



## Jefferson First Baptist Church

*"I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength."*

Philippians 4:13

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### Results of Townhall Meeting on SBC Vote

FBC Jefferson held a membership vote on October 22, 2019, regarding our decision to become associated with the Southern Baptist Convention. The vote resulted in 20 votes for SBC association and 12 votes against association. Although a majority of people voted for association, a normal standard for votes like this would require a 66% majority; we received a 62% affirmation which is short of a 2/3 majority. The elders have decided to postpone our affiliation with the Southern Baptist Convention for now.

As we gathered on that Tuesday evening, October 22, we brainstormed and prayed about how we would like to see God work in our church over the next year. Below are the prayer requests that were shared by and then prayed over by congregation members:

1. That we would see more baptisms
2. That God would bring more kids
3. That God would bring more young families
4. That former church members would return
5. That more kids would come to youth group
6. That we would have more community outreach
7. That we would see revival among Jefferson churches
8. That more people would attend prayer meetings.
9. That we would have youth mission trips again

Although we are not affiliated with a denomination, the elders still see the importance of receiving outside wisdom for the revitalization of our church. A tally of the church membership reminded us that the vast majority of our church members are in their 70's and 80's. In the future, Pastor Kevin will seek to get outside training, coaching and wisdom as we seek to move forward as a church. Please pray for Pastor Kevin as he seeks to find other pastors to fellowship with and pray with as we look to the future. These are important times, but not without challenges. Let's pray together for the moving of God's Spirit among us.

Pastor Kevin, Garth Cornell,  
Rick Havens, and Ed Pickard



Many opportunities for service are available for us in our church and in our community. For several years, people from FBC have helped the Salvation Army by serving as Bell Ringers. Our service dates this year are December 6 and 7 from 11 a.m. till 5 p.m. in one hour shifts. See John Dyrz or look for the sign-up sheet if you are willing to help. Money raised in each community in red kettles stays in those areas to help local people in need.

### Nursery Workers Needed

We are still in need of nursery workers. Our faithful helpers are sometimes missing church worship services more than once a month.

Please give it a try! The sign up sheet for Nov. and Dec. is on the nursery door. Are there nine volunteers who could take just one Sunday every two months?

## Operation Christmas Child; The Next Step after Nov. 17

Soon the deadline for bringing in shoe boxes will be upon us. Remember Nov 17 is the last day to bring in you completed boxes. If you need a few more items to fill your box, there are still plenty of items available in our OCC room. We have plenty of stuffed animals, Flip Flops, draw string bags and many other items.

The collection of shoeboxes on Nov. 17 does not end our involvement in Operation Christmas Child. For the second year in a row, from Nov 18 thru the 25th our church will be

serving as a *Drop Off Location* where other churches and individuals will be able to drop off their boxes. We will pack them and deliver them to a *Central Drop Off Site* to be packed in a semi-truck and then shipped to a processing center. Last year 1033 shoeboxes were packed into 67 cartons by workers at our location.

Please keep all aspects of this ministry in your prayers. Pray that this ministry will bring Glory to God, the salvation message will be shared, and children will be saved. Please pray for our work as a Drop Off Location and for those who will bring their boxes to us. Thank you.

Yvonne Woodworth 440-576-1401 or ymwoodworth@yahoo.com



Last year after other churches and individuals started dropping off their boxes, several of the workers gather before starting their work.

**Sherry Cornell Presents**  
**A**  
**Wonderful**  
**Christmas Time**  
**FRI. & SAT., DEC. 13 & 14 AT 7pm**  
**Meet & Greet with**  
**hors d'oeuvres at 6pm**

