



WEDNESDAY NIGHT

# Church Dinner

JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

## 5:00 pm

### September 14

Fried Chicken  
Rice & Gravy  
Green Beans  
Salad  
Dessert

### September 21

Ham  
Au gratin Potatoes  
Peas & Carrots  
Salad & Rolls  
Dessert

**\$5 per adult.**

Ages 0 - 18 eat free.

To go plates are for shut ins only.

Please sign up by Tuesday at noon

by calling the church office

409-384-2527, or [fbcj@fbcjaspertx.com](mailto:fbcj@fbcjaspertx.com)

or using this QR code



**a new ADDRESS**

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Randy Dean	Sep 14
Billie Ener	Sep 16
Grant Calicott	Sep 17
Ella Powell	Sep 17
Betty Anthony	Sep 19
Jeff Hicks	Sep 19
Ron Shamblin	Sep 19
Evelyn Walker	Sep 21
Sue Gee	Sep 25

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**Our Vision:**  
 To see every life in Jasper transformed by Christ resulting in an impact in His name felt to the very ends of the earth.

# The Compass

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Please join us for a

## Widows / Widowers Luncheon

Sunday, September 11, 2022  
12:00 pm

Please bring a covered dish  
Church will provide Fried Chicken

**Good News... Great Joy!**  
Pack A Box & Impact A Life!

We will be collecting different items for shoeboxes each month. Stop by the table in foyer and pick up a list of suggested items.

**For the month of September, we will collect small toys & clothes.**

- ### Church Events
- September 11 - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Widow & Widower's Luncheon @ 12pm, Budget & Finance Committee Meeting @ 4pm, Evening Worship, Youth and Children's @ 5pm
  - September 13 - Constitution & Bylaws Committee Meeting @ 9am
  - September 14 - FBCS Grandparents Day & Red, White & Blue Day @ 7:45am, Supper @ 5pm, Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study, Youth (BARF Day) & Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Choir Practice @ 7pm
  - September 15 - Senior Adults Out to Eat at Dane's in Kirbyville @ 5pm
  - September 17 - Men's Breakfast @ 8am
  - September 18 - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Deacons Meeting @ 4pm, Youth and Children's @ 5pm
  - September 21- Supper @ 5pm, Business Meeting/Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study, Youth & Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Choir Practice @ 7pm

# I've Been Thinking...

Dear Church Family,

If you happen to read a book about making disciples, you will almost certainly find that all the disciple making books talk about small groups. Many of you have been a part of a small group in a church before. I have. When I moved to New Orleans in 1978, I was the pastor of a mission church. Irma and I worked hard to plant that young church. We poured ourselves out and needed something that would pour back into us. Together with a few friends we formed a group that met in our homes once a week. We studied the Bible and prayed together. The group only stayed together for about a year, but it was very helpful for us.

Years later, a dear friend in Raleigh, North Carolina who was in our Sunday School class, wanted to start a home Bible group. After planning for some time, several of us launched our home group. This group lasted for many years and over those years it provided me with my richest spiritual experiences. This small group is where I grew as a Christ follower. That is the reason many churches today have small groups meeting weekly (or close to weekly) in homes. A small group (like the ones I have experienced) provides a place where Christians can grow as disciples. The right kind of small group creates an environment where people can share their lives, become vulnerable to the work of the Holy Spirit, and can foster a level of accountability to live the Christ life. In addition to these, small groups become a way that new people can come to know Christ.

Small groups form part of our strategy to fulfill our vision (to see every life in Jasper transformed by Christ . . .) That is why we are moving toward a small group launch in October of this year. We will start small, but we will grow. We are launching with four groups. These groups will meet at different times of the week and in different locations around our city. Very soon you will hear more about these groups. What I am asking you to do now is to pray about your participation.

Coming soon. . . I can hardly wait.

Brother Donnie



## A Note from Bro. Woody

*Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name.  
Your kingdom come. Your will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
--Matthew 6: 9-10--*

A young boy and his dad were seated at the dining room table, while mom put the finishing touches on their Sunday dinner. While waiting, the father asked his son if he would say the prayer for their meal. The youngster nodded his head excitedly – but when his mother brought the food out, his enthusiasm faded. Pausing for a moment to stare at the bubbling casserole set before him, the little boy shrugged his shoulders and prayed, “God, I’m really not sure what it is. But thanks anyway. And I’ll still eat it.”

One of the hardest things for believers to do is to trust that God knows what He’s doing in our lives—to believe that whatever He sets in front of us is for our good. Instead, we often grow angry or afraid when God allows something into our lives that we don’t expect or recognize. But you can exchange that anger and fear for joy when you learn to pray like Jesus, and trust in God’s will over your own. The truth is God’s in complete control, even when you can’t make sense of what’s going on. He loves you – and if you’ll trust Him in all things – you’ll experience the peace of His presence like never before! So today, ask God to help you desire His will in your life over your own.

*All things work for our good  
though sometimes we can't see how they could.  
Struggles that break our hearts in two  
sometimes blind us to the truth.*

*Our Father knows what's best for us, His ways are not our own.  
So when your pathway grows dim and you just can't see Him,  
Remember you're never alone.  
God is too wise to be mistaken; God is too good to be unkind.  
So when you don't understand, when don't see His plan,  
When you can't trace His hand trust His heart.*

You are loved,  
Bro. Woody



**Senior Adults  
are going  
out to eat  
September 15th  
Meet at the  
church @ 5 pm**

## A Page from Jim's Journal

On Friday, September 2nd, FBC came together to feed the Jasper High School Band, Cheerleaders and Dazzlers before their game in Palestine.



**"Thank you to all from FBC who came and helped serve these students. You not only blessed these students, you were a blessing to me as you helped make this happen."**

- Jim



**Men's Ministry Fellowship**  
Catch up with other men for a time of breakfast, prayer, fellowship and inspiration.  
Venue: FBC Gym  
Cost: Free  
RSVP: Steve Garcia  
(409) 622-0006  
or call church office  
(409)384-2527



**We're Searching for Volunteers**  
**Saturday, October 1st**  
Set up: 8:30 to 10:00  
Workers: 10:00 to 4:00  
Sign up in the foyer or church office  
Contact Steve Garcia for more information  
409-622-0006



**FALL BUTTERFLY FESTIVAL**  
10 AM TO 4 PM  
OCTOBER 1, 2022  
SANDY CREEK PARK,  
MARVIN HANCOCK DRIVE JASPER, TEXAS  
S.N.I.P.S.  
WEENIE DOG RACES,  
FOOD, CRAFTS, MUSIC  
JASPER LAKE  
SANDY CREEK  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE