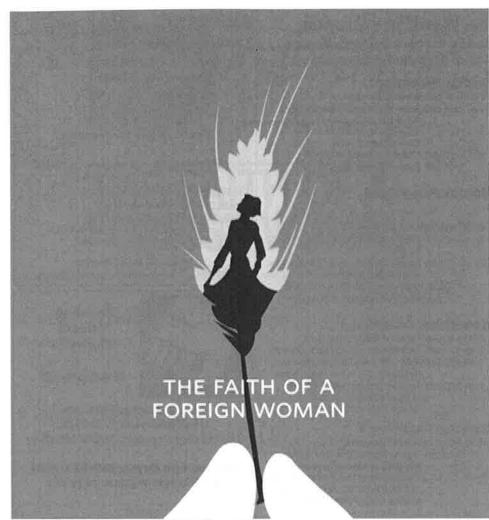
Year-end Giving Information

- 1. If you are mailing your gift, it must be postmarked by December 31, 2013, and the check dated in 2013. This year's year end giving will go toward equipping a Child Evangelism Fun Trailer with tools to reach children for Christ. Total cost is \$5.500.
- 2. If you are giving cash or check in the offering, we can receive it in the offering on December 29, 2013. The check must be dated in 2013 to receive 2013 credit. Please be sure to clearly mark your giving envelope with the year so your gift is properly credited.
- You get the biggest tax break by giving to the Bethel College Scholarship Fund. A \$400 gift gets you \$200 directly off your Indiana State tax or a \$200 gift gets you \$100 off. Get details in the literature rack. Make your check payable to Bethel College and put in FMC's offering by December 15, 2013.
- 4. As a walk of faith, many families pray to give more each year than they did the previous year. If you want to know your giving for last year, or any year, give a note to Michelle, Fairview's Financial Secretary. Of course, we only keep records of giving for those who have giving numbers. To get a giving number, please drop a note in the offering or ask at the Connection Center.
- 5. There is a special brochure in the literature rack entitled "Special Gifts and Memorials". It has many suggestions in it from a few hundred dollars to \$10,000,000 for your prayerful consideration. There are other missions organizations and local ministries we support that can use help too. Information about Project Help, and their gift catalog, is in the literature rack. Feel free to contact Pastor Norm or Pastor Joel as well.
- 6. At the start of a new year many people start new habits for spiritual growth. If you are being led to consider new habits in giving you may want to consider E-giving where your giving can be electronically transferred to the church from your checking, savings, or credit card at an amount and time interval you approve. Get information from the literature rack across from the mailboxes.
- If you are considering non cash giving, such as stock, bonds, real property, the church
 office should be made aware of your intentions ASAP to make sure all the proper paperwork is finished before the end of the year.
- 8. At this time of the year many people make decisions to move their God-given financial resources more directly into Kingdom-impact work. The Missionary Church has two organizations to help you do this.
 - The <u>Missionary Church Investment Foundation</u> is our denominational foundation with offices in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Contact 260-747-2027 or mcif@mcusa.

Also, <u>United Missionary Loans and Investments</u>, our district loan and investment organization with offices in Elkhart, Indiana. Contact them at 574-293-1332 or sara@mcncd.org. Both organizations are chartered under the federal government and have been in existence since the 1950's. They use our investments to loan funds only to Missionary Churches and related Missionary Church organizations that need funds to expand their ministry facilities.

Thank you for your very generous giving.



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.

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This Week at a Glance...

Be sure to check the BMP schedule later in this bulletin for more info.

Sunday, December 1

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

Monday, December 2

Tuesday, December 3

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

All invited.

9:00 -11:30 am Ladies Bible Study-at Kim Ladig's

455 LN 200 Lake James, 833-4922 6 - 7:00 pm Ladies Basketball, in the gym

7 - 9:00 pm Men's Basketball, in the gym

Wednesday, December 4

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.

