



# Forerunner

First Baptist Church  
1024 E. Stuart Drive  
Galax, VA 24333

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## Mr. Vic's Magic with a Message



**"Don't Be Fooled"**  
**Friday, April 1 — 7:00 PM**  
**First Baptist Galax**

Joy Ranch Christian Home for Children and Lean on Me Ministries is sponsoring a **free** event for all area youth that will feature *"magic, music and a message."* Pizza will be served following the activities and a love offering will be received to help offset the costs.



with  
**PRISCILLA SHIRER**  
&  
**ANTHONY EVANS**  
BECAUSE GOD WANTS TO  
MEET YOU WHERE YOU ARE  
**APRIL 1-2, 2011**

### **SIMULCAST EVENT** **CORNERSTONE CHURCH**

**Ladies** — Cornerstone Church is excited to bring Priscilla Shirer to Galax through Simulcast on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, from 8-10:30 PM, and Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 10 AM—1:30 PM.

Using the life of Jonah as our guide, Priscilla will teach us how to turn our "life interruptions" into opportunities to encounter Christ, and serve Him from the center of His will.

This event is for anyone who desires to "go beyond" the surface, and delve deeper into a more intimate relationship with Jesus Christ.

Tickets are only \$10 and include both days. Please contact Elizabeth Vaughan at 233-2733 for tickets or more information.

### **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

#### **Sundays**

- 9:45 am-Sunday School
- 10:00 am-Hispanic Sunday School
- 11:00 am-Worship Service
- 11:00 am-Hispanic Worship Service
- 6:00 pm-Hispanic Bible Study/Prayer
- 6:30 pm-Ladies' Bible Study
- 7:00 pm-In-home Bible Study

#### **Mondays**

- 5:15 pm-Pilates Class
- 7:30 pm-Orchestra Practice

#### **Wednesdays**

- 5:15 pm-Pilates Class
- 6:30 pm Kids N The Kitchen
- 6:30 pm-Glue (Youth)
- 6:30 pm-Midweek Worship & Bible Study
- 6:45 pm-SpiritSong
- 7:30 pm-Sanctuary Choir
- 7:45 pm-Youth Band Practice

#### **Thursdays**

- 12:00 noon-Men's Bible Study

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **March 5**

- 8:00 am—Men's Pancake Breakfast

#### **March 6**

- 12:00 pm—Potato Bar Fundraiser

#### **March 8**

- 11:00 am—Women on Mission

#### **March 9**

- 6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

#### **March 16**

- 5:45 pm—3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday Meal
- 6:30 pm—Team Meetings

#### **March 17**

- 11:00 am—Sunshine Group

#### **March 19**

- 5:00 pm—Hispanic Movie

#### **March 20**

- 6:00 pm—Youth Explosion  
Mt. Vale Church

#### **March 21**

- 7:00 pm—Deacons' Meeting

#### **March 23**

- 6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

#### **March 26**

- 8:00 am—Arts & Banners Team
- 9:00 am—Women of Word Workday
- 1:00 pm—Red Cross Class  
Compression CPR

