johns

We had a beautiful day for our annual Ice Cream Social that was held on August 19th from 4-6 PM.

We served about 85 people and raised \$1830 in free will offerings for the Idaville Fire Department. We had representatives from both Monticello newspapers there!

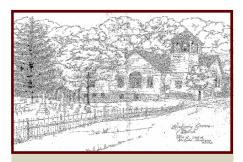


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Have something you want to share...

If you have any minutes to meetings, class party info or anything you think the rest of us might enjoy hearing about, please get it to Amy or Brenda. We can be reached at:

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Sundays in Review...

Did you miss a Sunday recently? No problem, you can now borrow a taped copy of the Sunday service! Copies are made every Sunday to be distributed to Shut-ins or those who were absent for whatever reason. Just contact anyone from the church, and they can get you a copy!