

Franklinton UB

Family Facts

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**For Whom were they Clapping and Cheering?**

Last month, the world witnessed an amazing phenomenon -- a total eclipse of the sun. Since I did not have the forethought to purchase 2 pairs of eclipse glasses, and since we live so far from the "path of totality," Karen and I decided to stay inside and watch the coverage of the event by the national media outlets. It was indeed awesome to watch as areas of the country were plunged into total darkness, and then minutes later the sun would again appear. I was particularly struck by the spontaneous outbursts of clapping and cheering when light would be restored. But I was also puzzled by that response, knowing that many in the crowds likely were not believers, and I wondered, "For whom were they clapping and cheering?"

As a follower of Jesus and one who trusts in the truthfulness of Scripture, I know that the only reason why astronomers can predict decades in advance the movements of the earth, sun, and moon down to the minute and second is that these were put in their place and their movements were established by a powerful and wise Creator -- there is order and regularity in this universe that would not be there apart from a Divine Designer. And so when I see these phenomena, my heart rises in worship of the infinitely wise and careful Sustainer of all things:

<sup>1</sup> *The heavens proclaim the glory of God.  
The skies display his craftsmanship.*

<sup>2</sup> *Day after day they continue to speak;  
night after night they make him known.*

<sup>3</sup> *They speak without a sound or word;  
their voice is never heard.*

<sup>4</sup> *Yet their message has gone throughout the earth,  
and their words to all the world.*

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Sunday, September 10 9:30 AM

**RALLY DAY**

with

**Randy Simpson**

Christian Recording Artist

*Invite a friend to church!*



## September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>3</b> 9:30 am COMMUNION 10:45 am Sunday School	<b>4</b> LABOR DAY Office is closed	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  6:00 pm Mission Mtg	<b>7</b> 9:00 am JOY	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> 9:30 am RALLY DAY Concert by Randy Simpson & Luncheon 4 pm Youth 6 pm FYI Youth	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  7:00 pm Worship Mtg at Kunkle's	<b>13</b> 10:00 am Women's Bible	<b>14</b>  7:00 pm LIFT	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 8 - 10 am Board Breakfast & Planning mtg at the Dunbar's
<b>17</b> 9:30 am Worship 10:45 am Sunday School  Deadline for Meat Pie Sales forms	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  11:30 am YAH picnic at Pinchot Park	<b>20</b>  6:30 pm Prayer 7:00 pm Choir	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 9:30 am Worship 10:45 am Sunday School  6 pm FYI youth	<b>25</b>  7:00 pm Baumgardner's	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 10 am Women's Bible  6:30 pm Prayer 7:00 pm Choir	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>  Pick Up Meat Pies

### September Birthdays:

2 Sadie Smith  
 3 Jennifer Rainford  
 5 Mallory Kuykendall  
 8 Deb Recker  
 10 Phyllis Neale

13 Gene Fislser  
 15 Sally Rosenberger  
 16 Bev Hawkins  
 17 Kailey Kunkle  
 17 Lois Baumgardner  
 17 Ralph Miller

22 Jen Ratalack  
 22 Jon Mull  
 26 Ed Griffie, Sr.  
 26 Brantley Houck  
 29 Emma Baumgardner

### September Anniversaries:

4 Bonnie & Eldon Witmer  
 6 Peggy & Doug Isenberg  
 13 Scott & Christie Perry  
 19 Norm & Rheta McLaughlin  
 21 Jim & Jen Miller  
 25 Randy & Erin Hermany

Please notify the church office (717-432-5461) of any corrections or additions. Thank you!

*“Let your light so shine before people, that they might see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 5:16)*