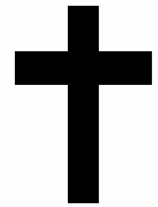




Mission Partners

Our church partners with a number of mission organizations to share the love of Christ in our community and throughout the world. Our regular budget includes the following mission partners:

- Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
- Clemson Community Care
- Rick and Ellen Burnette/Cultivate Abundance
- AIM
- Magi Program
- Andrew P. Stewart Center
- Collins Family Ministries
- Metanoia
- Baptist Women in Ministry
- McAfee School of Theology
- Duke Baptist House
- Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty
- Baptist World Alliance

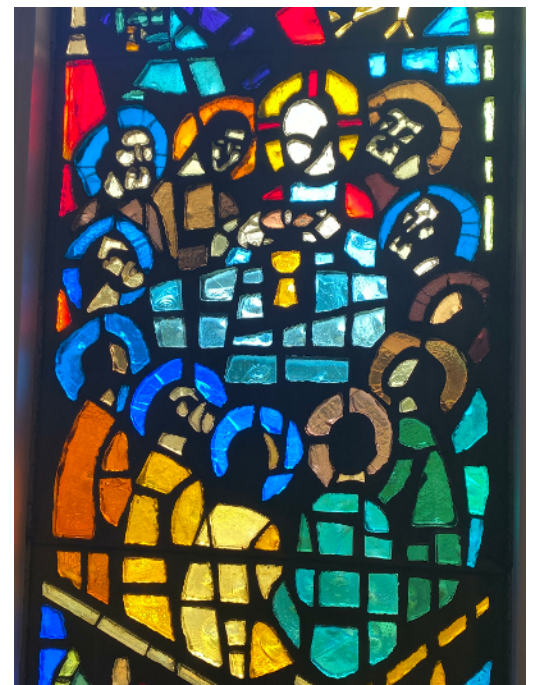


Over the coming months, our newsletter will highlight these mission partners, focusing on them one at a time to remind us of the important work of each of these organizations. Turn to page 2 for our spotlight on the Baptist World Alliance.

World Communion Sunday October 1, 2023

Observed on the first Sunday of October each year, **World Communion Sunday** reminds Christians that though our denominations, nationalities, and traditions may vary, we are called to be One in Christ. This Sunday, we will join churches around the world as we eat of the bread and drink of the cup, remembering the Christ who gave His life for us all.

(image: art glass window at FBCP depicting the Last Supper)



Mission Partner Spotlight: Baptist World Alliance

The **Baptist World Alliance** is a Global Baptist Family, including 51 million Baptists in 176,000 churches from 128 countries and territories. BWA General Secretary Elijah M. Brown writes: "We belong together because we belong to Jesus." Partnering with the Baptist World Alliance connects us with Baptists around the world. In terms of ethnicity, race, language, and culture, the BWA is our most diverse mission partner.



**BAPTIST
WORLD
ALLIANCE**

The prayer ministry of the Baptist World Alliance meets weekly and offers prayers for specific countries of our global Baptist family. To be a part of this prayer ministry, sign up at baptistworld.org/prayer-ministry to join the "One in Prayer" email list. Each week's email includes a prayer from one of the countries in that week's prayer focus. This week, as we anticipate World Communion Sunday, may this prayer from Kenya prepare our hearts:

A Prayer of Hope

God of Hope,
whose Spirit gives light and power to your people,
empower us to witness to your name in all nations,
to struggle for your own justice
against all principalities and powers
and to persevere with faith and humour
in the tasks that you have given to us.

Without you we are powerless.

Therefore we cry together:

Maranatha, Come Lord Jesus.

And grant that we may with one voice and one heart
glorify and sing praise to the majesty of your holy Name,
of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

("An Invitation to Prayer" at the opening of the fifth assembly of the World Council of Churches,
Nairobi, 1975.)

Mission Trip Opportunity

We are exploring the possibility of taking a small group of volunteers to Immokalee, FL in early November to learn more about **Cultivate Abundance** and how our church can further support the work of **Rick and Ellen Burnette**. Possible activities include helping with food distribution, working on a shower installation (to allow a church to host volunteer groups), and visiting area partners to learn more about the work. If you may be interested in joining this group (or future trips) please contact **Jennifer Rygg** at jennifer@fbcpendleton.org.

Children's Chapel

During chapel on Sunday we talked about rivers and how they create life and care for God's creatures, just like how God cares for Creation. We also painted the parking lot...with water!



Staff Evaluations

It is time for **Staff Evaluations**. Your input is important. Please complete an evaluation on each staff member by **October 1** (NOTE: the announcement in last Sunday's bulletin had the wrong due date. We apologize for the confusion). The preferred method is to use the **Google Form**, available through a post on the church website ("Staff Evaluations 2023"). In lieu of that, a packet of paper forms is available on the table outside the church office. If you need to review Job Descriptions, they are available through the web post or in a packet on the table outside the church office. If you have any questions about the Staff Evaluation process, please contact **Ted Thomas** at juliuscreek@gmail.com.



Next Month at Senior Fellowship and Keenagers

Monday, October 9

Seniors Fall Carnival

10:30 - noon · Fellowship Hall
Lunch - Warren and Pam Willoughby

Thursday, October 26

Halloween Gathering

9:30 - noon

Wear a costume

Fun, Fellowship, and Bingo
Lunch - Skip and Cindy Still

All Seniors are invited to attend!





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**As we aspire to keep Jesus at the center of our lives,
 we are Rooted in Faith, and Growing in Love.
 We endeavor to be a welcoming and affirming
 community of grace for all people, loving our
 neighbors because God first loved us.**

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

9:00 am Coffee, Tea, & Conversation in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary and on Facebook Live

We hope you can join us for in-person worship, but if you aren't able to attend in person, you can worship on Facebook through our live streaming system.
 find worship posts on our website
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