# SEPTEMBER NEWSFLASH

# Fairway CHURCH Y

You are cordially invited to our

Janah Sunday

September 28th, 2025 6:00 - 8:00 pm

CATERED FOOD & SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT 8400 E COUNTY RD 466 THE VILLAGES, FL 32162

## **RSVP**

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### **Ministry Staff**

PREACHING MINISTER

**Butch Gastfield** 

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Michael Coppock

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

**Bob Harris** 

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Tom Beckner

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Jim Jacobs

### **CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR**

Chris Callahan

ASST. ADMINISTRATOR - Michael Easter

Office Staff

OFF MGR/FIN SEC. - Leigh Ann Johnsey **ADMIN. ASSISTANT - Jeanne Chairez** 

**RECEPTIONIST - Mary Fancher** 

MAINT. SUPERVISOR - Bob Naramore VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS: Rebecca Alessandrine(Mon.) & Bev Johnsey(Fri.)

### **ELDERS**

Harry Harris (Chairman)

Roger Brown Fred Holland

Paul Cook

**Jerry Benware** 

### **DEACONS**

**Chairman:** Michael Bolter Vice Chairman: John Keeler Secretary: Bernie Gattozzi

Bill McAlister Billy Simpson Dave York Carl Roberts Duane Gipe Gerald Raver Glenn Kelly **Greg Domsic** John Alessandrine John Kase Jerry Maddox Larry Lambert Lou Delucio Mickey Smith Mike Waters Paul Bushman Paul Wertz Richard Parker Rick Langford Rick McKinney Tom Baggerly Tom Ross

### **FAIRWAY SCORE CARD August Averages**

New Members since January 1, 2025 = 48

Avg Worship Attendance (4 wks) = 650

(4 Week Avg. for August 2024 = 653)

Online Worship Attendance (4 wks) = 439 Avg. Offerings Received (4 Wks) = \$29,884



### **Contemporary Services**

Saturdays at 6 pm Sundays at 8:30 am

**Traditional Service** 

Sundays at 10:30 am

### **Adult Sunday Bible Study**

Fellowship Hall 9:00 am & 10:00 am

Nursery available on Sundays during Worship Services

### **Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Friday: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm



**Women's Creative Card Ministry** 1st Thursday of every month, 10 am - 12 pm

Supplies needed: Cutter, Scissors, and Adhesive. Supplies are available for newcomers.

Sign up at the Kiosks or website if you plan to attend.

Next: September 4, 2025 **Fellowship Hall** 



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

GET CONNECTED WITH BROTHERS IN CHRIST Saturday, September 20, 8:00am

## Bring a friend!

Be sure to sign up at one of the kiosks or on our website.

Photos for the Online Church Directory will be taken in the lobby leading to the West exit. (Occasionally Saturdays will be announced.)

**Next Pictorial Directory opportunity:** Sept. 14; 9:50-10:20AM





### **CHURCH GAME NIGHT**

Game Night will not meet in September.

Next: Friday, October 10; 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall

### **MOVIE NIGHT**

Friday, September 19 Refreshments at 6 pm in the SonRise Cafe; Movie at 6:30pm in the Worship Center "Courageous Legacy"



Our mission at Fairway Christian Church is to **GO** into our community, SOW the gospel, and GROW disciples to change the world!

### SUNDAY MORNING CARD MINISTRY

Please be sure and stop by the Card Ministry table in the Gathering Area and sign the beautiful cards that are made each week for those who are ill, grieving, etc. Even though you may not know the person, the cards mean so much to those that receive them knowing their church family is thinking of them.



### Join the Choir! Find Your Voice and Your Family

Are you passionate about singing? Do you long to experience the thrill of praise the Lord in harmony with others? Come join the Fairway Choir and discover the joy of creating beautiful music that exalts the name of the Lord together!

### **Unleash Your Musical Potential**

The choir is a family where singers of all levels can grow and thrive. The focus is on developing vocal techniques and expanding musical knowledge with the distinctive purpose of glorifying God.

