FIRST THINGS FIRST

July 2025



SUMMER SPARK

FBC hosted Altavista Outreach and Enrichment's SPARK program on June 25th. The theme for the day was Creative Building. It was a very hot day outside but the blessings were many. We provided 25 food bags for families with food insecurity. Our volunteers assisted with program set-up, crafts, snacks, book selections, building activity, and food bag distribution. Miss Carolyn even taught the children a song during craft time.

PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION

We had a great time of fellowship at our annual 4th of July Celebration on the evening of June 29th! We enjoyed hot dogs with all the fixin's, homemade ice cream, and patriotic songs and games.





FELLOWSHIP FUN DAY

On June 19th, "Ladies of FBC" travelled to Roanoke for their first Fellowship Fun Day. The day included shopping at Hamricks, lunch at The Great 611 Steak Company, lots of laughter, and dodging fallen trees. It was a great day!

ACTIVITY CENTER NEWS

As you are aware, we are moving forward to put the White House on the market to sell. If you donated items to help furnish the house and would like to have those items back, we gladly offer you the opportunity to come get them. Please contact the Sabbath Rest Committee for assistance. We would like to have these items picked up as soon as possible, no later than August 11th.

You will see other activity at the house as we are working to get our Parish Nurse moved to her new space and things being done to make the house market-ready.

MINISTRY TRAINING

August 16th at Sommersett Baptist Church; 9am - 3pm (lunch provided)
Led by Kristen Scott of the BGAV Impact Team; Cost is $10 per person
Call the SRBA office at 434-369-4685 by August 1st to register; contact Carlton Gunter for more info.

BREAKFAST HOUR

The next breakfast will be on September 28th at 9:30 am in the fellowship hall. A sign-up sheet for food is posted on the bulletin board at the kitchen entrance.

THANK YOU

Marty and I are so very appreciative for all the prayer, cards, visits, and food, we received while he was in the hospital and after he came home. We believe in prayers and we felt them. We are truly thankful to have FBC as one of our church families.
- With love, Marty and Donna

FULLERS IN THAILAND

The Fullers recently celebrated 30 years of ministry in Thailand! They have been in the village of Dong Noi for 25 years. They have seen the Lord work in mighty ways and they greatly appreciate our support!

PASTORAL UPDATES

Alden's plane will land in Roanoke on the evening of July 31st. He will take that weekend to rest and recover in order to "reset" and prepare for a new routine. We will have a reception after the service on August 3rd to thank R.G. Rowland for filling in these last few weeks.