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First Baptist Church Augusta, KS - May Newsletter

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Melissa's Message	Page 2	<p>Hello First Baptist Family,</p> <p>Ms. Melissa here to give you a brief rundown of what this summer will hold for Children's Ministry! First of all, this time last year, I was hosting VBS meetings on zoom and dropping off Awana awards on families' doorsteps. Even though circumstances did not allow us to have a normal VBS and camp, we made the most of things last summer. Praise God, this year we are excited to be moving forward with our traditional VBS in June and Children's Camp in July!</p> <p>he theme for VBS this year is about building a strong foundation on Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:6 says, "He who started a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." I'm so thankful for that promise! Now more than ever, our kids need to know who to build their life upon! As we prepare for VBS, we would love for you to join us in praying for our team and the kids that God will bring. You can pick up a VBS prayer calendar in the foyer or find it on our church website. If you are interested in joining us as a volunteer, please reach out as we can use lots of helping hands that week! We can always use assistance ahead of time with prep work if that's more your comfort zone. Another way to serve is by helping prepare food for our hospitality and snack room. VBS is June 21st-25th from 9-12 in the morning.</p> <p>I'm not sure if you've ever been to church camp but trust me when I say that it's one of our favorite weeks of the year! Camp will be held at Wheat State again this year; it is close by and they offer great activities and yummy meals! FBC brings our own counselors, curriculum, organized games and crafts. This year our "Focus" is on Jesus, the one who started our faith and the one who completes it. (Hebrews 12:2a) I love how VBS and camp themes overlap because it's all about Jesus. That is the most important thing we can share with these kids. Camp will be for kids going into 3rd-5th grade and will be July 25th-28th. You can register for both VBS and camp on our church website!</p> <p>I want to close by saying Thank You!! Thank you to Pastor Rick and Sherry for creating an environment where kids are welcomed, loved, and included. Thank you to the many volunteers who faithfully serve; children's ministry could not exist without you! Thank you for your prayers and financial support to help make these events possible! We have been blessed to see 4 baptisms this year in Awana and several on Sunday mornings! God is at work in our children's hearts and it is exciting! If you would like to be a part of what God is doing just let me know!</p> <p>May the Lord bless and keep you as you go.</p> <p>Melissa</p>
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4/6/21 Michael Murphy - Father of Marc (Emmy) Murphy

4/13/21 Gerald Tilley - Husband of Bertie Tilley



Just a note to let you know that I appreciate the yard work that was done on my yard. Thank you very much!

May God Bless you,
Ms. Ruth Hollis

Thanks for all your help...your kindness has made all the difference. Your work at my home on Sunday was so appreciated! Shirley Davis

Just a note in reference to the funeral service for my sister-in-law, Elaine Cooper, held March 27th. Everyone at the church was so kind and gracious. A special Thank you to Pastor Neubauer and to Elaine's Sunday School Class for the wonderful meal. It was much appreciated. Again, thanks to everyone.

Your sister in Christ,
Kathryn (Cooper) Smith

Thank you for partnering with us for Alyssa's Gifts! We appreciate your gift of love for this ministry that was so special to Alyssa. In the words of Jesus, Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me. Matthew 25:40. God Bless You, True Life Church

I really appreciated the crew that cleaned & mowed my yard! Thank you very much, Nan Boerup

First Family News



3/26/21 Kenadey Bratton had a baby boy and both are doing well.

River James Craig Todd. Grandson of Ken & Cherilyn Bratton

4/8/21 Nora Mae Burrows parents Drake & Lydia Burrows, grandparents Tim & Stacey Todd, great-grandmother Dorothy Todd



I just wanted to let you know I think what you are doing in the community recently is wonderful!! People so need that. Hopefully this outreach is helping people (in these tough times) and may even help someone who is alone and may otherwise give up. I was very touched by the praying for everyone as well. Kudos to you all.

Liz Rucas

Dear First Baptist Church Family,
Thank you so much for the donation of two Bibles to be distributed by the Gideons in Mike's memory. This is a very fitting gift, and we are honored you thought of our family.
Marc & Emmy Murphy

Our Mission at FBC

To help people:

- **Belong**-feel welcomed, valued & connected in the church community.
- **Believe**-develop a relationship with Jesus by grace through faith.
- **Become**-passionate followers of Jesus who live out our faith in every aspect of life.

