



First Presbyterian Church EPISTLE

Our Mission: Connecting with God and sharing the Good News
of Jesus Christ with the community.

From Elder Dick Bergman

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When I came back from Africa in 1989, a friend, who was a professional career counselor, gave me a battery of tests aimed at helping me decide what to do next. His final one line summary for me was something like, "What motivates Dick Bergman is a desire to be of significant practical help to people." As a car dealer selling over 150 vehicles a year, my goal is not to make a lot of money but to help people solve their transportation problems in a definitive way so they can get on with more important things in life. I particularly enjoy helping Christians get on with building the kingdom of God, e.g. I was able to help Steve Netniss keep his old black Camry going and assisted him in choosing another one to take to CA. Having lived for years with very poor people in Africa, I get a lot more satisfaction helping a person with limited resources get a useable car so he or she can get to work than I do in helping someone buy an expensive car.

is change of ministry.) I thank God for good health and I have already lived more than 27 years beyond the age of my father when he died.

There are many good people everywhere, but we live in a world that has so much evil, suffering and injustice. On top of this, Satan desires to render each follower of Christ ineffective. And he wishes to keep FPCD from being effective in spreading the Good News. Sometimes his tools are very simple – there is a verse in Song of Solomon, "Catch the little foxes before they ruin the vineyard of love". Never be satisfied with your spiritual condition. "Above all else, guard your heart, for it affects everything you do." (Prov. 4:23) I would encourage each of us to consider our own life before God and ask if God is waiting for changes in our individual lives before He is able to cause our congregation to grow and thrive.

Dick



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I am almost 80 years old and usually work at least 60 hours a week. There is so much that needs to be done and life is short. I don't believe in retirement. (A series of articles on retirement in the Dallas Seminary theological journal concluded that there is no retirement in the Bible but there

News from the Walters

October 2014

Hey, friends at FPCD,

May this find you rejoicing in our Father and the hope to come.

We, your hands and feet, continue over here in East Asia. Your "Zee" family is growing and maturing. Some Zee are translating. This past week they checked drafts of I and II Samuel. Some Zee are sharing with others. Some are reaching out to students. Some Zee ladies are learning to read for the first time and studying the good book. Last week they talked with each other about how the HS helps us pray when we are weak. (That was the lesson.) One of these ladies is about to start teaching a friend's mom. The friend's mom is 67 and, naturally, very reticent to learn something new. There were all kinds of reasons not to meet: I don't know where she lives, I'm too old, my house is too messy... but they will begin studying today. I'm proud of both ladies.

The Walters' family isn't growing any :-), but the kids sure are growing up. Dale is a junior this year, beginning to think about what he'd like to do after high school. He's good with computers and geography and people. Any good ideas? Evelyn is a sophomore who loves languages. I'm teaching her Portuguese. The two of them travel by train to a big city south of us once a month for a week of classes and peers. It is a great delight to them. Andrew Gary is in the 7th grade studying here at home with us. He loves to imagine, build and create. He misses having friends.

We thank you for remembering the Zee and our family. We do lean on your prayers both for us and the kids.

Dennis and Susan
Dale, Evelyn and Andrew Gary



FESTIVAL OF HOPE

Benefiting Duncanville Outreach Ministry

Saturday ■ October 18, 2014 ■ 3:00—7:00 pm

Armstrong Park Amphitheater, 315 E. Wheatland Road, Duncanville

NEIGHBORS WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE COMMUNITY!



hosted by

First Presbyterian Church Duncanville

**DUNCANVILLE
OUTREACH MINISTRY**



**STORYTELLING ■ MUSICAL CONCERT ■ BANDS ■ BOOTHS ■ FOOD ■ RAFFLES ■
GAMES ■ BOUNCE HOUSES ■ FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

Food Donation Drop Off Locations:

A&R Limitless—1106 S. Main St.

Ben Franklin Apothecary—302 N. Main St.

Chamber of Commerce—300 E. Wheatland Rd.

Annice Antiques—206 N. Main St.

DOM—202 E. Cherry St.

