



From the Pastor's Desk

By Rev. Freddy Fritz

Remembering the Deeds of the Lord

The Psalmist wrote in Psalm 77:11, “I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your wonders of old.” One of the great themes in the Bible is the importance of remembrance.

In the book of Leviticus, God appointed weekly and yearly rhythms of remembrance for the people of Israel. For example, the Sabbath was a weekly rhythm to remember how God rested on the seventh day. The Passover was a yearly rhythm to remember how God delivered the Israelites from Egypt.

Throughout the rest of the Old Testament, the Israelites regularly created altars of remembrance to commemorate God’s miraculous works. For example, in Joshua 4, they stacked 12 stones in remembrance of how God miraculously parted the Jordan river and let them cross on dry land.

All throughout the Psalms, David and other writers meditated on the works and wonders of God. They called the reader to remember God’s past faithfulness and dwell on his goodness.

Most poignantly, at the Last Supper, Jesus invited his followers to take the bread and the cup in remembrance of him. And every Lord’s Day, we remember the resurrection of Jesus and all that his death and resurrection mean for us in our daily lives.

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That is why I am so excited about our church's upcoming 40th Anniversary Celebration. Forty years ago, in June 1982, the Tampa Bay Presbyterian Church was born, or "particularized," to use ecclesiastical language.

Pastor James Saxon and many dozens of faithful church members labored diligently to see that a branch of the Lord Jesus Christ was planted in New Tampa.

Our 40th Anniversary Celebration will take place the weekend of June 10-12, 2022. It will be an opportunity to praise God for his mighty work and to thank those who have labored faithfully over so many years to proclaim the good news of the gospel in New Tampa and beyond.

I do hope you will join me in TBPC's 40th Anniversary Celebration.

Freddy



Missions **by Scott A. Simmons**

Do Missions Conferences have an effect? Is it observable? TBPC's Missions Conference in February did have an observable effect. The model used by RUF International and Global as shared by keynote speaker, the Reverend Chad Brewer, led to the ESL luncheon that took place on May 14. You will learn more about that wonderful outreach in the ESL article. We are delighted the February Missions Conference had such a noticeable and immediate effect in the life and ministry of TBPC.

One of the goals of the Missions Committee this year is to support at least one more missionary or missionary couple. The Lord quickly blessed this hope and prayer with more than one opportunity for support. Marika Taverne in accordance with TBPC policy has received support for 10% of her short-term trip with Wycliffe Bible Translators. She will be serving in Southeast Asia from June 1 to July 30, 2022. She will see first-hand what is involved in Bible translation. In addition to orientation and language learning, she will assist in ESL teaching and with Bible study tools that will be translated into the local dialect. Please pray for her.

Next, the Lord had John and Karen Stodghill visit TBPC one Sunday while they were on home assignment. They joined the Brunch Bunch for Lunch following

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the service. The Stodghills applied for support and the Missions Committee approved their support in accordance with TBPC policy. John is a Ruling Elder in the PCA. He has a Master's degree in Business Management and undergraduate degrees as a registered nurse and paramedic. Karen's degree in elementary education. They became full-time missionaries in 2016 serving as church planters in the Bahamas. In 2019, the Stodghills were called to Belize, Central America. They learned about TBPC by listening to Pastor Fritz's sermons online as well as knowing Lauren Dishman. Their ministry centers on church planting, church revitalization, and leadership training through MTW. As you can see, much is taking place concerning missions at TBPC.

Plans are underway for our 2023 Missions Conference scheduled for February 17 – 19. Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Herb Ward. The theme will be Acts 13:36 – 52 “Serving God's Purpose in Our Own Generation.” If you have an interest in missions, please consider becoming part of the Missions Committee.



June Birthdays

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| <i>Mason Highfill</i> | <i>June 07</i> | <i>Ava Almonte</i> | <i>June 19</i> |
| <i>Carson Smoot</i> | <i>June 07</i> | <i>Rachel Bailey</i> | <i>June 19</i> |
| <i>Winston Smoot</i> | <i>June 10</i> | <i>Ed Jordan</i> | <i>June 19</i> |
| <i>Sandy Neal</i> | <i>June 11</i> | <i>Rod Proctor</i> | <i>June 20</i> |
| <i>Kim Sesia</i> | <i>June 13</i> | <i>Carey Springer</i> | <i>June 27</i> |
| <i>Joanne Carter</i> | <i>June 14</i> | <i>Fred Cunningham</i> | <i>June 29</i> |
| <i>Patricia Harshfield</i> | <i>June 14</i> | <i>Martine Extermann</i> | <i>June 29</i> |
| <i>Peyton Sauls</i> | <i>June 14</i> | <i>Clydia Craig</i> | <i>June 30</i> |
| <i>Diane Rothfuss</i> | <i>June 15</i> | | |



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ESL Program by Karen Cross



The ESL Program will end the 2021-2022 School Year on May 27. We have had such an amazing year! We have grown to a total of 75 students! We have been able to share the Gospel with students 8 times each week for 9 months this past year! We are so grateful that God has blessed both ESL students and teachers in such wonderful ways!

