Let's Get Started

Upcoming Dates

Need some suggestions for how to start writing? Here are some questions that might help:

- Have you seen something happen that can only be explained as a "God thing"?
- Do you have family members or friends?
 What would you like them to know about your spiritual journey?
- Have you gone through something very difficult and been changed for the better?
- Has God ever given you a promise and you've seen it come true?
- How are you different today than you were a year ago? 3 years ago? 5 years ago?
- If you had the opportunity to tell a very good friend about something God has done for you in the past, what would you tell them?
- Has there been a special Scripture verse or passage that helped you through a difficult time?
- Is there a way the discernment process used at FBC has changed you or the work you do in the church?
- Is there a way that being a part of this congregation in Muncie has changed your life, impacted your spiritual growth, etc.?
- Have you recently come to know Christ?
 How is your life different? What are some
 of the challenges? What are some of the
 joys you've found in coming to know
 Christ?

- February 24, 9:15 a.m.: Information meeting in lower auditorium
- March 3, 10:45 a.m.: Information meeting in lower auditorium
- March 16, 9 a.m.- 12 p.m.: Writing workshop and help session
- April 30: Final submission date for all stories



Questions?

Email us: thestoryproject@fbcmuncie.org or contact team members: Julie Davis, Wade Allen, Sandy Davis, Bill Eidson, Jessica Fink, Molly Flodder, Michelle Heimlich, Dan Morency, Kelli Petroviak, Kelly Rodriguez, or Gayle Songer. First Baptist Church of Muncie presents



The Story Project

Everyone Has a Story

Guidelines and Useful Information

Would you consider sharing yours? God is doing some amazing things in and through the people of First Baptist Church! We want to collect these stories so they can be shared in a variety of ways. Some will even be shared in a book our church plans to self-publish in December. These stories will not only be an encouragement to us now, but hopefully for generations to come.

You can write your story and send it to us: thestoryproject@fbcmuncie.org.

Don't feel comfortable writing your story? Let us know and we'll connect you with one of our story collectors who will help you.



- 1. Stories may be featured in one or more ways after submission, from articles in FBC's *Visitor* or website to publication in outside print or electronic venues.
- 2. The selection and usage of these stories will be governed by an editorial team led by an experienced editor and advised by an outside publishing professional. All stories will be reviewed with a focus on clarity and brevity.
- 3. Please send a story that focuses on one event or theme from your life—not a story about your entire life.

 Please do not send devotionals.
- 4. Please send a 1000–1200 word account on a topic such as a) how God is changing you, b) a particular incident that transformed your spiritual journey, or c) a life lesson that helped shed insight into a religious truth.
- 5. Write your story in first person (e.g., "My faith was changed when . . .").
- 6. Suggest a title that identifies the story's content (e.g., "Was Our Neighbor an Angel?").
- 7. Make sure your submission includes your name as you want it to appear.



- 8. Fill out the Submission Form that will be emailed, available on the church website, and found in several locations through out the church. Submisions will not be accepted until this form releases the right to use your story.
- 9. You may submit up to three non-copyrighted photos to illustrate the story, but photos are not required and may not be used.
- Any royalties that may come from this project are being donated to First Baptist Church.
- 11. Submit your story by April 30, 2019, to thestoryproject@fbcmuncie.org or to the church office in the case of hand written entries