Singers build a strong foundation in sight-singing, rhythm, and musicianship. With dedicated practice and loving guidance, God can do amazing things in each of us.

### **Build Lasting Connections**

The choir fosters a warm and welcoming environment. You can connect with fellow music lovers and build lasting friendships.

### **Experience the Power of Praise**

The choir prepares for worship specials and two musicals throughout the year. A diverse repertoire is explored to ensure a praise-filled experience for both singers and the church.

### Ready to Raise Your Voice?

Choir begins Wednesday, September 10th, at 3:30 PM in the Worship Center. No audition is necessary! Don't miss this opportunity to sing, learn, praise the Lord, and belong!

### Fairway Christian Church is excited to introduce to you our Emergency Response Team (ERT)

The goal of Fairway's Emergency Response Team is to respond swiftly to a variety of health and medical situations, to provide aid until an ambulance arrives, and ensure the safety and well-being of our members and visitors.

The Emergency Response Team operates under a structured plan, which includes communication protocols and designated roles. Should an emergency occur, please follow the instructions provided by the Emergency Response Team. Your cooperation is essential in helping them respond effectively.

By fostering a safe and secure environment, the Emergency Response Team reflects Fairways mission to care for one another, and to serve as a resource during emergencies.

Emergency Response Team Members will be present in each service and can be identified by a red lanyard and or a red vest.

If an emergency should occur please allow the ERT to due their job by keeping the area clear of people gathering around and preventing the response team to help the individual needing assistance.



Pictured L-R: Morgan Jenkins, Larry Jennings, Josie Jennings, Mickey Smith, Peter Steinberg, Gerry Dietrich, Marg Wrenne, Mike Waters, Larry Alfree, John Alessandrine, Jeff Hays, Thomas Glapion, Michael Bolter, Gary Becknell, Tom Ross, Bill Johnston, Greg Domsic, Gerald Raver, Lynn Canale.

Not pictured: Rick McKinney, Bill Simpson, Bernie Gattozzi, Lee Adams, Denise Parker, Donna VanTassel, Kim Farmer

### Discipleship Hour Wednesday evenings, 6:00-7:00pm 10 weeks, beginning September 10 Walking with the Rabbi Facilitator, Tom Beckner

This comprehensive study doesn't just teach biblical facts; it invites you to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, fostering a deeper, more meaningful relationship with God. We will learn how to approach our study of Scripture by understanding how Jesus' early disciples would have heard His teachings.

Each week, we will view a short video. Following the video, we will have a time of discussion focusing on the spiritual insights the video teaching uncovers as we learn how to embody the essence of discipleship by living out Jesus's teachings in our daily lives. Join us as we elevate our discipleship journey and take living like Jesus to new heights!

Adult Bible Study Sunday mornings, 9:00-9:45am 6 weeks, beginning September 14 "What's Love Got to Do With it?" A Study of 1 Corinthians 13 Teacher, Jim Jacobs

Adult Bible Study Sunday mornings, 10:00-10:45am 6 weeks, beginning September 14 How Majestic is Your Name! Teacher, Dan Smith



Nursery thru Pre-School is now open!!

Available Sunday mornings during both services and Saturday nights by request.

(Call DeDe @ 352-408-6262 if Saturday night nursery is needed)



FAIRWAY DAY TRIPPERS & SENIOR ADVENTURES PRESENT:
MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET DAY TRIP

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, \$125PP

FULL DETAILED FLYERS AND WAIVERS ARE AVAILABLE AT GUEST SERVICES. PLEASE SIGN UP ON OUR KIOSKS OR OUR WEBSITE AND A WAIVER WILL BE EMAILED TO YOU, ALONG WITH FURTHER DIRECTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE YOUR RESERVATION.

### REMINDER:

Now that the classrooms are completed and ready for use, be sure to go to our website, fairwaycc.org, and fill out an event request form to reserve a room.

Not sure what room will be best for your group, call Leigh Ann in the office 352-259-9305 and she will help find the room that will work best for your group.

