



May 2025

Sunday School 9:00 am  
Worship 10:30 am

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Faith family, As you look through this newsletter, you're going to notice that our church is doing A LOT! Why is that? It's mainly because saints like you are stepping up and volunteering to serve, submitting ideas for ministry and praying for kingdom work to be done. Let's not forget, a church is not a building, it's not events, it's not activities or clubs .. a church is a people, called by God to know and love God and to make Him known. Thank you for using your gifts and talents, Faith Church, and for being a light on our little hill in McDonough.

For the King!  
- Pastor John

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## Mission of the Month

Regardless of Yesterday, Today is a new beginning.

The Bridge Wellness South is a pregnancy help center in Henry county. They offer support and education to women who are or may be experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. Their mission and vision reflects an unwavering commitment to holistic and compassionate care by offering pregnancy testing, limited ultrasounds, women's wellness, and education.



**THE BRIDGE**  
WELLNESS SOUTH

**The church will be collecting :**

**Monetary donations through their Baby Bottle Boomerang!**

The Baby Bottle Boomerang is a heartwarming initiative designed to raise funds for The Bridge Wellness. It brings together diverse groups, such as churches, businesses, Christian schools, homeschool co-ops, and people of all ages and sizes. Participants are provided with baby bottles to fill with monetary donations. These bottles are then "boomeranged" back to The Bridge Wellness, where the funds directly support our programs that assist mothers to be & families in need.

Please Pick up your bottle at the church!

# Session News

The April Session meeting was held on April 10 at the church at 5:30 PM.

For the devotion, the Session read and discussed parts 5-8 of chapter 8 of the Westminster Confession of Faith. The Session then discussed the need to update and revise certain church bylaws to better meet the current needs of the congregation and church leadership. A tentative plan was developed for achieving this goal. The Session revisited estimates again for sealing and striping the parking lot, including an additional option from Barnes Striping & Paving. The Session also shared new updates to the church membership list after reaching out to various members again during the previous month.

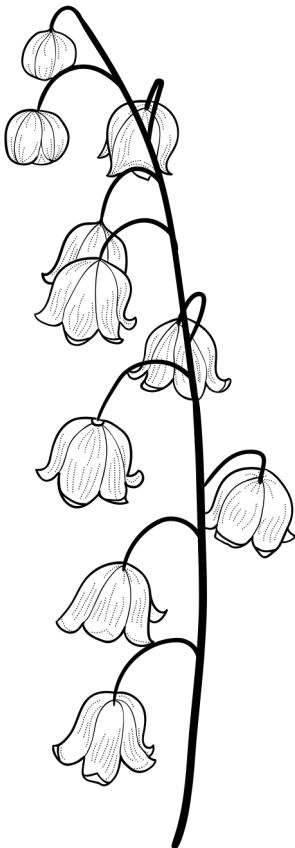
Specific prayer needs were discussed and lifted to God.  
The date for the May regular Session meeting has not been determined but will be set for early May.

John Cleveland,  
Moderator  
Jeremy Evans, Clerk  
Gregg Coniglio  
Keith Lovern  
Andy Martin

## April Financial News

Income 31,521.25  
POP 300.00

Expense 29,344.26  
Loan Balance  
612,261.36



# Church Happenings



## WHO IS JESUS?

We want our kids to enjoy Jesus every day but how can they if they don't know who Jesus is or what he's done for us? With the 2025 Answers VBS program, your kids will marvel at Jesus and learn to live like he matters.

Yee-haw! Dust off your boots and get ready for Wonder Junction!

## Girlfriends of Faith

Our last brunch meeting for the winter and spring will be on Saturday, May 3 at 10:00 am. There will be no meetings in June, July, and August. We will come together again in September. Look for details to be posted in August.



## Ladies Bible Study

Ladies Bible study will begin again on Tuesday, June 3. We will be studying Nancy Guthrie's Even Better than Eden. Sign up and books are available in the Narthex. This is a great summer study as each chapter is stand-alone and flexible for summer schedules. Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

# MAY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	1 7pm Men's Bible Study	2	3 10am Girlfriends of Faith Brunch
4 Communion 9am Sunday School 10am Fellowship 10:30 Worship	5	6	7 6pm Dinner 6:45pm Pastor Bible Study	8 7pm Men's Bible Study	9	10 6pm Youth Hangout
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# Prayer Requests

- Ruby, for the loss of her mother Chris Bullock
- Robert Roberson, recovering from open heart surgery
- Ralph Uecker, recovering from infection and hospitalization
- Ramona Uecker, recovering from hospitalization
- Gray and Laurie Brannon, the loss of sister Nancy Joiner
- Janet & the Dennis family for the loss of Janet's mother, Betty Hatchett
- Shaun Lake, his health and his family
- Suzy Frutig, Sandy Jo's sister
- Roger Posey, currently in the hospital
- Sandy Jo, recovery from a broken arm
- Peggy Savory, now at home with Hospice care
- Kristi Bush, diabetes and kidney stones
- Myra Echols
- Doug Coffey
- Jordan Israel
- Jimmy & Mary Ellington

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## Missionary Update



**TIMOTHY TWO**  
Project International

Timothy Two Project, International exists to serve a critical need around the world.  
We are committed to equipping and training indigenous pastors and ministry leaders with the essential truths of the Christian faith so that they can train others.

## PORTRAIT OF A CHURCH PLANTER

A very perceptive question that I have been asked more than once by ministry partners (like yourselves) is, "What have you learned from pastors and leaders in the majority world?" That is, "Grady, you travel as an Instructor, but what are your students teaching YOU?"



My first response is always, "Latin Americans know how to plant churches. They just DO IT." Church leaders identify a community with no evangelical witness, and they go and start having meetings and doing ministry, they start gathering people, and as soon as possible, they organize a new congregation.

With that in mind, let me introduce you to Pastora Irma, pictured above, in Limon, CR. First of all, I have to mention the caveat that Timothy Two teaches a "complementarian" theology of the role of men and women in the church. Nonetheless, we don't restrict ourselves "on the ground." We recognize that women play a vital role in the majority world church, and we meet them where they are.

Having said that, I chatted with Irma during a workshop break - her English is perfect! - and asked about her current ministry. "I'm planting another church," she replied. Irma, a feisty 72 year old retired school teacher, is now planting her 6th church in Limon. The Lord led her to another neighborhood without a church. She started going on Wednesday evenings and gathering kids for children's ministry, and through the children, meeting parents and others. The Lord has provided a place to meet (a community center), and an empty lot abandoned by someone who left town during the Covid crisis, where they intend to build their own facility.

As we talked, I came to understand a dynamic in the Limon workshop that I had not realized during the many days we have been together in the last two years. Actually 3 other pastors in the workshop - 2 men and 1 woman - are pastoring 3 of the congregations Irma has planted. One of those pastors, Pastor Shester, was not able to stay for the second and third days of the March workshop (and sadly, wasn't there to graduate either), because he had flown over to San Salvador, El Salvador, to work with leaders there organizing a new church in that city and country. Let that sink in. For the little grandma pictured above, that's a 3rd generation church plant.

Pastora Irma is an artist as well as a schoolteacher and church planter, and as a parting gift she gave me the eagle pictured above (painted on wood, with a hanger) which I happily display in my office. "Remember the lesson of the eagle," she said. "Either spread your wings and fly, or flap around in the dirt and die."

Gary Davidson, Timothy Two

