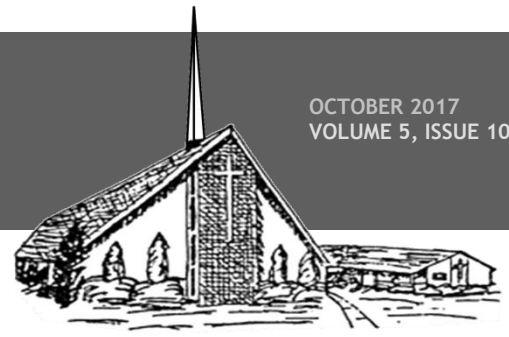


# NEWSLETTER

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**The First Baptist Church of Granada Hills**  
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## **Pastor's Corner** – *Pastor Jack Rager*

### **Make Disciples... Matthew 28:19**

The commission to the church is to make disciples not only converts. According to Lifeway research there is a different between churches that make converts than those that make disciples. The result of a survey of 1500 evangelical churches are as follows:

#### Top 10 Factors Predicting:

	<b>The Most Converts</b>	<b>The Most Disciples</b>
1	Higher percent of unchurched attendees	Higher percent of unchurched attendees
2	Higher percent of Hispanic attendees	Lower church attendance
3	Lower church attendance	More classes offered for new attendees
4	Pastor asks for personal commitment more often	More training events attended by pastor
5	More training events attended by pastor	Pastor asks for personal commitment more often
6	More classes offered for new attendees	Higher % church budget spent on evangelism/mission
7	More frequent ministry activities outside the church	More reports of members evangelizing
8	More reports of members evangelizing	Higher percent of Hispanic attendees
9	More time dedicated by pastor to evangelism	More affirmation that pastor communicates well with unchurched

The conclusion of the researchers noted that a higher percentage of unchurched in the pews tops both lists they also suggested that new attendees classes and putting real money into evangelism was just as important.

Pastor Jack



## WMU NEWS

### Upcoming WM&M Events:



**Oct 19<sup>th</sup>** - WMU Rinaldi Convalescent Ministry at 10:00 a.m.

**Oct 21<sup>st</sup>** - WMU Meeting & Luncheon at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Have you ever wanted to be involved with missions in your community? Here are some mission ideas for you:

**Coffee House** – This is a great place to hang out and build relationships. Go there the same time and day of the week, notice the people, interact, be friendly, engage in conversations and share stories that could lead to deeper spiritual conversations such as prayer requests, answered prayers and so on. Continue this ministry each week at the same time.

**Blessing Bags** – Fill with soap, wash cloth, socks, toothbrush & toothpaste, tissue, fruit cups and spoon, lotion, chapstick... be creative. This winter seems colder so hand warmers would be great too. Then distribute to people in need.

**Miscellaneous Acts of Kindness** – Pick up groceries for a neighbor, help someone with yard work, bake cookies and take them to a neighbor or a clerk at the store, take flowers to someone who is having a bad day.

### Upcoming Dates...

- Oct 01** Church Council Meeting 5:00 p.m.
- Oct 04** Crafty Ladies' Workshop 10:00 a.m.
- Oct 07** Helping the Homeless Flyer Handout 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Oct 09** Columbus Day Holiday/Indigenous Peoples' Day (*Church Office Closed*)
- Oct 11** Crafty Ladies' Workshop 10:00 a.m.
- Oct 14** Helping the Homeless Flyer Handout 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Oct 18** Crafty Ladies' Workshop 10:00 a.m.
- Oct 19** WMU Rinaldi Conv. Home 10:00 a.m.
- Oct 19** The Steel Magnolias Concert 6:00 p.m.
- Oct 21** Helping the Homeless Flyer Handout 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Oct 21** Men's Breakfast 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- Oct 22** Quarterly Business Meeting 12:00 p.m.
- Oct 25** Crafty Ladies' Workshop 10:00 a.m.
- Oct 28** Helping the Homeless Flyer Handout 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Oct 29** Deacon's Meeting 6:00 p.m.

**Note: No Ruth Class' Brunch on first Tuesday of this month.**

**PRAYER MEETINGS** are held Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. Please email your prayer requests to us at [admin@fbcgh.net](mailto:admin@fbcgh.net) so we can be sure to pray for you during this time.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** is held Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Ted Osborne for details.



## BIRTHDAYS

<b>10 - 07</b>	<b>Johnnie Spotts</b>
<b>10 - 19</b>	<b>Darell Norris</b>
<b>10 - 25</b>	<b>Jimmy Brewer</b>
<b>10 - 25</b>	<b>Ivan Garcia</b>
<b>10 - 27</b>	<b>Manuel Camberos</b>
<b>10 - 30</b>	<b>Jonathan Avege</b>

**FBCGH Sunday School Department** invites you to join us in learning God's word by attending one or more of the following:

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** – Sunday morning 9:45 am to 10:45 am.

Classes for all ages:

- Nursery – Sheryl Osborne (Teacher)
- Children – Eugenia Rodriguez/Karla Couto (Teachers)
- Youth – Eli Avege (Teacher)
- Young Adults – Sarah Rager (Teacher)
- Middle Aged Men – Richard Sepulveda (Teacher)
- Middle Aged Women – Loretta Barnwell (Teacher)
- Senior Men – Tom Peabody (Teacher)
- Senior Women – Loretta Barnwell (Teacher)

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** – Sunday morning from 11:10 am for ages 5-10. Children are dismissed to class during offering time.

**TeamKID/Catching Air** – on hold.

### **SMALL GROUPS:**

**Women's Life Group** – third Saturday of the month from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Now on break. Contact [MarilynKoziatek@gmail.com](mailto:MarilynKoziatek@gmail.com) for more details.

**Men's Life Group** - breakfast every third Saturday of the month from 8:30 am – 10:00 am.

Come and be a part of our Christian family!

Matthew 9: 37-38

  
*The harvest*  
 is plentiful, but the workers are few,  
 therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest,  
 to send out labourers into his harvest.  
 ———— Jesus