We will have a Summer Vacation during the months of June, July and August, and will start the 2022-2023 School Year on September 6.

On Saturday, May 14, we held End of Year Celebration for all Students, Teachers, and Church Leadership at the Church. Approximately 75 people attended this event. Everyone brought a covered dish to share from their home country. We had 5 six-foot tables completely filled with such a large variety of food from many cultures around the world! It was an amazing day. It was the first time we had seen many of the students in person since the Covid pandemic began. We recognized the teachers, and students from each of the classes. There was such great joy in the room. It was a wonderful way to end the year. All of the students and teachers were so happy to be together in person! We are truly an ESL Family.



Please consider joining the ESL Program next year. As we continue to grow, we need more volunteers to help. We have volunteer opportunities at all levels of English, from Beginner to Advanced. We have opportunities for in-person classes and classes on Zoom. We also have Administrative volunteer task responsibilities. If you would like more information about how you can join us, contact Karen Cross: karencross38@hotmail.com or 813-714-9921.

Hospitality by Joan Kosanovich

“Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality” (Romans 12:13). This text reminds us that we have opportunities to serve our family in Christ. Recently, the Hospitality Ministry, with much help from Melissa and Todd Bayley, David Cross, and others, was privileged to serve Jeff Beams’ family after the memorial service celebrating his life. The Beams family provided food, and we were blessed to meet his family and friends during this time of remembrance.

Also during this past month, the most recent New Members’ Class had six people from varying backgrounds. Through serving these brothers and sisters with a light meal, and enjoying fellowship with them, we also were built up in faith. May we all pray for more and varied opportunities to “contribute to the needs of the saints” as we enter the Summer season! If you are interested in joining the ministry or have any questions, please contact Joan Kosanovich or LeeAnn DeStefano.



June Anniversaries

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| <i>Beazel, Michael & Mas</i> | <i>June 02, 2007</i> |
| <i>McNulty, John & Melissa</i> | <i>June 02, 2012</i> |
| <i>Cunningham, Fred & Diane</i> | <i>June 03, 1978</i> |
| <i>Adawonu, Nathaniel & Cherita</i> | <i>June 13</i> |
| <i>Berber, Bert & Cheryl</i> | <i>June 14, 1980</i> |
| <i>Morrison, Bob & Nancy</i> | <i>June 14, 1980</i> |
| <i>Cross, David & Karen</i> | <i>June 15, 1985</i> |
| <i>Whitley, Ron & Esther</i> | <i>June 15, 1957</i> |
| <i>Highfill, Ryan & Laura</i> | <i>June 16, 2012</i> |
| <i>Otero, Andrew & Jill</i> | <i>June 23, 2007</i> |
| <i>Weir, Jim & Judy</i> | <i>June 23, 1979</i> |
| <i>Jordan, Ed, & Debbie</i> | <i>June 24, 1984</i> |

It's Almost Here!

TAMPA BAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



JUNE 10-12, 2022

The Committee is so pleased that you are going to join us in celebrating the goodness of the Lord to TBPC.

As a reminder -

EVENTS SCHEDULE

June 10 - 6:45 PM - Fellowship and Hymn Sing

June 11 - 9:15 AM - Golf at Lexington Oaks

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM - Tea and Testimonies

5:30 PM - Meal - Catered by Aussie Grill

6:30 PM - Program - Debora Coty

June 12 - 10:45 AM - Worship Service - James Saxon



Houston,
we have

VBS!

and we need help
creating our core team!

OPEN CORE POSITIONS

Director - Rachel Contrata

Assistant Director - OPEN

Star Commander (MC) - Anna Sauls

Gospel Presenter (actor) - OPEN

Sound Board - OPEN

Decorations - OPEN

Craft Coordinator - Abigail Vincent

Snack Coordinator - OPEN

Games Coordinator - Josiah Massie

Prayer Coordinator - OPEN

Registration Coordinator - Debbie Jordan

Head Squadron Leader (teacher) - OPEN

The dates are June 27—July 1

Monday—Friday, 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Contact Rachel Contrata (813)838-1258



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