First Baptist Church Information Central

You can keep up with all things FBC through our web page and social media platforms.

Pastor Rick Neubauer

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FBC Augusta Children's Ministry (KS)

Deadline for the June LINK by May 24th.

Thank You, Cindy

Administrative Assistant



DEACON MINUTE

As we approach May I want to celebrate April. There were several activities in April that I believe are important as we daily/weekly become the local church God wants us to be for each other, Augusta and beyond. I wish I could tell you that I participated physically in all these things, but God had other plans for me. As a church body you had a great Easter celebration. All indications are that the three services and reservations allowed those that wanted to attend in person for Easter got the opportunity to do so comfortably despite the ongoing concerns with the virus. Praise God, he allowed us to celebrate his resurrection! The following week with BE THE CHURCH several of you were able to go serve in a tangible way with those in our church and community that needed a little help with projects. On the 18th we hosted the food trucks in the parking lot and were able to share space, opportunity to meet others, and open FBC in a different manner to our neighbors and community in hopefully an incredibly positive way. For me personally I spent these three weeks dealing with an infection of the virus with sixteen days in the hospital. It gave me time to pray and ask for God to show us as a church what is next. Personally, I have been so pleased with the Staff's focus this spring on Service and Prayer. I believe God has reinforced in me a desire to be more obedient in these areas as we move forward, and I pray that He is touching you also. We cannot pray enough, that is just a fact. God wants to communicate with us and our relationship with him is everything. Although he is all knowing he wants to hear from us, he wants to whisper his plans for us. He wants us to know how and where we can serve him at FBC. The focus on Service currently is about developing our relationship with God and each other. Is it much to ask of us to give some of our time back to him? There are multiple small jobs that if we would step up to help with, so much more could be accomplished. For virtually every service we have today there is a need for three to four people to make the technology work. The lighting, the sound system, the information of text and other graphics on the screens, the live stream into the Friendship Room and the live stream out to all of those who for whatever reason can't be in the building this week. I don't know how many volunteers we actually have for these endeavors but I know we don't have enough because some of the ones doing the technology are also hurrying down in first service to also sing in the choir and some Sundays can't sing because there is no one to do the technology part. I am not saying that a singer is more or less important, just that without both, a part of our Worship time together

Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Romans 12:11

suffers. We have a core of greeters, but we always need more. How many visitors never get a hello or welcome because we tend to want to catch a friend as opposed to be looking for that new person. Again, we don't want to ignore those in either group, but we typically only focus on one thing at a time, and time always seems to be an issue. So would you commit to getting a little training once a month volunteer to help out? In my time of illness, I have reflected on what God wants me to do. I believe even with what I am doing, I need to consider can I do a little more. Vacation Bible School and kids summer camps are coming up. Will you help with these things?

Growing together,

Jim Beadle

Deacon Chair



May 8th 7:30am
Augusta Prayer Breakfast In the Friendship Room

Contact Charles Klassen for more information about Stephen Ministry

stephen MINISTRY

Get in on the ACTION

Would you like to be part of a ministry that makes a real difference in others' lives when they need it most—and in your own? Consider becoming a Stephen Minister!

Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who provide one-to-one caring ministry to people experiencing grief, divorce, loneliness, job loss, hospitalization, and many other life difficulties.

Stephen Minister training equips you to do an excellent job as a Stephen Minister as well as to improve the quality of all your relationships. Topics include—

- listening
- feelings
- confidentiality
- providing Christian care
- maintaining boundaries
- crisis theory and practice
- ministering to people experiencing grief, divorce, hospitalization, illness, and more

Once equipped, Stephen Ministers are prayerfully matched with people who are going through a stressful time or life difficulty. A Stephen Minister meets with this person once a week for about an hour to listen, care, encourage, and pray. The Stephen Minister brings Christ's presence into the person's life and also experiences Christ in the other person. It's really a life-changing ministry for both the care receiver and the Stephen Minister.

If you'd like to learn more about how to become a Stephen Minister—talk with one of our pastors or Stephen Leaders.

