



- ▶ 8:30a — Deacons' Prayer Time
- ▶ 8:45a — Prayer Time
- ▶ 12:30p — Deacons' Meeting
- ▶ 4:30p — Mission Committee Meeting in the Library with Josh Ausfahl

THE WEEK

- **Thurs.** Oct. 13 — 6:30-8:30p Room #128 Reserved for Idahope Writer's Guild
(All Regular Activities are on the back of the bulletin)



- **Oct. 16 — Quarterly Business Meeting & Fellowship** following the PM service

- **Oct. 18-20** — Fife's attending Good Soil Training at ABWE in Harrisburg, PA

- **Oct. 20 — W.O.W.** Ladies' Lunch 11:45a at Goodwood BBQ Meridian

- **Oct. 22 — 3:00-5:00p — 50th Wedding Anniversary** Open House Celebration for Dan & Kathy Geib at the church — everyone is cordially invited



- **Oct. 22** — Cross Current Youth **Barb Party** at Henrickson's — more details next week

- **Oct. 27 — 5:00-9:00p Trunk or Treat Outreach** — 9:00a-4:00p starting this Tues. come to the church and help put our Gospel packets together for this event

- **Oct. 29 — 9:00a — 4:00p Fall Bible Conference** "How Great Is Our God" (The Attributes of God) / Jim Tillotson / Cost: \$20 for first family member \$5 each additional — Please call the office or sign up in the foyer

- **Nov. 4-5** — Men's Annual Steelhead Fishing Trip

- **Nov. 5 — 11:00a — baby shower** for Erin Saltz & Niccole Perrine at the church — light lunch and dessert will be served — **PLEASE NOTE CHANGES!**

- **Nov. 6 — 5:00p Annual Ingathering Banquet** at the church — Fred Seiferth will be our speaker.

- **Nov. 12 — 7:00p 7th Annual Music Recital** at the church — see Jim Doris for information

- **Nov. 19 — 8:30a-12:30p All Church Work Day**
- **Nov. 27 — TLC** (Teen Leadership Conference) registration deposit is due — \$50

Ministry Assignments

October 9:

Greeters: Ham (F) Hendricks (B)

Ushers: Woody/ James F./ Donn/ Carl/ Alan

Nursery:

• **AM:** Kelly Munger / Olga Kryachun

• **SS:** David & Jeanie Granger

• **PM:** BJ & Amanda Bourn

Children's Church: Kara Bourn

Hailey Hasenyager / Josie Leavell

Children's Ministries PM: David & Jeanie Granger

Sound Booth: Jonathon Knapstad (AM & PM)

Security: Dan Geib (AM) Jim Michel (PM)

October 16:

Greeters: Ona Healy (F) Sturm (B)

Ushers: Woody/ Lloyd/ Josh/ Al

Nursery:

• **AM:** Susan Wyatt / Carla Dolezal

• **SS:** Steve & Brenda McNamara Kristine Schmidt

• **PM:** Glenda Ham / Robin Wojcik

Children's Church: Christy Ho

LeAnna Setter / Allegra Fife

Children's Ministries PM: Zach & Kim Moore

Sound Booth: Brent Ho (AM) Brent & Tyler Ho (PM)

Security: Craig Rhom (AM) Jim Dorris (PM)



New Fall Church Directories available in the foyer

MERIDIAN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**October 9, 2016
9:30 AM Service**

Pianist: Jim Dorris
Song Leader: Benjy Beck

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn #682 — *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Hymn #531 — *Unto Thee O Lord*

Hymn #680 — *All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

Greetings

Special Music: Ladies' Trio
Lina, Joy, & Jennifer

Prayer & Offering: Pastor Dave

Hymn #640 — *Psalms 25*
(Dismiss Children)

Scripture Reading: Garrett Munger

Message: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Text: Psalm 25 Pastor Randy
Closing Hymn:

6:00 PM Service

Song Leader: Brent Ho

Special Music: The Merry Band of Fife
Songs: *Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners*
All I Have Is Christ

The Son of God Goes Forth to War

Message: Josh Ausfahl (former ABWE missionary to South Africa)



For ages 2—5 years old during the PM Service



CHINA

Category: Restricted

Major Religions: Non-religious 44.8%, Christianity 7.8%

Prevalent Ideology: Communism

Leader: President Xi Jinping

China is the world's most populous country and the largest exporter of goods. The communist government maintains strict control and censors the press, publishing and the Internet.



Life for Christians

Only the five officially recognized religions are guaranteed religious freedom by the constitution. Christians in both registered and unregistered churches face harassment, arbitrary arrests, fines, denials of justice, lengthy prison sentences, and the closing or destruction of their churches. Many pastors are arrested in the name of "social order" and accused of being cult leaders. Printers in China risk imprisonment to meet the huge demand for Bibles. (VOM—www.persecution.com)

Prayer Challenge for China:

Ethnic unrest. Internal strife remains at the forefront of both national and international attention, as conflict within Tibet and Xianjiang persists. Ultimately, reconciliation and the hope of peace lie only in the power of the gospel. Coming change is inevitable and will be massive; pray that it might be well managed, peaceful and ultimately of spiritual benefit to China. (www.operationworld.org/china)



Deposit Report 2016

General Fund Budget:
\$45,167.30

WEEK: October 2

General Fund: \$15,303.66

Special Fund: \$1,109.00

Deposit: \$16,412.66

MONTH: OCTOBER

General Fund: \$15,303.66

Special Fund: \$1,109.00

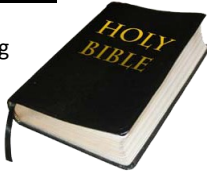
Deposits: \$16,412.66

General Fund YTD Deficit: **\$5,640.79**

All in God's Family

"But as many as received him, to them he gave the right to be called the children of God..." John 1:12

Family & Friendly Devotions



At Church our children are being taught systematically through the WORD of God. We are approaching the final months as conclude year 1 of 3 within their comprehensive study through the whole Bible.

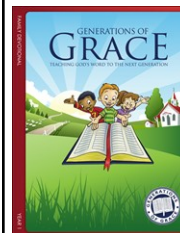
In order for you as parents, grandparents, caring adults to track along with them and then teach them, we have made available, **Generations of Grace Family Devotional** Books. Here's a quick look at where we are going in the scope and sequence of our children's classes:

- Oct. 2 Lesson 32 Leviticus 19
God Requires Holy Living
- Oct. 9 Lesson 33 Numbers 11 & 12
Israel Rejects God's Provision
- Oct. 16 Lesson 34 Numbers 13 & 14
Israel Rejects God's Plan
- Oct. 23 Lesson 35 Numbers 16
Israel Rejects God's Prophet & Priest
- Oct. 30 Lesson 36 Numbers 21:4-9
God Offers Israel Healing from Sin
- Nov. 6 Lesson 37 Numbers 22-24
God Blesses Israel Through Balaam
- Nov. 13 Lesson 38 Review
(Catch up or Review any of the recent passages)
- Nov. 20 Lesson 39 Gen. 3:15; 12:1-3, etc.
God Promises to Send a Messiah (Part 1)
- Nov. 27 Lesson 40 Isa. 7:14; Mt. 1:18-25
God Promises to Send a Messiah (Part 2)

December

Take time to read through the Christmas Stories in the Gospels:

Matthew 1,2
Luke 1, 2
John 1:1-14



Let's continue to teach our children the whole counsel of the Word of God. Use this list to read the scripture and discuss the passages with our children as they sit next to you at church fellowships and other gatherings.

-Pastor Dave