#### **March 30**

- 11:00 am—Empty Bowls



## The Bible in One Year

### MARCH 1

LEVITICUS 24:1 - 25:46  
MARK 10:13-31  
PSALM 44:9-26  
PROVERBS 10:20-21

### MARCH 2

LEVITICUS 25:47 - 27:13  
MARK 10:32-52  
PSALM 45:1-17  
PROVERBS 10:22

### MARCH 3

LEVITICUS 27:14 - NUMBERS 1:54  
MARK 11:1-25  
PSALM 46:1-11  
PROVERBS 10:23

### MARCH 4

NUMBERS 2:1 - 3:51  
MARK 11:27 - 12:17  
PSALM 47:1-9  
PROVERBS 10:24-25

### MARCH 5

NUMBERS 4:1 - 5:31  
MARK 12:18-37  
PSALM 48:1-14  
PROVERBS 10:26

### MARCH 6

NUMBERS 6:1 - 7:89  
MARK 12:38 - 13:13  
PSALM 49:1-20  
PROVERBS 10:27-28

### MARCH 7

NUMBERS 8:1 - 9:23  
MARK 13:14-37  
PSALM 50:1-23  
PROVERBS 10:29-30

### MARCH 8

NUMBERS 10:1 - 11:23  
MARK 14:1-21  
PSALM 51:1-19  
PROVERBS 10:31-32

### MARCH 9

NUMBERS 11:24 - 13:33  
MARK 14:22-52  
PSALM 52:1-9  
PROVERBS 11:1-3

### MARCH 10

NUMBERS 14:1 - 15:16  
MARK 14:53-72  
PSALM 53:1-6  
PROVERBS 11:4

### MARCH 11

NUMBERS 15:17 - 16:40  
MARK 15:1-47  
PSALM 54:1-7  
PROVERBS 11:5-6

### MARCH 12

NUMBERS 16:41 - 18:32  
MARK 16:1-20  
PSALM 55:1-23  
PROVERBS 11:7

### MARCH 13

NUMBERS 19:1 - 20:29  
LUKE 1:1-25  
PSALM 56:1-13  
PROVERBS 11:8

### MARCH 14

NUMBERS 21:1 - 22:20  
LUKE 1:26-56  
PSALM 57:1-11  
PROVERBS 11:9-11

### MARCH 15

NUMBERS 22:21 - 23:30  
LUKE 1:57-80  
PSALM 58:1-11  
PROVERBS 11:12-13

### MARCH 16

NUMBERS 24:1 - 25:18  
LUKE 2:1-35  
PSALM 59:1-17  
PROVERBS 11:14

### MARCH 17

NUMBERS 26:1-51  
LUKE 2:36-52  
PSALM 60:1-12  
PROVERBS 11:15

### MARCH 18

NUMBERS 26:52 - 28:15  
LUKE 3:1-22  
PSALM 61:1-8  
PROVERBS 11:16-17

### MARCH 19

NUMBERS 28:16 - 29:40  
LUKE 3:23-38  
PSALM 62:1-12  
PROVERBS 11:18-19

### MARCH 20

NUMBERS 30:1 - 31:54  
LUKE 4:1-30  
PSALM 63:1-11  
PROVERBS 11:20-21

### MARCH 21

NUMBERS 32:1 - 33:39  
LUKE 4:31 - 5:11  
PSALM 64:1-10  
PROVERBS 11:22

### MARCH 22

NUMBERS 33:40 - 35:34  
LUKE 5:12 - 28  
PSALM 65:1-13  
PROVERBS 11:23

### MARCH 23

NUMBERS 36:1 - DEUT. 1:46  
LUKE 5:29 - 6:11  
PSALM 66:1-20  
PROVERBS 11:24-26

### MARCH 24

DEUTERONOMY 2:1 - 3:29  
LUKE 6:12-38  
PSALM 67:1-7  
PROVERBS 11:27

### MARCH 25

DEUTERONOMY 4:1-49  
LUKE 6:39 - 7:10  
PSALM 68:1-18  
PROVERBS 11:28

### MARCH 26

DEUTERONOMY 5:1 - 6:25  
LUKE 7:11-35  
PSALM 68:19-35  
PROVERBS 11:29-31

### MARCH 27

DEUTERONOMY 7:1 - 8:20  
LUKE 7:36 - 8:3  
PSALM 69:1-18  
PROVERBS 12:1

### MARCH 28

DEUTERONOMY 9:1 - 10:22  
LUKE 8:4-21  
PSALM 69:19-36  
PROVERBS 12:2-3

### MARCH 29

DEUTERONOMY 11:1 - 12:32  
LUKE 8:22-39  
PSALM 70:1-5  
PROVERBS 12:4

### MARCH 30

DEUTERONOMY 13:1 - 15:23  
LUKE 8:40 - 9:6  
PSALM 71:1-24  
PROVERBS 12:5-7

### MARCH 31

DEUTERONOMY 16:1 - 17:20  
LUKE 9:7-27  
PSALM 72:1-20  
PROVERBS 12:8-9



## FAMILY LIFE MINISTER NEWS

**Mt. Vale Church**  
**March 20**  
**6:00 PM**

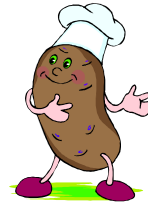


Our Youth will join Mt. Vale Church youth Sunday evening, March 20, at 6PM for **Youth Rally Explosion** featuring a message by Randy Hensley (from Johnson City, TN), special music by Loose Strings and Undone, and also skits performed by Mt. Vale Youth. Refreshments will be served along with wonderful fellowship!

preschool registration



**F**irst Baptist Preschool is now registering children two through four years of age for the 2011-2012 school year. Please call 236-9195 for information.



