Pastor Transition Update

In November, 2012, Pastor Norm and Pastor Joel announced to the FMC congregation the beginning of a 2.5-3 year transition time where Pastor Norm would be stepping into a different role at FMC and Pastor Joel would become the lead pastor. Let us answer the most often asked questions since that announcement. This will be refined over the next year and a half but this is where it stands as of now. We say a huge **Thank You** for your prayers and support.

- How is the transition going? It is going very, very well. The congregation overwhelmingly tells us that we are making the right decisions. The church staff has received a detailed list of responsibilities and target dates that these changes should take place.
- 2. When will the transition be compete? Spring 2015 is the prayerful target.
- 3. When is Pastor Norm retiring? The transition plan never included Pastor Norm retiring. He is simply stepping into a different role at the church.
- 4. What will Pastor Norm do after the transition is complete? He will... Step into a different role at the church, he is not retiring. Be a shepherd instead of a rancher.
 - Help hurting sheep instead of herding a large flock.
 - Comfort lonely mates instead of being CEO for the masses.
 - Build deeper relationships with a few instead of having surface relationships with a large group.
 - Be a pastor instead of a promoter and preacher.
 - Find the one sheep who went astray and bring him home instead of helping 99 who need no help.
 - Try to grow small groups instead of growing the large group.
 - Fine tune our Bridge Events to more effectively build a bridge to the unchurched in our community.
 - Find hurting pastors and put them in an FMC house for weeks or months to help save them and, if possible, their ministry.
 - Build relationships with real sinners instead of just rallying the saints. Work on learning and remembering the names of adult attenders of FMC.
 - Pray for, encourage, and support the next lead pastor like never before. Tell the story of Project Help helping people, believing if everyone in Steuben County knew the Project Help story, they would generously support the ministry.



Fairview Missionary Church

A special welcome to our first time guests.

We invite you to go to the Guest Reception Center in the foyer to receive a special gift. Pastor Joel and Pastor Norm welcome your response to your experience at FMC today. Contact them by e-mail: joel@fairview-missionary.org or norm@fairview-missionary.org, land mail: 525 E 200 N, Angola, IN, 46703,

or by phone: 665-8402.

This Week at a Glance...

Sunday, November 3

9 & 10:30 am Worship Services

9 & 10:30 am Adult Small Churches - A list of

Adult Small Churches and their locations is available at the

Connection Center.

9 & 10:30 am Children's Sunday School 9:00 am Teens Sunday School

Tuesday, November 5

6:15-7:30 am Prayer time in the sanctuary.

All invited.

9 - 11:30 am Ladies Bible Study-at Kim Ladig's 455 Ln 200, Lk James, 833-4922.

Wednesday, November 6

5:30-6:30 pm Fairview Grill - in the gym

5:45-6:30 pm Kids Christmas Musical Rehearsal

6:30-8:00 pm **FSM - Fairview Student Ministries** Grades 6-12. *In the teen rooms*

6:45-8:00 pm Nursery through adult classes

A list of classes is available at the Connection Center.

8:05-9:30 pm Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, November 7

5:30-6:45 am Early Morning Men's Bible Study,

room \$102 (choir room)

10:00 am Young Moms/Kids Play Group
Meeting at different inside locations. Please call or text Amber
Shipe or check the Facebook
page for details each week,

574-315-7671.

Friday, November 8

6 - 8:00 am Men's Bible Study, Fireside room 6:30-8:00 pm Fairview Military Banquet - sign up sheet and tickets available at the Connection Center.

Saturday, November 9

8:00 am **Men's Breakfast** - sign up at the Connection Center. *In the gym.*

8:30 am CARS Ministry - pick up a brochure from the literature rack.

Contact Information for Ministry Staff

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Jake Shipe 574-315-7671

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Joel Greenwood 260-668-6734

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Norm Fuller 260-665-6975

Children

Children's Ministries -

Nursery through 5th grade Sundays 9 and 10:30 am
Wednesdays 6:45 to 8:00 pm

Where do my kids go on Sundays and Wednesdays?

