



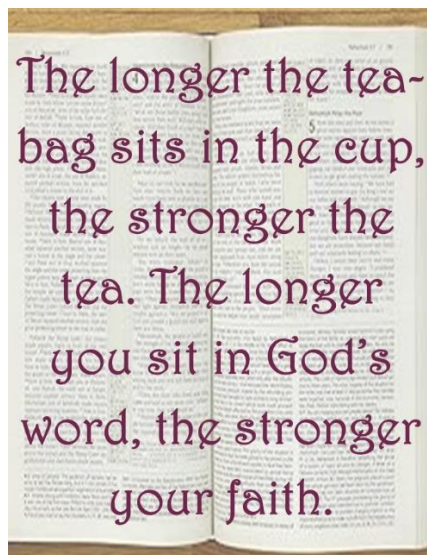
Springvale First Baptist Church

**A place to grow in your relationship
with Jesus Christ.**

**Come and see what the Lord has in
store for us.**

Let us worship the Lord together!

The Messenger



The Board of Mission and Outreach invites you to help sponsor 10 families from the Sanford area with Thanksgiving Boxes.

There are 10 sign-up sheets and 10 boxes in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up to bring in the items you can donate for these boxes. Please ensure that if you sign up for stuffing in box 3, you put your stuffing in that box when you bring it in. You can start bringing items in on November 4th. If you sign up to bring turkeys or anything else perishable, please don't bring those in until November 24th.



American Baptist
Women's
MINISTRIES



CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

The American Baptist Women are collecting for Church World Service hygiene kits.

They have decided this year to collect a few items each month instead of all of the items at once.

For the month of November, they are collecting Wide-tooth combs. They must be sturdy with at least 6 inches of teeth. No pocket combs or picks. Rattail and combs without handles are acceptable but must have at least 6 inches of teeth.

Did you know that these kits are given out all over the world? Whenever disasters have destroyed people's homes, or disrupted their lives, CWS comes in and brings these kits. If you don't know much about CWS they also offer cleaning buckets with cleaning supplies, blankets, feminine hygiene kits, and other kits too.

ABW has chosen to support CWS through the hygiene kits.



**Saturday, November 2nd don't forget to fall
back!**



James Aughey writes, "The church is not a select circle of the immaculate, but a home where the outcast may come in. It is not a palace with gate attendants and challenging sentinels along the entranceways holding off at arm's-length the stranger, but rather a hospital where the broken-hearted may be healed, and where all the weary and troubled may find mercy."

Bishop Andrew 2024

Faithfully Submitted by Kathy Fink



The Board of Fellowship invites you to their Faith and Fellowship Dinner.

Following worship on Sunday, November 10, 2024, please join us for a Thanksgiving Luncheon.



Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair is this month!

If you have been downstairs in either the back room or the crafty ladies room you will see that we have all been hard at work. Maureen and Carolyn have made so many pretty arrangements! The crafty ladies have also been very busy making items for the fair.

If you have made items at home please have them into the church by November 12th so they can be priced and ready to set out the day of the fair.



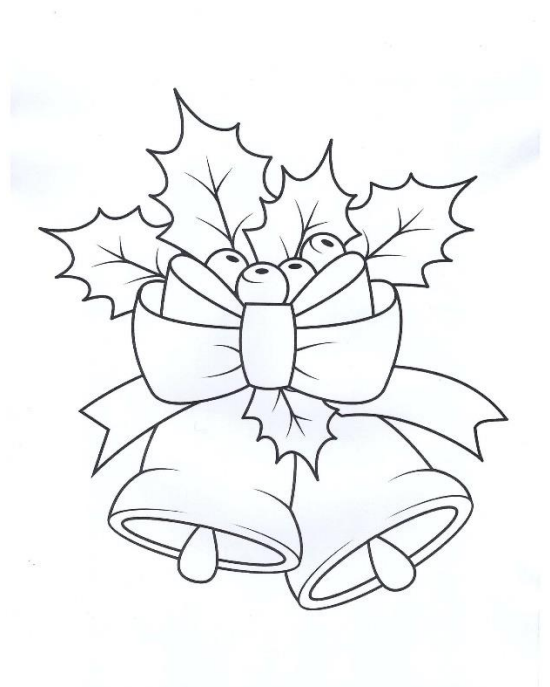
The Board of Mission and Outreach invites you to take a soldier from the box up front. Put it somewhere you can see it every day to remind you to pray for the men and women serving our Country in the armed forces.



We will be having a bake sale during our church fair. We are asking all our talented bakers to bring in items to the church on Friday, November 22nd. Please package your items so they are ready to sell.

The picture to the right is on the piano in a larger size. Please use this picture to write your Christmas Greetings to your church family.

I will put this in the December Messenger so your greetings are sent to all your church family at once.





December 14, 2024, at 2:00

We are going to have a cookie and Yankee swap.

Depending on how many people sign up, I will let you know how many of your favorite Christmas cookies to bring to swap.

The Yankee Swap limit is \$10.00.

Come join us and we will bake 2 kinds of cookies and then we will have a Yankee Swap while they bake.

