

# FALL CHILI Cook-Off



**NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> @ 12PM  
CHILI WILL BE PROVIDED**

**A-M BRING A DESSERT 🌶️ N-Z BRING CORNBREAD  
THINK YOU HAVE A GREAT RECIPE?  
SIGN UP FOR THE COMPETITION  
OUTSIDE THE OFFICE**

## NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



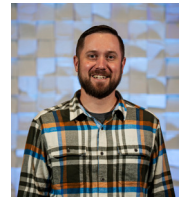
**WE MAKE DISCIPLES WHO WORSHIP, GROW & GO**

Thoughts from Pastor Josh Hargett

Up Coming Events as well as News and Family Celebrations

# FROM YOUR PASTOR

## HEY CHURCH!



As we begin to wrap up 2024 and look to 2025, as a church, God has blessed! What a fantastic year. We've seen God do tremendous things and affect change both in our community, our church, and in the lives of brand new believers. I LOVE filling the baptistry up! And as another year of ministry approaches us, we must continue to trust that God will bless, and that He will provide. While in many, many ways our church is healthy, our finances are still lagging behind and we need to pray together that God will provide, and we need to give! A section of scripture in Job comes to mind when I consider this:

*'Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there; the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.'* --Job:1:21

I heard a "preacher" joke a while back about the nosy neighbor attending a rich woman's funeral. Peering into the coffin with a friend, he asked, "How much money did she leave?" The friend smiled and replied, "All of it, of course!"

As Job cries out, we come into the world naked and leave the same way, a truth begins to emerge... while we may be dressed in our best clothing on our way out, we take it to the grave, not heaven. The joke, and Job reveal a basic concept of stewardship: We don't really own anything. We may take possession of it for a period of time, but we eventually leave it for others.

Why is it then that we spend so much of our energy and life accumulating more and more – as if we were going to have it forever, or we are going to live forever? The danger is that absorbed with accumulating wealth is that we often shortchange the most valuable treasures – loving the Lord our God with all our being and loving our neighbors as ourselves.

That's why the Bible consistently warns us about wealth. Jesus repeatedly points out the pitfalls. Money and possessions can turn us inward, stunting our growth and preventing us from being the people God created us to be. Generosity is the preventative cure for this danger. The Bible counsels that tithing – giving away 10 percent of our income – is a good benchmark for faithful giving (although on several occasions Jesus told his disciples to give away ALL their possessions).

Giving 10 percent, or any amount substantial enough to be sacrificial, is a declaration that you are free from the power that money might have over you. Because however much money you can accumulate in life, you will be like the rich woman in the joke: You will leave it all.

As we look to 2025, and we expectantly trust that God is going to do miraculous things, let's give! Let's increase our gospel impact in our city, disciple people well, and continue to glorify our great God by trusting him for everything – including our finances. It is a joy and privilege to be your Pastor, and I am praying expectantly that God will be glorified as we strive to make disciples who worship, grow, and go!

Pastor Josh



# GIVING UPDATE

REMAIN STEADFAST IN GIVING...  
THE NEED NEVER CEASES

END OF SEPTEMBER GOAL \$190,091  
END OF SEPTEMBER ACTUAL \$151,822

ONLINE AT  
FSBC.ORG



CASH OR CHECK AS WE  
PASS THE OFFERING PLATE

CASH OR CHECK USING  
THE BOXES IN THE BACK  
OF THE ROOM

# AWANA SHOEBOX SPARE CHANGE DRIVE



WANT TO GET INVOLVED, BUT DONT HAVE  
TIME TO PACK A SHOEBOX? AWANA WILL BE  
COLLECTING SPARE CHANGE OCT 23<sup>RD</sup>-NOV 13<sup>TH</sup>  
TO HAVE A PACKING PARTY OF THEIR OWN NOV 20<sup>TH</sup>  
SO BRING YOUR SPARE CHANGE AND HELP FILL THE BOX!

## PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Margaret Lovett ~ Health  
 Jackie Heaston ~Upcomming Move Back to Missouri  
 Mandry Family ~ Daughter-in-law (Sammi) Loss of her Father & move to North Carolina  
 Isabella Maestas ~ Continuing to Battle Seizures  
 Sheila Willis ~ Health  
 Donny Whitlock ~ Health  
 Rosie Miller ~ Health  
 Mike Yearout ~ Health  
 Bill Mosley ~ Health  
 April Smith ~ Health & Move

Burlin Fayne ~ Health & Loss of Harriet  
 Hal and Margaret Seagraves ~ Health  
 Fortune Family ~ Continuing to Adjust to Life After the Loss of Stephannie  
 Keith Loyd ~ Health  
 Roger & Michele Hamilton ~ Family  
 Teresa Chambers ~ Health  
 Joseph Salmoiraghi & Family ~ Loss of Joseph's Aunt  
 Anne Wade ~ Moved to Thailand For a New Teaching Job at The Daniel International School  
 Continue to Pray for Peace in the Holy Land

# Join us for *Midweek*



**3YO-5th Grade** | **6th-12th Grade** | **Multiple Bible Study & Prayer Time Options for Adults to Choose From**

**Wednesday Evenings 6-7:30 pm**

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

KEVIN MANDRY	11/1	SHIRLEY WALDEN	11/19
SHERELL MORNINGSTAR	11/1	ROSIE MILLER	11/19
ANDREW RUTHERFORD	11/1	DREW STEPHENS	11/20
DON WILLIS	11/8	SPARROW WILLSON	11/22
JEANNE RANSOM	11/10	TERESA CHAMBERS	11/24
LENA JEFFRESS	11/12	MARGARET SEAGRAVES	11/25
HAROLD SEAGRAVES	11/15	TOMMY BOYNTON	11/25
JOY LUNDY	11/16		



# IMPORTANT DATES FOR NOVEMBER

Now-Nov 13 ~ AWANA SHOEBOX SPARE CHANGE DRIVE

Nov 3 ~ PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET Discussion FOLLOWING 10:30

WORSHIP SERVICE

Nov 10 ~ PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET VOTE NO Discussion

Nov 10-NOON ~ OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD COLLECTION WEEK VOLUNTEER MEETING

Nov 17-NOON ~ FALL CHILI COOK-OFF

Nov 17-2PM ~ OVERSEERS MEETING

Nov 18-25 ~ OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD COLLECTION WEEK

Nov 25-2PM ~ GRIEF SHARE SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

Nov 18-25 ~ OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD COLLECTION WEEK

Nov 27-28 ~ CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING & NO MID-WEEK ACTIVITIES



THIS MONTH OUR PRAYER FOCUS WILL BE ON THE SECTION OF OUR CITY THAT IS HIGHLIGHTED BROWN ON OUR MAP IN THE LOBBY OF THE CHURCH. THE BORDERS OF THE AREA ARE TO THE MOUNTAINS TO THE WEST, FILLMORE ST TO THE SOUTH, WOODMEN RD. TO THE NORTH AND CENTENNIAL BLVD TO THE EAST.

THIS INCLUDES THE PEREGRINE, MOUNTAIN SHADOWS, KISSING CAMELS NEIGHBORHOODS .

PLEASE PRAY WITH US LIKE THIS:

- 1) THAT GOD WOULD DO A GREAT WORK IN THIS PART OF OUR CITY.
- 2) THAT WE WOULD HAVE EYES TO SEE THE PEOPLE IN THIS AREA AS GOD DOES.
- 3) THAT GOD WOULD GIVE US WISDOM ON HOW TO REACH WITH THE GOSPEL AND THE BOLDNESS TO FOLLOW THROUGH. AS YOU PRAY, REMEMBER THAT PRAYER IS MORE THAN JUST PREPARATION FOR THE WORK, PRAYER IS THE WORK.

## YOUR STAFF

**JOSH HARGETT**

*SENIOR PASTOR*

**JOSEPH SALMOIRAGHI**

*INTERIM WORSHIP LEADER*

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