

Forerunnet

First Baptist Church 1024 E. Stuart Drive Galax, VA 24333 276-236-5185 www.fbcgalax.org

> Volume 51, No. 7 July 1-31, 2024



I made the heavens by My Word and I breathed the stars into existence

By Yahweh's word, the heavens were made; all their army by the breath of his mouth.

Psalm 33:6

Our God and Father is so big that He created the heavens just by a word! He is so powerful that just a breath from His mouth caused all of the stars to come into being. When you think of this promise, take time to reflect on the bigness of our God!

So many times in the busyness of life, we get caught up in our own struggles and the mountains that we face on a daily basis. When I think of this promise, I gain a perspective that is greater than my own experience. Though the mountains in my life are big, my God is much bigger! Though there are times when I feel overwhelmed by the world system that I live in, I am encouraged when I think about the greatness of our God!



<u>Sundays</u>

9:45 am—Sunday School
(Classes for all ages)
11:00 am—Worship Service
(Live on FBC Website & 98.1 FM Radio)
6:00 pm Kids & Youth Meetings Summer Break for June, July, & August

Mondays

Bible Study— Summer Break for June, July, & August

<u>Wednesdays</u>

6:00 pm—Prayer Group 6:30 pm—Choir Rehearsal

Mark Your Calendars UPCOMING EVENTS

July 1—Soup Kitchen—Please have Bread & Desserts to the church by 1 pm

July 3, Kingdom Kids—5:30 pm

July 4—Independence Day— Church Office Will Be Closed

July 9—Women on Mission—11:00 am

July 12—14th—Centri Kids Summer Camp at Gardner Webb University

July 15th-19th—Fuge Summer Camp At Milligan University

July 17th —Kingdom Kids—5:30 pm

July 18th —Loss Support Group— 11:30 am

July 28—Business Meeting

July 31—Kingdom Kids—5:30 pm





Youth Ministry NEWS

He is so powerful that He simply took a breath and the stars came into being. If that is the case, then I know that He is strong enough to save you and me.

Yahweh your God is among you, a warrior who saves. He will rejoice over you with gladness.

He will bring you quietness with His love.

He will delight in you with shouts of joy."

Zephaniah 3:17

No matter how insurmountable your circumstances are today, be encouraged that the God who created the heavens and the earth is your Heavenly Dad.

He is for you, not against you. May God help each one of us to rest in the amazing knowledge of His greatness today and His promise to care for everyone who belongs to Him.

In Christ's Love,

Kevin

It's now July, and as we celebrate the birth of our nation, the Music Ministry would like to send a huge THANK YOU to all of those who were involved in our patriotic celebration this past Sunday morning, June 30. To the choir, the narrators, the musicians, and our tech team, words cannot express our appreciation for sharing your time and talents with our church family and our community. Our heartstrings were stirred with thankfulness for this great country and those who have served in our armed forces. Let us never forget these men and women who fought for the freedoms we now enjoy. We are indeed a grateful nation. Thank you!

And so, as summer rages on, consider joining the Music Ministry on Wednesday evenings for a great time of fellowship. We meet at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room, and we're always looking for new voices to be a part of Sunday morning worship. There's a seat just for you!!

Take a moment, and reflect on this familiar patriotic hymn. "Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy might, Great God our King!" May God bless you, and may God bless America!

My country, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing: Land where my fathers died, Land of the pilgrims' pride, From every mountain side Let freedom ring!

My native country, thee, Land of the noble free, Thy name I love: I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and templed hills; My heart with rapture thrills Like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees Sweet freedom's song: Let mortal tongues awake; Let all that breathe partake; Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God our King!

Henry Carey, Samuel Francis Smith. CCLI Song #46582. © Words: Public Domain; Music: Public Domain

For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com. CCLI License

FBC Kids will be attending Centri-Kid Summer Camp July 12-13-14th At Gardner Webb University Open to 2nd—6th grade &

FBC Youth will be attending
FUGE Summer Camp
July 15th—19th
At Milligan University
Open to 6th—12th grade

Please pray our leaders & children have a safe trip. Pray our children have an amazing experience, make new friends, and that they leave camp knowing Jesus better than when they arrived!

Vacation Bible School

was held June 9th—13th.
Total Attendance was 337 for
the week.
An average of 48 kids
& 38 adults attended each night.
A big THANK YOU to
Pastor Kevin, the youth leaders
and to all the volunteers!
Our Youth Leaders put a lot of
time and hard work into making
this week an amazing week for
our children.

Volunteers also played an important part in making VBS a success and we could not do it without your help!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE



GREETINGS FROM THE HISPANIC CONGREGATION.

IN RECENT WEEKS WE HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE A GROUP OF MIGRANT WORKERS. SOME HAD TO RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRY AND OTHERS MOVED TO OTHER STATES. THEY HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR GOD'S WORD AND FOR THE SEED TO BE SOWN IN THEIR HEARTS. OUR PRAYER IS THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL SPROUT IN THEIR LIVES THE SEED THAT WAS IMPLANTED.

