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Following God is not always easy, we have days when we question and doubt and wonder. But God's imagination is so much bigger than ours; God's dreams open us up to so much more life than our own.

When Jesus called his first disciples, he asked them to come follow him and promised that he would make them fishers of people. Peter and his brother, Andrew, are out fishing. They are doing what they know how to do, what provides a life for them and their families. They are doing what quite likely their parents and grandparents and great-grandparents had done all their lives.

But Jesus comes to them and says, leave behind what you know and follow me to something bigger, something you can't even imagine right now. There is no way Peter could have known that letting go of his nets and following Jesus would lead him down this path where he walks on water until he sinks, where he goes around the known world bringing the news and teaching of Jesus to thousands, and where he encounters God so profoundly that he is willing to have his life turned totally upside down for the love of God.

God comes to each one of us and asks us to follow, to leave behind what we know and what we have planned, and to be open to the newness God wants to bring into our lives. Because God has called us all, God continues to call us all.

How have you experienced the call of God in your life? And how is God calling you today? Sometimes, like Peter and Andrew, we experience God's call as a clear and decisive moment. But other times we experience that divine call like a subtle nudging, something that bothers us that we just can't quite ignore. Sometimes we experience it like a kind of restlessness or discontent. Sometimes we experience God's call as something tugging on our hearts.

But, however we experience it, God comes to each of us and says follow, follow, follow. Leave the old nets and boats behind and come learn a new way, follow God to something new, something you can't even imagine or fully understand yet.

So take a moment, or maybe a few moments, to ponder, reflect, and pray: How is God calling you today?

As you do this, remember,

You are much loved!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ronnie Kielbaso". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ronnie

Tipton Baby Shower



Come help us celebrate the anticipated arrival of baby-boy Tipton on Sunday, August 18, in the Fellowship Hall, noon - 2:00 p.m. A light lunch will be served. All are invited to attend as we honor Whitney and the upcoming birth of her baby. Baby-boy Tipton is registered at Target and Amazon.

Operation Christmas Child



It's that time of year again where we begin working toward filling shoe boxes for children around the world. Each year Farmville Baptist really knows how to do this well. There is an extended list online at samaritanaspurse.org. Thank you for your support of this worthy ministry. Further details forthcoming!

FBC is Having a Picnic!



Please join us for our annual church-wide picnic on Sunday, September 29, at 10:30 a.m. at Wilck's Lake. We will have the worship service at 10:30 a.m. and lunch thereafter. Lots of fellowship, lots of food, and lots and lots of dessert! Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. Please come, bring a side dish or dessert to share, a lawn chair, and a friend or two!



Homecoming/Reunion!

All Saints Day

SAVE THE DATE: On November 3, 2019, FBC is having a homecoming/reunion. We have invited Bill Wilson, former pastor of Farmville Baptist, to come deliver the message and fellowship with us. On this same day, we will also observe All Saints Day. We invite all current and former members and friends to come fellowship with Farmville Baptist Church. Please keep an eye out for upcoming details.



Prayer Card Ministry

Dear Christian Friends,

I'd like to thank you for your encouraging notes of love while recuperating from surgery. I am home, but still in therapy here at the Watson Center. Without our Heavenly Father, how would we heal our souls and Body!

With Love,
Anne Ramsey



Congregation,

I want to thank all the kind people who have sent me their prayers over the past 18 months. They have contributed greatly to my recovery. My general health has improved greatly, my paralysis has been reduced slightly, and, with God's help, both will continue on that path.

Thank you.

Andrew Whiley

Upcoming Events Through September 2019

<i>August 11</i>	<i>Fellowship Sunday, Fellowship Hall</i>	<i>10:30 a.m.</i>
<i>August 18</i>	<i>Church Council, Parlor</i>	<i>8:30 a.m.</i>
<i>August 18</i>	<i>Church Trustees Meeting, Parlor</i>	<i>12:15 p.m.</i>
<i>August 21</i>	<i>Fun Bunch Luncheon, Merk's</i>	<i>Noon</i>
<i>September 15</i>	<i>Church-wide Business Meeting, Sanctuary</i>	<i>9:45 a.m.</i>
<i>September 25</i>	<i>Fun Bunch Luncheon, Merk's</i>	<i>Noon</i>
<i>September 29</i>	<i>Church-wide Picnic, Wilck's Lake Island</i>	<i>10:30 a.m.</i>

Monthly Financial Report For the Month Ended June 2019

YTD Budget Needs	\$102,609.96
June Receipts	\$14,358.99
YTD Receipts-undesignated	\$83,809.08
June Expenditures	\$13,512.65
YTD Expenditures undesignated	\$87,687.53

Personal Announcements

If anyone has anything to submit for the newsletter, such as events, wedding announcements, births, graduations, showers, etc., we are happy to include the announcement in the newsletter. Please let the church office have this information by the third week in the month.

Worship Volunteers

If you would like to help lead our worship services for August, you may visit our webpage, farmvillebaptist.org, and click on the link **Worship Volunteer Sign-Up List** "[Click Here to Sign Up](#)". Or, you may contact Janice Kiehm at 478-363-6499. Your participation is always appreciated and needed.

DEACON FAMILY MINISTRIES

Cindy Cave	A-Bh	Jack Davis	Dr-E	Jack Davis	P-R
Jack Davis	Bi-Coo	Ken Copeland	F-L	Chuck Daniel	S-Tn
Janet Southall	Cop-Dq	Becky Kelly	M-O	George Carter	To-Z

Life Deacons: Peggy Cave, Jack Davis, Jim Davis, Joyce Davis, Gene Watson, Cecil Yeatts