**Don't be a dud, come eat a spud!**

at our Potato Bar  
March 6th  
following the  
Worship Service

Learn about this year's Costa Rica trip at our first fundraising event!



## A Word from the Music Minister

With Spring just weeks away, now is a great time to warm up your voice and come to choir. Join us during this exciting time as we prepare music for the celebration of our risen Lord. We need you, and we look forward to seeing you on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the choir room for an hour of fellowship and fun.



## Greetings From our Hispanic Congregation!

Our Hispanic family has had some rough months, but we know that GOD is the captain of this ship. He is the perfect Father and He blessed me with an extraordinary man as my earthly father: a great example to follow, a great mentor, and most of all, a great friend to me. It is a great honor and privilege to follow in my father's footsteps!

I am excited to see what the LORD has in store for us in 2011. We have seen the hand of GOD work tremendously in our congregation. However, there is much work to be done and many still have not heard the gospel. With this in mind, we planned a movie night on February 13<sup>th</sup>. 60 adults came, of which 18 were visitors. Four of those visitors returned the following Sunday. On Feb. 21st, we went door to door to two trailer parks, giving out invitations and evangelistic tracts. I pray that the seed that was spread that day may give some fruit for the glory and honor of CHRIST.

Thank you for all your support and prayers. It has been tough, but our LORD is stronger and with HIM we will be victorious.

*At His Service,  
Ricky Alvarado*



I do appreciate your prayers, cards and all thoughtful concerns you have shown during my surgery for total knee replacement. I'm doing well.

*Love and God bless you,  
Thomasine Lemons*

Thank you for the delicious meal delivered to me by the Bread of Life Ministry. The wonderful attention and prayers for me by my church family has been a great blessing. I love you all!

*Love,  
Grace Smoot*



## Congratulations... A New Baby Girl!

Bobby & Evelyn Beamer are blessed with a new great-granddaughter. **Elynor Genevieve Dowd** was born on February 8, 2011.



A group from our church will be going back to Casa Betel in Costa Rica. The main purpose is to continue the Nehemiah Dorm Project. Work needs to be done on the septic tank, floors and roof. We will also have Vacation Bible School for children in areas surrounding Casa Betel. The trip dates July 13-22, and will cost approximately \$1,350. If you are interested in going, please email [scott.larrowe@gmail.com](mailto:scott.larrowe@gmail.com).



## Memorials

<b>Donor</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>In Memory of</b>
Perry Frye's Family	<i>Benevolence Fund</i>	Perry Frye
Lowell Brannon, Jr.	<i>Fran Cregar Fund</i>	Mary E. Brannon
Janette Shockley	<i>General Fund</i>	Opal Dixon Rector
Bill & Fran Halsey	<i>General Fund</i>	Peg Brown
Frances Dixon	<i>Music Fund</i>	Opal Dixon Rector
John & Anne Vaughan	<i>Hispanic Fund</i>	Ricardo Alvarado
John & Anne Vaughan	<i>Bread of Life Fund</i>	Opal Dixon Rector Perry Frye Dick Owen



## We offer our deepest sympathy to...

... the family of **Opal Dixon Rector** who passed away on January 28, 2011.

... Betty Parrish on the death of her aunt, **Peg Brown**, who passed away on February 8, 2011.



Women on Mission are encouraging our church to support the fundraising concert for the Free Clinic featuring The McKameys, Church Sisters and Levi Horton. The concert will be held at the Carroll County High School auditorium on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 each.