1 Corinthians 3:6-9 I PLANTED THE SEED, APOLLOS WATERED IT, BUT GOD HAS BEEN MAKING IT GROW. SO NEITHER THE ONE WHO PLANTS NOR THE ONE WHO WATERS IS ANYTHING, BUT ONLY GOD, WHO MAKES THINGS GROW. THE ONE WHO PLANTS AND THE ONE WHO WATERS HAVE ONE PURPOSE, AND THEY WILL EACH BE REWARDED ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN LABOR. FOR WE ARE CO-WORKERS IN GOD'S SERVICE; YOU ARE GOD'S FIELD, GOD'S BUILDING.

WE CONTINUE AS A CHURCH TO FIGHT EVERY DAY TO STAND TOGETHER IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES AND PRAY THAT THE LORD WILL GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE SERVING OUR COMMUNITY. WE PRAY THAT IN ALL THIS THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL ALWAYS BE GLORIFIED.

- DANIEL SANCHEZ



The Women on Mission would like to thank everyone for your support of this year's Baby Bottle Campaign.

All the money raised will be delivered to the Tri-Area Pregnancy Center.

If you still have baby bottles, please return them to the church as soon as you can.

Come join us at 11:00 am on Tuesday, July 9th, for our monthly WOM meeting in the Common Ground Classroom. We have a wonderful time of fellowship and learning about missions and what we can do to support our Community.

- Christy Sumner



Summer is a great time for ministry! Ministry is every day, 24 hours, and 7 days a week! We should if we do not already, give thanks every day that we live in a nation where we have freedom to worship God!

The Kingdom Kids youth are enjoying vacation away from school. We all are having great fellowship at church on Wednesday evenings. We had a fabulous time eating frozen treats from Lil B's Shaved Ice and going to the Carroll County Splash Pad. Along with our fun and fellowship, we have been learning about the power of Jesus Christ. Philippians 2:9 -11 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Mark 16:15 And He [Jesus Christ] said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Kingdom Kids Ministry is teaching the youth the truths of the Bible.

2 Timothy 4: 2-5 tells us Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage – with great patience and careful instruction.

June 2024 Attendance Records

Sunday School 11 am Worship Evening Attendance Hispanic Worship	06/02/2024 103 178 65 <u>54</u> 400
Sunday School 11 am Worship Evening Attendance Hispanic Worship	06/09/2024 86 144 360 <u>53</u> 643
Sunday School 11 am Worship Evening Attendance Hispanic Worship	06/16/2024 86 150 50 <u>45</u> 331
Sunday School 11 am Worship Evening Attendance Hispanic Worship	06/23/2024 68 146 35 <u>42</u> 291

	06/30/2024
Sunday School	87
11 am Worship	<i>170</i>
Evening Attendance	(To Be Added)
Hispanic Worship	` <u>39</u> ´
	296

PRAYER Requests

Shirley & Benny White, Mike Coleman, Amy Russell, John Garner, Bill Nuckolls, Johnny Dillon, Rose Houk, Mike Frazier, John Weaver, Sam & Nancy Blair, Frank & Eula Merrill,

Joe & Sara Lindsey, Barry Newman, Tony Iroler, Jim Smith,
Doris Bedwell & Charley Whalen, Steve Conley, & Max Brown.
Judy Hennis—Waddell Nursing & Rehab—Room 103 Betty Parks—Waddell Nursing & Rehab Iona Adams—Galax Health & Rehab—B17 Pray for all those in the Nursing Home & Rehab Centers Pray for our country & the U.S. Military & other coalition forces.



Love & Sympathy to the Sharon Plichta Family for the passing of Sharon on June 5, 2024.



Donation by Charles & Pam Burnette To The Music Fund In **Loving Memory of Dennis Combs**

Donation by Lewis & Marian Porter To The Beautification Fund In Loving Memory of Dennis Combs

Donation by Nancy Westmoreland To The Béautification Fund in Loving Memory of Dennis Combs

CHURCH STAFF

Mrs. Wendi Pemberton	.Minister of Music
Ms. Barbara Bourne	Financial Secretary Organist Pianist Weekday Preschool Director Preschool/Extended Session Sunday School Director Bus Ministry Director Volunteer Health Nurse

CHURCH PHONE: 276-236-5185 CHURCH FAX 276-236-5186

Dr. Kevin Rosenfeld.....Senior Pastor

E-MAIL: secretary@fbcgalax.org Website: www.fbcgalax.org



www.facebook.com/FBCGalax

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00 Friday-8:30-1:00

JULY TEAM VOLUNTEERS

NURSERY





SECURITY TEAM Don Houk—Open & David Riggen-Close
Eric Testerman—Open & Billy Whitaker-Close
Terry Anders—Open & Gerald Cox—Close
Mark Burnette—Open & Scott Hall-Close July 7 July 14 July 21 July 28 WELCOME CENTER FIRST IMPRESSIONS July 7 **Regina Snow** Calvin & Sue Griffith July 14 July 21 July 28 Willie & Cheryl Harris Phil & Gay Helms **Debbie Patterson Pam Turner** Mimi Banks Marty & Cathy Parks TECH SOUND **TECH PROJECTION Bryan Dillon** July 7 July 14 **Trevor Anders** Mike Stevens Jessica Whitaker July 21 July 28 **Gary Ballard Trevor Anders** Jessica Whitaker **Bryan Dillon**

PASTOR KEVIN'S JULY 2024 SERMON SERIES

July 7
Guest Speaker—Mark Horton, Gideons

July 14 Guest Speaker—Jeff Combs

July 21
"Daniel & The Study of Prophecy"
Daniel 7-8

July 28
"The Pursuit of Trivia Over the Pursuit
Of Answers to Problems..."
John 6:1-21







Deacon Edwards Joined FBC on 5-12-2024 & Was Baptized on 6-9-2024 Joshua Schultheis has finished his Eagle Scout Project.