# ELDERS

### **Elder Meeting Minutes**

August 18, 2025

The August Elder's meeting was called to order with the following elders present: Harry Harris, Paul Cook, Jerry Benware, Fred Holland, and Roger Brown. Presenters attending: Preaching Minister, Butch Gastfield; Chris Callahan, Church Administrator; Michael Bolter, Chairman of the Deacons; and Diana Brown, Directory Update Project Coordinator.

Jerry presented the opening meditation and prayer.

The July minutes were accepted and approved.

Michael shared that the Men's Fellowship Breakfast had eighty men in attendance including fifteen deacons. Tom Baggerly presented his testimony during this month's meeting and Chris gave an updated report on the construction. Chris shared we have forty members on the hospitality team. Chris also mentioned that Bob & Tina Marie Lutz are heading up the tour guide teams for our upcoming special events. Tom Ross gave an update during the deacon's meeting on the Emergency Response Team. Tom is working on adding more individuals to this team to cover all services and that more volunteers are stepping up to help. Michael shared the need for more volunteers for the parking lot ministry. Michael shared that the Women's luncheons and special events are covered for the next several months.

At the request of the elders, Diana Brown shared the final results of the church directory review after sending out letters to members who have not been present at church for an extended period of time. After thorough assessment of the inquiry results, the recommendation was to remove the individuals who did not respond or requested to be removed from our directory and active membership and to review our membership directory every six months. The Elders approved the recommendations as presented.

Chris presented the administrative report. The financial portion of the report was reviewed and approved. He also reviewed the FORWARD Campaign pledge status and as promised in last month's meeting, Paul presented an overview of this to the congregation in early August. Construction completion has slipped for about a month, and we are now on track for the August 31st soft opening and Grand Opening event on September 28th. Classroom training will begin in early September prioritized for leaders and teachers. Updated Connection Cards have been placed throughout the sanctuary for information updates and prayer requests.

Butch presented his monthly activities update along with the associate ministers' written reports, He highlighted the upcoming Grand Opening for our church plant, Unity Christian Church, scheduled for September 7th. Butch has been coordinating some special events leading up to our Grand Opening in addition to his monthly coordination meetings throughout the community with our associated church leaders. He also provided feedback from the Elder/Minister Coordination Meeting held earlier in the month. He has forty-six people attending the First Steps Session this month. The Associate Minister's reports covered a myriad of activities in support of our members on projects in the building along with home, hospital, and community mission visits.

Under Old Business, the elders discussed their observations regarding the Saturday Evening service, as they have been attending for several months to garner input about the desires of the attendees. A survey was completed and Paul shared his conclusions regarding possible options to offer a Bible study and initiate operation of the café much like is done during the Sunday Morning services. Discussion continues. Jerry and Butch continue to refine changes to our invitation for membership process.

Under New Business, refinement of the on-line service recordings was discussed with Chris taking the action to pursue this with our A/V team.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Fred.

The next monthly Elder meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2025.

### **Connecting Hearts Weekly Activities:**

**Monday:** 1PM at Lady Lake Senior Living & 3PM at Cypress Care Assisted Living

**Wednesday:** 1PM at The Springs Assisted Living & 2PM Bible Study at Watercrest Assisted Living

Sunday: 1:30PM at Watercrest Assisted Living

Contact Lissa Cline for more information

### Are you a Prayer Warrior?

We invite you to meet in the Gathering Hall 20-min before services for prayer time.

# GriefShare

A grief support group to give you encouragement and help after the death of a loved one.

At a GriefShare group, you'll find understanding, guidance, relief, and a safe place to navigate the challenges of grief. Come join us!

Grieving the death of a spouse?
Or do you know someone who is?
Special Loss of a Spouse seminar
Friday Sept. 19, 2 - 4 pm

GriefShare is for any one who has lost a loved one.

13 Weeks of videos, sharing with others as you heal your hearts together.

Wednesdays, Sept. 24 - Dec. 17 2 - 4 pm in The Chapel



An Act of Worship

During a recent worship service Michael Coppock reminded us that "Giving is an act of worship. Giving is just as much as a part of worship as praying and singing. Everything belongs to God, and he has made us stewards of just a few things. God has given us the privilege of giving, and we are most like Him when we are generous."

