

The Path

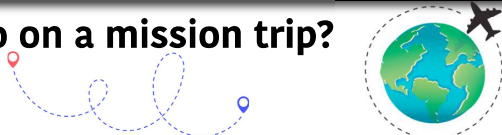
Louisa FBC Newsletter

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Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. - Psalm 119:105

From Pastor Chuck's Desk

Why go on a mission trip?



You could ask "why" about almost everything we do, and perhaps we should. I think asking "why" more often could be a good thing. There have been many times when I looked back and wished I had asked that question beforehand.

A mission trip allows us to step out of our comfort zone and exposes us to things we have never seen before. Jesus called Peter out of the boat in the middle of heavy waves and allowed him to walk on the water. That is the very definition of coming out of your comfort zone. What would have happened if Peter had stayed in the boat? He would have missed a valuable lesson and a great life-changing experience with the Master of the Seas.

We get to share the love of Christ. Going on a mission trip gives us unique opportunities to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and make an impact in the lives of people we would have never met otherwise. In Mark 16:15, Jesus told us to "Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone."

We always want to be a blessing to the people to whom we are ministering on mission trips, yet they end up being a blessing to us. Luke 6:38 *"Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."*



When we go on mission trips, we create lasting memories. There are people who remind me of mission trips we embarked on together as far as 25 years ago. We get to experience the joy of doing the Lord's work and be strengthened in our faith. This is not something that we easily forget. Psalm 128:2 *"When you eat the*

labor of your hands, You shall be happy, and it shall be well with you."

Crossing the pond never made anyone a missionary. This was the first statement that was made in my mission class in college. It is a very true statement. Going overseas is not what makes someone a missionary. If you don't share your faith here, you most likely won't share your faith in another country. The



English word "missionary" comes from the Latin word "missio" which means sending. To be a missionary means to be sent. We know the Great Commission is the great sending. Matthew 28:18-20 *"And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you' and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.' Amen."*



Every disciple of Christ is called to be a disciple maker. Everywhere we go every single day of our life is a type of mission trip. If you have been in our church for a while, you have probably heard that we are either a missionary or a mission project. We either tell people about Jesus or need to hear about Jesus.

It is a privilege to go tell of the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As missionaries, we love to tell the story! It will be our theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

Hope to get to see you soon,

Pastor Chuck Price





Welcome to The Path!



Hey! If you are new to the Louisa FBC newsletter, let me give you a trail guide. I'm Dr. Andrew DeLong, FBC member since 2001. This is the 152nd straight newsletter I have put together and the FIRST one that will NOT be mass-printed and mailed out. You may have never seen the newsletter before, and that's ok! If you are seeing this in your email, you either signed up for it or I hijacked your email address from the church directory. With the biggest change to the newsletter ever, and exciting changes and growth in our church, it seems like a good time for a rebrand. So, let's get on The Path together. Each month, you'll get articles and updates from ministry leaders, reminders about important events and dates, the schedule for greeters and nursery, and other

important info to keep you plugged in with your church family.

Now that we are all digital, I will have to fill more space than ever in this newsletter, so I strongly encourage anyone who is leading or even involved in a ministry or group to not hesitate to send in information about your ministry, group, event, etc. Also, collecting emails for the mailing list is going to be an ongoing process, so if you want your email added so that you can receive this each month, please reach out. You can do all this by sending a message to louisafbcnewsletter@gmail.com.



So whether you are hiking, running, crawling, or being dragged along "The Path", we are glad to have you join us. *Andrew DeLong*

Tim Time



Lamentations 3:22-23 says, *"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness."*

As we prepare and send out this month's church newsletter, we find ourselves between the Romanian mission trip and the youth group mission week in June. So many changes are happening, so many "new" things unfolding. Another school year is coming to an end, and summer activities are already taking shape.

In the midst of all this busyness, we need to stop, catch our breath, and thank God for His faithfulness. No matter how much changes around us, He remains the same, unchanging in His mercy and grace, which He extends to us fresh each day.

Thank You, Lord.
In Christ's Care, Tim Ellis



FBC Treasury Note *by Marti Moore*

I would like to introduce myself to those of you who do not know me. I became a born-again Christian on May 8, 1994, and a member of First Baptist in 2012. I worked at People's Security Bank in Louisa for 25 years, and 10 years as an executive and administrative assistant. My husband and I are both retired, we have a small farm, and we love to garden (him in veggies, me in flowers), and enjoy our grandbabies.

I had been praying for a while on how I could serve the Lord in our church. I talked with Pastor Chuck and asked him to pray as well. When I received a call from Debbie in November last year, I felt strongly that God was leading me to this.

I ask for your prayers and patience, as I am still learning a lot about this position. I want to serve you with honesty, integrity and love. Thank you for trusting me in this position.

Sincerely,

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And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not to men, Col 3:23 NKJ



SUNDAY FUNDAY for youth will be May 3rd from 5-7pm

Potluck

Wednesday
May 6th
6pm
Bring your favorite dish



Thursday
May 7th

Sunday Greeters

5/3 - Danielle Adkins Family
5/10 - Greg Stepp Family
5/17 - Jim Ball Family
5/24 - David DeSario Family
5/31 - Stacy Pollock Family





“This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”

Matthew 24:14

The greatest problem in the world is LOSTNESS. The only solution is THE GOSPEL.

