

The Heartbeat

September 2026

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A Minute with Mike

It's been a while but I will be back in the pulpit for September. My back is doing much better. I'm not completely healed yet, but I'm able to do most of what I want to do.

Life has its ups and downs, its twists and turns. I have been told that the one constant in life is change. Things come up that we're not expecting or wanting. We have to learn to deal with the hurdles that pop up and block our plans.

Even though the routine of our lives can be volatile, there is one constant in this life that never changes. Malachi 3:6 says, "I am the LORD and I do not change."

Hebrews 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."

Our God and our savior are constant. Whatever comes our way, we can hold fast to our God. We can cling to the promises of Jesus.

John 16:33 warns us about the challenges of life. "I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world."

When times of trial and sorrow come our way, and they will come our way, we can find assurance in the words of scripture. We can rest peacefully in the loving arms of our God.

Blessings in Christ,

Mike



Faith

September 2026

Schedule of Events – September

17 – Unloading the van from Midwest @ 11am

18 – Community Cupboard, Pantry handout 2-4pm

21 – Camp Fellowship @ Berean Christian Church, Ipava

21 – Sunday Social Following worship in the Family Life Center

27 – Board Meeting after worship in the Family Life Center

*****Every Week Invite A Friend**

August Averages

Sunday School - 32

Worship - 63

General Funds- \$1925.25

Faith Promise- \$150.00

Monthly Needs

General Funds - \$2,125.27

Faith Promise - \$180.00

Building Fund – \$0.00

Monthly Needs - \$750.00

Sunday Servants

Greeters

06 Brian & Christen Parks

13 Cheryl M. & Addie M.

20 Kathy Cox & Aria Heller

27 Rick Riggins & Rhonda Littrell

Welcome/Meditation

Lyndall Snowden/Kristie Oblak

Marla Butcher

Donna Horwedel

Shirley Roberts

Nursery

Brian & Christen Parks

Charlene A. & Addie M.

Sharon P. & Carmen M.

Casey Schoonover & Avery H.

Monthly Servants

Elder

Luis Martinez

Deacon

Rodney Parks

Deaconess

Sharon Parks



3 Carl Beebe

3 Annie Greuel

8 Amanda Behymer

15 Rodney Parks

22 Ben Mercer

27 Cindy Cassidy

27 Max Taylor

28 Randy Parks

28 Trish McMillen



23 Dwight & Kay Morrow

Junior Worship

6 – Luis Martinez

13 – Christen Parks

20 – Rick Riggins

27 – Carmen Martinez

Sunday Social – September 20

***This month the meat will be provided, we are asking everyone to bring a side or 2 to share.

Everyone is invited to come enjoy a potluck lunch with the church. There is more than enough food and seats to bring a friend and enjoy our fellowship time!

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CHURCH
SUNDAY

If you would still like to join one of our ministry teams, let someone know or call the office or send us a message. We are always welcoming fresh eyes and new ideas!

Ministry
Teams



The LORD is
my refuge
and strength,
a very
present help
in trouble.

Psalm 46:1

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Ministry Teams

Fellowship/Membership

Marla Butcher
Diana Arnett
Rick Riggins
Donna Horwedel
Christen Parks
Sharon Parks
Virgie Churchill
Randy Parks
Casey Schoonover

Finance Committee

Diane Martinez
Donna Snowden
Nancy Porter
Connie Morrow

Memorial Committee

Marla Butcher
Diane Martinez
Rhonda Littrell

Missions Committee

Mike Ulmer
Cathy Ulmer
Beverly Rayburn

Property Committee

Jere Greuel
Terry Arnett
Mike Oblak
Brian Parks
Lyndall Snowden
Kristie Oblak

Worship Committee

Kathy Cox
Paula Greuel
Mark Behymer
Amanda Behymer
Rodney Parks
Brenda Parks
Shirley Roberts
Tony Roberts
Charlene Abernathy

Youth Committee

Luis Martinez
Kathy Cox
Rick Riggins
Amanda Behymer
Diane Martinez



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EVERYONE who
made Rainforest
Falls VBS a
success!
See you next
Year!



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