We are excited to share that Jason Teal is now serving as FBC Barnesville's pastor!



Read a short update from Jason located inside this edition of the Witness! **#MakeMuchOfJesus**

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In this issue: check in with our NEW pastor, read some exciting news about our new building, catch up with summer missions and small groups!

MAKING MUCH OF JESUS

FBC Family, you are loved and appreciated. For almost ten years my family was blessed to serve as your Student/Young Adult Pastor. Some of the greatest joys of our lives have been experienced here at FBC Barnesville. And now, Honey and I are grateful to have the opportunity to serve as your shepherd, your pastor. It is a gift and a treasure that comes with great anticipation and excitement. Thank you all for the kind words of encouragement, the phone calls, the Facebook messages, and the many text messages. Some of those text messages came with little emojis (smiling faces, praying hands, party hats, etc). Some even came with an animated background of confetti and balloons. We have heard so many kind words, and for that, we are thankful. This church truly is the best church to call home. We want you all to know family that we are

praying for you all daily. Our prayer for you this month comes from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians. We are "asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy" (Col. 1:9-11). May we all continue "to share in the inheritance of the saints" because of the One (JESUS) in whom we have redemption!

Much Love and Many Blessings, Pastor Jason

MISSIONS UPDATE



Hi!! My name is Maddie Hendrix, and I was given the amazing opportunity to serve in Tahoe City, California this past summer. This trip was made possible by Send Me Now, which is an amazing ministry that the Georgia Baptist Association puts on for Baptist Collegiate Ministries. They send college students all over the world on mission. I had the chance to share the love of Jesus with kids that knew nothing about God. Around 85% of the kids that I taught didn't know Jesus as their Savior. I worked with kids that didn't even have a Bible in their homes.

I saw kids want to learn more, and they are hungry for the Word of God. I had the chance to tell kids that may have never heard about Jesus, that Jesus loves them. Oh, that I would be so hungry for the Word of God like them. I am so thankful that I was given the opportunity to go. I am so thankful for the people that made it possible for me and others to go and further the Gospel here on Earth. Thank you FBC Barnesville. Your generosity with giving to the Cooperative Program made this a possibility for me. "And He said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to the whole creation." -Mark 16:15

GIVING TOTALS AS OF AUGUST 2021

Received: \$569,337.24 Required: \$665,254.44 Generations Following Total: 1,434,342.74

SMALL GROUP SPOTLIGHT

Introducing the Cultivate Class. The class chose its name based on James 1:21 with the thought that this class would cultivate the souls of those who attend receiving the implanted Word of God. The Cultivate Class meets in Room A- 202 which is located upstairs, taking a U-turn out of the elevator, turning right down through the last door on the right, then right at the next hall and the class is located straight ahead. The Cultivate Class is made of young adult men and women who meet together each week for fellowship and to open up God's word to discover truths to help live the abundant life. The class not only cares for those who attend living in town, but also keeps in touch with and cares for those who are away at school.

Allen Smith is the teacher of this thriving class of young adults. He a very well prepared, expository teacher. He is able to bring God's word to life and guide the class to sees how it intersects with daily living. Allen has been one of our featured teachers in our weekly online Bible study called Equipped. Allen is a fairly new teacher in our Sunday School, but he is a very dynamic leader. Allen has been faithfully leading the Cultivate class for over 5 years.

Thank you Allen Smith and the Cultivate Sunday School Class for reaching out to young adults and helping them find a home at First Baptist Church.

FBC KIDS UPDATE

Happy Fall FBC Kids!

We are so excited about our upcoming Community Carnival and Upward Basketball and Cheer Camp. As our team is planning, we would like to let you know about our Mission project for October. FBC Kids will be collecting bars of soap, wash clothes, and toothbrushes for **Operation Christmas Child** (OCC). We would love for anyone to donate and there will be a collection box at the Preschool and Children's welcome desk. Please join us in praying for OCC and FBC Kids ministry.

Love in Christ, Jennifer