Our time is one of the most precious gifts we can offer. Using our time and talents at Fairway is a tangible way to live out our faith, demonstrate love for God and our community. It doesn't matter whether we have been given great talents and abilities, or very little. What matters is whether we make good use of what we have, using our gifts to serve and be good stewards of what God has given us. (1 Peter 4:10).

Our tithes and offerings are not simply limited to money. They also include acts of service, reflecting our stewardship of time and talents. Whether large or small, every act of giving of our time matters!

With our Forward Initiative and building expansion nearing a close the need for volunteers is great. Volunteering for ministries, serving as a greeter or usher, becoming part of the Emergency Response Team or Parking Lot Team, participating in worship services, or outreach programs, assisting with the auto visual team, organizing events, or just lending a hand.

If you've been wondering how or when to get more involved in Fairway, now is the perfect time! Reflect on your gifts and talents, reach out to Michael Bolter at 616-745-9699 or the church office at 352-259-9305. Use the kiosk at The Guest Services Desk, or go to www.fairwaycc.org

### Welcome: New Members

Christopher Hale Grandson of Judy Spurgeon at U.S. Marines Basic Training

> Lee Cerovac Mission Hills

Brad & Denise Forsythe Lady Lake

> Bill & Karen Kerr Santiago



Fairway Women have a Friday exec. golf group. If you would

like to join us please sign up at the Kiosk or on our website. We will contact you in an email each week to determine if you want to play on the following Friday and add you to the golf request.

Notice: Now that we are using the new rooms, please make sure all drinks are in closed containers (bottles, tumblers, or cups with lids.) NO drinks in carpeted areas without lids. Help us keep our church clean and looking new.



### Wednesday Dinner & Study September 10, 2025 5 pm Dinner & 6 pm Study

Menu: Ham Loaf, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Steamed Veggies, Bread, and Dessert.

Sign up for food and fellowship!

**September 15th Event – Save the Date!** 

### Senior Health & Wellness Ministry hosts:



- \* "Should I Stay or Should I Go?" (352) 446-5749
  Thinking of Moving But Don't Know Where to Start?
- \* Monday, September 15th
- \* 1:00-3:00pm

Join us for an informative session designed to help you explore your options and make confident choices about your next chapter.

### **Topics Covered:**

- Key questions to ask before making a move
- Important legal documents to have in place
- How to assess your home's market value
- Tips for downsizing without the stress
- Overview of senior living options in The Villages & surrounding areas
- What to expect if you choose to stay in your current home
- Guidance from trusted local professionals
- Get practical, local insight to help you move forward with peace of mind —or stay put with confidence.

Be sure to sign-up on the Kiosk at Guest Services or on the church website.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY PRESENTS

### "BACK TO SCHOOL WITH JESUS AS OUR MASTER TEACHER"



September Ladies Luncheon Thursday, September 18, 2025 11:00AM-1:00PM.

Sign up at the Kiosk or online Guest Speaker: Vicki Coppock Entertainment Ladies Adoration Quartet