**2014 GOAL
\$55,000**

MUSICAL CONCERT

FEATURING

Duncanville H.S. Choir

First Presbyterian Choir

and Storytellers

Centro Familiar Cristiano Band

and ASAIN'T

STORYTELLER

Toni Simmons



You may make a tax-deductible donation directly to Duncanville Outreach Ministry or to First Presbyterian Church, with "DOM" in the memo. Drop off your donation at the Chamber of Commerce building, 300 E. Wheatland Rd., D'ville, DOM at 202 W. Cherry St., Duncanville, TX 75116, or First Presbyterian Church, 543 E. Freeman St.

For more information or if you, your business, or your civic organization would like to help sponsor this event, please call First Presbyterian Church, (972) 298-3043 or Duncanville Outreach Ministry, 202 E. Cherry Street, (972) 296-4986.

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Cheer Us On!!!

Because we as a church, generously gave to the Ben Franklin Apothecary's event benefiting the Duncanville ISD Education Foundation, we were give 5 complimentary entries for the **Heart of Duncanville 5K**, to be held the morning of Saturday, October 18 at 8:30 a.m., this is prior to our Festival of Hope event.

The team consists of Nancy Bergman, Joan Brown, Jaime Cordova, Vanessa Cordova, and Anna Murphy. We have others that have signed up individually...so come on out and lend us your support and we strive to place 1st, 2nd or for some of us...finish!!

Costume Revamping

Please join me as I begin revamping our costume closet. We need to organize the closet as well as update or make new costumes for youth and adults to be utilized in our Advent & Lent activities. If you'd like to join, meet me at the church at **9:30 am on Thursday, October 16.**

Thanks, Anna



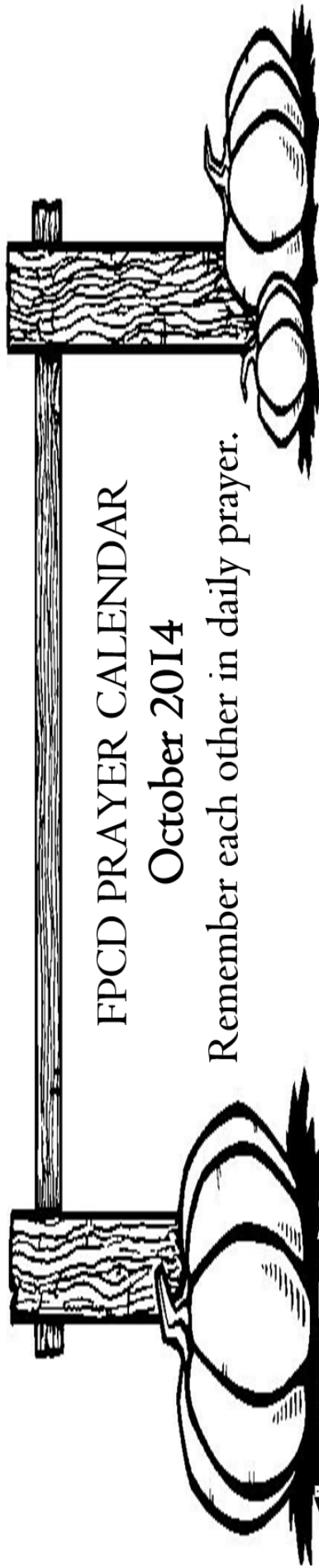
Fall Back!

Daylight Saving Time Ends November 2

Be sure to set your clocks back earlier one hour on Saturday evening, November 1.



