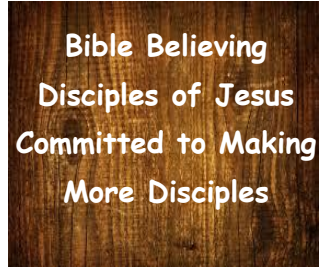


The Pastor Said:



Bible Believing
Disciples of Jesus
Committed to Making
More Disciples

I give thanks to God for being the pastor of First Baptist Coshocton. We are loving to one another. We are committed to one another. We love Jesus and we desire to know Him better. We want others to know Him as their Savior and Lord.

I believe with all my heart that God is working in you and through you. The Holy Spirit has been, and will continue, transforming you into the likeness of Jesus. Let's give thanks for Jesus saving, redeeming, and delivering us from sin to a new life now and forever. Let's give thanks for the renewing power of Jesus that takes place every day.

You and I are blessed. Is there something missing? Do you find that you are still seeking more for your life? Do you ask yourself if you can be more today than you were yesterday?

The answer to all these questions is YES. As disciples of Jesus, we are committed to making more disciples. We know that we have been called by God into a loving and empowering relationship with Him. We talk with our Father in heaven about our lives. We know that God is speaking to us and we need to tune ourselves to His voice. We know that our life in Christ day after day is our testimony of God's grace, mercy, love and power. We plant, water, and harvest these seeds of His Good News.

The thing that is missing is how we interact with others. We all interact with other people – family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers, even strangers. The missing piece is *intentionality*. We all see our own struggles and challenges. We understand completely how our circumstances impact our own lives. We know we can overcome in the name of Jesus.

The missing piece is our intentionality, our deliberate readiness to act and speak with others about our love for Jesus. Some of us are better at speaking, while others are better at taking action.

Disciples of Jesus, who make disciples, put both speaking and acting together. Their words are about trusting Jesus and their actions are about serving others. Examine your daily activities and see how much you are serving others in the name of Jesus. Listen to your words and determine what you are saying about trusting Jesus.

Every disciple of Jesus speaks about Jesus and serves other people. This is the way of Jesus. The first followers of Jesus lived this way. They were often called followers of Jesus or people of the Way. Eventually, they were called Christians, or "little Christs," because they were talking and acting like Jesus. People recognized that their words and their actions were matching. They were intentional about their hands and lips being in perfect concert with one another.

Let's make it our plan each day to speak about Jesus and to serve others.

Pastor Joe

**THE MONTHLY MISSION
EMPHASIS FOR 2026**

Jan - Missionary Maintenance Services
Feb - America for Christ
Mar - Cooking Oil for Shepherd's Assembly
Apr - Fellowship of Christian Athletes
May - One Great Hour of Sharing
Jun - Pregnancy Center of Coshocton
Jul - Outreach Ministries
Aug - Lifewise (Release Time Ministry)
Sep - World Missions
Oct - New Life Ministries
Nov - Blankets for the Homeless
Dec - Retired Ministers and Missionaries

**Salvation Army food items and diapers (sizes 4, 5, 7 needed)
for the Pregnancy Center are received each week.**

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

4 – Ron Woodrum
6 – Mike Bush
8 – Norma Owens
15 – Betty Hoffman
19 – Randy Roahrig
20 – Suzann Stoker
23 – Christine Sycks
26 – Tanya Roahrig
29 – Lonie Sanders



No October
Anniversaries

***Pregnancy Center Benefit*
Thursday, October 22 - 6PM
Coshocton Christian Tabernacle**

Featuring special guest speaker Henry Jemigan!
An inspiring evening celebrating hope, community, and
the lives transformed through your support. Jemigan is a
highly regarded pro-life speaker who has worked
professionally in film, TV, radio, and theater, Henry's
messages combine humor and real-life circumstances to
enlighten communities about the amazing work of
pro-life organizations.

Enjoy a (FREE) charcuterie table, dessert bar, and
beverages before the
Mission and Impact Presentation.
Phone 740-622-3808

Dear First Baptist Church & Congregation:

The Food Pantry is back on schedule and doing well. We continue to serve our community because of your faithful giving. Fall is soon to be upon us and with it, the Coshocton County Fair. Hang in there and stay encouraged!

	<u>Total</u>
Households Served	179
Clients 0-17 years old	51
Clients 18-59 years old	107
Clients 60 and older	202
Total Number of Clients	350

God Bless You Always,

Mark & Doris Granger
New Life Ministries
740/622-2181



Sunday Morning Messages

Oct 4 - The Calling to Be a Servant
Mark 10:42-45

Oct 11 - Being a Servant Like Jesus
John 13:12-17

Oct 18 - Serving is More than Generosity
Luke 6:27-36

Oct 25 - Seeing and Serving Those Around You
Matthew 25:31-40

Thank you for your very generous donation of \$375 (online) to **The Salvation Army** in Coshocton. Your support will help keep our operation going in many ways including the daily work of the Emergency Food Pantry, Bread & Produce Room, Monthly Produce Market, Utilities, and Clothing Room, as we strive to meet human needs in the name of Jesus.

May God bless you,
Gary & Corina Stein, Envoys

Dear Friends,

On behalf of **American Baptist Home Mission Societies** (ABHMS), thank you for your gift of \$75 in July in support of the America for Christ Offering 2026. Your giving allows ABHMS to provide scholarships for American Baptist students and ministry leaders; to help those who are interested in chaplaincy; to support churches, seminaries, church leaders and children living in poverty across the United States and Puerto Rico.
To learn more, contact our Chief Development Officer at 610-768-2420 or vincent.dent@abhms.org.

