

TODAY: NOVEMBER 8

- ◆8:30a—Elder & Deacon Prayer Time
- ◆8:45a—Prayer Time (all ages)
- ◆11:00a —Sunday School Classes (all ages)
- ◆No Choir Practice
- ◆5:00p Ingathering Banquet

James & Melissa Fife leaving this morning for training at ABWE headquarters in Harrisburg, PA. They will be returning on Nov. 21.

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

**November 8:**  
**Ushers:** Mike S. / Carl / Alan / Yuriy  
**Nursery:**  
• **SS:** Gloria / Robin  
**Sound Booth: Audio:** John / Kalen/ Sarah (AM & PM)  
**Safety Team:** Kent (AM) Alan (PM)

**November 15:**  
**Ushers:** Jason / Thane / Yuriy  
**Nursery:**  
• **SS:** Olga / Nadia  
**Sound Booth: Audio:** Yakov/Alison/Jonathon (AM & PM)  
**Safety Team:** Mick (AM) Elaine (PM)

**AWANA Christmas Project:**  
Collecting new pillows for the Boise Rescue Mission—Please bring your pillows to the church no later than Dec. 16th.

**Email Prayer Chain Note:** If you prefer not to receive the church prayer request emails please open the email and at the bottom there is the option to unsubscribe or change preferences. Thank You.

Deposit Report 2020	
November General Fund Budget:	
	<b>\$48,925.96</b>
<b>WEEK: November 1, 2020</b>	
General Fund:	\$18,449.00
Special Offering:	\$4,400.00
Deposit:	\$22,849.00
<b>MONTH: NOVEMBER</b>	
General Fund:	\$20,240.00
Special Offerings:	\$4,774.10
Deposits:	\$25,014.10
<b>Building Fund Balance as of 10/31/20</b>	
	<b>\$699,265.00</b>

MERIDIAN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**November 8, 2020**  
**9:30 AM Service**  
Pianist: Sara M.  
Song Leader: Benjy

Welcome/Announcements: Benjy  
Hymn **#44—Come Praise and Glorify**  
Song—*Psalm 89:1-13*  
Song—*Psalm 89:14-33*  
Song—*Psalm 89:34-52*

Message: *Our Covenant-Keeping God*  
Text: Psalm 89 Pastor Randy  
Closing Song: *All Praise to Him*



Annual Ingathering Banquet  
5:00 PM Service

Pianists: Scott / Yakov  
Song Leader: Benjy  
Song #33—Oh, How Good It Is  
Special Music: Jennifer  
Song #353—O Church, Arise  
Speaker: Ben Blakey/Compass Bible Church  
Offering Project: Truth Family Bible Church (Middleton Church Plant)

Prayerfully consider how you may participate with our **Continuing in Faithfulness** Building Campaign over the next three years.

Check the Missionary Board in the north hallway for recently posted missionaries prayer letters.



MISSION FOCUS

November



Dave Lunsford

Director Baptist Network NW

- Thank you for your support in prayer and giving.
- At the end of May I produced my first ever home recorded sermon at the request of Eastgate Bible Fellowship—it took three tries but I was pleased with the results. That message, which is a retrospective on how God answered prayer during Sue's illness and death, is available on Vimeo at <https://vimeo.com/42377047>
- Since May I have visited 9 churches and spoken in most of them—happy to report that our churches have adapted to the COVID safety protocols and are continuing to do the Lord's work in a challenging time.
- I completed class #9 in my Doctor of Ministry program—now in class #10, the final class in a long journey.
- Took part in a seminar/workshop on church planting at ABWE headquarters—we plan to make sure church planting continues to be a vital part of our ministry.
- We were able to have Sue's memorial service on August 1st.
- Thank you for your prayers for me as I adjust to life without Sue.



Excerpts from Good Booklets

**PEACEMAKING Principles**  
*Responding to Conflict Biblically*

"At the heart of most conflicts are desires -either good or bad- that have become controlling demands. We can break free from conflict by renouncing those demands and asking God to help us find all of our security, joy and fulfillment in Christ alone."

**THE SEVEN A's OF CONFESSION**

*Matt. 7:3-5; 1 John 1:8-9; Prov. 28:13*  
**ADDRESS** everyone involved  
**AVOID** if, but, and maybe  
**ADMIT** specifically  
**ACKNOWLEDGE** the hurt  
**ACCEPT** the consequences  
**ALTER** your behavior  
**ASK** for forgiveness

**THE FOUR PROMISES OF FORGIVENESS**

*Matt. 6:12; 1 Cor. 13:5; Eph. 4:32*

- I will not dwell on this incident.
- I will not bring this incident up and use it against you.
- I will not talk to others about this incident.
- I will not allow this incident to stand between us or hinder our personal relationship.

**THE PAUSE PRINCIPLE OF NEGOTIATING**

*Phil 2:3-4; Matt. 7:12*  
**Prepare**  
**Affirm**  
**Understand** interests  
**Search** for creative solutions  
**Evaluate** options objectively and reasonably

These principles and more will be taught during our final *How to Disciple and Counsel from the Scriptures Conference* as part of the advanced track on **Nov. 20-21**. If you've completed the 30 hours of the fundamentals track, we invite you to register for this track. We are also inviting this up to our elders and deacons as a stand-alone conference. Now, take time to look up those passages above. Keep this in your Bible for a useful bookmark.  
**"Blessed are the peacemakers..."** Matthew 5:9

- Pastor Dave Duron

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

- Tues.** Nov. 10—9:30a WM *Quilting Day* at the church
- Fri. & Sat. Nov. 13-14**— 10:00a—4:00p (Fri.) 9:00a-3:00p (Sat.) *Pinewood Country Christmas Craft Show* at MFBC —need crafters and vendors—Free Admission with canned food donation.

[other activities listed on the back of bulletin]

SAVE THE DATE!

- Nov. 15**—5:00p Missions Committee Meeting in Room N126
- Nov. 20-21 ACBC Biblical Counseling Conference**—*How to Disciple & Counsel from Scripture*—Register online at [mfbc.org](http://mfbc.org)
- Nov. 25**—7:00p Special Thanksgiving Service
- Dec. 5**—9:00a **New Members Class**  
If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact our church office at 208.888.1109. Thank you.
- Dec. 13—9:30a *Christmas Carols*
- Dec. 20—9:00a *Christmas Brunch*
- Dec. 20—6:00p *Children's Christmas Program*
- Dec. 24—5:00p *Christmas Eve Service*

