

#### Sunday, June 30, 2024

10:40 a.m. Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Dennis Kutch

**Praise Songs** "Mighty to Save" Worship Team

"Shine Jesus Shine"
"Ancient Words"

Offering

Gloria Patri #812

**Morning Prayer** 

Special Music "Let Freedom Ring" The Trio

Scripture Matthew 28:19-20

Message "Go and Make Disciples of All Nations" Bob Weeks

Closing Song "Thy Word" #184

Benediction

Postlude Andrew Sohn

### Prayer Request Cards

If you have a request for which you would like prayer during worship, please fill out a Prayer Request Card and give it to one of the Deacons, or Pastor Nathan. They can also be placed in the offering plate. Cards are in the pew backs and on the table in the Narthex.

#### This Week @ FBC

Today June 30	10:40 a.m	Sunday SchoolMorning Worship
	6:30 p.m	Youth Ga-Ga Ball at the Hudson's
Monday July 1	6:30 p.m	Softball Game
Tuesday July 2	9:30 a.m	Cottage Prayer Group
Wednesday July 3	9:00 a.m	Bible Study
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Sunday	9:30 a.m	Sunday School
July 7		Morning Worship

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# Birthdays this Week

June 30 – George Dallaire July 1 – Eric Moody July 3 – Rob Rollison

#### Anniversaries this Week

July 6 – Mike & Barb Stoner

### Extra Mile Ministry

John and Shelley Preston shared about the Extra Mile ministry with us on June 9. If you feel led to volunteer or give, please call 812-798-2394 or visit <a href="mailto:theextramileministries.org">theextramileministries.org</a>. Thank you!

#### Youth Group Ga-Ga Ball This Evening

Weather permitting, the youth are invited to the Hudson's house for Ga-Ga ball from 6:30 pm – dark.

# One Great Hour of Sharing

As we wrap up another One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, our bulletin insert explains how our faithfulness has made a remarkable difference in the lives of the people in Ukraine. Our Christian response has given hope to those in an unimaginable situation. Thank you for sharing the light through One Great Hour of Sharing!

#### First Baptist Church Food Pantry Grants

The church recently applied for and received a \$6,600 grant from the Greene County Foundation and a \$3,000 grant from the REMC Community Fund to go towards the purchase and installation of a backup generator for our food pantry. The generator would provide electricity to the pantry in the event power is off for an extended period of time endangering the food requiring refrigeration. The food pantry has five commercial size freezers and two commercial size refrigerators that contain hundreds of pounds of food at any given time. The loss of this food would be critical to the patrons who frequent the pantry to provide food for their family. If you would like to make a donation, you can make a check out to Bloomfield First Baptist Church and put in the memo line "Purchase of Generator". Thank you!



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#### A Look at Last Week

(On-line giving is available here: Tithe.ly or at www.fbcbloom.org)

#### Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$4,755.16
Food Pantry	\$30.00
OGHS	\$350.00
VBS	\$100.00

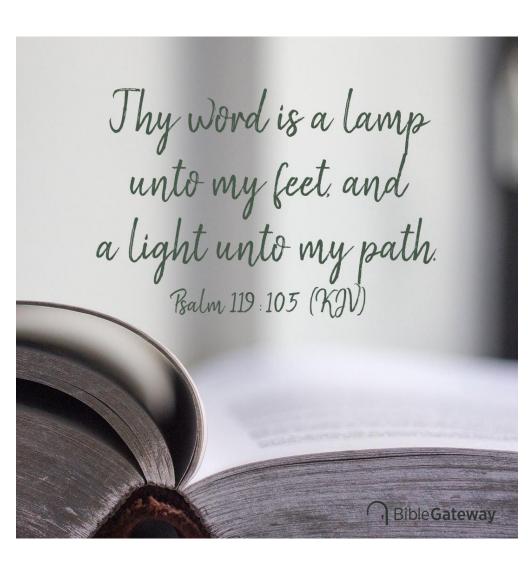
#### Year to Date Giving

Income (undesignated giving)	\$116,077.20
Budget Requirements	\$134,702.25
Net Income vs. Budget	-\$18,625.05

Online giving can be found here:



# Bloomfield First Baptist Church



*30 June 2024* 

# MISSION STORIES

"You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world."

Matthew 5:14 (The Message)



# SHARING THE LIGHT: IN THE MIDST OF WAR



ebruary 24, 2024, marked the second anniversary of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. It may be difficult to imagine how one can share the light during war. But as Rev. Igor Bandura, head of the Baptist Union of Ukraine shares, across Ukraine, the darkness of war is no match for God's people that tirelessly continue to share the light.

"In February 2022, it seemed to us that we would not be able to hold out for more than a few weeks, neither emotionally, physically, nor defensively. But the Lord is holding us. Every day He shows his miracles again and again at the front and in the rear.

From the first day of the full-scale invasion until now, we risk being on the verge of a humanitarian catastrophe. Therefore, social ministry-assistance to internally displaced persons, those who have lost their jobs, home, and breadwinners, - is in great demand by the public. Responding to it is the best manifestation of Christian sacrifice. The church has done it, is doing it, and will continue to do it.



Paying tribute to a fallen solider.



Soldiers gather to receive support and encouragement from Baptist chaplains.

While in the first year of the war, humanitarian service was more urgent and situational. This year it has gained stability, structure, and orderliness. Displaced people and residents of the frontline areas are still in dire need of our help with food, drinking water, hygiene products, and cash assistance. And in the last year churches have been more focused on learning how to provide psychological assistance

and all kinds of support to war veterans, orphans, people with injuries, various disorders, and disabilities. We have begun to get more involved with specific people, their stories, and challenges – the wife of a fallen soldier, whom the church helped to make repairs to her family's home, children and teenagers who are missing their homes as their towns remain under occupation. We offer to them Bible classes, Christian camps, and church events, and they are smiling and settling into their new cities for the first time in a long time. Thousands of people have been touched by Jesus Christ Himself through the love and care of the church. They have begun to read God's word, come to worship, and decided to follow the

It is impossible to overestimate the power of unity and spiritual inspiration of the great global family of Baptist churches. Your constant prayers serve as a spiritual pillar for Ukrainian Baptists. Your financial gifts for humanitarian aid have multiplied our ability to serve people with numerous needs. Your love has inspired us again and again and given us the strength to get up and move forward. Today we cry and work together. Tomorrow we will rejoice together and thank our God!"

Thank you for sharing the light through One Great Hour of Sharing. Your gifts carry light and hope to the people of Ukraine. Thanks to your generosity, the words found in Matthew 5 ring true today: "Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven."

