

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY OF FAITH

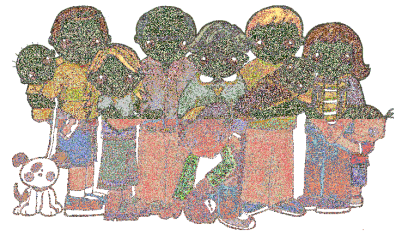
John & Cathy Batuello

John and Cathy Batuello, who attend first service, met at a state-wide Indiana Baptist Youth Fellowship convention at Tippecanoe Baptist Camp. Cathy was treasurer of BYF and John was working as a counselor at the camp. He was from Indianapolis and she lived in Peru.

John graduated from Purdue and had a job in Fort Wayne. Cathy earned a degree in education from Franklin College and was to begin teaching middle school in Indianapolis. They were married in 1978 at First Baptist Church in Peru and moved to Fort Wayne. Cathy is still teaching high school math at Bishop Luers and John is Pharmacy Director at Park Center Behavioral Healthcare.

Batuellos came to FBC five years ago from South Wayne Baptist where Cathy was on the Board of the pre-school and they both worked with the Youth Group. At Faith John is involved in Big Monday Night men's Bible study and has been a referee for Upward Basketball for several years.

Cathy and John have four sons: two in Fishers, one in the Broad Ripple area of Indianapolis and one in Fort Wayne. Five of their six grandchildren are girls – a different experience for them since they had all boys. Any leisure time they are able to carve out is spent with family.



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Kirk & Angela Zimmerman

Kirk and Angela Zimmerman and their sons Michael Baumert and Troy have been at Faith for about seven years. Angela serves on the Worship Team (drummer and singer) and works with 3rd – 5th graders in Club 543 on Sunday evenings. Kirk attends Big Monday Night men's small group, is a substitute teacher in Seekers adult Sunday school class and plays softball. He's also one of the go-to volunteers for in-house heating/air conditioning issues.

At his former church, Trinity Nazarene, Kirk taught Sunday school, was involved with small groups and sang in the choir. Angela attended First Grace Brethren Church where she led the Youth group, was in the choir and sang music specials. They met through Fort Wayne Christian Singles while playing volleyball. Kirk managed the Singles men's softball team which desperately needed a pitcher. Angela talked him into letting her volunteer; the team was undefeated and went on to win the tournament.

Kirk has worked in the heating and air conditioning industry for almost 40 years and a little over five years ago opened his own business, Day Spring Heating and Air. Angela's employer for 14 years has been Parkview Hospital, in the Continuous Improvement Department. She assesses performance and teaches classes to suggest ways to make improvements and cut waste within departments, thereby increasing efficiency.

Michael is a sophomore at Leo High School, plays hockey as a goalie and is in Dv8. Troy is in 5th grade at Blackhawk Christian School, is a soccer player and is Angela's chef-in-training – he loves to cook or bake. Caramel corn is one of his specialties.

Little known information: Although Angela earned an Associate Degree in Payroll and Finance in 2014, she's a 3-time college dropout. She is presently re-enrolled at IPFW taking one class per semester or summer session with the goal of attaining a Bachelor's Degree. Hard to believe information: Kirk has three married children and just welcomed grandchild #6.

