

Joy Ministry Newsletter September 2018



Anticipation. It's a word that fills our hearts with joy, eagerness, and sometimes a little anxiousness and mystery too. When we anticipate something we are telling ourselves 'get ready' or 'be prepared.' Whether it's anticipating the start of the college football season, the birth of a child, special events or even a worship service anticipation speaks to the way God works in our lives through longing and yearning for His love and providence to impact us for the good. Some things I am anticipating happening soon: our day trip to Mercier's, the JOY JUBILEE Banquet and the CBF GA Senior Celebration. I am also anticipating Fall Break, a trip to TX later in the year and seeing my three children during the semester. Anticipation! The Bible speaks to this idea too. I think of the words of Jesus when he speaks to us about anticipating His return. We are to live our lives as if he could return any moment. Do our lives reflect an anticipation for Christ's return? This month I hope you will anticipate wonderful things God is preparing to in your life. May we also recommit ourselves to living a life of anticipation for the glory of God to be revealed through our Lord and Savior. May this month be blessed for each and every one of you and your families.

You are loved, appreciated and prayed for!

Blessings,
PV

College Football Hall of Fame Outing, 8/24/18



The church office will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 3rd.

Memory Verse: Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. Matthew 24:42

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Day Trips

Friday, September 21st

Mercier Orchards

Blue Ridge

Cost: \$10; Lunch on your own

Depart Welcome Center at 9am

November 8th-10th

Ark Encounter and Creation Museum

Williamstown, KY

Cost: \$200 plus cost of meals per person (2 people per room)

RSVP and payment due by Friday, October 12th

December 7th

David Phelps: It Must Be Christmas Tour/Concert

Bremen, GA

Cost: \$40

Registration Deadline: September 14th



To sign up and pay for trips, contact Nanci Maples at 770-874-8521 or nmaples@mariettafbc.org

upcoming SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, October 20th

Jubilee Banquet

5:30pm

Fellowship Hall

Guest Speaker: Renee Owen,
Executive Director of Spiritual
Health, WellStar

RSVP to Nanci Maples

Tuesday, October 30th

Senior Celebration

FBC Marietta

Cost: \$15

Worship Service,
Lunch, and
Entertainment

Fellowship with

Senior Adults from around
Georgia

RSVP to Nanci Maples

*Our very own Mary Burndrett and
Harris Wheeler will be providing
entertainment.*



Jubilee

My Lord God,
I have no idea where I am going.
I do not see the road ahead of me.
I cannot know for certain where it will end.
Nor do I really know myself.



And the fact that I think I am following your will, does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe that the desire to please you, does in fact please you.

And I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore, I will trust you always; though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.

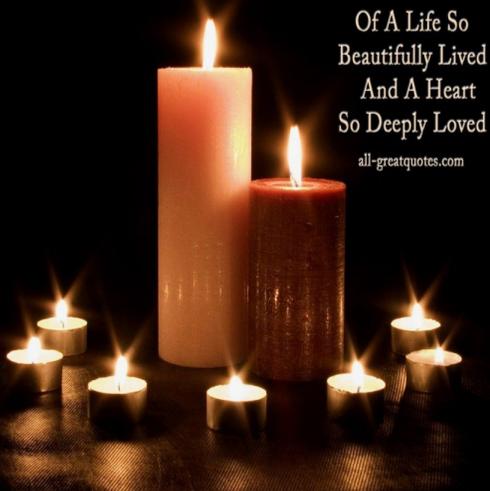
I will not fear, for you are ever with me.

And you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Thomas Merton, "Thoughts in Solitude"

In Loving Memory

Of A Life So
Beautifully Lived
And A Heart
So Deeply Loved
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Last month, the JOY Ministry lost one of its faithful members, Ron Ewald who passed away on August 26, 2018. Ron was a man of God who loved his family, the Men's SS Class and FBCM. Our love and prayers go out to his wife, Barbara Ewald.



GIFT CARD OUTREACH

Through the entire month of September we are collecting gift cards from Wal-Mart, Target, Walgreens and CVS for ladies who have been rescued through Out of Darkness. Please bring your cards to the September Luncheon or give them to Philip Vestal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO OCTOBER LUNCHEON OR DAY TRIP

November Luncheon, November 11th

Guest Speaker: Kelly Gallimore

September JOY Luncheon, September 9th

***Pot Roast and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Yeast Rolls
and Strawberry Cream Pie***

Guest Speaker: Mel Tucker from Out of Darkness