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October Newsletter of Petal First Baptist

September 29, 2017

Greetings!

I know that you are hoping, like me, that crisp cool Fall air is going to arrive sometime before Christmas!! While we are waiting, there will be a lot going on here at Petal FBC in the month of October and there are a lot of places where you can plug in and Connect, Grow, Commit, and Go! I want to challenge you to not let October be a month where you slip away. This month has historically been a month where our attendance slumps and I want to really encourage you to stay involved. Here are just a few ways!

You can **Connect** in October by being in a LifeGroup as we begin our last semester of The Journey and what it means to be a true follower of Christ! Now is the perfect time to jump in and get connected to a small group and **Grow** as you study God's Word together. Of course staying connected by being in Worship every Sunday with your family is vital!

You can **Grow** deeper by being involved in our Wednesday Night ReFuel for adults as we go through an incredible series on How To Read the Bible for Life. It's a great Fall series designed to help you Learn how to Read the word, Love the Word, Listen to the Word, and Live the Word.

You can **Commit** to serve in a host of ways! Our Fall Trunk or Treat, Dental Clinic, Sign up to be a Big Brother or Sister at the Primary School, or help with the house on Hwy 42 damaged by the tornado.

You can **Go** on the disaster relief trip to Texas to help flood victims or you can go on the December Mission Trip to Southeast Asia to help reach our S.S. people group!

Finally, let me encourage you to keep on giving. We are way behind in our giving this Fall and if things do not change, we are going to have to make some difficult decisions and begin cutting some things that we are currently doing in order to live within the giving. I don't want to alarm you, but I do want to keep you informed that the giving has not been what we hoped for or planned for. So if you aren't giving or you have fallen behind, please start giving today or catch up! We need you and others so that we can continue to

fulfill our mission each day of Engaging people with the hope of the Gospel to see lives transformed!

I hope and pray to see each of you Sunday as we continue our series on ***The Six Marks of Hitting the Mission***, sharing the Lord's Supper together and also seeing what the Lord has done in our international missions so far this year! It's going to be a great Sunday. By the way, thanks for giving to the MS State Missions Offering as we went over our goal of \$3,500 by giving almost \$4,200!

In Christ Alone,

Brad

## The Lord's Supper Sunday, October 1st



Join us this Sunday, Oct. 1st, as we celebrate the Lord's Supper!



**Show our Pastors how much they mean to Petal FBC!** October is the month that is set aside to honor and thank our pastors and the work that they do among us each and every day. Take time this month to drop them an email, a card, or a text and let them know how much you appreciate their service to the Petal FBC Family!



## Big Brothers Big Sisters

**This is a wonderful opportunity!** Petal Primary School is in need of men and women to serve as mentors to children through Big Brothers Big Sisters. We need 10 men and 10 women. Applications will be on the foyer table. Call the church office with questions.

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JOIN US ON  
**THE JOURNEY**  
LIFEGROUPS  
SUNDAYS @ 9AM

**Continue to join us on The Journey!** Volume 4 will start October 8th and is now on sale in the church foyer and preschool/children's hallway for \$5 each. These 12 sessions will complete our study in The Journey. Click the link for a list of LifeGroups.

<http://petalabc.com/grow/lifegroups/>

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**The 6 Marks**  
of hitting  
**The Mission**  
September - October Message Series

**Pastor Brad continues this message series through October 22nd!** It is the 4th in the series on Vision 2020 & our Vision Frame. We are looking at the challenging questions to ask ourselves!

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**Family Friendly Wednesday Night continues!** Supper begins at 5:30p followed by Refuel for adults, Refuge for students, TeamKid for kids, and Zip for preschool all starting at 6:15p. Impact for College/Career starts at 7:30p. For adults in Refuel, we will continue the Read the Bible for Life series.



**It's that time again!** we will nominate Deacons to serve for a 3 year term beginning in 2018. An announcement will be made this Sunday and then on October 8th & 15th the names will be available of every man over 21 years of age who is a member of our Church. On October 22, we will vote for the number of names needed to fill the slots. *If you do not want your name to appear, please notify the Church Office.*



Plan to be with us each Saturday through October! We are continuing our partnership with Mt. Vernon and Petal UMC to rebuild this house on Hwy 42. Work days continue each Saturday through October. Contact Andy Simmons for more info @ 601-606-2994.

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This will be the final tailgating event for 2017! Come at 5:30 with a side dish, dessert, and/or drinks. Invite a friend to come with you! Fordham, Walton, and McDermitt LifeGroups are hosting.

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Join us as we honor Dee! Come early Sunday, Oct. 8th to honor Dee McDermitt on her retirement. A variety of coffee and refreshments will be available at 8:30a. We also ask that you bring Dee a greeting card and a gift card of some sort. We want to honor her well for her 12+ years here!

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Don't miss this opportunity! A team will be leaving for Orange, Texas to help with disaster relief Friday, Oct.13th and returning Sunday, Oct. 15th. The cost will be meals to



**The dental clinic will be here before we know it!** The application process for patients begins Oct. 2nd. All patients must be non-insured adults and residents of Petal. Stop by or call the church office to start the process.

Clinic times are 8a to 5p Tuesday, Oct. 24th thru Friday, Oct. 27th with a break for lunch each day and Oct. 28th from 8a to 1p.

**Volunteers are still needed** to staff the waiting area, help with check-in, escort patients to and from the dental truck, take vital signs, and help with check-out. Volunteers can work all day or for an hour or two. To sign up, go to the Church Facebook event page and leave a message stating the day and time you can work. Someone will then be in contact with you. If you have any questions, call the church office @ 601-545-3198.



**Trunk or Treat is four weeks away and we need EVERYONE to help out!** We need greeters, security, parking lot attendants, candy, and trunks for the event. Contact Emily Shows to sign-up or with questions @ 601-596-7680 or [eshows@hotmail.com](mailto:eshows@hotmail.com).



**You don't want to miss this trip!** Plans are being made to take a team to visit our partners in Southeast Asia in November or December. If you are interested in participating, contact Steven Davis @ 601-540-6086.

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Click the link to access the Monthly Church calendar!



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