## FBC NEWS

unday marked the start of a new series entitled, "The Little Foxes the Spoil the Faith" with the first message on "Winning the War over Worry" from I Peter 5:7. The message focused on the command to cast, comfort in His care, cure through prayer, and call to trust. This series will deal with the spiritual saboteurs of our faith.

Our Back-to-School Gathering will be held on Sunday, August 10. We will meet at 4:00pm and prayer walk each of our schools. We will then enjoy grilled burgers, Dunkin booth, activities, fellowship, and a devotion and prayer emphasis starting at 5:00pm.

Mark your calendar as we host The Erwin Family on Thursday, August 14 at 6:30pm. This gospel singing family is being used all over the nation and we have been blessed by their ministry for many years.

Our students meet each Wednesday at 6:30pm. Our Children's Church Ministry is offered during the 11:00am worship service.

The FLC is open Monday - Friday from 8:00am - 1:00pm, Saturday from 9:00am -1:00pm, and Monday/Tuesday/Thursday from 4:00-8:00pm.

Our weekly service times are Sunday at 9:00am, 11:00am, and 6:30pm. The Sunday School gatherings start at 10:00am. Our Wednesday service begins at 6:30pm.

Our church would like to remind you that you can connect with us through our website at owentonfbc.com, Face Book at FBC Owenton, download our church app, join us on twitter or Instagram. You can also call the church office or email us at office@owentonfbc.com.

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# McConnell's farmland preservation bill becomes law

#### **BY STAFF REPORTS**

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A measure introduced by U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell in an effort to combat the loss of farmland to large-scale developers has been signed into law by President Donald Trump

The legislation, called the Protecting American Farmlands Act, aims to help farmers who want to sell their land keep it in agricultural production by decreasing the capital gains tax burden if they sell to another farmer. More specifically, the measure defers the capital gains tax over a four-year period if the farmer sells the land to a farmer who will keep it in agricultural production for a minimum of 10 years, McConnell's office explained in a news release.

McConnell's office said the senator made sure the measure was added into President Donald Trump's "One Big, Beautiful Bill," which the president signed into law on July 4.

burden on our hardworking producers," a statement from McConnell read. "This is a huge win for Kentucky farmers and will help preserve our vital farmland for future generations."

Among the measure's supporters is Kentucky Farm Bureau, which in 2024 launched the Kentucky Farmland Transition Initiative Network in an effort to preserve farmland in the state. According to the Kentucky Farm Bureau, the network is "a coalition of Kentucky agricultural organizations and institutions committed to preserving farmland for active farmers.

When the network announced its endorsement of the Protecting American Farmlands Act in March, Kentucky Farm Bureau President Eddie Melton released a statement saying "The farms we know and love as Kentuckians are at risk,' and "At the current rate of farmland loss, the number of Kentucky farmers will be "The Protecting American cut in half over the next Farmlands Act addresses the 60 years. We can't solve this steady decline in available problem alone, and fortu-

farmland by easing the tax nately, we don't have to. With in providing America's the support of Senator McConnell and so many influential leaders in agriculture, we have an opportunity to make real progress in preserving our farmland. The passage of the Protecting American Farmlands Act is an essential step in this effort."

In another statement released Monday celebrating the bill's passage, Melton explained why he and the Kentucky Farm Bureau believe capital gains tax relief will help preserve farmland in the commonwealth.

"This is a crucial first step food supply."

farmers capital gains relief while incentivizing keeping farmland in the hands of active farmers," the statement read in part. "This will provide farmers with another tool when looking to transition their land while also addressing the drastic loss of farmland across the country. Senator McConnell has long been a champion for Kentucky agriculture, and this legislation is a testament to his commitment to the American farmer and the future security of America's



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