**Jefferson First Baptist Church**  
**85 West Jefferson St.**

**FREE TICKETS AT ALL OFFICES OF**  
**LAKEVIEW FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**

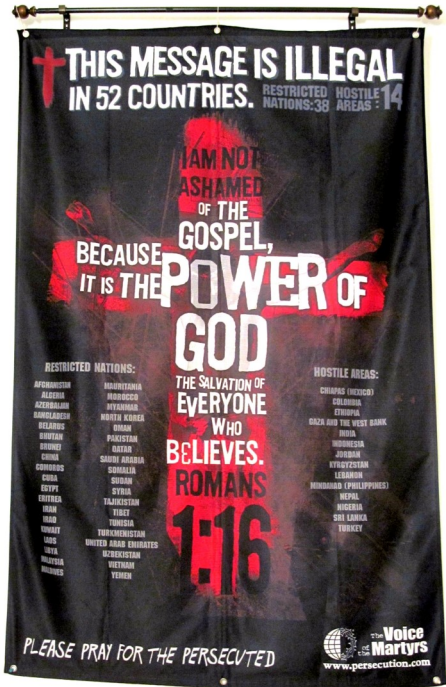


# Voice of the Martyrs Is Mission Outreach for November

This November at FBC Jefferson, our missions emphasis is Voice of the Martyrs (VOM) and the persecuted church. Do you recognize the two banners below? They have been hanging in the fellowship hall entrance foyer for a year now. I don't know about you, but I find myself passing by them too many times and just seeing them as decorations on the walls. Have you ever counted all the countries that are in that Restricted Nations list? Have you ever prayed any of the 10 prayers. Those two banners preach some powerful

messages about how believers in Jesus Christ are being treated in too many parts of the world and how we should be praying for them and supporting them.

Current Voice of the Martyrs magazines are available on the table in the foyer.



Six hundred dollars will go to VOM from our missions budget, but you may also add to that amount by placing a donation in one of the pew envelopes and marking it VOM.

## Harvest Party Thank You and Photos

A very sincere thank you for everyone who helped in any way with the Harvest Party. The manpower, candy, goodies, and prayers were greatly appreciated.

Around 70-75 total adults & children attended and had a wonderful time of fellowship.



Many of the children gather for a photo op with their decorated pumpkins



Dawn Skerness helps Alex with his Halloween bead project.

## Second Sunday Luncheons Need Volunteers to Be Hosts and Hostesses

We are in need of someone to host Our Second Sunday Lunches. Your main responsibility is to see that the food is out on the tables and to get things cleaned up at the end. There are people who will help get the ovens on in the morning, make the coffee, and set up the tables after Sunday School.

There are placemats available to put on the tables. You can provide the centerpieces or ask if some are available. If you have any questions please talk with Brenda Headley.

If you would like to host - there is a signup sheet on the office

## Let's remember the MANNA Project this Thanksgiving

Items are needed for the Thanksgiving dinners given out at the Food Pantry in November. Especially needed are hot chocolate, cookie mix, and scalloped potatoes. They also still need Kleenex, laundry and dish soap.

Bring any of the above items and place them in the box marked MANNA in the fellowship hall right by the nursery.

## Now Is The Time to Request Your Offering Envelopes for 2020

Personal offering envelopes for next year need to be ordered soon. This is an easy private way to honor the Lord. Each person or couple will have their own number and can have their offering envelopes ready when they come to the Sunday morning worship service.

Please call Jerie Pickard at 576-0390 very soon so that envelopes will be ready for 2020.

## B.W.M.S Updates for November

Beginning November 10, the women's society will be collecting hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, and socks (any size), for GO Ministry in Ashtabula. A Christmas tree will be set up in the foyer. Help us decorate it!

### Thank you

The women's society thanks all of you who put your extra change in the MYA Women's Center bear during October. \$30.34 was sent to MYA.

## B.W.M.S. Care & Share for November and December Is the Beatitude House

The Baptist Women's Missionary Society is collecting items for the Beatitude House for the months of November and December. The Beatitude House helps break the cycle of poverty and homelessness in Ashtabula County by offering a transitional housing program to women and children. The site is located at the old St. Joseph's school on Lake Avenue in Ashtabula. **For a full list please see the bulletin board in the foyer.**

### November Happy Birthday!

Harry Prine	1
Lexi Sweeney	4
Bailey Boomhower	6
Sue Allen	9
Ellie Beaver	25
Robin Reiter	27
Mick Zigmund	29
Naomi Oeffner	30

### Anniversary

Ken & Beverly Fertig 24

If you are not included in our birthday and/or anniversary lists and would like to be, please tell Ed or call him at 576-0390.

