



# NEWSLETTER

FIRST MOORE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 2022



## A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

### **Bear Fruit**

A new year often brings about a new focus in our lives. For whatever reason, we tend to want to make changes that result in a better way of life. They can come in the areas of health, finances, job performance, and family life. While there is nothing magical about a new year, there is something to be said about a renewed focus and discipline in areas that matter. As disciples of Jesus, I think we would all agree that the most important parts of our lives are spiritual, and just as we need renewed focus in our everyday lives, we need to focus on spiritual areas as well. This year I want to encourage our body to focus on bearing spiritual fruit. Now, in some ways, this is difficult because we do not necessarily have the power to produce spiritual fruit in our lives, yet the Bible prescribes ways that we can position ourselves to yield much fruit. For instance, Psalm 1 gives the picture of the person who delights himself in the Word of God being like a tree, planted by streams of water, which yields fruit. John 15 tells us that if we abide in Christ, we will indeed bear much fruit. As we continue in our study of Luke, we will see Jesus describing our hearts as different types of soil that, depending on how we respond to the seed of the Gospel, will determine whether or not we produce fruit. We can become that which withers up and dies or one that produces much fruit. As a church, we want to be people who are becoming like Jesus and that means we will be people who are bearing spiritual fruit.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

### Wednesday Nights at First Moore

Join us on Wednesday nights beginning January 12. We will have great ministries for the next generation and several new equipping groups for adults.

### Meal- 5:00pm-6:00pm

### Next Gen Worship Arts- 5:30-6:15pm

Optional groups for both kids and students. Find out more at [www.firstmoore.com/nextgenworship](http://www.firstmoore.com/nextgenworship).

### Next Gen Ministry- 6:15pm-7:30pm

We are excited to have different ministry experiences for preschool (6 weeks old to Kindergarten), Kids (1st-6th) & Students (7th-12th).

### Adult Equip Groups- 6:15pm- 7:30pm

#### Coffee & Theology

Join Pastor Charlie and others as they lead us through the basics of Christian theology in the Singles Center.

#### Women's Group led by Nancy Shuman-Miller

Women of all ages can join us for a study through the book of Hosea.

#### Men's Group led by Don Stanley

Men of all ages can join us as we study the book of Acts.

### Adult Embrace Groups— 6:15pm-7:30pm

#### Cancer Companions

A group for people that are dealing with cancer, personally or in their family.

#### ESL Class

A class for people that desire to learn or improve their understanding of English.

#### GriefShare

A group for people that are dealing with loss.

#### Survivors of Suicide Loss

A group for people that are dealing with the pain of losing someone to suicide.

### Worship Choir Practice- 6:30pm- 8:00pm

### For the Future Campaign

On Sunday, December 19, we launched a new campaign to help us advance the Gospel today and in the future. As of December 26, 2021 we have received \$110,395.50.

### Lottie Moon International Missions Offering

In the last six weeks, \$45,984.23 was given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. That brings us to a total \$51,565.73 for the budget year. These funds will go directly to help people share the Gospel around world.

### LifeGroup Leader Investment

As we begin a new year, we want to have a time to gather our many different LifeGroup leaders for a meal, a time of encouragement and preparation for a fruitful year of ministry. Join us on Wednesday, January 5 at 6:30pm. RSVP at [www.firstmoore.com/groups2022](http://www.firstmoore.com/groups2022).

### Family Dedication

On Sunday, January 16, we will have a special time for families to commit to raising their children God's way. Learn more and sign up at [www.firstmoore.com/familydedication](http://www.firstmoore.com/familydedication).

### Church Family Meeting

On Sunday, January 30, we will have our quarterly Church Family Meeting. We will begin with a meal at 11:45am. The meeting will start around 12:30pm. Meal tickets are available in the Media Room or the Connection Hub, or at [www.firstmoore.com/familymeeting](http://www.firstmoore.com/familymeeting).

### Tuesday Women's Bible Study

Studies are Tuesdays at 10:00am and begin on January 18.

### FBC 101- February 6

A lunch for those who are interested in becoming a member of First Moore or would simply like to learn more about First Moore.

RSVP at [www.firstmoore.com/fbc101](http://www.firstmoore.com/fbc101).

### Parent's Night Out

Save the date for Friday, February 11.



## SUNDAY MORNING STATS

	<u>Dec 5</u>	<u>Dec 12</u>	<u>Dec 19</u>	<u>Dec 26</u>
LifeGroups	636	648	DNM	DNM
Worship Attendance	797	705	741	409
Offering/Tithe	\$89,758.92	\$49,232.40	\$59,027.62	\$58,038.00
PTW/For the Future	\$5,425.00	\$8,056	\$21,575.50	\$83,820.00



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We often wonder what that fruit may look like, and we often go to action steps that we think good Christian people should do. Without a doubt, the Christian life is evidenced by our works, but I want us to think of our spiritual fruit more in terms of Spirit-derived qualities and virtues that result in good works. Because of this, we are going to start the first of the year with a focus on bearing spiritual fruit and the fruit the Spirit will create in our lives as we walk with Him. The nine qualities of the Fruit of the Spirit will show us how the disciple's life should look, as well as reveal to us the characteristics of Christ that need to be pervasive in our lives. I hope you join us in this new year, as we focus on living lives that yield spiritual fruit.

For His glory and your joy,  
**Pastor Charlie**



## WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU

Join us for Wednesday night dinner from 5:00pm-6:00pm. Cost is \$5 per person with a family max of \$20. You can sign up and pay for the meal online each week online or through the Realm Connect App.

**January 5**  
NO WEDNESDAY  
EVENING MEAL

**January 12**  
Soft Tacos  
Tortilla Chips  
Cheese Sauce  
Salsa  
Dessert

**January 19**  
Baked Potato Bar  
Hot Dogs  
Chili  
Dessert

**January 26**  
Scrambled Eggs  
Sausage  
Hashbrown  
Casserole  
French Toast Sticks



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**December 2021**  
Larry Trumbo (Statement)  
John Frederick (Statement)

**Interested in becoming a member?**

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of First Moore please contact our Director of Connections, Stephanie Gaches, at [stephanie.gaches@firstmoore.com](mailto:stephanie.gaches@firstmoore.com) to begin the conversation.



# CALENDAR

# January

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	3	4	5 6:30pm LifeGroup Leadership Investment Training	6	7	8
9 12:00pm Singles Lunch Family Dedication Lunch Personnel Meeting	10	11	12 10:00am Midweek Study Wednesday Eve Activities Resume	13	14	15
16 12:00pm Finance Committee Meeting	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 BGO Advance Conference	25	26	27	28	29
30 12:00pm Church Family Lunch Meeting	31					

### Office Hours

8:30am-5:00pm Monday-Thursday

### Sunday Schedule

9:15am All LifeGroups  
 10:30am Worship Service (In Worship Center)  
 Preschool Ministry, ARK Worship & Kids Worship

### Mondays

10:00am-1:00pm Care Center  
 5:30pm-7:00pm Care Center

### Wednesdays

10:00am Midweek Bible Study  
 2:00pm GriefShare  
 5:00pm Dinner  
 6:15pm Next Gen Ministry  
 Embrace Group Options  
 Adult Equip Group Options  
 6:30pm Worship Choir Practice

### Thursdays

6:30pm Celebrate Recovery