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Dear <<First Name>>,

THANK YOU. A simple yet powerful two words. Many times it seems in our culture that this word has been long forgotten. Instead it seems that people feel that they are due something or that someone owes them something so thank you or being thankful isn't necessary. We can get caught in the same trap easily too. In fact there were 10 lepers in the Gospel of Luke who begged Jesus to heal them and He did! It was a miracle. And yet, out of those 10, only 1 returned and fell on His face in front of Jesus and gave thanks and glorified God with a loud voice! And not only that, the only one to return was a Samaritan while the other were Jews.

Too often we are like the 9 who walk away and never take the time to stop and say thanks! We can get complacent and even to the point where we think that we deserve it. The truth is we don't! How thankful should we be for the incredible love that has been poured out, lavished upon us in the gift of His Son Jesus? How often do we stop and simply say thank you Lord? All throughout God's Word the call is given for us to give thanks - especially in the book of Psalms where it says "Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King, His love endures forever. In 1 Thessalonians 5:18 it says, "In everything give thanks, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." FBC Family, we have so very much to be thankful for and how the Lord has blessed us in so very many ways!

One of the best ways that we can express our thanks is by giving and there are lots of specific and targeted ways that you can give: Giving your regular offering each week, Pack a box for Operation Christmas Child; Bring Thanksgiving Items for Baskets; Help pack those boxes; giving to our OutLive Your Life Campaign; and others. I encourage you to spend time this month and stop and pause and thank God for not just your family and friends, though that is important, but spend some time expressing specific ways of why you are thankful and what the Lord has done for you!

I pray that you have a blessed weekend and I can hardly wait to see you Sunday. The Lord has put a very specific message on my heart for this Sunday and I hope that you will be here to hear it and that you will bring someone with you! I can't wait to see what the Lord will do!

In Christ Alone,

Brad



Our LAST BREAKFAST is this Sunday from 8:40-9:00 AM. Be sure and join us for LifeGroups at 9:00 AM. There's a small group for you and your entire family. We have two Sundays left in our FALL BACK Message series that you don't want to miss at 10:30 AM!



OUR GOAL: 300 BOXES
BOXES DUE NOVEMBER 17TH

Our goal this year is to send 300 boxes that allow Samaritans Purse to share the Gospel with thousands and thousands of children in more than 100 countries each year. Boxes and other supplies are available at the OCC table in the back of the Worship Center. Get ready to shop! **Boxes are due by Sunday, November 17th.**



WORTH IT
HE'S WORTH IT | THEY'RE WORTH IT | YOU'RE WORTH IT

A BRAND NEW CHURCH WIDE SERIES COMING JANUARY OF 2020 that you simply cannot afford to miss! We are going to take our entire Church through Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University including our students and children in LifeGroups, and Pastor Brad will be preaching a series entitled Worth It. This promises to be a life-changing and altering series and opportunity for many to take their life back! More details are coming. The cost is \$90 per family and will cover everything. You can sign up and pay that beginning Sunday or you can pay in 3 easy installments of \$30 in November, December, and January. I promise you that it will be worth it!



THANKSGIVING
BASKETS
for Petal Children's Task Force
250 - Cans of Cranberry Sauce
250 - Corn Meal
Please donate all items by November 17

We are once again collecting these 2 items for the Petal Children's Task Force's Thanksgiving Baskets given to needy families in Petal. The Task Force gives out over 400 boxes of food each month. This is a significant increase in the number of items needed, so please add a few more to your shopping list. **We will also for the first time get to pack these boxes on Thursday, November 21st @ 6 p.m. Come join the packing party!**



Be sure to join us for Annual Family Thanksgiving meal to kick off your holiday season. It will take place on Wednesday, November 20, and there will be no other activities that night. It's just \$10 per family. Invite someone to join you as we come together and give thanks for all the Lord has done!



We officially kick off our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions on Sunday, November 10th. Our Goal this year is \$26,000+ and we hope that you will begin to pray now about what your sacrificial gift will be so that the nations who have yet to hear the Gospel can hear!



Be on the lookout for more information regarding **Panther Pals**, a new program where we will partner with the schools to mentor students. 40-50 adults are needed to serve as mentors to students from Kindergarten - 6th grades. Our hope is to focus primarily on mentoring students at Petal Primary. These adults will spend time with the students at their school 2-3 times per month. Training will be provided. **More information will be available very soon!**



FAMILY FRIENDLY WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES start with supper at 5:30 p.m. followed by opportunities for the entire family at 6:15 p.m.: Zip for preschoolers, TeamKid for children, Intersect for 6th graders, Refuge for students, and Refuel

for adults. Impact for college students meets at 7:45 p.m. We hope you will join us!



November WNS Menu

November 6:

Chicken Strips, Garden Salad, Fries
Cookie Variety

November 13:

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Macaroni & Cheese
Brownies

November 20:

Thanksgiving Meal

November 27:

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES



Don't forget to text PFBC to 970-00 to sign up for our **NEW** texting platform! Be on the lookout for more information about how you can receive updates for more specific categories. We need everyone who would like updates via text messaging to sign up, even if you were signed up for our previous platform.

rightnow MEDIA

We are excited to share that our church now has access to an extensive, new video library called RightNow Media! It's like the "Netflix of Video Bible Studies" and has a HUGE library of faith-based videos that you can access whenever and wherever you want—on your phone, iPad, computer, or at home on your TV.

Some LifeGroups are using RightNow Media as their curriculum. If you are in a LifeGroup, you should have received an official invitation email to give you FREE access to RightNow Media. **If you have not received an email but you would like a link, please let the church office know.**

Once you find the email, simply click the link, sign up for an account, and you're all set to explore more than 20,000 videos. We pray that RightNow Media will be a blessing for you and your family!



Jamie & Nikki Sandifer by Letter
Mary Jo Huffman by Letter

Thank You!

PFBC Church Family,

Thank you so much for the outpour of love and support during this incredibly difficult time. We deeply appreciate the prayers and thoughtfulness so many of you have shared with our family. We feel overwhelmingly blessed to be a part of such a caring and special congregation.

With love & sincerest gratitude,

The Danny Farmer Family



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