



Forerunner

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

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September 1-30, 2011



Fall Sermon Series Beginning September 11

September

- 11 - **Staying in Love:** *Remodeling Our View of Marriage*
- 18 - **Raising Hell or Raising Kids:**
Rediscovering the Joy of Parenting
- 25 - **Single:** *Living Alone and Loving It*

October

- 02 - **Necessary Endings:**
How to Know When It Is Time to Move On
- 09 - **The Naked Truth:** *Sam's Sex Talk 2011*
- 16 - **Built to Last:** *The Foundation of a Healthy Home*

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sundays

- 9:45 am-Sunday School
- 10:00 am-Hispanic Sunday School
- 11:00 am-Worship Service
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- 5:00 pm-Youth Band Practice (4U)
(Resumes Sept. 11)
- 6:00 pm-Hispanic Bible Study/Prayer
- 6:30 pm-TruNorth (Resumes Sept. 11)
- 6:30 pm-In-home Bible Study
(Resumes Sept. 11)
- 6:30 pm-Kids N The Kitchen

Mondays

- 5:15 pm-Pilates Class
- 7:30 pm-Orchestra Practice
(Resumes Sept. 19)

Tuesdays

- 7:30 pm-Boy Scouts

Wednesdays

- 5:15 pm-Pilates Class
- 6:30 pm-SpiritSong
- 7:00 pm-Sanctuary Choir
- 8:00 pm-Adult Praise Band

Thursdays

- 12:00 pm-Men's Bible Study
- 12:00 pm-Women's Bible Study

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 1

- 9:00-11:00 am—Preschool Open House

September 5

- Labor Day—Church Offices Closed

September 10

- 9:30a-4:30p—Beth Moore's *Living Proof*
Simulcast (at Cornerstone Church)

September 13

- 11:00 am—Women on Mission
- 5:15 pm—MCC Meeting

September 14

- 6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

September 15

- 6:00 pm—Pastor Support Team Meeting

September 19

- 7:00 pm—Deacons' Meeting

September 21

- LEADER BUZZ
- 5:45 pm—Meal
- 6:30 pm—Meeting

September 24

- 11:00 am—Youth Trip
Grayson Highlands Festival

September 25

- 4:00 pm—Youth Explosion
- 7:00 pm—Coffey Anderson Concert

September 28

- 6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids
Police Crime Vehicle



WHAT'S THE *BUZZ* AT FIRST BAPTIST GALAX?

Join us Wednesday, September 21st and find out! We will be serving a catered meal at 5:45 p.m. in the fellowship hall, followed by guest speaker, Tom Stocks, Field Specialist, from the VA Baptist Mission Board from 6:30-7:30 p.m. We encourage everyone to attend and listen to Tom's ideas on how we can more effectively serve the needs of our growing congregation. Get involved in the life of your church family and catch the buzz!





The Bible in One Year

SEPTEMBER 1

JOB 40:1 - 42:17
2 CORINTHIANS 5:11-21
PSALM 45:1-17
PROVERBS 22:14

SEPTEMBER 2

ECCLESIASTES 1:1 - 3:22
2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13
PSALM 46:1-11
PROVERBS 22:15

SEPTEMBER 3

ECCLESIASTES 4:1 - 6:12
2 CORINTHIANS 6:14 - 7:7
PSALM 47:1-9
PROVERBS 22:16

SEPTEMBER 4

ECCLESIASTES 7:1 - 9:18
2 CORINTHIANS 7:8-16
PSALM 48:1-14
PROVERBS 22:17-19

SEPTEMBER 5

ECCLESIASTES 10:1 - 12:14
2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-15
PSALM 49:1-20
PROVERBS 22:20-21

