



5:00 pm

September 27

No Supper
Due To
Fields of Faith

October 4

Meatloaf
Au Gratin Potatoes
Vegetable & Salad
Desert

\$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@fbcjasper.tx.com

or using this QR code



Dear FBC Family,

Thank you so very much for the generous
offering you gave to our building fund.
May God bless you now and always.

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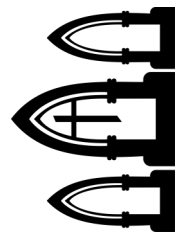
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students from across the nation and world gather on their school's
athletic field to share faith stories and challenge each other to apply the

Bible as their "game plan for life."

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I've Been Thinking...

Dear Church Family,

A few Sundays ago I began my sermon with a quote from "Monty Python and the Holy Grail." (Probably not the best source for sermon material.) After hobbling to the pulpit, I said, "It's just a flesh wound." Well, as it turns out, it's more than a flesh wound. Yesterday I had an MRI. A few hours later I received a phone call giving me the results. I have a herniated disc impinging on a nerve root. That is what has caused my "flesh wound" and the source of my pain.

Many of you know this pain. A herniated disc has happened to many of us. It happed to me in 1999. It's a pretty nasty pain. The injury is in the back but the pain manifests in the hip and knee and ankle and all places between. It aches and throbs and burns and screams. It simply can't be ignored.

C. S. Lewis in his book, "The Problem of Pain" does his usual amazing job of dealing with his subject. Basically, Lewis argues that pain, in a fallen world, pushes us to God. I can attest that this is true. Here's how it happens; the pain (from whatever source) begins. At the beginning the pain may be moderate but it's still enough to enlist friends to pray for you. But as the pain over time increases you yourself begin to pray pretty often and with increasing intensity. You open your Bible and start to read looking for help and encouragement. You ask God "why?" You ask Him for help. You might even begin to confess thoughts to Him that you had hidden for years. Finally, you start making promises to God concerning how you will live in the future. Yes, Lewis was right. In our world, pain is one of those experiences that turn us to Him.

Don't waste your pain. Whatever has caused it: physical, emotional, mental; let it push you into the arms of a redeeming God who understands our pain - after all, that is part of the message of the cross. He knows our pain. He enters our pain. He redeems our pain. Yes, seek healing for pain, but let your pain help you encounter the Living God.

I can hardly wait . . .

Brother Donnie

A Note from Bro. Woody

SENIOR ADULT AFTERNOON MOVIE

featuring



Tuesday, October 10
1:00 pm
in the Choir Room

HAPPY YEARS

A Ministry for those 55 and better

Beginning Tuesday, September 26

And every second Tuesday of the month

Games at 10:00

Catered Lunch at 11:30

Worship/Bible Study at 12:30

A Page from Jim's Journal

John came home from school last Thursday and was very excited. That day he had music class with Brother Woody and he wanted to come home and practice his songs. We found the different songs he was singing on YouTube and he began to study them. I asked him if I could hear him sing and he told me he needed more practice.

The next morning, I was eating breakfast in the kitchen and I could hear John clear across the house singing from the top his lungs, "Oh God, you have done great things!" His praises to Jesus just melted my heart. I walked down the hall and stood around the corner just listening to him. It reminded me of an encounter Jesus had with the Pharisee's and God used this to minister to me that day.

"The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, 'Who is this?' The crowds answered, 'This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.' Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. 'It is written,' he said to them, 'My house will be called a house of prayer,' but you are making it a den of robbers.' The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them. But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, 'Hosanna to the Son of David,' they were indignant. 'Do you hear what these children are saying?' they asked him. 'Yes,' replied Jesus, 'have you never read - From the lips of children and infants, You, Lord, have called forth your praise.'"

It had been a hard week. I was struggling to find joy in the last few days. My 6 year old son reminded me that God has done great things. Just as these children put the Pharisee's to shame, I was convicted over my attitude. I had wanted to push through, fix things myself, and fight my battles. But God is so much bigger than all of that. I am so thankful for his gentle reminders to lean on Him and worship. I am thankful for how He has captivated the hearts of my children. Oh God, you have done great things!



Church Events

- **September 24** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Blood Drive @ 2pm, Youth and Children's @ 5pm
- **September 26** - Happy Years, a ministry for those 55 years & better
- **September 27** - See You At The Pole @ 7am, Fields of Faith @ 7pm
- **October 1** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Youth and Children's @ 5pm, Choir Practice @ 6pm
- **October 4** - Supper @ 5pm, Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study, Youth & Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Choir Practice @ 7pm
- **October 6 & 7** - Ladies Retreat @ ETBE
- **October 6** - 5th Quarter @ FBC
- **October 7** - Butterfly Festival
- **October 8** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Baptism & Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Youth and Children's @ 5pm, Choir Practice @ 6pm