

First Baptist Church  
P.O. Box 604  
114 N. Paul Street  
Woodsfield, OH 43793

**Return Service Requested**

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#### **October Van Drivers**

Sun. October 2 - Dennis Dick - (740) 472-1972

Sun., October 9 - Angie Rice - (740) 472-1546

Sun., October 16 - Bo Dierkes - (740) 472-5369

Sun., October 23 - Susie Emery - (740) 213-7305

Sun., October 30 - Gary Brown - (740) 934-2007

*If you need a ride to church, please call the van driver of the week.*



#### **Church Plant Update**

The church planting team of Gary Brown, Larry & Susie Emery, Brian & Sheila McKee, and Ken & Gwynn Stewart met on September 20th with associational missionary Dr. Bob Beike to receive some training on church planting. The meeting was extremely informational and though it left them with many more questions than answers it did help them determine the direction they need to get started in.

At this time the team asks that you specifically pray for church sponsors who will be willing to come alongside us in this effort. They also ask that you pray for the church planter and his family. Though he does not know it yet, he will be helping us plant a church soon. Pray that the planter and the team have the appropriate vision and that God will begin now to prepare the hearts of the people for the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## ***First Baptist Church***

*Striving to Present Everyone Complete in Christ*

*(Colossians 1:28-29)*

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***Pastor Adam Townsend***

**Live Broadcasts Online @**

**[www.woodsfieldfbc.com](http://www.woodsfieldfbc.com)**

**[fbc@woodsfieldfbc.com](mailto:fbc@woodsfieldfbc.com)**

#### **Service Times**

**Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.**

**Morning Worship: 10:45 a.m.**

**Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.**

## Pastoral Reflections

One of the resources available from the state convention office is a study on the demographics of people living in our area. The following numbers are based on a 3-mile radius from our church. Within 3 miles:

- There are 3,187 persons.
- Between 2010-2015 the population is expected to decrease by 5.4%.
- Anglos represent 98.2% of the population.
- The largest age group are those age 29-49 years-old and comprise 24.7% of the population.
- Based on the national average of 1.7%, those 86+ are the most over-

represented group in the area at 3.1%.

- The area can be described as somewhat traditional due to the above average presence of married persons and two-parent families.
- The overall education level is very low as the area is slightly below the national average for high school graduates and significantly below the national average for college graduates.
- Overall, the likely faith involvement level and preference for historic Christian religious affiliations is somewhat high compared to national averages.

- Based upon the average household income per year and the likely contribution behavior in the area, the overall religious giving potential can be described as very low.

- People are above the national average in wanting emotionally uplifting worship styles and below average in wanting intellectually challenging worship.

What do all of these numbers tell us? Well they can tell us a number of things, but most importantly I think they tell us that the mission given to us to reach the village of Woodsfield with the gospel of Jesus Christ is a

God-sized task that will only be accomplished by His grace.

These numbers do not dictate for us how we must do ministry, but they do give us good insight into how we can best do ministry to reach those whom we are trying to reach. If anything, it should help us to understand what kind of ministries would be most welcome in our area so that we can meet the people where they are at instead of where we think they are at. If you desire more information regarding this study just ask and I will let you see the whole 32 page study. ~Pastor Adam

## Missions Report

### Tiffin College Ministry:

A message taken from Jim Whaley website:

Hello Everyone!

I bring you incredible joy from Ohio's Northcoast! We are frantically preparing for our Fall Semester and we have spent an enormous amount of our summer contacting our incoming freshmen and beginning to develop relationships with them. We have the largest freshmen class enrolling this fall at Tiffin University, so you can imagine how excited we

are about the possibilities. The University's Admissions Department has opened their doors helping us with contact information for this year's incoming class. Because of this, we have been able to reach deeper inside this class than ever before! We are unbelievably thankful for this opportunity!

[www.whaleysministry.wordpress.com](http://www.whaleysministry.wordpress.com)

**Restoration Church:** Accomplishments for the Current Month:

\*We continue to prayerfully watch and wait for God's leadership and timing as it relates to the building, location, and approach to ministry in Donaldsonville. We are still open to selling the building and relocating, but are content to stay if that clearly is what God desires for us.

\*We have had good attendance, and have sensed the working of the Holy Spirit in our Sunday gatherings.

\*We have begun a series from the book of Malachi that will emphasize the

necessities of pure worship, holy living, and sacrificial giving.

\*We have seen growth in attendance in our Youth Group Meeting on Wednesday evenings. It is slow-going, as it relates to tangible spiritual growth, but our youth workers are committed to ministering to these kids in whatever shape they come to us.

[www.restorationchurchdville.com](http://www.restorationchurchdville.com)

Facebook:

"Onmissionindonaldsonville"



### Now Broadcasting Live on the Internet

Our services (Sunday morning & evening) are webcasted live at [woodsfieldfbc.com](http://woodsfieldfbc.com). Please report problems to [fbc@woodsfieldfbc.com](mailto:fbc@woodsfieldfbc.com) or Pastor Adam.