### Men's 9-Hole 4-Man Golf Scramble

Friday, Oct. 3rd: Tee Times starting at 12:30pm





### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Herb Kessler Sherry Burklow
- 2 Barbara Parello Steve Koraly Helen Wildman Donna VanTassel
- 3 Karen Keeler Yvonne Bargamin Richard Parker
- 4 Elle Belt Allan Crum Marshall Ramme Michael Grubbs Rob Hamalainen
- 5 Bonnie Westfall Sue McFarlin William Pope
- 6 Russ Flowers
  Cathy Willson
  Deborah Beaumont
  Dianne Jenkins
- 7 Layne Burson
- 8 Jim Mattocks Tim Hoard Linda McPherson Rita Myer Merle Esdale
- 10 Monika Mendoza Maria Langley
- 11 Paul Portell
- 12 Ginny Patterson
- 13 Jim Gable David Amann Richard Langford
- 14 Jim Miller
- 15 John Penn Ben McIntire Paul Barcus Curt Morman
- 16 Bill Burson Bill Boyd Bill Johnston Cathy Gipe
- 17 Phyllis Walters
  Mike Yochum
  John Canale
  Claudia Breitenstein
  Randy Newman
- 18 Anne Cink
  Beverly Martin
  Sam Ottenlips
  Keith Robinson
  Gordon Savage
  Ben Gregory
- 19 Rita Wittig
- 20 Diana Woods Kyra Reed Arlene Viggiano Susan Egan

- 21 Sam Skaggs
- 22 Lois Dirks Kay Roberts
- 23 Stewart Smith Pat Jarvis Sue Ramme Bonna Dohler Jan Hippe
- 25 Judy Smith Sharon Yochum Deirdre Manzari
- 26 Tom Baggerly Cindy Jacobs Kathi Weber
- 28 Brad Forsythe
- 29 Betty Ross Teresa Atkins
- 30 Bill Langley



### SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Charlie & Donna Bryant Bob & Ann McCullough
- 2 Arlona & Garry\* Kolb
- 3 John & Marcie Bales Chris & Sheri Callahan Kathy & Harold\* Cota
- Dean & Ginny MoffettFred & Peggy HollandDennis & Deb McGlashan
- 7 Jim & Geri Mattocks
- 9 Gary & Linda Jennings
- 10 Kent & Joy Anderson
- 11 Vic Chittum & Tammara Tiffany
- 12 Tom & Ruth Mansdoerfer
- 14 Larry & Peggy Alfree
- 15 Tom & Sharon Walsh Phil & Kathi Weber
- 17 Don & Jo Ann Cole
- 18 Mickey Smith & Carolyn Miller Tom & Donna VanTassell
- 20 Brenda & Russ\* Goebel
- 21 Bob Everett & Janet Phillips
- 22 Don & Cindy Wolta
- 23 Jon & Rita Wittig Michael & Betty Grubbs
- 24 Diane & Dennis\* Tucker Jay & Susan Egan
- 26 Brandt & Trina Stroope Bill & Mary Lou Johnston
- 27 Herb & Barb (Wilson) Kessler
- 28 Bill & Chris Raeder
- 29 Tom & Bettie Kroener Pat & Sue McFarlin
- 30 Cecil & Carol Tomsey Elmer & Carolyn Henderson



Visit our website at fairwaycc.org for more information.



### **MOAMI**

Moving On Ministry for Women in Change or Transition

# The next MOAMI Class begins on Thursday September 11 and ends on November 13.

**MOAMI** is a program for women from all walks of life, regardless of church membership or background. It offers a space for women to gain tools and advice for managing transitions, connect with others in similar situations, and receive spiritual enrichment.

MOAMI is about meeting new people; and more importantly, it's about forging lasting connections. Each week, participants come together not only to discuss their journeys but to uplift and encourage one another. For many, the relationships formed in MOAMI extend beyond the program, creating a supportive network that lasts long after the ten weeks are over.

If you or someone you know is navigating a life change, Fairway Christian Church invites you to be part of this warm, welcoming community. To participate in the **MOAMI program**, visit the Fairway Christian Church website or contact the church office at (352) 259-9305.

For personal inquiries, reach out to Kitty McIntire via email at kittymcintire@aol.com.



Do you enjoy playing Pickleball? Come play....

Mondays at Moyer Rec. Ctr., 2 pm Thursdays at Pimlico Rec. Ctr., 3 pm



## Welcome—Join our Ladies Fellowship Coffee!

All new ladies and familiar faces are invited for coffee, fun

and fellowship on October 1st at 10 a.m. in the SonRise Cafe. Information will be presented about Fairway Women's Ministry opportunities. Join us and make a new friend! Don't miss out—sign up now!



Invitations to the Grand Opening on September 28 are available at Guest Services if you would like to take some to invite your

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.

