The Mission in Motion

[Our mission is to make disciples of all nations by worshiping the Lord Jesus, building up the body of Christ and shining the light of Jesus into our neighborhoods and the nations.]

October Mission Challenge: Everyone *invite* someone!

Who do you know who's not plugged in to a local gospel-centered church? Make it your mission to invite them to a Sunday service and/or other events and activities this month!



JOY Group Fish Fry!

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 5:00pm

Come enjoy the catch of the day along with great fellowship and encouragement from the JOY Group (60+). Invite a friend, and sign-up by October 4. See Penny for details.

Church-wide Weiner Roast at the Duckwiler Farm

Sunday, Oct. 25, 5:00pm

Bring a favorite dish to share and invite a friend to come along. Hot dogs, marshmallows, and drinks will be provided.

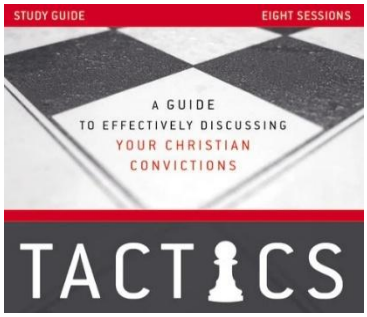


Your giving helps carry the FAITH FORWARD to the next generation.

Thank you for praying for and giving to the Mission Illinois Offering! Your gifts make an eternal investment in kids, camps, and college ministries changing lives across our state!

Tactics | Sunday nights at 6:00pm

Would you like to be better prepared to talk about your Christian faith? Do you think it might be helpful to have a game plan? Join us for this video-based study to learn how you can more effectively "walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person" (Colossians 4:5-6).



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Sunday, Oct. 11 Grades 6-12

Cross Church, Carlinville
Leave: 1:45pm on the church van
Return: approximately 10:30pm
Permission slip is due October 4.
Questions? See Rob or Amy Gallion.

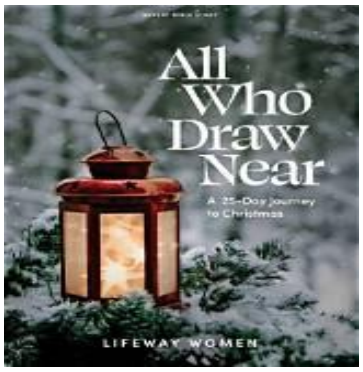
AWSOM

November 13-14
Girls grades 5-12

Tabernacle Baptist Church, Decatur.
Cost $35. Sign up by October 18th.
Permission slip due by November 8th.
See Sherry or Crystal for details.

Church 101 – This 4-week course is designed for those who are new/newer to the church, who might be interested in membership, or for anyone who'd like to know who we are, what we do, and why we do it. We'll be meeting at 9:30 for four weeks starting November 1. Pastor Rob will be leading the class.

All Who Draw Near Advent Bible Study



When: Every Monday in November at 6:00pm
Who: Open to women of all ages including teens.
What: Join us for this 25-day bible study which focuses on the journeys of the biblical characters of the Christmas story.
Why: To challenge us to draw closer to Jesus as we approach the season of Christmas.
Sign up on the board by October 18 or see Amy for more info.

Who's Your ONE?

Sometimes the gardening work of evangelism takes a great deal of investing the blood, sweat, and tears of praying, sowing gospel seeds, watering, weeding, and waiting. But there's the hope of a harvest on the way, so let's keep up the good work, and keep on keeping the faith!

"So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor."
– I Corinthians 3:7-8

Life Group & Activities News

Truth Seekers – Wednesdays at 6:00pm. We meet in homes for a meal and to encourage one another in our faith. Contact Gragg at 217-306-7019 to join.
Praise Team Practice – 5:45pm on Oct. 8, 27, Nov. 5, 10, 17 & 24.
Online Prayer Meeting – Wednesdays at 9am. See Pastor Rob about the email link to join this weekly video prayer meeting.
Walking in the Church Basement – Tues & Thurs at 9am. See Becky Bergner for info.
Bible Study at Countryside Estates – Thursdays at 10am
Children's Choir Christmas Practice – November 15, 22 & December 6 at 5pm
Women's Advent Bible Study – "All Who Draw Near" – Mondays at 6pm in November.

Upcoming Events

October 1 – Ladies Craft Night – 6:00–8:00pm
October 4 – Sunny Acres Nursing Home Service at 1:30pm
October 5-6 – Pastor Rob gone to January Bible Study Retreat
October 6 – JOY Group Fish Fry, 5:00pm
October 11 – Youth Encounter, 3:00-9:00pm at Cross Church in Carlinville.
October 12 – Church Offices Closed
October 18 – HBN Annual Meeting at Pasfield Baptist Church, Springfield, 3-5pm
October 24 – IBSA Kid's Ministry Conference – 9am-2pm
October 25 – Guest Speaker: Pastor Tom Eggley
October 25 – Weiner Roast at the Duckwiler Farm, 5:00pm



November 2 – Women's Advent Bible Study begins, 6:00pm
November 3-4 – IBSA Annual Meeting in Edwardsville
November 5 – Ladies Craft Night – 6:00-8:00pm
November 5 – Praise Team Practice at 5:45pm.
November 8 – Stewardship Committee Meeting, 3:30pm
November 10 – JOY Group Lunch – 11:30am
November 13-14 – AWSOM in Decatur for Girls 5th-12th grade
November 14 – Ministry Leadership Team Meeting – 8:00am
November 15 – Children's Choir Christmas Practice begins – 5:00pm
November 22 – Community Thanksgiving Service – 7:00pm @ First Christian Church
November 25-26 – Church Offices Closed for Thanksgiving
November 29 – Carols & Cuisine Advent Service, 5:00pm
November 29-December 6 – Lottie Moon Week of Prayer & Offering for missions overseas
December 3 – Ladies Craft Night – 6:00-8:00pm
December 6 – Ladies Christmas Luncheon, following the morning service. See Sherry H. for info.

Worship Through Giving

Your tithes and offerings may be sent by mail to FBC, 103 W. Sangamon Ave, Petersburg, or you may drop it off during office hours (9am-1pm, Mon-Thurs), or use the drop boxes on the foyer tables, or use our PayPal account…or set up automatic electronic giving through your bank! Contact Mark Cox to find out how! ***Thank you for your faithful and generous giving!***

Remember September (and August)



Mark & Pam Fisher singing at the JOY event



Andrew Fulcher taking a kick-ball home run trot

Praise in the Park at Site M











Ready for the HarvestFest parade to start



Pastor's Reflections

I hope you love the church. I hope you know the joy of fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ. I hope you delight in serving the body of Christ. I hope you're growing deep roots in the faith through Sunday School or other small group Bible studies together. I hope you see the church as more than a place to go, but as a people you belong to. I hope you can't wait till Sunday morning comes. I hope you find ways to bless others throughout the week. I hope you spend time every day praying for one another. I hope you've discovered the blessing of being a cheerful and generous giver. I hope you get excited about telling other people about the church. I hope you love Jesus, and I hope you love His church.

Pastor Rob