### Previous Sermons Also Available Online

Unable to listen to the live webcast? You can also listen to our previous sermons online. This is a great way to review and/or catch up on what you have missed. [www.woodsfieldfbc.com](http://www.woodsfieldfbc.com)

# October 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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GA's Every Sunday evening except the 3rd Sunday 6-7 PM	Clothes Closet Open Wednesdays 9 AM-12 PM Workers Needed, sign-up sheet in the hallway.					Calendar Plan- ning Meeting @ 8:00 AM
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Trustees Mtg. @ 12 PM Deacon Mtg. @ 4:45 PM Business Mtg. @ 6 PM			Church Dinner @ 6 PM "Children's Harvest Fest" @ 6:30 PM Budget Comm. Mtg. @ 7:30 PM			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
7-8 Grade Classes Start @ 6 PM			Nursing Home Outreach (Kids will be making crafts with the residents) @ 6:30 PM			
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Missions Mtg. @ 6 PM 9-12 Grade Classes Start @ 6 PM (See Insert below)				Senior Ladies Fellowship @ 11:30AM		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
			Last Day for Clothes Closet			Youth "Glow- in-the-Dark" Golfing @ 4 PM
30	31					
Nursing Home Ministry @ 2&3PM						

## Church Wide Fellowship Wed., Oct. 5 @ 6:00 PM

Come and fellowship with us and enjoy supper with each other before Wednesday night class. Just bring your appetite!

## October Birthdays

Oct. 05 Owen McSwords  
Oct. 10 Jady Clifford  
Oct. 11 JoAnn Harmon  
Oct. 15 Zachary Caretti  
Oct. 17 Gwen Mehler  
Oct. 18 Danielle Vernon  
Oct. 20 Angie Dick  
Oct. 21 Kathy Truax  
Oct. 24 Sheila McKee  
Oct. 27 Everett Brown  
Kayla Wall

## Walking Ministry

M-W-F 9:00 AM

Bible Study, on Mondays following the walking session. Come and walk with the ladies and join them in a new Bible Study. They walk 2 to 3 miles using a walking video. If you have questions talk to Susie Emery.

## Prayer Request

The deacon's will be gone October 13-15. During this time we will study what it means to be servant leaders as well as plan on how we can best lead the church to do God's will. Prayer is requested for the church leadership.

**Happy Birthday!**



## Operation Christmas Child - "It's Time for Shoeboxes!"

It's hard to believe that shoe box collection time is here.

Women On Mission would like the help of First Baptist Church again this year as we start collecting the items for this project.

There are several ways you can get involved in the project. You can collect the items, pack a box, donate the money needed for shipping the boxes, which is seven dollars, deliver the boxes to the shipping point, or you can wrap the boxes. These things are all very important in getting the items collected and finally the boxes delivered to the children that are impacted by these gifts.

There will be a box in the nursery hallway for the items you can donate. If you would like to donate the money for shipping, please put it in an envelope and mark it "Shoebbox Postage". We will pack them on Wed., Nov.

2nd at 6:30, during TeamKID. Our goal is 50 boxes. Thank you ahead of time for helping WOM with this ministry.

Here is a list of items that go in the boxes: pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, markers, stamps, ink pads, tablets, paper, solar calculators, coloring & picture books, small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yo's, jump ropes, small Etch-a-Sketch, slinky, light up toys, batteries, toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, brush, washcloth. Hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

### A PERSONAL NOTE

In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your

family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

### DO NOT INCLUDE:

Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers; aerosol cans. If you have any questions please contact Angie Dick, Sheila McKee or Angie Rice.



## New Church Directory



CHURCH  
DIRECTORIES  
AND PORTRAITS

Mark your calendars! We have a tentative date for a new Church Directory. Pictures will be on November 17, 18 & 19, with Life Touch. A free directory and 8X10 will be given to all families who get their picture taken.

We will need 2-3 individuals for the ministry team to get things going. There will be a meeting with the representative from Life Touch on Thursday, October 6, from 2-4 p.m. If you are interested in being on the team please let Pastor Adam or the office know.

More information and online sign-ups will be coming soon. Stay tuned.

**"Children's Harvest Fest"**  
Wed., Oct. 5 6:30 PM  
Face Painting, Contests, Treats!  
Bring the most friends and get a special "Treat"!

*Hot Dog it's a Kick-Off!*  
*9-12 Class Starting!*

Starting Sunday, October 16 at 6:00, Bruce Zimmer & Vicki Digity will be having class for 9-12 grades. There will be Hot Dogs and snacks as we start our new class!

Come and bring a friend!



**Youth Golf Night**  
Sat., Oct. 29 4:00 PM  
(St. Clairsville Mall)  
7th Grade - 12th Grade

Invite a friend, invite a couple friends! Who ever brings the most friends will have their golf game paid for! So invite, invite, invite! We will be leaving in time to eat before we play "Glow-in-the-Dark Golf"! Cost of 1 game is \$6. If you have any questions contact Angie Rice or Angie Dick

