

Frank Dillion Continued-

The mental pain was every bit as tough to rehab from as his shattered arm. It took months but with the treatment from the VA and the support of Ruth and Connie, he found peace. Ruth's favorite picture is of Frank and her just holding each other's hands. That simple picture near the end of Frank's life shows their deep love for each other. She keeps it handy on the table next to her chair. I keep Frank handy in my heart. Stan Yonce



Sanctuary flowers for Sunday, April 30, 2023 are placed in memory of MARIE LEAKE in commemoration of her birthday, April 29th by Daniel, Lindsay, Jackson, Harrison and Emerson Lowe and Kevin & Sherry Pace



Gifts have been given to the General Fund in honor of Paul Sims by Joan Black

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Sunday, April 30, 2023

- 9:00 am Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
Quarterly Kids Class 3-5 Grade
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Wednesday, May 3, 2023

- 5:30 pm Dinner - Spaghetti (call to reserve your spot or to cancel a standing reservation by Mon., Apr 24th)
6:15 pm Adult Bible Study - Acts 17:10-11, 16-34
6:15 pm Children and Youth Activities

Thursday, May 4, 2023

- 12:00 noon - 2:00 pm Food Pantry

Friday, May 5, 2023

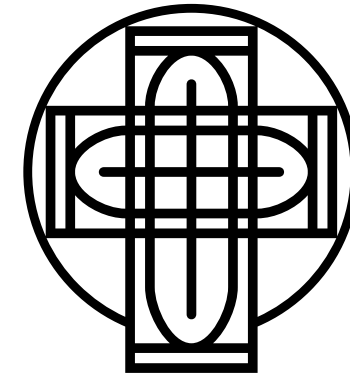
- 12:00 pm Scholarship Application submission deadline.



FBC Scholarship applications are available. You may call us at 528-4738 or email jhouse@corbinfbc.org to request a copy. The application deadline is 12:00 pm, Fri., May 5



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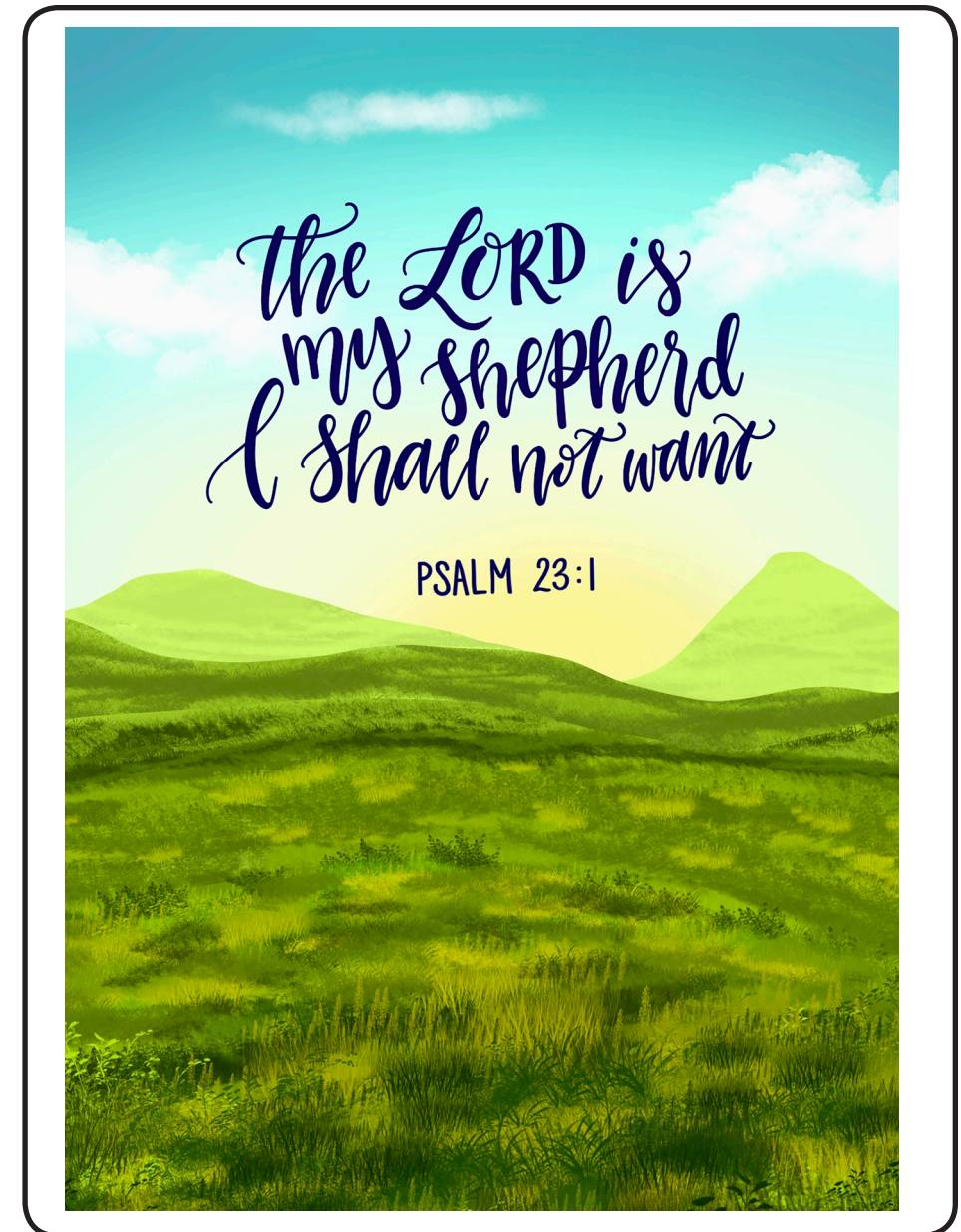