Thursday. December 5

5:30-7:00 am Men's Discipleship Group, room \$105 10:00 am Young Moms/Kids Play Group

> Meeting at different locations. Please call or text Amber Shipe or check the Facebook page for details each week, 574-315-7671.

Friday, December 6

6 - 8:00 am Men's Bible Study, Fireside room

Saturday, December 7

1 - 5:00 pm Bethlehem Marketplace

Sunday, December 8

1 - 5:00 pm Bethlehem Marketplace

Contact Information for Ministry Staff

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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

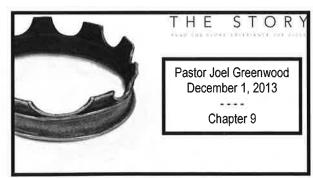
UGLY Christmas Sweater Party Wednesday, December 11 6:30-8:00 pm in youth room

(Sweaters can be found in any thrift store... or, possibly, a family member's closet!)

FSM Winter Calendars are available!

You may pick one up from the youth room or from the table under the mailboxes. Stay informed!

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



THE FAITH OF A **FOREIGN WOMAN**

Ruth 1 - 4

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Christmas Help

If you and your family are FMC regular attenders and need help with Christmas, please drop a note to Pastor Norm and the church will help you.



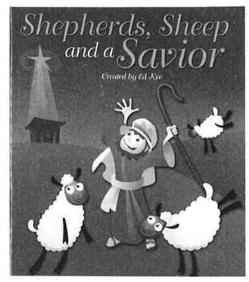


Sunday, December 22

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

Sunday Speaking Schedule

Pastor Joel
Pastor Norm
Pastor Joel
Pastor Norm
Pastor Joel



Kids Christmas Musical 2013 Wednesday, December 18, 7:00 p.m. FMC Sanctuary

On a hill just outside of Bethlehem, lowly shepherds were tending their sheep at night. Nobody really wanted to talk to the shepherds. That is, nobody except an angel!

They may have been at the bottom of the social ladder in Bethlehem, but God chose shepherds to be the first ones to see the Savior! This is their story - what they heard and what they saw that marvelous night when God came to dwell with men.



Men's Basketball Tuesday, December 3, 7-9 pm

For all men post-high school. ?s, call Dave Huffman, 316-4986.

Ladies Basketball

Tuesday, December 3, 6-7 pm

For all girls high school and up ?s, call Jessica Bonner 419-889-7900.



Bethlehem Marketplace (BMP)

Saturday, December 7, 1 - 5 p.m. Sunday, December 8, 1 - 5 p.m.

- If you are already signed up for the cast, you should have information in your church mailbox today. Please contact Cindy in the office if you don't.
- Your costumes are ready today. PLEASE be sure to pick up your costume note from your FMC mailbox BEFORE looking for your costume. It will have your costume number on it so you can match up your number with the number on your costume and not take someone else's costume by mistake!
- ♦ Thank you to everyone who has said YES! to presenting the Christmas story in this unique way.
- ♦ Please look over the BMP Week schedule below. We need help every day of the week, especially Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. if you are not involved in a Wednesday night class.
- Publicity for you to hand out is available at the BMP table.
- Be in prayer for BMP:

For the people you are inviting to come.

For the set up crew. Without them there is no BMP.

Pray for good weather - not too warm, not too cold, no freezing rain...

Pray for the health of all the workers - it is a long weekend for many.

Pray that God would put His Spirit in a styrofoam city filled with sand, props, and human actors.

Thank God for the volunteers who provide food - before, during, and after the event.

Pray for the publicity that goes out to four counties and on the radio. Every year there are people who are moved to tears by the streets of Bethlehem. Thank God for changed lives at BMP.

Thank God for the music that keeps the crowd both calm and excited; and prepares their hearts for BMP's crowded streets.

Bethlehem Marketplace Week Schedule December 4 - 10, 2013

Wednesday: 8:00 am, prepare for BMP set up - bring in carpet, remove kitchen

items, get gym ready

6:30 pm, begin setting up walls if you are not in a class

Thursday: 8:00 am, continue setting up walls, spread sand, bring in props, etc.