"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." —Galatians 6:2



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FBC Augusta Children's Ministry (KS)

Important Dates and INFORMATION

- ⇒ Sunday School: We are moving into the resurrection of Jesus and his return to Heaven. Come join us as we dive into God's Word!
- ⇒ Nursery is available for all services and Sunday School time.
- ⇒ May 5th will be the celebration of our final AWANA for this semester. It will be held in the west parking lot.
- ⇒ June 21-25 will be VBS week! Sign-up now at <https://vbspro.events/p/1501>
- ⇒ July 25-28 is Elementary Summer Camp!



May Schedule:

5th.....Awards night and final celebration



VBS June 21-25!



Overnight Camp @Wheat State Campground



July 25-28



Mothers of Preschoolers
& Beyond

DECIDE TO RISE

MOPS 20-21 at FBC Info.

- In-person meetings meet in the Friendship Room.
- 2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month.
- 9-11am/Friendship Room
- Nursery provided
- 3 Additional Nursery Workers needed
- Two Monitors for Homeschool room needed (18 & older)

New safety measures will be provided: Temperature checks for adults & children required.
Masks not required but OK to wear.

Call or email the church office to volunteer!





First Baptist Church Missions

- Adult Mission Trip
- Community Ministry Projects
- Counseling Center
- Deacon's Benevolence
- Missions Discretionary
- Personal Growth Scholarship
- Augusta Wyldelife
- Central Kansas Prison
- Community Caring Center
- First Baptist Preschool
- Pregnancy & Family Resource Center
- Sunlight Children's Advocacy
- Bacone College
- Bethel Neighborhood Center
- Murrow Indian Home
- Union Rescue Mission
- AWANA-Tyler O'donnel
- Avant-Lee Svanda
- Discovery Ministries-Leah Fuller
- Ethnos360-Walter Spicer
- Ethnos360-Jeremiah Markley
- International Ministries-Gutierrez
- Koinoneo Inc-Jennifer Hill
- One Collective-Michael & Whitney Bryant
- Navigators-Brandon Crouch
- YWAM-Ariel Tatum



Dear Friends in Bible Study Fellowship,
I don't know if the gifts have been separate from the church or not, but we wanted to thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support over the years. We also saw the additional gift of \$435 last month,. Thank you and we appreciate you all and your ministry in our lives.

Serving together,
Walter & Cheryl Spicer



➡ Pray for God's protection over the homeless in Wichita. Pray for God's help as they rebuild their lives after the challenges of 2020.

➡ Pray for hurting guests to experience God's love at the Mission. May 6, 2021

➡ Pray for God's provision of food & supplies to care for the

FREE Food Boxes and Milk



- No income requirements, no paperwork
- Pick up at the Augusta Methodist Church, 2420 Ohio (in the back)
- For more information call 316.619.3818
- Every Saturday until further notice!

Augusta Christian Counseling Center

First Baptist Church
1501 State Street
Augusta, KS 67010
(316) 775-7545



The Augusta Christian Counseling Center:

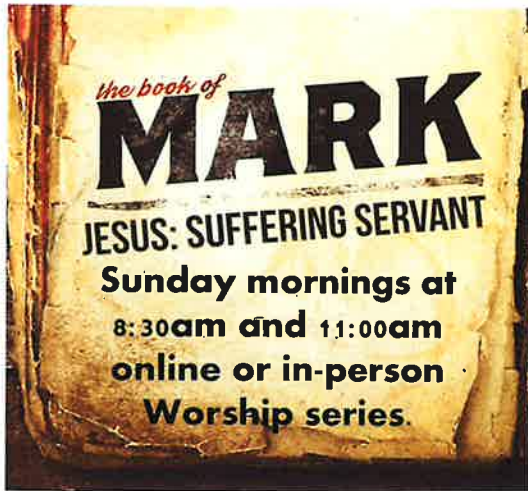
- ◆ Located in our FBC building.
- ◆ Ministry is supported by the church.
- ◆ Provides quality counseling services.
- ◆ Provides a scholarship fund for clients who cannot pay the full fee for counseling services.
- ◆ Offers a lifeline to many folks who are struggling.
- ◆ Please support by making a donation to the fund!
- ◆ Mark you check or donation "Counseling Center."

