

Tuscola Christian

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Sunday, January 7th

Pancake breakfast will begin at 8:00 a.m. followed by ONE worship service at 9:30 a.m. We will be celebrating together what God has done this past year and what we look forward to God doing in 2024.



Flourish Women's Ministry would like to invite all ladies to start the New Year on a firm foundation. Prayer is a "game changer." So, let's start 2024 on a rock solid foundation. While we are at it, we will CONNECT 4 some fun. Games and beverages will be provided. If attendees have a favorite game they want to play, feel free to bring it. Hop on "board" ladies! We hope to see you there!

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Tony's Tidings

The final pages of 2023 are quickly passing by. We have had a very busy last few months. I am not sure we could have added one more event!

Thanks for the wonderful comments and encouragement for our Characters of Christmas series. A special thanks to Scott, Doug & Brian for preaching in this series with me. I hope that as the series developed you learned a lot from some of the familiar and less familiar Characters. Each of them played an important role in proclaiming and celebrating the birth of Christ.

Here is our schedule – as we begin 2024

1/7 – Celebration Sunday - Tony Crouch

1/14 – Charting Our Course – Tony Crouch

1/21 – Preparing for the Journey – Tony Crouch

1/28 – Mapping Out our Trip- Tony Crouch

We will again have one service at 9:30 on 1/7/24 for Celebration Sunday. We will begin with a breakfast at 8:00 with Pancakes, bacon & breakfast casseroles. I hope you will be able to join us as we celebrate our accomplishments for 2023 and share our plans for 2024.

For January we will be collecting fashion accessories for our Operation Christmas Child. These include sunglasses, jewelry, watches, hair ties & etc.

On a personal note thank you for your prayers and support in the last few months, as I have undergone some health challenges. The preliminary results show that I simply need to do a better job of taking care of myself and my health. I assure you I am committed to both.

I am honored to serve with you here at FCC!

Tony

We currently have 16 College Students from our church. This is a list of items needed to fill the boxes. We also need cards of encouragement for each student. If you are interested in writing cards, Shelley can give you a list of names.

College Student Love Boxes

We would like to send our College Students from our church a love box of goodies and notes of encouragement. You can help by bringing items to the church by Sunday, February 4th. There is a box in the copy room where you can leave your donations.

Item Suggestions:

- Individually wrapped candy (starburst, life savers, candy bars, gum, Valentine candy, etc.)
- Post-it notes, pens and highlighters, notebooks and paper
- Granola bars, power bars, breakfast bars, instant oatmeal, pop tarts, etc.
- packaged soup, ramen noodles, microwave popcorn
- packaged coffee, hot chocolate, water bottle drink flavor packets
- peanuts, potato chips, pretzels, etc.
- individual packages of peanut butter
- Kleenex, soap, shampoo, hand lotion, tooth paste, tooth brushes, hand sanitizer
- Valentine Cards, hand written notes of encouragement
- Stamps, envelopes
- \$ donations for postage/shipping of the boxes

Happy New Year

MAY HE GIVE YOU THE DESIRE
OF YOUR HEART AND MAKE
ALL YOUR PLANS SUCCEED.

PSALM 20:4





Brenda Harris & Family, loss of her nephew Darin Rich
 Karen Tucker
 Craig Miller
 Dale Reeder, Sheryl Reeder's husband
 Kimberly & Justin Cary, Sheryl Reeder's daughter/son-in-law
 John Kibler, friend of Ginger Campbell & Tracy Hogan
 Jennifer Stewart, friend of Ginger Campbell & Tracy Hogan
 Karen Huff, Keri Dean's mom
 Charlie Evans, Les Evans dad
 Chris Brown
 Christine Miller, Craig Miller's sister-in-law
 Nelson Herschberger, friend of Kevin Kauffman
 Pat Avellano (Darla Gardner's sister)
 Rita Herbert (friend of Chris & Cheryl Harris)
 John Chapman (Carol Beals brother)
 Andy Hobart (young friend of Ronnie & Linda Schultz)
 Roger Surtees sister is battling cancer
 Flo Zelenka (Chris Brown's Aunt)
 Rachel Romine (Gallardo)