3:00-8:00 pm, continue setting up props in booths, adding greenery, etc.

Both men and women are still needed.

Friday: All day, finishing touches - ladies are especially needed this day!

6:30 pm dress rehearsal

Saturday: 1-5 pm, BMP

Sunday: 11:45 am, lunch served for first shift BMP workers, 1-5 pm 8:00 am, tear down BMP, remove sand, clean the whole church

Tuesday: 8:00 am, finish cleaning church

Your prayerful help is requested

The Church Leadership Board (Church Board) would like the congregation's prayerful input concerning qualified individuals for the office of Deacon.

Deacons are the highest spiritual office in the church. They assist the pastors concerning spiritual matters. There will be three openings on the Deacon Board, starting January 2014.

The process:

- 1. Obtain from the congregation the names of qualified men. A list of possible candidates for deacon is at the Connection Center. This list was prepared by the Deacon Board using the criteria listed for Deacons in Scripture and in the Deacons job description. This is only a starting point. If you know of others that you prayerfully think would qualify and are members of the church, please submit their names after you have talked with them. Names should be submitted in writing or by email to Pastor Norm before Monday, December 16, 2013. With your submission please indicate how you have observed spiritual leadership in this person's life.
- 2. The Deacons and Church Leadership Board (Church Board) will review the names and possibly interview candidates and select 3 individuals to fill these openings.
- 3. The congregation will be asked to ratify these selections at the Annual Business Meeting on January 26, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

Deacons must be members of the church in good standing. The complete church membership list and Deacons job description are available at the Connection Center.



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



Fairview encourages giving to our denominational college, Bethel College in Mishawaka, Indiana. Our church and the college have joined together for an unbeatable scholarship plan to aid both Fairview students and value-minded Fairview attenders who want to receive optimal tax benefits. For details on this special program please see the facing bulletin page.

Since 2000, Bethel College students have received over \$65,000 from FMC and that amount has been matched by Bethel College for a total benefit of \$130,000 for our Bethel students.



Bethel College is our church college. As part of the Missionary Church, we own part of Bethel.

Matching Scholarship Fund

How your gift benefits FMC students

FMC gives up to \$1000 annually to our students attending Bethel. FMC's gift is matched by Bethel. In addition, Bethel gives a \$2000 scholarship annually to students coming from a Missionary church. That is a total of up to \$4000 a year just because a student is from FMC and attends Bethel. Over a 4 year college experience that is \$16,000 - almost one semester free tuition!

How your gift benefits YOU

State Tax benefits for Individuals/Couples

You, as an Indiana taxpayer, will receive a tax credit equal to 50% of your contribution to Bethel College. This means that a \$400 gift to Bethel College yields a \$200 tax credit; a \$200 gift yields a \$100 credit; a \$100 gift yields a \$50 credit and so on. In other words, you will be reimbursed for half of your gift, not by the College which puts your money to good use - but by the state. Taxpayers filing singly receive half these amounts. To take advantage of this opportunity you must use the Indiana Department of Revenue Form CC-40 when filing your state income tax return.

Corporations

Indiana Corporations may receive a maximum tax credit of \$1000 on gifts of \$2000 or more. Corporations may receive 50% credit on gifts, not to exceed 10% of the company's adjusted gross income tax, or \$1000, whichever is less.

Federal Tax Deduction

In addition to the Indiana tax credit, a contribution to Bethel College may also result in a federal tax deduction. Generally, to qualify for a federal tax deduction, you must itemize deductions on the Federal Tax Form 1040 (long form). The amount of the deduction is based on your income and the amount of your contribution. The federal tax deduction, unlike the state tax credit, is computed as a reduction in your taxable income and therefore, ultimately, the amount of taxes you owe.

Checks MUST be made payable to BETHEL COLLEGE