Upcoming Events:



CHOIR PRACTICE

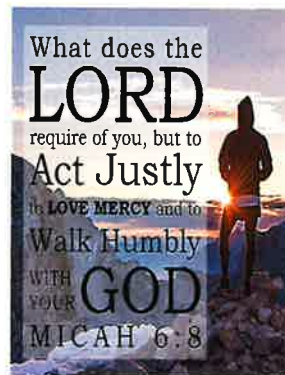
Thursdays At 7:00pm in the Sanctuary



the book of **MARK**

JESUS: SUFFERING SERVANT


Sunday mornings at 8:30am and 11:00am online or in-person Worship series.



What does the **LORD** require of you, but to **Act Justly** in **LOVE MERCY** and to **Walk Humbly** with **GOD**
MICAH 6:8

THE WELL
BEGINNING JAN. 24, 2021
NEW TIME: 6-7 PM
HIGH SCHOOL STUDY
.....
PRACTICING YOUR APOLOGETICS 101
As Iron Sharpens Iron, so one person sharpens another. Prov. 27:17
.....
One Minute Answers to Skeptics
Join us at Joe & Kristley's home
506 Stone Lake Ct
Augusta - 316-371-1044
a First Baptist Church Ministry
Note: New shortened time with interactive format.
Bring a friend and hope to see you Sunday!

**BE BOLD.
BE BRAVE.
BE COURAGEOUS.
JOSHUA 1:9**



6:00am with Pastor Rick

FIGHT

WINNING THE BATTLES THAT MATTER MOST

April - May in the Friendship Room



UPCOMING EVENTS MARCH 2021

March 15-19 - No Classes for Spring Break

March 22, 23 - Picture Day

March 22 - Enrollment begins for returning students

April 1 - Public Enrollment Begins

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Augusta Community Caring Center

- All volunteers will be required to wear a mask. (we will provide gloves).
- No clients will be in the building during these hours.

Working hours: **Monday - 1:00 to 4:00**

Wednesday - 9:30 to 12:30

Friday 9:30 12:30



- Week of 5/31/2020** First Baptist Church Volunteers

Free Food

(fresh apples, oranges, canned peaches, peanut butter, beef, canned chicken, orange juice, vegetable soup, tomato sauce and more!)



for low-income individuals in Butler County
May 8th 8:30 - 11:30 am



at The Augusta Community Caring Center
Commodities Distribution Center
208 W. 4th St.

Boxes of food will be passed out the 3rd Saturday of each month

- No paper work to fill out
- No appointments need to be made

Proof that you are from Butler County is required!

faith together

women's ministry

When we get together, I want to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours. Romans 1:12 (NLT)



May Deaconess

8:30 a.m. Service Mari Beadle
11:00 a.m. Service Cindy Meinecke

**Let your Secret Pal know
you care today!**

A Phone Call

A Card

**An encouraging
word**

A Small gift



A Women's Study starting April 13th at 6:30pm in the home of Sharon Slade!

To join call/text/email
Sharon: 316.619.0299
sharonjslade@gmail.com

Or contact the church office:
316.775.5466 / fbcaugusta@gmail.com

Do you ever wonder, "Why doesn't God answer my prayers?" Do you wish you could see the evidence that prayer changes lives? Are you tired of playing it safe with your faith? In *Dangerous Prayers*, New York Times bestselling author Craig Groeschel helps you unlock your greatest potential and tackle your greatest fears by praying stronger, more passionate prayers that lead you into a deeper faith.



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MAY 16TH
12:15-1:45PM

LADIES PAINT & LUNCH PARTY

FREE EVENT Hosted by FBC Women & Children's Ministry
Meet in the CLC

WOMEN OF ALL AGES AND GIRLS KINDERGARTEN AND OLDER ARE WELCOME TO ENJOY LUNCH AND AN AFTERNOON OF PAINTING.

