



## Birthdays

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|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 10/1 Emmalee Cole      | 10/17 John Olson      | 10/27 Jeremy Cole          |
| 10/2 Jim Coleman       | 10/17 Margie Spry     | 10/28 Travis Issacson      |
| 10/4 Mary Leighty      | 10/17 Linda Tannahill | 10/29 Donna Abbott         |
| 10/5 Mary Box          | 10/18 Kay Lynn Elders | 10/29 Westley Beasmore     |
| 10/5 Charlotte Heron   | 10/19 Autumn Flower   | 10/29 Antha Keyt Lundgaard |
| 10/8 Gene Touchstone   | 10/19 Don Freelove    | 10/29 Dan Seymour          |
| 10/9 Don Van den Akker | 10/19 Robert McTurnal | 10/30 Cass Lowery          |
| 10/10 Debbie Dunwoody  | 10/20 Sammie Cox      | 10/30 Karen Schrichte      |
| 10/12 Ron Keith        | 10/22 Linda York      | 10/31 Michael Petty        |
| 10/12 Nina Prigodich   | 10/23 Bonnie Peterson |                            |
| 10/13 Doug Elders      | 10/24 Jane Olson      |                            |

## Anniversaries

- 10/3 Ron & Joan Brining
- 10/4 Michael & Sheri Pitroski
- 10/5 Doreen & Les Ford
- 10/21 Don & Debbie Dunwoody

## ***The Pastor's Two Bits...***

The COVID pandemic is not over. It is not going to be for quite some time. Although we aren't getting back to 'normal', we have lots of events planned for the next couple of months. As best as possible, we want to restart being together in fun and fruitful ways. But let's be careful as we do. Please respect one another's space and please be honest with yourself and others... if you have any COVID symptoms or have been closely exposed to anyone who does, please stay away! And let us know if we can serve you in any way as you do.

*Koinonia* is a Greek word that is used throughout the New Testament to describe the fellowship of the church. *Fellowship* is a Baptist word usually meaning food! But *koinonia* is much more than food. It is used consistently in Scripture to describe the close and common bond that Christians should share in Jesus Christ. It is fellowship with a purpose. It is a bond that rejoices with those that rejoice and weeps with those that weep. It's a bond that lifts up the downtrodden and shares with those in need. *Koinonia* is a name for and a description of the community that we call "church".

In the next couple of months, we will have our annual movie night and chili cookoff. One of our Sunday School classes will be adopting a neighborhood in Crossville for special ministry and evangelism opportunities. We are planning to start discipleship dinners on Wednesday evenings. The annual Thanksgiving dinner will be served. You will hear more about all of it and be encouraged to bring friends and neighbors with you when you come. For now, know that we want to begin reaching in and reaching out again. We are restarting *koinonia* and hopefully it will be better than ever at FG FBC!

- Pastor Doug