

Foundations *News*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | FOUNDATIONS BIBLE CHURCH | JUNE 2023

Praying Together

whole congregation prayer meetings held
the 3rd Thursday of Every Month @ 6:30pm
in the Fellowship Hall

“Coming events cast their shadows before them, and when God is about to bless his people, his coming favour casts the shadow of prayer over the church.”

Charles H. Spurgeon

Joel 1:14

Consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly. Gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land to the house of the Lord your God, and cry out to the Lord.



deliver a difference

3rd Week of the Month

FBC will be delivering
Meals on Wheels.

*If you're willing to help for a
day, please see Sally Y.*

Pick up meals at 10:15am
Takes ~1/2hr to deliver
17 meals

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*Preparing people for
Wholeness in Jesus through
The Word of God.*

*Readying the remnant
For the rapture.*

Missions Committee Meeting

Sunday, May 28th
After Worship

We will have a short meeting to discuss a potential project.

JUNE Anniversaries

01 -- Dave & Ann Krause
15 -- Mark & Sandi Wheeler
17 -- Tim & Judi Hynes
17 -- John & Brenda Pihart
27 -- Jerrid & Emily Sebesta

JUNE Birthdays

02 -- Cari Jenkins
04 -- Maurice Walker
04 -- Melissa King
04 -- Lenora Burgess
05 -- Sam Cory
06 -- June Domes
07 -- Duane Kvitem
08 -- Tammy Stebakken
19 -- Emily Sebesta
22 -- Megan Morrison
23 -- Bonnie Worthington
24 -- Leora Calhoun
24 -- Dominic Morrow
24 -- Calahan Cory
27 -- Daren Barnett
28 -- Makayla Nepp



Fellowship Hall Servers

May 28- Todd & Jeanette Cory
June 4- Potluck

June 11- Ronda Cooper & Sharon Fowler
June 28- Kevin & Stephanie O'Neil

Wednesday's In the Word

June 7th- Last Wed. Night for the Summer.

Sept 6th- Wednesday's in the Word starts again!

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 28- Missions Committee Meeting after Worship
June 3&4- Estate Sale- Poole/Kvittem Farm
June 4- Potluck
June 6- CED Team Meeting 7pm
June 7th- Last Wednesday Night Bible Study
June 11- Start Summer CED
June 13- Stewardship Team Meeting 7pm
June 15- Prayer Team Meeting 7pm
June 17- Men's Breakfast 8:30am @ Huntley
June 17- FBC Women's Meeting 8:30am @ Church
June 20- Spiritual Ministry Team Meeting
June 25- Movie Night 6pm
June 27- Deadline for July Newsletter

Pastor's Pen

Pastor D.L. Barnett

I recently read this devotional... ouch I think I just hit between the eyes!!

When Miracles Come from Mud Balls

"One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!" (John 9:25)

It's one of those strange moments in Scripture – Jesus makes a pair of mud balls and places them over the empty eye sockets of a man who was born blind, telling him to go wash his face at the pool. The man does so and – bam! – he can see!

It is at this point that the story gets really bizarre. The religious leaders become so agitated by this man's excitement and his confession of faith in Jesus, that they ultimately toss him out of the Temple!

How ironic — a blind man sees, and sighted men are blinded by their self-righteousness. William Yeats said, "All empty souls tend to extreme opinion." Such were the religious leaders in Jesus' day – empty, and extreme. And such are those who prefer religion over relationship with Christ in our own day.

Matthew Henry, the great Bible Commentator, wrote, "There is none so blind as those who will not see." It is uncanny how quickly religious minded people fall into the snare of their own opinions. An extraordinary miracle took place right before their very eyes, but they couldn't see it because their minds were already made up about something completely different. They were dead set against Jesus – and therefore nothing He did could possibly be legitimate. Rather than acknowledge the miracle, they excommunicated the man.

When miracles come from mud balls we each may be faced with similar challenges – especially if our opinions are so set that we cannot see what the Lord is doing in spite of us.

Henry Ward Beecher described a highly opinionated religious opponent thus — "He is the human owl, vigilant in darkness and blind to light, mousing for vermin and never seeing noble game." Don't let religious opinions blind you to the miracles that come from mud balls. Otherwise, you just may be the one who ends up sitting in the dark.



Probably needless to say –but still needs communicated; too often we are so blind to ourselves that we take every downturn and trial that comes our way as but a nuisance. Yet, when a blind man sees it's a miracle. I am convinced of we have been or are becoming blind God throws some mud our way to make us get the point! Sure – dirt scratches and dust burns the oculars, but I bet we never thought Jesus intentionally does it for us to finally have clear vision.

Next time your wrestling with the grim and the goop that keeps you from recognizing what God is doing with it, take time to embrace the miracle God is doing through cleaning up your sight.

As for those who would rather just throw out what Jesus is doing for them or others, remember mud balls make the blind see and troubles those that never will perceive. I would like to add one more thing.... When a person finally gets it, life change becomes not a chore or a toilsome labor, but a distinguishing and enlightening work that God wants one to embrace. Freedom comes when one inspects himself before God and is observant to heed and do what is necessary.... After all even the mud in your eye guy was told to, after Jesus touched him, go now to the pool and flush out those peepers.

Looking and Seeing Jesus with You in Truth and Love,