Nursery & Toddler - Hallway to the gym, across from the mailboxes

Preschool - Children's Ministry hallway

K-3rd grade - Kids worship room

4th & 5th grade - Room C120

Sundays - upper level of children's hallway Wednesdays - upper level behind gym

Jessica Bonner, Director 419-889-7900 * jessica@fairview-missionary.org



Fairview Student Ministries

Grades 6-12

Sunday School 9:00 am Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 pm In teen rooms upstairs behind sanctuary

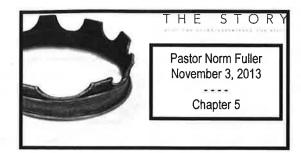
Jon and Erin Geyer, 260-223-2687 jon@fairview-missionary.org

High School Only - Sat., Nov. 16
Sky Zone trampoline park, Fort Wayne
\$25 (everything including dinner)
Sign up in teen room or email Pastor Jon.
Must have signed waiver, pick one up
in teen room or online.

For 6th-12th Grades - 3DYC (3 District Youth Conference)

Sat-Mon, December 28-30, 2013
3DYC, in Ft. Wayne - a time to grow closer to God and grow closer as a youth group!
\$200 (all meals included).
Sign up in the teen room.
Deadline: November 24

Check web site for updates: www.fairview-missionary.org



New Commands and a New Covenant

1. Guardrails are there to protect us from going off the road of life.

2. Guardrails are there to lead us to Christ.

3. God is not angry with you if you jump over the guardrail.

Some of the Scriptures used to form this message:

Exodus 20:1-21 Exodus 8:23 Leviticus 20:25 Deuteronomy 30:19 2 Corinthians 6:17 1 John 1:7 Psalm 119:11 2 Samuel 24:10 Ecclesiastes 7:14 (MSG) Luke 1:6 (MSG) 2 Corinthians 1:12

Galatians 3:24
Romans 7:7

John 3:16

1 John 4:16 2 John 1:16 Isaiah 53:6

1 Thessalonians 5:9 1 Thessalonians 1:10 Ephesians 2:1-10

Exodus 19:4-6



Sunday, December 22

Either service. Pick up information from the literature rack and return the form by Thursday, December 19.

Retta Lewis will make a 45-60 second slide show of your child if you provide her with 15-20 of your favorite pictures on or before Wednesday, December 18. You can e-mail them to her at rettajolewis@yahoo.com



Men's Breakfast

Saturday, November 9 8:00 am in the FMC Gym

Theme: Finding Breathing Room by Pastor Joel Greenwood Menu: Pancakes, sausage, biscuits, gravy, oatmeal and fruit

Sign up at the Connection Center.



Ladies

Coffee, Cake & Conversation Thursday, November 21, 9 am

I will provide the coffee (or tea, juice) and coffee cake, you come help provide the conversation!

Please join me at my house,

900 Northwood Drive, Angola for this time of fellowship with other ladies. I just need to know who is coming so I have enough coffee cake prepared. RSVP by calling me, Linda Fuller, 665-6975 or email me at lindafuller6@gmail.com.

Hope to see you!



At Mt. Zion United Methodist Church 3376 S Golden Lake Rd, Pleasant Lake

Saturday, November 16 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

New and gently used coats will be matched up with kids who need them this winter, children must be present so we can fit them properly. New hats, gloves and scarves are available. There will be a limited supply of coats for adults.

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#### **Coat Bank Benefit Concert**

Tonight, 7:00 pm
At the Mt. Zion Methodist Church
Music featuring: Jeri Mow, Aimee
Simons and Gregory Koomler.
A freewill offering received to benefit
the Luke 3:11 Coat Bank

## In the family...

Our sympathy to Pastor Joel and Karolyn Greenwood and family on the passing of Joel's grandpa this past week.

Dean and Carole Sue Shank and Steve and Lucretia Shank wish to thank the many people who offered up prayers, sent cards and were so caring at the time of the loss of Carole's sister and Steve's aunt, Mary Ann Morgan.



Ed and Marlene Sweet are moving to Georgia!

Before we leave Indiana on November 26, we would like to get together with our "Fairview Family" for a **potluck dinner** at the church (location within the church to be determined) on **Sunday, November 17** after 2nd service. Please sign up at the Connection Center and indicate the type of dish you plan to bring. Many of you have become family to us; we hope to see you for a time of fellowship... one last time...

Ed and Marlene Sweet



#### "Heirloom Christmas"

Ladies Holiday Brunch Saturday, November 16 9:00 a.m. in the gym



- Getting back to the real meaning of Christmas!
- Our own Tracey Foster will be providing the program.
- All ladies invited to this free event
- Please sign up at the Connection Center by Sunday, November 10.
   Be sure to mention if you need childcare.
- If you would like to help prepare the food that morning, please call Shelly Miller, 488-2907 or Liz Scofield, 668-1069.