SEPTEMBER 2025						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Office Hours Monday-Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm Friday 8:30am - 1:00pm Worship Services Contemporary Saturdays at 6pm Sundays at 8:45am Traditional Sundays at 10:30am	LABOR DAY  *****  CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	2 8am—WM Disciple Mkrs. 9am—1st Imp. 10am—A/V Tmg. 11am—WM Adv. Board Mtg.	3 8am—FMS 8am—Men's Bible Study 10am—Wm's Coffee 10am—A/V Tmg.	<b>4</b> 9 <sup>30</sup> am—Private Mtg 10am—Creative Card 10am—A/V Tmg.	5 8 <sup>30</sup> am—Private Event 9am—Precept Ldr. Mtg.	6 5 <sup>40</sup> pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
8am—Coffee Café 8 <sup>25</sup> &10am—Prayer 8 <sup>45</sup> am—Cont. Svc. 9am—Bible Study 10am—Bible Study 10 <sup>30</sup> am—Trad. Svc.  Grandparents Day	8 8am—FMS 9am—1st Imp. 9am—WM How to Pray 1pm—Mahjongg 1 <sup>30</sup> pm-Wm Retreat Mtg. 3pm-Deacons Mtg.	9 8am—WM Disciple Mkrs. 9am—Precept 9am—WM Tues. Bible Study 11am—Prayer Shawl 11 <sup>30</sup> am-AV Tmg 11 <sup>30</sup> am—MOM Mtg.	10 8am—FMS 8am—Men's Bible Study 1pm-Hosp Tour Guide Mtg. 2pm—GriefShare 3 <sup>30</sup> pm—Choir 5pm—Dinner 6pm—Bible Study	9am—Private Mtg. 9 <sup>30</sup> am—Private Mtg. 1pm—MOAMI 3pm—Visitation Mtg	12 8 <sup>30</sup> am—Private Mtg. 9am-Private Mtg. 10am—WM Nov. Mtg. 1 <sup>30</sup> pm—WM Feb. Mtg. 4pm-John Hall Memorial Service	<b>13</b> 5 <sup>40</sup> pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
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Take a moment to look at the following timeline.

### May 15, 2022

IMAGINE Event –
The ministry staff & elders present a new vision to move
Fairway CC into the future



### February 12, 2023

FORWARD Event –
Capital campaign launched
to turn our vision into
reality by expanding the
facility to make room for
more people



### **September 28, 2025**

## GRAND OPENING -

Completion of our expansion project and invitation to our community to see what God has done!

In May of 2022 we gave the initial presentation to move Fairway into the future with a new vision - to become a premier disciple making church within the tri-county by focusing on the mission to GO, SOW, and GROW. Then, in February of 2023 we began a capital campaign to fund and expand our facility in order to achieve our vision. Groundbreaking for the expansion project of our facility which will enable us to reach more, teach more, and equip more took place in April of 2024 and now is within weeks of completion. All told – this has been about a 3 year and 4 month journey altogether!

We have endured dust, demolition, deconstruction, rebuilding, remodeling, and new construction. Classes and meetings have been shuffled from one space to another. Water leaks, electrical outages, air conditioning failure, internet outages, jackhammers pounding on concrete, scaffolding stretching across hallways, "miles" of cables and hoses and electrical wiring and internet lines dragged here and there became daily experiences. I'm not complaining – I'm just saying! It's what is to be expected during such a comprehensive expansion project to an already existing structure!

But it has been quite a journey for us all! Through it all ministry has continued, and visitors continue to show up every weekend, many of whom have become a part of our Fairway family! And now, we're finally approaching the end of this part of our journey, and we're still unified and excited (probably more so than I've ever seen!). It's time to rejoice in what God has done! What does God have for Fairway as we move into the exciting future? Our mission remains the same: to GO into the community, to SOW the gospel into the hearts of people, and to GROW disciples who will change the world! "Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things!" (Psalm 98:1) Everybody on board! This train ain't stopping until the Lord returns!

Your preacher, Butch