You will also go home with some of the cookies we bake that day too! If you have questions, Renee has answers :)

Please sign up on Church Trac by using this link or the QR code below:

<https://fbcspringvale.churchtrac.com/connect?ei=4UPZKZT>





At our meeting on September 22nd, it was requested that we have an educational meeting about Stewardship/Pledging. We have scheduled that meeting immediately following church service on November 3rd. We will present information about the budgeting process and our present financial status. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this informative meeting.



Renee will be out of the office on November 7th. This is my annual quilting trip. I will be in the office on Monday, November 4th if you need anything.

BIBLE PUZZLE CHALLENGE

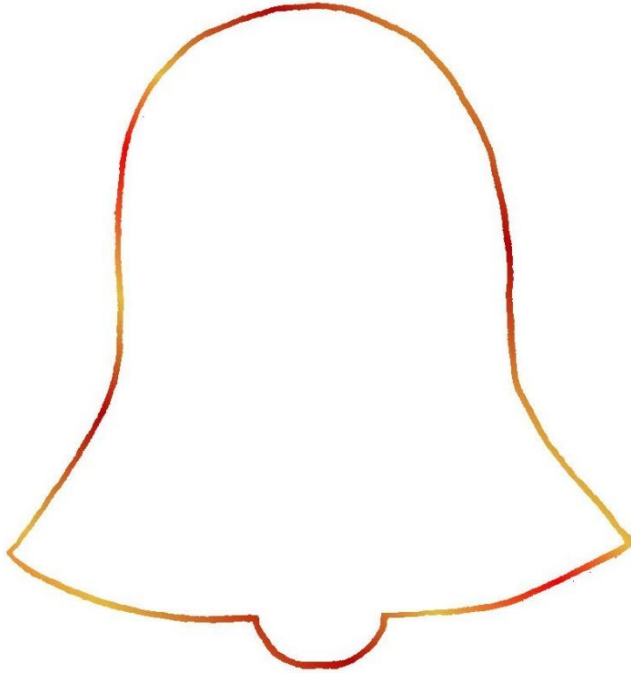
There are names of sixteen (16) books of the bible hidden in the paragraph below. A preacher found 15 books in twenty minutes; it took him 3 weeks just to find the 16th one, HAVE FUN!

I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible. A certain luke, kept people looking so hard for facts, and for others, it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalized. But the truth finally struck home to numbers of our readers. To others it was a job. We want it to be a most fascinating little moment for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help find them. I will be quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them, and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so she can concentrate better. See how well compete. Relax now, for there really are sixteen books of the Bible in this paragraph.

Enjoy the fun now and find the 16 Books!

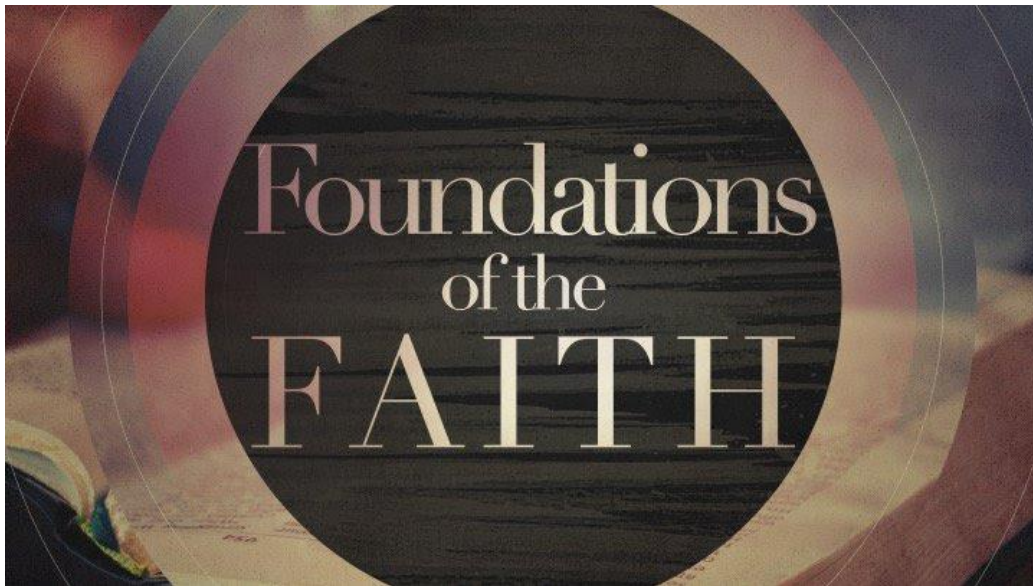
Thank you to Heather Draper for the added fun this month!

Just a preview, she submitted one for next month too, she will keep you busy!



The Board of Outreach has decided to sponsor two families from Sanford for Christmas this year instead of The Angel Trees from the Salvation Army.

There will be bells on the Christmas tree for items that these family are in need/want of. Please pick a bell up off the tree starting November 17th. All items have to be returned to the church by December 15th so they can be delivered to the family.



During November our Foundations of the Faith series will be focusing on The Presence of God. Please join us as we add more building blocks to build our faith on a firm foundation!



Posters for the Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair is only 3 weeks away and we need your help!

We have posters in the office that you can help us by hanging around town! I will put some in the sanctuary for this Sunday, November 3rd. We need your help to spread the word, so many friends and neighbors come to our fair.

There are also smaller ones that you can pass out to neighbors and friends so they remember the date of the fair.

Thank you!

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