

- 8:30a—Deacon's Prayer
- 8:45a—Prayer Groups (All ages)
- 4:30p — Choir Practice begins

THE WEEK

- Thurs.—Sat. Sept. 28-30—**Ladies' Retreat** at Pinewood—Cost: \$55 (1 night) \$85 (2 nights). Register online at www.campinewood.org or our Facebook page—**Ladies, the camp needs your registration as soon as possible—Thank you**
- Fri. Sept. 29—LaMarques' Departure for Honduras Ministry Trip (one month)
- Sat. Sept. 30—Annie McKeeth's Departure for Togo Ministry (six months)



[weekly activities are listed on the back of the bulletin]



- Oct. 3 — 11:30a— J.O.Y. Group Potluck Lunch at the church—Food Assignments: A—F = Main Dish; G—M = Salad; N—Z = Dessert—Arnold Rubey will be our speaker
- Oct. 21—Fall Bible Conference—Cost: \$20 (includes note packet & lunch)—Jim Mailoux will be the speaker—Sign up in the foyer or with the church office
- Oct. 22—PM Service speaker Rob Goff from *Fathers in the Field*
- Oct. 26— 6:00-9:00p Downtown Meridian—
- Oct. 28—7:00p 8th Annual MFBC Music Recital—to sign up contact Jim Dorris at jdorris@sonic.net with "recital" as the subject —participation is open to everyone in the church—



Lifetouch Photography will be taking pictures on **Tuesday, November 14** for all of you who missed our last pictorial directory or if you want to update your family picture. Please schedule your session with the church office. Thank you!

Ministry Assignments

September 24:

- Greeters:** Gary & Margaret O'Hara (F) Elaine Sturm (B)
Ushers: James F./ Donn/ Carl/ Alan
Nursery:
 ●AM: Donna Carman / Katie & Nikki Touchstone
 ●SS: Jean McGill / Connie Postmus
 ●PM: Melissa & Allegra Fife
Children's Church: Kara Bourn Linda Morgan / Iyana Bourn
Children's PM Ministries: Zach & Kim Moore
Sound Booth: Jason Mackenzie (AM) Tyler Ho (PM)
Security: Dick Olson (AM) Jim Dorris (PM)

October 1:

- Greeters:** David & Jeanie Granger (F) Ona Healy (B)
Ushers: Lloyd/ Thane/ Al
Nursery:
 ●AM: Kathy Hamilton / Rosy Nelson
 ●SS: Hillary Ravenscroft / Kathy Cornell
 ●PM: John & Erin Saltz
Children's Church: Kara Bourn Hailey Hasenyager / Josie Leavell
Children's PM Ministries: Priscilla Robinson
Sound Booth: Jason Mackenzie (AM) Tyler Ho (PM)
Security: Luke Perrine (AM) Linda Gene White (PM)



Nursery needs volunteers for our Sunday services.



AWANA ministry needs volunteers for Wednesday evening club. Please contact the church office. Thank You.

MERIDIAN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

September 24, 2017

9:30 AM Service

Pianist: Scott Schimanski
 Song Leader: Jim Cornell

Welcome/Announcements

Hymn #135—O Worship the King
 Prayer
 Greetings

Hymn #686—O God, Our Help in Ages Past
 Hymn #8—Come Thou Almighty King

Prayer & Offering: Pastor Dave
 ●Welcome Guests

●Special Music: Jason Mackenzie

Hymn #408—Psalm 44:1-8
 [Dismiss Children]

Scripture Reading: Garrett Munger

Message: A Nation Under Siege
 Text: Psalm 44 Pastor Randy

Closing Hymn

6:00 PM Service

Pianist: Lina Sklyarov
 Song Leader: Luke Perrine
 Special Music: Brent Ho

Message: A Royal Wedding
 Text: Psalm 45 Pastor Randy



For ages 2—5 years old during the PM Service



SEPTEMBER



James & Melissa Fife
 Mango, Togo

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Please pray for the team in Mango and the Togolese people as they face increasing political unrest and violence.
- Praise for a week of spiritual refreshment and physical relaxation as well as ministry contacts during the Cannon Beach retreat.
- Praise for an increasing turnout of children for the AWANA ministry—approximately 95 kids this last week—what an amazing local ministry opportunity.
- Please pray for open doors to present the Togo ministry in churches.
- Please pray for provision for our upcoming travels to Bismarck, ND and Mango, Togo as well as wisdom in making arrangements for our family and AWANA ministry while we are gone
- Please pray for safe travels and fruitful discussions in Bismarck, ND on Oct. 5-8.

Deposit Report 2017	
General Fund Budget:	
	\$37,544.60
WEEK: September 17, 2017	
General Fund:	\$7,897.00
Special Fund:	\$2,633.08
Deposit:	\$10,530.08
MONTH: SEPTEMBER	
General Fund:	\$29,983.30
Special Fund:	\$4,786.08
Deposits:	\$34,769.38

Gleanings from our Seasons



Yom Kippur (Sept. 29-30, 2017)

Purpose of Yom Kippur

Yom Kippur, the **Day of Atonement**, is the holiest and most somber day of the Jewish year. *Yom Kippur* concludes the Ten Days of Awe that begin with *Rosh Hashanah* (the Jewish New Year). Like *Rosh Hashanah*, *Yom Kippur* is a prospective holiday, when we prepare for the year ahead through fasting, penitence and confession.

Origin of Yom Kippur

God established a **Day of Atonement** in Leviticus, setting down rules for it in two instances actually (Lev. 16:29 ff. and 23:27 ff.)—an indication of the holiday's profound importance. God tells Moses in the first of these passages:

And it shall be a statute to you forever that in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, you shall afflict yourselves and shall do no work, either the native or the stranger who sojourns among you. For on this day shall atonement be made for you to cleanse you. You shall be clean before the LORD from all your sins. It is a Sabbath of solemn rest to you, and you shall afflict yourselves; it is a statute forever. And the priest who is anointed and consecrated as priest in his father's place shall make atonement, wearing the holy linen garments. —Leviticus 16:29-32

Yom Kippur required action from both the high priest and the people—the high priest was to make atonement through sacrifice, and the people for their part were to practice self-denial and refrain from work. Thus, all Israelites had to do their part during this collective **Day of Atonement**.

By God's commandment, the high priest followed a specific protocol on *Yom Kippur*. He bathed and dressed in white linen raiments, an act of purification, before entering the Holy of Holies. There the high priest made two sin offerings: a bull for his house and a goat for the people. The priest would lay the sins of the people on the head of a second goat, which had been chosen by lot as the "scapegoat". After the high priest spoke the sins and iniquities of the people and put them on its head, the scapegoat would be removed into the wilderness.

- Submitted by Pastor Dave

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