If you have an update or a request to add, please contact the



Serving-Month of January

Communion Meditation (1st & 2nd Service)

7	Craig Romine	One Service
14	Kate Foltz	Kate Foltz
21	Judy Harriss	Judy Harriss
28	Scott Clarkson	Scott Clarkson

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Online</u>
December 3	126	99
December 10	140	87
December 17	154	84
December 24	167	69
December 31	137	86

Elders:

Chris Brown, Tony Crouch, Kevin Kauffman, Craig Romine.

Trustee:

Jeff Martin

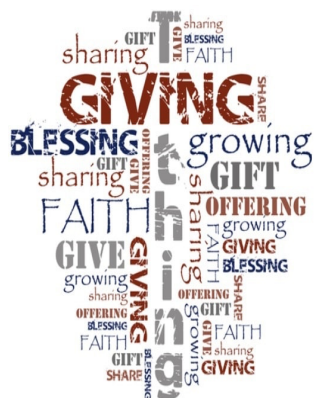
Deacon/Deaconess:

Les Evans (Benevolence)
 Randy Long (Building & Grounds)
 Clayton & Judy Harriss (Caring)
 Sarah Evans (Children's)
 Alta Long (Finance)
 Tony Crouch & Chris Brown (Men's)
 Craig Romine (Missions)
 (Small Groups)
 Scott Clarkson (Students)
 Marla Crouch (Women's)
 Brian Patterson (Worship)

Tony Crouch

Brian Patterson

Shelley Knight



December	12/3	12/10	12/17	12/24	12/31
General Fund (Missions is 10%) (Benevolence is 5%) (Local Partners is 5%)	\$7,045.00	\$8,045.00	\$15,221.00	\$6,064	\$5,367.00
Other giving & Reimbursements	0	157.62	7,864.01	1,216.00	14.52
Memorial Fund	0	100.00	0	0	0
TOTAL	\$7,045.00	\$8,302.62	\$23,085.01	\$7,280.00	\$5,381.52



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Sunday Worship Service
8:00am and 10:30am
Sunday School Classes
9:15am adults
Children's Church
10:30am

Church Hours:
7:00am - 3:30pm Mon-Thurs
7:00am-11:00am Fridays

Ministers:
Tony Crouch, Brian Patterson

January 2024



Financial Peace University Class

Tired of being broke at the end of the month? Want to take control of your money? As a church, we want to share a practical plan that can help you discover God's way of handling money. We want to empower you to get on a budget, get out of debt, save for the future, and take control of your money.

Chris Brown & Tony Crouch will be leading a FPU class beginning on Sunday, January 14th and continuing for 9 weeks.

Time: 6:00-7:30 pm in the library.

There are 10 spots available. It can be done as a couple or individual. Cost is \$50.

There are some scholarships available.
Call the church to sign up (217)253-2394.

You can change your financial story in a matter of weeks — and your family tree for generations to come!



7,14,21,28-Worship Services @

8:00am & 10:30 am

3,10,17,24,31-Prayer Circle, 5:00 pm

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| 2 | Grief Share, 2:00pm (last one) |
| 7 | Celebration Sunday, 8am |
| 9 | Elders Meeting, 6:30pm |
| 11 | NO PrimeTimers |
| 12 | Jr. High Youth Group, 3:30pm |
| 13 | Men's Breakfast, 8am |
| 14 | Financial Peace Class, 6:00pm |
| 15 | Office Closed (Holiday) |
| 20 | Building in Use, 11am-6pm |
| 21 | Women's Ministry Event, 3:00pm |
| | Financial Peace Class, 6:00pm |
| 23 | HOM/Elder's Meeting, 6:30pm |
| 28 | Financial Peace Class, 6:00pm |