SEPTEMBER 6

SONG OF SOLOMON 1:1 - 4:16
2 CORINTHIANS 8:16-24
PSALM 50:1-23
PROVERBS 22:22-23

SEPTEMBER 7

SONG OF SOLOMON 5:1 - 8:14
2 CORINTHIANS 9:1-15
PSALM 51:1-19
PROVERBS 22:24-25

SEPTEMBER 8

ISAIAH 1:1 - 2:22
2 CORINTHIANS 10:1-18
PSALM 52:1-9
PROVERBS 22:26-27

SEPTEMBER 9

ISAIAH 3:1 - 5:30
2 CORINTHIANS 11:1-15
PSALM 53:1-6
PROVERBS 22:28-29

SEPTEMBER 10

ISAIAH 6:1 - 7:25
2 CORINTHIANS 11:16-33
PSALM 54:1-7
PROVERBS 23:1-3

SEPTEMBER 11

ISAIAH 8:1 - 9:21
2 CORINTHIANS 12:1-10
PSALM 55:1-23
PROVERBS 23:4-5

SEPTEMBER 12

ISAIAH 10:1 - 11:16
2 CORINTHIANS 12:11-21
PSALM 56:1-13
PROVERBS 23:6-8

SEPTEMBER 13

ISAIAH 12:1 - 14:32
2 CORINTHIANS 13:1-14
PSALM 57:1-11
PROVERBS 23:9-11

SEPTEMBER 14

ISAIAH 15:1 - 18:7
GALATIANS 1:1-24
PSALM 58:1-11
PROVERBS 23:12

SEPTEMBER 15

ISAIAH 19:1 - 21:17
GALATIANS 2:1-16
PSALM 59:1-17
PROVERBS 23:13-14

SEPTEMBER 16

ISAIAH 22:1 - 24:23
GALATIANS 2:17 - 3:9
PSALM 60:1-12
PROVERBS 23:15-16

SEPTEMBER 17

ISAIAH 25:1 - 28:13
GALATIANS 3:10-22
PSALM 61:1-8
PROVERBS 23:17-18

SEPTEMBER 18

ISAIAH 28:14 - 30:11
GALATIANS 3:23 - 4:31
PSALM 62:1-12
PROVERBS 23:19-21

SEPTEMBER 19

ISAIAH 30:12 - 33:12
GALATIANS 5:1-12
PSALM 63:1-11
PROVERBS 23:22

SEPTEMBER 20

ISAIAH 33:13 - 36:22
GALATIANS 5:13-26
PSALM 64:1-10
PROVERBS 23:23

SEPTEMBER 21

ISAIAH 37:1 - 38:22
GALATIANS 6:1-18
PSALM 65:1-13
PROVERBS 23:24-25

SEPTEMBER 22

ISAIAH 39:1 - 41:16
EPHESIANS 1:1-23
PSALM 66:1-20
PROVERBS 23:26-28

SEPTEMBER 23

ISAIAH 41:17 - 43:13
EPHESIANS 2:1-22
PSALM 67:1-7
PROVERBS 23:29-35

SEPTEMBER 24

ISAIAH 43:14 - 45:10
EPHESIANS 3:1-21
PSALM 68:1-18
PROVERBS 24:1-2

SEPTEMBER 25

ISAIAH 45:11 - 48:11
EPHESIANS 4:1-16
PSALM 68:19-35
PROVERBS 24:3-4

SEPTEMBER 26

ISAIAH 48:12 - 50:11
EPHESIANS 4:17-32
PSALM 69:1-18
PROVERBS 24:5-6

SEPTEMBER 27

ISAIAH 51:1 - 53:12
EPHESIANS 5:1-33
PSALM 69:19-36
PROVERBS 24:7

SEPTEMBER 28

ISAIAH 54:1 - 57:13
EPHESIANS 6:1-24
PSALM 70:1-5
PROVERBS 24:8

SEPTEMBER 29

ISAIAH 57:14 - 59:21
PHILIPPIANS 1:1-26
PSALM 71:1-24
PROVERBS 24:9-10

SEPTEMBER 30

ISAIAH 60:1 - 62:5
PHILIPPIANS 1:27 - 2:18
PSALM 72:1-20
PROVERBS 24:11-12



FAMILY LIFE MINISTER NEWS

FALL KICK-OFF FOR CHILDREN/YOUTH ACTIVITIES

TruNorth Youth Gatherings resume on Sunday, September 11 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. We are switching from Wednesday nights to Sunday nights hoping that there will be less conflicts with everyone's busy mid-week schedules. If Sunday night is your family night, then by all means, bring the family! We are planning fun activities and engaging discussions for our young people that they are not going to want to miss!

Also, Kids N The Kitchen will start back on Sunday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m. for children in grades K-5. They will be meeting in the church kitchen where Connie Lewis will be combining cooking activities, games and songs with God's truth.

Childcare will be provided for children under 5. If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth, edv@fbcgalax.org or 233-2733.

YOUTH HIKING TRIP

We are planning a day trip to Grayson Highlands State Park on Saturday, September 24th, leaving the church at 11 a.m. Plan to eat lunch, hike, laugh and enjoy the beauty of God's creation. If your youth and/or your whole family would like to come along, please email Elizabeth at edv@fbcgalax.org or call 233-2733. Everyone will need to bring \$10 for chicken lunch and snacks at the festival.

YOUTH EXPLOSION Featuring Coffey Anderson



Sunday, September 25th we will be hosting a YOUTH EXPLOSION! at First Baptist in cooperation with Cornerstone Church and LOM youth ministry. From 4-7 p.m., we will have food and activities outside for the youth to enjoy. Then, at 7 pm, we will move into the sanctuary for a live concert by Nashville Star Sensation, Coffey Anderson. Coffey has a message for his fans ... "You're just one 'yes' away from something good happening for you. Give yourself a chance, and watch that 'yes' come." This is a free event designed to inspire the young and the young at heart!