++Mission of the Month++

New Life
Ministries
Food
Pantry



Outreach Ministry



Saturday, October 31 is Trunk and Treat at **Coshocton Baptist Church**. This is a great opportunity to give away candy and information about Jesus and our church. Two things are needed. 1) We need candy, over a thousand pieces of candy. Lots of people and children walk on Denman St. 2) We need people to help give away the candy and the info about Jesus and our church. Be there between **4-6 pm**. See you there.

Operation Christmas Child



Beginning in mid-October we will be packing shoeboxes for Christmas giving to kids around the world. Pick up boxes at the front of the sanctuary, along with a label for each. There will also be information about how to pack a shoebox. Included will be information about what must NOT be packed in the boxes.

\$10.00 is the amount needed to include with each packed box. This money is used to defray shipping costs, as well as costs for evangelism materials for kids after the boxes are delivered. Include cash or check in your box (all monies can be included in just one box if you pack more).

After packing your box(es), return them to the church. We will deliver boxes to the local drop off location in mid-November.

Packing shoeboxes is fun and a great way to participate in worldwide evangelism. Help children around the world learn about Jesus!

Bible-believing Disciples of Jesus Seeking to Make More Disciples

What Is A Follower of Jesus

by Stuart McCormack

As I read the early chapters of the Gospels, I see Jesus speaking the same command to almost everyone he meets: follow me! Being a follower of Jesus is to put him at the center and to make him the supreme ruler of all that you are and all that you do. It is to allow him to lead you, by his Spirit, out into the world as an agent of transformation in the lives of others.

Jesus gave the keys to following him to his disciples. They are found in Matthew 28:18-20: ***“I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”***

Being a follower of Jesus means: **WE RECOGNIZE HIS AUTHORITY IN AND OVER OUR LIVES** We allow him to be Lord. We acknowledge his complete control and relinquish our dilution of control. We let him lead us. We follow him – he does not follow us!

WE MAKE DISCIPLES Notice that disciples are commanded to go and make disciples. Being a follower of Jesus means calling others to follow Jesus. We are his witnesses given the mission of sharing the gospel and showing the world what he is like. Disciples mature and multiply.

WE GET BAPTIZED We align ourselves to Jesus publicly through the act of baptism. He asked his followers to baptize new followers. As we look at the Gospels, the Acts of the Apostles, and the epistle writings we cannot help but conclude that baptism was not an option – it was an expectation Jesus had upon those who would follow him. Followers of Jesus are baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

WE OBEY JESUS’ COMMANDS The disciples were told to both teach and obey Jesus’ commands. A follower of Jesus will take joy and great delight in obeying Jesus teachings. Every follower of Jesus is by nature a leader – we are to lead others into obeying Jesus and surrendering to his way of life – which is the best and most fabulous way to live life! To lead others we must first be doing. Jesus expects his followers to obey what he taught.

WE GO TO THE WORLD We share Jesus with a lost, broken, and hurting world. Throughout his life, Jesus took the gospel into public spaces. Jesus expects us to take the Gospel practically and verbally to all the nations of the world. Are you seeking Jesus in order to hear where he wants you to serve him. We are to take the Gospel where it is needed.

WE FOLLOW Jesus’ disciples sought his wisdom, insight, and direction. They trusted him enough to submit to his discipline. They didn’t always understand him. They messed up. They learned. They grew. They walked and talked with him. They preached the gospel after his ascension. They took him out to the world. Perhaps there is a need to get back to the basics and consider our own commitment to Christ. It’s also the adventure of your lifetime.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Bible Study at Riverside Apt. 10:00 am	2	3 Prepare your heart for Worship
4 The Lord's Supper 9:30 am Worship Sunday School	5 Church Council 4:00 pm	6 Bible Study at First Baptist 4-5 pm	7 Bible Study Indian Bear Coffee 12~1 pm	8 Bible Study at Riverside Apt. 10:00 am	9	10 Prepare your heart for Worship
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25 9:30 am Worship Sunday School Congregational Meeting	26	27 Bible Study at First Baptist 4-5 pm	28 Bible Study Indian Bear Coffee 12~1 pm	29 Bible Study at Riverside Apt. 10:00 am	31	31 Prepare your heart for Worship

OCTOBER 2026 MONTHLY MISSION

++ New Life Ministries ++

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY:

9:30 AM Worship
followed by Sunday School
In-person and Facebook
@Joe Sanders

TUESDAY:

4-5 PM Bible Study at Church
All are welcome!

WEDNESDAY:

12-1 PM Bible Study~Roscoe Village

THURSDAY:

10 AM Bible Study~Riverside Apts.

Phone 740-622-0300

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The F.B.C.
MESSENGER



Jesus said,

*"You must be
Born Again"*

John 3:3



Faithful Servants' Schedule

OCTOBER 2026	4	11	18	25
WORSHIP ASSISTANT	Loni Sanders	Kelly Fender	Norma Owens	Christina Sycks
CHURCH MUSICIAN	Kelly Fender	Angie Lentz	Angie Lentz	Angie Lentz
SONG LEADERS	Kelly Fender	Norma Owens, Kelly Fender	Norma Owens, Kelly Fender	Norma Owens, Kelly Fender
	LORD'S SUPPER			

Well done good and faithful servant.

Thank You for Serving the Lord.