GOD WORKS THROUGH EACH OF US.....OUR PRAYERS..... OUR GIVING.....OUR GOING!



The church is to take this seriously as their duty. However, God assured that it will happen.

“I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth...to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people.....saying with a loud voice, ‘Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgement has come.’”

Revelation 14:6-7

“After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.”

Revelation 7:9

WOMEN ON MISSION
Fannie Heck Circle



A total of 15 ladies attended our April 8th meeting. Our program was on Sharing our Resources, Blessing others with what we have to show God’s love. Sue Edwards shared HER STORY which was a beautiful testimony. Our project for the month of May will be the Baby Bottle Blessings for Two Hearts Pregnancy Center in Ashland. We are tentatively planning a trip to visit the facility. **Betty See**



Don't forget MOTHER'S DAY is Sunday May 10th

Meet Our Sunday School Teachers



When Patty Sullivan had to give up the 1st and 2nd grade Sunday School class over fifteen years ago because she was moving, Cheryl Roe stepped in to fill the position. Patty’s advice to Cheryl was to ask someone who wasn’t already attending Sunday School to help her. This way someone new would be involved in Sunday School. Cheryl asked Dana Ellis and they have been teaching together ever since.

“This age is wonderful to teach because they want to learn and it sticks with them,” said Cheryl.

Dana agrees, “They are young enough to really enjoy Sunday School and they want to be here.”

Cheryl has three grown sons: Dustin and his family in Salt Lick, Coty and Sarah live with their kids here in Louisa, and Austin is a newlywed stationed with the military at Fort Campbell.

Dana has a large family and brings her great-grandson Baker with her to church every Sunday.

May 2026

Important Dates

- 5/3 - Youth Sunday Funday (5p)
- 5/6 - Potluck (6p)
- 5/7 - National Day of Prayer
- 5/7 - Jail Ministry (6p)
- 5/10 - Mother's Day
- 5/13 - Women on Mission (12p)
- 5/15 - Scholarship applications due for graduating seniors
- 5/16 - Gym Reserved (12-4)
- 5/20 - Church Council (6p)
- 5/21 - Rotar Senior Luncheon (8a)
- 5/28 - Dinner Church (6p)
- 5/30 - Gym Resered (3-7)
- 5/31 - Cafe Reserved (afternoon)

See Bulletin for Weekly Schedule



Vital Statistics

From the Life Application Study Bible by Tyndale

Jeremiah

PURPOSE: To urge God's people to turn from their sins and back to God.

AUTHOR: Jeremiah

DATE WRITTEN: During Jeremiah's ministry, approximately 627-586 B.C.

SETTING: Jeremiah ministered under Judah's last five kings. The nation was sliding quickly toward destruction and was eventually conquered by Babylon in 586 B.C. The prophet Zephaniah preceded Jeremiah, and Habakkuk was Jeremiah's contemporary.

KEY PEOPLE: Judah's kings, Baruch, Ebed-Melek, King Nebuchadnezzar, the Rekabites.

KEY PLACES: Anathoth, Jerusalem, Ramah, Egypt

SPECIAL FEATURES: This book is a combination of history, poetry, and biography. Jeremiah often used symbolism to communicate his message.

FBC's weekly scheduled services

Sunday

8:30am Worship Service (sanctuary)

11am Worship Service (gym)

6pm Worship Service (sanctuary)

6pm Youth (upstairs)

Wednesday

11am Worship Service (cafe')

7pm Worship Service (sanctuary)

7pm Youth (upstairs)

Nursery Volunteers

5/3 - Team 1 - Natalie Wellman, Sophia Wellman, Lindsey Branham, Kayla Collins, Kelli Dixon, Kate Cecil, Kate Collins

5/10 - Team 2 - Cheryl Roe, Debbie Cordle, Hillary Thompson, Angie Bailey, Leah Wireman, Kara Pannell

5/17 - Team 3 - Brittany Block, Brianna Muncy, Julia Rollins, Kandace Anderson, Jamie Russell

5/24 - Team 4 - Ashley Jordan, Elaine DeSario, Larissa & Angie Skaggs, Kristy Sammons, Jenna Sammons, Alexa Webb

5/31 - Team 5 - Debbie Harris, Kathy Hinkle, Stacy Pollock, Kim Cecil, Patty Farrell, Raegan Webb

Kids Korner

Ashontae Ellis

Worship Kid Style kids are continuing their journey through the New Testament as we walk through Mark's account of the life of Christ. From His birth to His life (miracles), death, burial, and resurrection, they're seeing the full picture of who Jesus is and what He has done for us.

One of the highlights right now is bringing that story to life through an old favorite—"Arise, My Love." The kids are acting it out, connecting each moment of Christ's story in a powerful and memorable way. Mother's Day 2026 is sure to be a

treat. We can't wait to share this with you soon!

While Easter may have passed on the calendar, the truth we celebrated hasn't changed. We rejoice every single Sunday because Christ is still risen!

Because He lives... we live!

*Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.*



Psalm 111:2



More pictures from the Romanian mission trip



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