*Daylight-Saving
Time Ends*



FPCD PRAYER CALENDAR

October 2014

Remember each other in daily prayer.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 Susan Murphy Anna Murphy Mickey & Betty Jespersen	6 Charles Tyer Jim & Pam Loyd Wanda Shipman	7 John Alsop Joan Brown Keith & Gail Haynes Julia McConnell	1 David & Sandy Gaskins Alexander, Aiden Beau & Blake	2 Scott & Kathleen Hartless J.R. Jack & Diane Pegues	3 Jim & Janet Stahl Donna To Leo & Marlene Skinner	4 Bob Harrison Darrell & Sharon Ingram
12 Paul & Claudia Griffith Dorothy Cleary Ruth Yingst	13 Carlos & Caryn Benitez Andrés & Rachelle Bob Moore	14 Kent & Lori Glover Taylor & Charlie Sam & Charlotte Fithian	8 Carol Orwig Christy Cowand Brandon Evelyn Pike	9 David & Katherine Liddle Caleb, Jonathan	10 Sean & Lucy Russell Lucy, Sydney, Logan, Weston, & Tristan	11 Paul & Helen Barton Miguel & Fanny Penaloza
19 Jamie & Lorraine Cordova Vanessa, Valerie, Jimmy & Jason	20 Eugene & Armelia Jimmerson Adelmo & Edelmira Ruiz	21 Billie Cowand Gary & Nita Malone Barbara Notari Tom & Lois Harmon	15 Connie Steger Dudley Austin Eric & Erin McGinnis Ashlee & Michael	16 David Hertenstein Evelyn Eddie & Darlene Cowand	17 Dennis & Susan Walters Dale, Evelyn, & Andrew	18 Nadine Daum Ariel, Leah, Aeris & Benjamin Carol McKinney
26 Steve Netniss Dave & Jocelyn Bolles Pat Sparr	27 Winifred Cook Larry & Margaret Lewis	28 Paul & Jen Schaefer Caleb, Micah, Josiah, & Sarah	22 Irving & Peggy Kezar Angel, Brandon, Cyleigh, Devon, & Elyssa	23 Steve & Marna Bayless Eddie & Brenda Everett Grant	24 Doris Metzger Dub & Gwen Guthrie Neal Bill & Vangie Jackson	25 Gary & Linda Simons Albert & Sara Teel Dick & Nancy Bergman
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WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

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10:30 A.M. SERVICE

October 5	Greeters:	Eddie Cowand, Doris Metzger
	Ushers:	Irving Kezar, Jack Pegues
	Nursery Volunteer:	Susan Murphy
	Tellers:	Jocelyn Bolles, Margaret Lewis
	Communion Servers:	Darrell Ingram, Jocelyn Bolles, Eugene Jimmerson Dave Bolles, Nancy Bergman, Dub Guthrie
October 12	Greeters:	Vanessa Cordova, Jason Cordova
	Ushers:	Eddie Cowand, Dub Guthrie
	Nursery Volunteer:	Anna Murphy
	Tellers:	Darrell Ingram, Leo Skinner
October 19	Greeters:	Jocelyn Bolles, Janet Stahl
	Ushers:	Irving Kezar, Jack Pegues
	Nursery Volunteer:	Sydney Russell
	Tellers:	Lori Glover, Brenda Everett
October 26	Greeters:	Adelmo & Edelmira Ruiz
	Ushers:	Dub Guthrie, Jack Pegues
	Nursery Volunteer:	Erin McGinnis
	Tellers:	Teresa Reed, Joan Brown

October Birthdays

If we've missed your birthday and you would like us to include it in this "birthday" section of the newsletter, please contact us at (972) 298-3043 or info@fpcd.org. Thank you.

Wanda Shipman, October 1
 Diane Pegues, October 3
 Grant Everett, October 9
 Sean Russell, October 14
 Doyce Smith, October 15
 Christy Westerman, October 16
 Jonathan Liddle, October 18
 Barbara Notari, October 19
 Taylor Glover, October 21
 Andres Benitez, October 22
 Sherri Trask, October 23
 Brandon Cowand, October 24
 Mikaela Harkins, October 24
 Mackenzie Harkins, October 24
 Edie Burquest, October 30
 Lorraine Cordova, October 30



	Receipts	Expenditures
August 2014	\$ 26,946	\$ 18,752
Year-to-Date	\$150,180	\$147,066
2014 Total Annual Budget:		\$243,607
Budget per month		\$ 20,301

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Christian Education
Worship Service
— 9:15 a.m.
— 10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Youth Group
— 6:00 p.m.