

TODAY: September 23

- 8:30a—Deacon’s Prayer
- 8:45a—Prayer Time (all ages)

THE WEEK

- Tues.** Sept. 25—2:00p Funeral Service for Velma Nelson at the church
- Tues.** Sept. 25—7:30p-8:30p **TVCBS** (*Treasure Valley Center for Biblical Studies*) classes begin at the church Cost is \$50 (includes study guide) (second family member free, sharing study guide)
- Thurs.-Sat.** Sept. 27-29 **Ladies’ Retreat** with speaker Louise Carey at Camp Pinewood in McCall— Registrations & carpool sign ups available on the Women’s Ministries table in the foyer
- Sept. 28-29—**5:15—5:45p Check-in Friday evening or 8:45—9:15a Check-in Saturday** **AWANA Children’s Ministries Conference**—For your convenience choose best day or both days—at Ustick Baptist in Boise— Cost is \$25 at the door—Pastors are free
- Sat.** Sept. 29—9:30a-11:30a **Security Safety** Meeting in the East Wing

[weekly activities are listed on the back of the bulletin]



- Oct. 2— 11:30a **J.O.Y.** Group Potluck Lunch at the church—Food Assignments: A—F = Dessert; G—M = Main Dish; N—Z = Salad—Guests will be Bill & Lauren Daniels the Directors at Camp Pinewood
- Oct. 4—9:30a Pastors’ Fellowship Meeting in the Conference Room
- Oct. 6—9:00a—4:00p **Fall Bible Conference** at MFBC



with Dr. Abner Chou who serves as Associate Professor of Bible—

Sign up in the foyer
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- Oct. 10—6:30p **AWANA “Sports Night”**—wear your favorite sport team colors
- Oct. 25—6:00-9:00p **TRUNK OR TREAT** downtown Meridian—MFBC will have a designated area to hand out treats, Gospel tracts , and information regarding our church
- Oct. 28—**Reformation Sunday**
- Nov. 11—5:00p Annual **Ingathering** Banquet at the church—Special Offering: Fifes \$10,000; Short Term Mission trip to Russia \$5,000; Akakpo Van \$3,000; Touchstones Aquaponics \$2,000; Additional Fifes



Ministry Assignments

September 23:

Greeters: Hendricks (F) Ham (B)
Ushers: Thane / Vio / David / Mike S.
Nursery:

- **AM:** Brian & Mary Ann
- **SS:** Jean / Kathy C.
- **PM:** Joanna / Niccole

Children’s Church: Kara (Teacher) Iyana / Anna (Helpers)
Junior Church: Josh & Lisa
PM Children’s Ministries: Zach & Kim
Sound Booth: Audio/Alex (AM & PM)
Video / Christopher (AM & PM)
Safety Team: Mike M. (AM) Jim D. (PM)

September 30:

Greeters: Hafen (F) Luke (B)
Ushers: Donn / Carl / Alan / Lloyd
Nursery:

- **AM:** Annette / Katie
- **SS:** Marietta / Annette
- **PM:** John & Erin

Children’s Church: Kara (Teacher) Carol / Colette (Helpers)
Junior Church: Josh & Lisa
PM Children’s Ministries: Michelle
Sound Booth: Audio/Christopher (AM & PM)
Video / Scott (AM) Garrett (PM)
Safety Team: Luke (AM) Elaine (PM)

From our Safety Team

- Please lock your vehicles during all church services.
- We are looking for more team members. Please contact the church office. 208.888.1109



We need more volunteers for our Nursery Ministry. Thank You!

James & Melissa Fife
One-year ministry in Togo
Goal: **\$75,000**
Needed: Approx. **\$21,912.50**



MERIDIAN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

September 23, 2018
9:30 AM Service

Pianist: Michelle
Song Leader: Jim

Welcome/Announcements

Hymn **#94—Praise Him! Praise Him!**
Song—*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*
Hymn **#407—It Is Well With My Soul**

Greetings

Prayer & Offering: Pastor Dave
•Welcome Guests

•Special Music: Niccole

Song—*Redeemed*

[Dismiss Children]

Message: *Mountain Top Experiences*
Text: Various Kevin Albertson

Closing Hymn

6:00 PM Service

Pianist: Scott
Song Leader: Kelly

Special Music: Janice

Message: *I Love The Lord Because . . .*
Text: Various Kevin Albertson

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES
FOR AGES 2-5 YEARS OLD DURING THE PM SERVICE

MISSION FOCUS September



Jerry & Angie Berheim

AWANA

PRAYER and PRAISE REQUESTS:

- Pray for the Allen Bailey family, AWANA Missionaries in NC—Allen went home to be with the Lord on Aug. 10th.
- Pray for boldness to reach out and invite individuals and churches to financially support us monthly to reach, equip and change the world.
- Pray for preparation for AWANA Ministry Conferences this Fall.
- Pray for travel mercies over the next several months.
- Pray for us to balance family and ministry.
- Praise for connecting with over 25 churches during our Summer Connection Meetings across our area.
- Praise for safety of travel both locally and across the US.
- Praise for our many financial ministry partners who join with us each month.



Deposit Report 2018
September General Fund
Budget: \$49,236.15

WEEK: September 16, 2018
General Fund: \$6,508.31
Special Funds: \$14,250.97
Deposit: \$20,759.28
MONTH: SEPTEMBER
General Fund: \$28,038.18
Special Funds: \$17,344.22
Deposits: \$45,382.40

Gleanings from our Seasons
And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years,” Genesis 1:1

September 24 & 25 2018



Sukkot Quick Facts

- Hebrew Meaning of Name:** “Booths” or “Tabernacles”
- Transliterations:** Succos, Succot, Sukkos
- English Name:** The Feast of Tabernacles, The Feast of Booths
- Western Calendar Month:** September or October
- Jewish Calendar Date:** Tishrei 15–22
- Duration:** Seven days
- Establishment of Sukkot:** In the Bible: Leviticus 23:33 ff.

Purpose of Sukkot

Sukkot, the Feast of Booths, commonly goes by another name: “The Season of our Joy,” for joy predominates on this holiday more than any other. Jewish people around the world construct sukkot(singular: sukkah), frail huts or booths that remind us of God’s provision and our dependence on Him. Sukkot is a memorial to remind us of the building of booths during our ancestors’ wanderings in the wilderness: “The Feast of Tabernacles was an annual reminder to the people that God is the Great Shepherd who has chosen to ‘tabernacle among them,’ to protect and bless them wherever they wander.”[1]

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. John 7:37–39

In speaking of the “living water,” Yeshua drew a connection between the spiritual gift he would give and the spring of Siloam where water was drawn for the water-drawing ceremony, as well as with the “wells of salvation” mentioned in the book of Isaiah. Later he calls himself the Light of the World, again referring to the symbols of the holiday (in this case, the illuminated Temple) as harbingers of his arrival: “The Light of the World statement, like the Living Water statement, had a rich theological backdrop. Jesus was once again referring to a wealth of messianic prophecy that many would recognize.”[2]

When Jesus stood in the Temple claiming to be the Light of the World, He was making a radical statement. Those who say that Jesus never claimed to be God have not dealt with this statement. To stand in the middle of the Temple in conjunction with the Feast of Tabernacles and say, “I am the Light” was like saying, “I am the Shekinah, I am the pillar of fire.” It’s hard to imagine a more graphic claim to deity.[3]

* (1-3)Christ in the Feast of Tabernacles (Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2006).

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