## Gently Used PROM DRESSES!

Prom dresses will be on display at Cornerstone Community Church, 227 South Main St., Galax, on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 6pm-10pm and Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm.

This event is open to ALL area high school girls! **All Dresses will be \$20**, and also available will be accessories and shoes. Fun shopping, free refreshments and LOTS of prizes!

To donate dresses or accessories for this event, you may contact Jennifer Morris at 233-2567 or [mikeandjenni@gmail.com](mailto:mikeandjenni@gmail.com).



We are very pleased to welcome two new staff members to FBG.

**Joan Gillespie** has been hired as Financial Secretary, and comes to us with many years of bookkeeping and accounting experience. Joan expresses her appreciation for the kindness she has received from our church family and looks forward to serving you.

**Ricky Alvarado**, our new interim Hispanic Minister, needs no introduction, being a faithful and dedicated member of FBG for many years. His sweet spirit and sincere desire to serve the Lord are well known to us all. Please remember him in your prayers as he ministers to our Hispanic members.



## Nursery Schedule

### March 06

Class 1: Judy Hennis, Charlotte McPherson  
Class 2: Keith & Sydney Barker

### March 13

Class 1: Doug & Lora Williams  
Class 2: Lewis & Marian Porter

### March 20

Class 1: Lyle & Angel Hartt  
Class 2: Stew & Patti Merdian

### March 27

Class 1: Lewis & Marian Porter  
Class 2: Jaeron DeBoe,  
Julia Vaughan



## First Impressions Team

- March 06** Steve & Debra Cone, Karen Stevens  
**March 13** Kathleen Higgins, Mary Hutchins,  
Doug & Lora Williams  
**March 20** Donald Handy, Susan Honaker, Gary Ballard  
**March 27** Benny & Shirley White, Bob Leonard  
Dale & Margaret Liddle



### CURRENT WORSHIP STATISTICS

	01/30/2011	02/06/2011
Wednesday	67	125
Sunday School	201	206
11:00 A.M. Worship	317	292
Hispanic Worship Service	48	54
Total Worship Attendance	365	346

BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 8,896.81	\$ 8,896.81
BUDGET RECEIVED	7,454.50	8,672.00
REQUIRED TO DATE	44,484.05	53,380.86
RECEIVED TO DATE	37,879.00	46,551.00
DESIGNATED RECEIPT	1,284.00	130.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$ 8,738.50</b>	<b>\$ 8,802.00</b>

% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	86%	88%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	84%	98%

	02/13/2011	02/20/2011
Wednesday	148	128
Sunday School	182	206
11:00 A.M. Worship	352	231
Hispanic Worship Service	41	48
Total Worship Attendance	393	279

BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 8,896.81	\$ 8,896.81
BUDGET RECEIVED	10,171.09	17,985.05
REQUIRED TO DATE	62,277.67	71,174.48
RECEIVED TO DATE	56,722.09	74,707.14
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	1,788.60	822.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$ 11,959.69</b>	<b>\$ 18,807.05</b>

% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	91%	105%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	115%	203%



Jerry Nuckles, heart problems (Forest & Ardith's son); Franklin Liddle (brother of Dale Liddle and uncle of Jealynn Coleman); Clarence Davis; Auralea Curtis (Kent Cox's sister); Forest Nuckles; Frank Walker (friend of Jean Acencio); Opaline Roberson, knee replacement; Zelma Felts; Glennis Morris, broken ankle; Ameer, for salvation (Daniel & Sharon Andrews' daughter); Luke & Levi (children in Judy Hennis' preschool); Ricky Alvarado and the Hispanic congregation; Doug Roberson (David Roberson's brother); Bronson Mabe; Earlene Epperson's cancer has returned (Debby Stringer's mother); Bill Halsey; Dr. Fergau; Rayburn Martin; Jason Liddle, colon cancer (Dale Liddle's great nephew); Shirley Parsons; Bob (Janice Rourke's brother-in-law); Donnie Meador & Pastor Doug (Hoskins Park Ministry); Jim Young (salvation); Desirae Alley; Betty Fender (Ann Roberts' mother); Lee Jones (Martha Dozier's son); John Stringer & Debby Stringer; Lisa Lewis, cancer; Jared Johnson for salvation (Angel Hartt's brother); Casa Betel; Linda Halsey (Lynn Barker's cousin); Joseph Layton, (Carol Layton's son); Karen Osborne; The Unemployed; Linda Johnson, cancer (Iva Ward's niece); Inez Hebert (Lamar's stepmother); Elizabeth Roberts, colon cancer (Ann Carol Roberts' mother-in-law); Robert Beasley, broken hip and Alzheimer's (Bill Beasley's brother); Gary Hall (Carol Layton's brother) needs prayer for salvation; Julian Fender (Ann Roberts' father); Joan Baker (Donna Beasley's sister); Robert Bunn (Debbie Harris' father); Polly Painter; Viola Easter (Royce's mother); Jo Stringer (John Stringer's mother); **USA Military and other coalition forces**; Curtis Bartlett (Iraq); Chris Burnett; Christopher Littreal; Paul Ferguson (Afghanistan); and Joe Sizemore (Iraq).