The project is intended to demonstrate a scout's leadership ability and benefit their community.

This is one of many things a scout must complete in order to become the highest scout rank, an Eagle Scout.

Becoming an Eagle Scout is an act of great dedication and skill.

Joshua chose First Baptist Church of Galax

to be the community his project will serve.

His project, Refiner's Fire Pit, includes a fire pit and four benches which can be converted into two picnic tables.

A Big Thank You to Joshua for a job well done!



KINGDOM KIDS WILL MEET July 3, 17 & July 31 at 5:30 pm WE HAVE SOME AWESOME LEADERS WHO VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME TO MAKE THIS HISPANIC MINISTRY A BLESSING TO SO MANY IN OUR HISPANIC COMMUNITY



Pictured are a few of these amazing volunteers: Penny Adams, Jean Acencio & Jealynn Coleman

MEET THE LATEST ADDITION TO THE ROSENFELD FAMILY This beautiful Great Pyrenees "Lucy" ioined the family on June 24th!

joined the family on June 24th!

The Great Pyrenees is a working dog bred to deter sheep-stealing wolves.

Very appropriate for a FBC Mascot!!!



VBS 2024 "BREAKER ROCK BEACH" God's Rock-Solid Truth In A World of Shifting Sands





GOD'S TRUTH NEVER FAILS









GOD'S PLAN IS BEST



TRUTH COMES FROM GOD









GOD'S TRUTH NEVER CHANGES



JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY









GOD'S ROCK-SOLID TRUTH



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNEDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Joyce Orwig Betty Parrish	4	5	6 Dan Schultheis
7	8 Steve Hazelwood Eugenio Ibarra Janis Kurtz Barbara Leonard James Sumner Benny White	9 Ben Williams	10	11 Joyce Phillips	12 Phyllis Barker Donnie Handy	13 Bill Davis
14 Ronnie Harris	15 Mike Robinson	16 Nancy Carpenter	17	18 Linda Cooley Susan Honaker	19 Lupita Ramirez	20
21	22 Linda Rosenfeld	23 Royce Easter	24	25 Eula Merrill Regina Snow	26	27
28	29 Ruth Hall Mark Painter	30 Jaeron DeBoe	31			



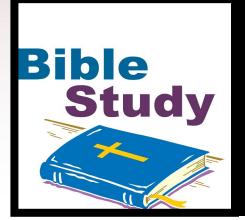
July 2024 Services & Activities

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Please have Bread and Desserts To the church by 1:00 pm	2	3 NO Prayer Group NO Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm Kingdom Kids	HAPPY Church Office Will Be Closed	5	6
7 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service	8	Women on Mission 11:00 am	10 6:00 pm Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	11	Centri-Kids Summer Camp Gardner Webb University	Centri-Kids Summer Camp Gardner Webb University
14 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service Centri-Kids Summer Camp Gardner Webb University	FUGE Youth Summer Camp Milligan University	FUGE Youth Summer Camp Milligan University	17 6:00 pm Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm Kingdom Kids FUGE Youth Summer Camp Milligan University	18 Loss Support Group Griete Alone FUGE Youth Summer Camp Milligan University	19 FUGE Youth Summer Camp Milligan University	20
21 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service	22	23	24 6:00 pm Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	25	26	27
9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service Business Meeting	29	30	31 NO Prayer Group NO Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm Kingdom Kids			



SOUP KITCHEN Monday, July 1

Please have bread and desserts to the church by 1:00 pm



PASTOR KEVIN'S
MONDAY EVENING
BIBLE STUDY
5:30 pm
Summer Break
Studies Will Resume In The Fall



JULY 9 (a) 11:00 AM

Please contact
Christy Sumner
for more information



Loss Support Group July 18 -11:30 am

For More Information
Please Contact
Bruce Thomas or
Call the Church Office



PRAYER TIME
LED BY PASTOR KEVIN
EACH WEDNESDAY @ 6:00 PM
IN THE CHURCH PARLOR



CHOIR REHEARSAL

EACH WEDNESDAY

@ 6:30 PM

If you would like to join the choir, please see Wendi Pemberton.



Kingdom Kids July 3, 17th & July 31 @ 5:30 pm



Tru-North & Kids Explorers
6 pm YOUTH MEETINGS
Summer Break
Meetings Will Resume in the Fall
July Summer Activities Include
Summer Camps for Kids & Teens



PAPER PALS

Each Tuesday @ 10 am Summer Break

Volunteers will be needed when Preschool begins in the Fall