There are 40 small group, small church and fellowship flock type gatherings at FMC. They meet weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, etc. There is one for you too! If you are not now in a small gathering and would like to be in one, please contact Pastor Norm, 665-8402 or norm@fairview-missionary.org.

#### Sunday Speaking Schedule

| ١ | Nov. 10    | Jon Geyer, Youth Pastor |  |
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| ı | Nov. 17-24 | Pastor Norm             |  |
| 1 | Dec. 1-15  | Pastor Joel             |  |
| ١ | Dec. 22    | Pastor Norm             |  |
| ı | Dec. 29    | Pastor Joel             |  |
|   | Jan. 5-26  | Pastor Norm             |  |
|   | Feb. 2-23  | Pastor Joel             |  |
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#### **Operation Christmas Child**

For the past 10 years FMC has collected shoe boxes filled with gifts that are distributed to children in desperate situations worldwide. Shoe boxes are available in the foyer



you can pick up to fill. If you would rather not fill a box yourself and would like to make a donation, the money will be used to fill boxes and cover the shipping - just mark your offering envelope "shoeboxes". The suggested donation is \$30 per box. As soon as you have a shoebox filled, you may drop it off at the connection center. The **deadline is Sunday, November 10** to have **700 shoe boxes** ready to go! If you have extra shoeboxes stashed at home and would like to donate them for this use, please drop them off at the Connection Center. The plastic ones (shoebox sized) with lids work very well also. Questions? Please contact Miss Jessica, 665-8402.

# 157 boxes in - 543 to go!



#### Bethlehem Marketplace Our 24th Year!

Saturday & Sunday December 7 & 8 1:00 - 5:00 pm Here at FMC

Sign up continues in the foyer!

There is a place for you, whether it be behind the scenes, a character in the Marketplace, providing cookies, preparing a meal for the workers, setting up or tearing down! It takes 200 people to fill all the character positions over the 8 hours of BMP. We only have 75 signed up so far. Come visit the BMP table in the foyer - we'll tell you all about it!

Publicity for BMP is located in the center of the foyer by the BMP sign up table. Feel free to pick up all you can use.

#### How to use it:

- 1. Put a poster on a bulletin board at work.
- 2. Put a stack of flyers in the break room.
- 3. Carry some in your vehicle.
- 4. Get permission to stuff it in mailboxes at work.
- 5. Give some to the person who does the newsletter for your organization to get it in your publication start early on this.
- 6. If you know of places where this BMP info can be put free on the internet, please do so for us.
- 7. Mention BMP in your email signature and put a link back to the FMC web site.

In your prayer times, be sure to mention BMP.

#### Surprise a Child This Christmas Pack a Shoe Box Cift!

#### Family Packing Party!

For kids 3 years old - 5th grade Sun., Nov. 10, 12 noon - 2 pm

In the gym - lunch provided Questions? Contact Miss Jessica, 665-8402 or Robyne Spillers, 624-2064.





"In honor of those who have served..."

## 4th Annual Fairview Military Banquet

Come and join in honoring veterans and those who are currently serving. Friends and family encouraged to attend.

#### This Friday, November 8

6:30-8 pm in the FMC gym \$5.00 per person. A sign up sheet and tickets are available at the Connection Center.

#### THE STORY

READ THE STORY EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE

#### Weekly Story Small Churches (Sunday morning)

| <u>Time</u> | Location              | <u>Teacher</u>                              |
|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 8:00        | S103/104              | Paul Stepp                                  |
| 9:00        | S103/104              | Faith Frey                                  |
|             | S105                  | Jonathan Brown                              |
|             | Fireside Room         | Curt and Kerri Dowell (lower level)         |
| 10:30       | S103/104              | Leon Weaver/Jeff Miller/<br>Tom Pendergrass |
|             | S105<br>Fireside Room | Wil Iler/Gil Hanson<br>Jake and Amber Shipe |

Ron Frey's 9:00 class is a 12-step recovery class targeted to those who are recovering from various addictions. They meet in  $\mathsf{G}111$ .

Dennis Rider's 9:00 class is studying *Behold Your God* - a biblical overview with video/discussion. They meet in S101 (library).

The above two classes will continue as such and not do The Story study.