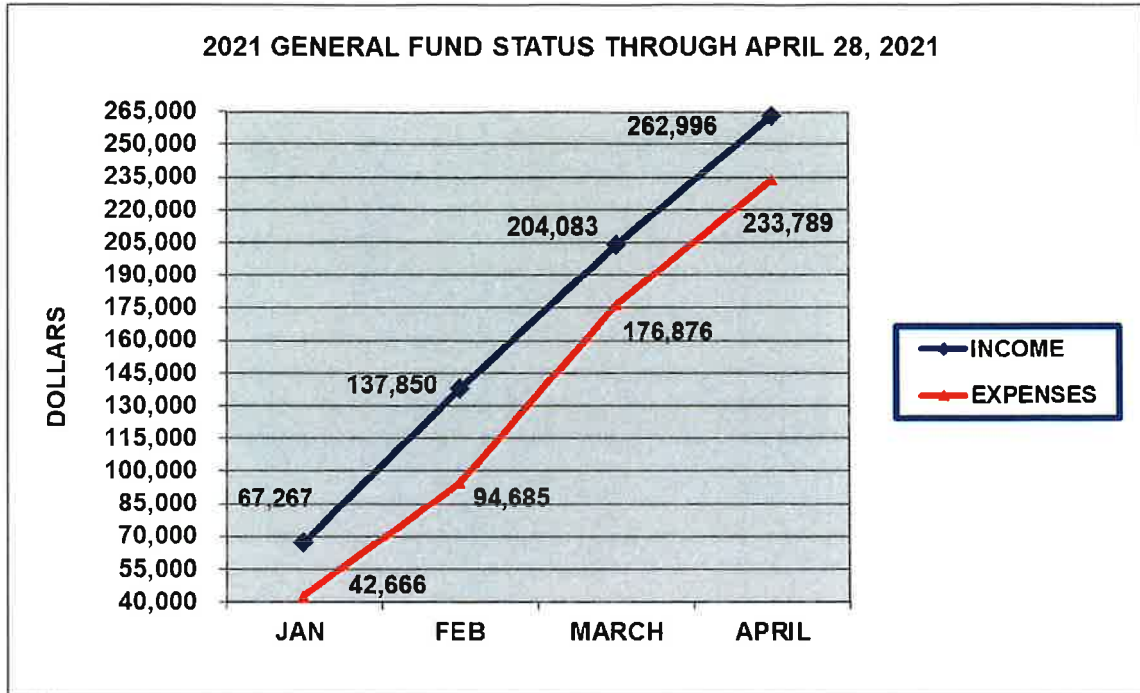
What is true, noble, right, pure, lovely and admirable - excellent or praiseworthy - think about these things. You are fearfully made! Consider beautiful wildflowers - you are even more valuable than these to God! Rest in how God made you and know that God made all things good!

FBC Share a Shawl Ministry

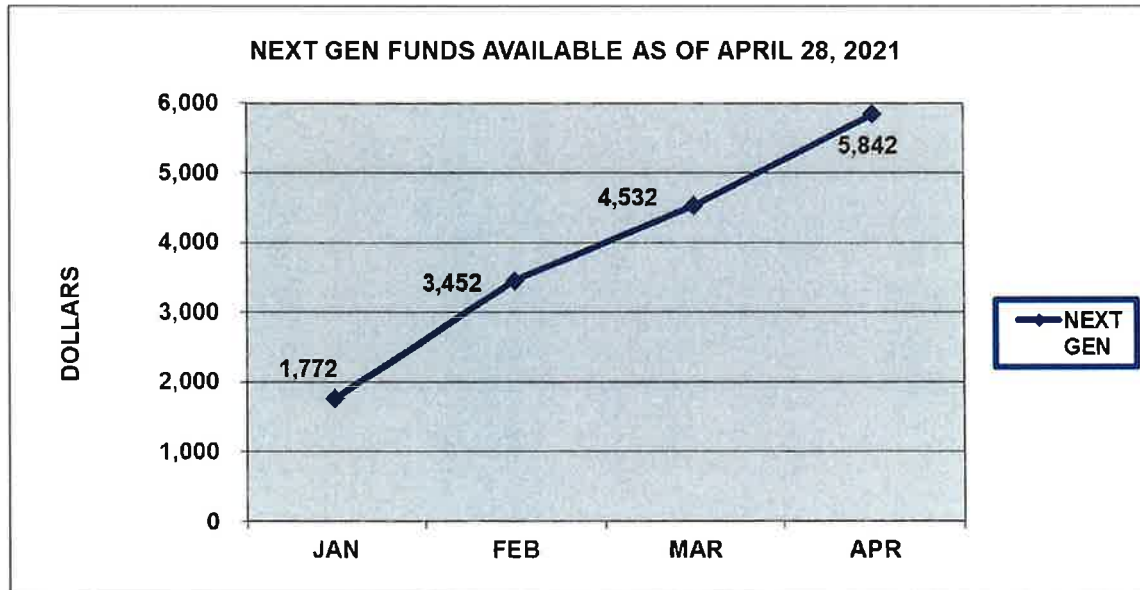
We have Beautiful Shawls made with Love that are prayed over & ready to share with someone who is in need of a reminder that Jesus cares for them.