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**This Week We Remember
Frank Dillion: One of “The Greatest Generation”**

On May 8, 1945, a 19 year-old marine, from Corbin, moves across a church courtyard, as a mortar detonates near him. He regains consciousness with 2 dead men on top of him. His elbow is shattered with embedded shrapnel. The doctors at triage wanted to remove his arm immediately. He said he would rather die than lose his arm.

Frank was injured in the battle of Okinawa, the last major battle of World War II and sent back to California to begin his recovery. His Navy doctor said he knew a surgeon coming out of retirement who might be able to save Frank’s arm. After 3 major surgeries, the surgeon was successful. Between surgeries, Frank was moved to a Special Convalescent Hospital in Sun Valley, Idaho, and then to a similar hospital in Asheville, NC, where he stayed for two years, swimming and exercising his arm daily.

Returning to Corbin, Frank continued his rehabilitation. Working for the Corbin Milk Company, he lifted 40 lb milk crates and 88 lb milk cans. He continued yard wrestling, until his early 70’s.

Frank lived his love of God and Church with several roles at FBC. He served as a Deacon, President of the Brotherhood and numerous committees. He was a leader in Sunday night training union activities prior to the evening worship. Who can remember bible sword drills and the Royal Ambassadors (RAs)? Frank loved being an usher on Sunday morning. I remember him as my S. S. teacher during the late 50s and early 60s. He took on us young baby boomers and tamed us. We were fascinated that he served in the war, examined his wounded arm, and hung all over him because he was super strong. He gave us answers to our awkward questions about faith and following a Savior who was man and God. Frank had credibility. He was proud to serve God and country. He loved Sundays, his favorite day,

because he spent most all day at church. He married Ruth, the pretty girl next door on Sunday. Connie, their only child was born on Sunday. Oh yes, he loved the church wide family picnics at Levi Jackson State Park.

Frank loved to serve people. He would let kids ride on his truck. He got up at 1:30 AM when a kid was stranded with car trouble and needed Frank’s help to avoid his father’s wrath. When he operated the Gulf service station on Main St. he gave his S. S. sons free auto advice and drained the hose to give us every drop of gas. In the years that followed Frank being my S. S. teacher, each time we met, he would turn on his unique smile and his piercing eyes would fill with joy. He would give me a strong handshake followed by a bear hug that sent love to my soul. His hugs lived on for days. In fact, they have lasted a lifetime for me.

Frank loved our country. After being in other battles prior to Okinawa, he was granted R&R. One evening after dinner, he entered the restroom and found a copy of The Corbin Times. After inquiring, someone connected him with a man from Corbin. The man told Frank that he could get him transferred out of the fighting on the battlefield. Frank told him that he committed to serve his country by fighting for it. Frank’s deep love of country came from his immigrant grandfather and his 3 sons who came to the US from Austria. A symbol of Frank’s love for his country stands on Roy Kidd Ave. It is the tallest residential flagpole on that street.

As his health declined, he survived open- heart surgery and recurring nightmares of the horrific events he witnessed and was forced to be a part of. He personally grieved the death of a figure emerging from a cave who turned out to be a young girl that the Japanese had captured and forced to wear a helmet. In another instance, he came face to face with a young Japanese boy with a rifle aimed at him from the corner of a rice field. Frank defended himself, but re-lived those moments and many like them repeatedly.

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First Baptist Church at Worship

April 30, 2023
Ten-thirty O’clock in the Morning

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Scripture Lessons
Psalm 23; Acts 2:42-47; John 10:1-10

Children’s Moment by Jeremiah Banks

Anthem by The Sanctuary Choir
The Lord Is My Shepherd

Sermon by Alex Lockridge
“Enter Here “

**Pastoral Care Emergencies
Nights and Weekend:**

Minister: Paul Sims
606-202-0595

If you are unable to reach this minister, please leave a message on voice mail. Messages will be monitored at regular intervals.

Deacon: David Landrum
606-304-1957

April 23, 2023 Offering Summary

Budget Offerings	\$	5,316.00
YTD Budget Offerings:	\$	255,247.40
YTD Budget Goal:	\$	300,060.00
Loose Change Offering for April	\$	63.22

Loose Change received in **April** will be used for Olive Branch Ministries.