**Cleaning supplies:** Lysol/Clorox cleaning sprays and wipes, toilet bowl cleaner, window cleaner, dish soap and all-purpose cleaner.

**Over the counter medicines:** All types for children and adults, First Aid supplies.

**Personal Care:** liquid hand soap, body wash & soap, feminine products, band aids, diaper (larger sizes), children's socks & underwear, baby wipes, deodorant and toothpaste.

**Office Supplies** stamps, highlighters, copier paper, staples, hanging file folders, pens, card stock, index cards.

**Household & Paper products :** trash bags (13 gallon), sponge mops & buckets, plastic sandwich bags (qt & gal as well), tin foil & plastic wrap, plastic food containers, rechargeable batteries, tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, light bulbs, gas cans, tool kits, brooms & dustpans.

**Apartment Items:** kitchen utensils, cutting boards, kitchen wall clocks, dishes, pots & pans, dish rack kitchen tools. Coffee makers, hand mixers & bowls, pot holders, wall clocks, laundry baskets, bag less vacuums., towels (bath & kitchen), alarm clocks, bed pillows, shower curtain & rings, twin sheet sets, throw rugs & doormats, trash cans (lr & small) & bath mats.

**Gift Cards:** Giant Eagle, BP, Speedway, Sheetz, Aldi, Save-A-Lot, Walmart, CVS, Rite-Aid & Walgreens.

# NOVEMBER 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>3</b> Communion  9:30 S School 10:45 Worship  6:00 Youth Group	4	5	<b>6</b> 6:00 Women's Bible Study 6:30 Worship Practice 7:00 Prayer Mtg. and Bible Study	<b>7</b> 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study	8	9
<b>10</b> 9:30 S School 10:45 Worship Randy Brookes <div>12:00 Potluck</div> 6:00 Youth Group	11	<b>12</b> 7:00 pm Mary Elizabeth Circle at church	<b>13</b> 6:00 Women's Bible Study 6:30 Worship Practice 7:00 Prayer Mtg. and Bible Study	<b>14</b> 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study  2:30 	15	<b>16</b> 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
<b>17</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Worship  6:00 Youth Group	<b>18</b> <div>Operation OCC Drop Off Begins</div> <u>OCC 5-8 p.m.</u>	<b>19</b> 6:00 pm Elders  <u>OCC 5-8 p.m.</u>	<b>20</b> 6:00 Women's Bible Study 7:00 2020 Budget Vote Prayer & Bible Study <u>OCC 1-4 p.m.</u>	<b>21</b> 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study  11 a.m. Martha Circle <u>OCC 5-8 p.m.</u>	<b>22</b>  <u>OCC 5-8 p.m.</u>	<b>23</b> <u>OCC</u> <u>9 a.m.</u> <u>to 12 p.m.</u>
<b>24</b> 9:30 S School 10:45 Worship  6:00 NO Youth Group <u>OCC 1-4 p.m.</u>	<b>25</b> <u>OCC</u> <u>9 a.m.</u> <u>to</u> <u>12 p.m.</u>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 6:30 Worship Practice 7:00 Prayer Mtg. and Bible Study	<b>28</b> 	29	30
		Deadline for the Dec. Newsletter is Nov. 24. Please email or give the information to Ed Pickard epickard@embarqmail.com				

Elders		Deacons & Deaconesses	
Pastor Kevin Phillips	Rick Havens	John Dyrz	Brenda Headley
Garth Cornell	Ed Pickard		Sara Hinkle

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# **NOVEMBER 2019**

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**Sunday Services:  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
Nursery Care Provided**

**7:00 p.m. Wednesday  
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study**

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