Contact the Church Office at 775-5466 for more information.

FINANCE SPOTLIGHT



THE CHART ABOVE SHOWS THE ACTUAL GENERAL FUND INCOME COMPARED TO ACTUAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES FOR JANUARY 1, 2021 THROUGH APRIL 28, 2021.



THE NEXT GEN FUNDS ARE BEING ACCUMULATED TO ADDRESS FACILITY NEEDS. EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED AT PRIOR BUSINESS MEETINGS ARE EDUCATION WING WINDOWS, FOYER REMODELING, AND EDUCATION WING FLOORING. PROJECTS ARE TO BE PRIORITIZED AND COMPLETED AS FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.

Class of 2021

HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES

High School Graduates:

- *Connor James Casteel, AHS*
- *Abbygale Laing, AHS*
- *Kariana Thies, AHS*
- *Nolan James Bryant, AHS & BCC Associate Degree*
- *Mya Nguyen, Andover Academy*
- *Drew Middleton, Circle H.S.*
- *Xander Roberts, AHS*
- *Ryan Andrews, AHS*
- *Eli Wilcox, AHS*
- *Kinley Bonham, AHS*
- *Gavin Hawkings, Andover Central H.S.*

College Graduate:

- *Brandi Martin, WSU Psychology Degree*

Train up a child in the way
he should go, when he is old,
he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6



May 2021



First Baptist Church Calendar of Events

iSun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		 Happy Mother's Day !				1 10:00am Free Food Boxes & Milk at the AUMC	
2 <i>Communion</i> 8:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School 11:00am Worship & Kids Connect 6-7:00pm The Well	3 11:00am Staff Mtg. 6:00pm Missions Team Mtg.	4 9:45 Open Walking	5 2:00pm Prayer Group MDWK 6:30pm FBCA Youth  AWANA Awards night & Celebration	6 9:45 Open Walking 5:00pm Core Community 7:00pm Adult Choir	7 6:00am PEAK Men's Group Friendship Rm Pastor Rick 7:00pm AA-CLC	8 7:30am  Augusta Prayer Breakfast/ Friendship Rm 10:00am Free Food Boxes & Milk at the AUMC	
9 <i>Mother's Day</i> 8:30am Worship 9:30am S.S. Classes Facilities Team mtg 11:00am Worship & Kids Connect 12:30 Discipleship Mtg. No Deaconess Mtg.	10 11:00am Staff Mtg.	11 9:45 Open Walking 9:00am MOPS	12 2:00pm Prayer Group MDWK 6:30PM FBCA Youth	13 9:45 Open Walking 5:00pm Core Community 7:00pm Adult Choir	14 Last day of Preschool 6:00am PEAK Men's Group Friendship Rm Pastor Rick 12:00pm Home-school in CLC 7:00pm AA-CLC	15 8:30-11:30am ACCC Food Box Distribution	
16 Gideons Speak 8:30am Worship 9:30am S.S. Classes 11:00am Worship & Kids Connect 12:00pm Mother-Daughter Paint Party in the CLC 6-7:00pm The Well	17 11:00am Staff Mtg.	18 9:45 Open Walking	19 2:00pm Prayer Group MDWK 6:30 FBCA Youth	20 9:45 Open Walking 11:30am Gideon lunch in the Friendship Room 5:00pm Core Community 7:00pm Adult Choir	21 6:00am PEAK Men's Group Friendship Rm Pastor Rick 7:00pm AA-CLC	22	
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