**NURSING HOMES:** **Britthaven of Wilkesboro** - Harold & Maude Smith; **Golden Living** - Nannie Sizemore, Rm B-3 (Joe Sizemore's mother); **RidgeCrest (Mt. Airy)** - Jane Edwards, Rm 221; **Waddell Nursing Home** Dorothy Marie Horton, Rm 222; Tommy Adams, Rm 107-B; Elizabeth Hill, Rm 115-B; **Wheatland** - Hazel Lowe, Rm C-12; **Grayson Nursing & Rehab Center, Independence, VA** - Benjamin Smith, Rm 146 (Dolly Moss' father).

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. Colossians 1:23

### CHURCH STAFF

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Mrs. Wendi Pemberton ..... Minister of Music  
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Mrs. Marlene Tipton ..... Administrative Assistant  
Ms. Joan Gillespie ..... Financial Secretary  
Mrs. Nancy Hazelwood ..... Organist  
Mrs. Patty Davis ..... Pianist  
Mr. Chris Gennette ..... Creative Director  
Mrs. Marian Porter ..... Weekday Preschool Director  
Preschool/Extended Session  
Mrs. Penny Adams ..... Bus Ministry Director  
Mrs. Martha Easter, RN ..... Volunteer Health Nurse  
Mr. Joey Riggins ..... Sexton

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# Birthdays

## **March 2**

*Eugenia Larrowe*

## **March 4**

*Lisa Burnett*

## **March 5**

*Missy Adams*

*Susan Dillon*

*Rosie Farmer*

## **March 6**

*Julia Davis*

*Pablo Gonzalez*

## **March 10**

*Jay Cline*

*Ivon Ibarra*

*Grace Smoot*

## **March 11**

*Teresa Boyles*

*Eulogia Castillo*

*Beth Galyean*

## **March 12**

*Patti Merdian*

*Nancy Turbyfill*

## **March 13**

*Joan Miller*

## **March 14**

*Jose Jaime*

*Janet Nuckolls*

*Maxine Porter*

*John Stringer*

## **March 15**

*Jimmy Adams*

*John Bryant*

*Gerri Higgins*

*Beverly Rios*

*Robert Turbyfill*

## **March 16**

*Christopher Williams*

*Rebeca Wilson*

## **March 17**

*Dennis Combs*

*Elaine East*

## **March 18**

*Judy Hennis*

*Alicia Martinez*

*Troy McMillan*

## **March 22**

*Rose Cox*

*Stephanie Galyean*

## **March 23**

*Isai (Junior) Perez*

## **March 24**

*Stew Merdian*

## **March 25**

*Gardner Brannon*

## **March 26**

*Drew Bobbitt*

*Debbie Carlson*

## **March 27**

*Ed Barker*

*Dana Bobbitt*

*Forest Newman*

## **March 28**

*K.T. Carico*

*Timoteo Cruz*

## **March 29**

*Ruth Bennett*

## **March 30**

*Sylvia Amburgey*

*Alaina Hartt*

## **March 31**

*Tanner Dickerson*

*Daniel Edwards*