A Word from the Music Minister

With vacation over and school back in session, our fun in the sun is coming to an end--but not so with the Music Ministry here at FBG. We are gearing up for the fall with lots of exciting new music and many opportunities where you can serve. Mark your calendars now. Our "Christmas Kickoff" will be held on **Wednesday, September 7, at 7:00 p.m.** in the choir room. Along with delicious food, we will spend time fellowshiping with one another and listening to our Christmas 2011 music for the very first time. This is a great time to invite a friend and join us. If you enjoy praising the Lord through song, please plan to attend this exciting event. Contact any choir member or Wendi for more information. We look forward to seeing you!!

**Casting Crowns
Come to the Well Tour
October 22
Greensboro, NC**



Group discount tickets are \$22 (must have 10 to get discount), featuring Sanctus Real, The Afters, and Lindsay McCaul. If you would like to join us, call Lisa Shaw for more info: 238-1067 or go to www.castingcrowns.com. We will have a few back-stage passes available to meet the bands! Join the fun!

Living Proof Live Simulcast
with BETH MOORE



Saturday
September 10
9:30am - 4:30pm
Cornerstone Church
Main Street - Galax

Doors will open at 8:30 am for fellowship, coffee and light breakfast foods. Tickets: \$15. We plan to go to Macado's during the lunch break for some "girl time"! Don't miss out on the double blessing of great Bible teaching and awesome fellowship. See Elizabeth or Lisa Shaw (238-1067) for tickets.



Memorials

Donor John & Susie Garner
Fund Jimmy Ballard
In Memory of Jimmy Ballard
Jimmy Ballard Fund



We offer our deepest sympathy to...

... Joan Miller on the death of her brother, **Elmer Glade Miller**, on July 1, 2011.

Dear First Baptist Family,

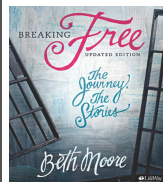
I want you to know how happy I was to come to church on Sunday, August 21, after four long months in the nursing home recovering from knee surgery and a heart attack. Thank you for all the cards, flowers, visits and most of all your prayers.

God bless,
Beulah Harris



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Men's Bible Study meets every Thursday from 12:00-1:00 pm, in the Common Ground Class Room. We are studying I & II Peter, with leaders David Vaughan and John Hutchins. Everyone is welcome to bring their lunch. Contact John at 733-9894 or jhutchins25@gmail.com for more information.



LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

Breaking Free by Beth Moore leads you through scripture to discover the transforming power of freedom in Jesus Christ. Themes for this study come from Isaiah, a book about the captivity of God's children, the faithfulness of God and the road to FREEDOM!

Join us here at FBG on Thursdays from 12:00—2:00 p.m., beginning September 1st. You may call the church office, 236-5185, to reserve your member book (\$15) and to request child care.



Alma Hunt
Offering for Virginia Missions

It is absolutely clear that God has called you to a free life...(so) use your freedom to serve one another in love; that's how freedom grows. - Galatians 5:13 (The Message).

Close to home; in our back yard; helping Virginians - that's the emphasis of the Alma Hunt Offering for State Missions.

The First Baptist Women on Mission of the WMUV is conducting their once a year "Season of Prayer and Offering" emphasis. Our goal is \$3000. The offering goal for all of Virginia is \$1,167,500.

You will receive a brochure in the bulletin relating various ways this offering is being used. Please read about RuraLove Ministries, our Cross Roads Camp and Conference Center, our work in helping to rebuild the waste cities, our help for migrant workers on the Eastern Shore, and our work in Southwest Virginia.

Please be in prayer for this work and help us to make a worthy donation under God's direction. Special envelopes are included in your regular offering boxes and in the backs of the pews throughout the month of September.

When you give to the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions, you are equipping those who seek to share with others how God has set them free.



In September we will be assisting Cornerstone Church in collecting **laundered and gently used coats for all ages!** Please bring any coats that you would like to donate to the church office. On Saturday, October 8th, Cornerstone will make them available to those in our area who are in need. If you have any questions, you may call Linda Combs at 237-5887.

2012 Budget Requests Due by September 15

Team leaders are asked to have their budget requests turned in by September 15. Requests may be handed to any member of the Budget Team, or submitted to Susan Dillon at susandillon@comcast.net.

Nursery Schedule

September 04

Class 1: Patti & Stew Merdian
Class 2: Lewis & Marian Porter

September 11

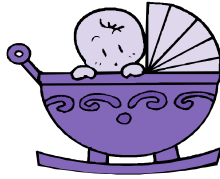
Class 1: Lyle & Angle Hartt
Class 2: Phyllis & Sydney Barker

September 18

Class 1: Donna Garland, Charlotte McPherson
Class 2: Doug & Lora Williams

September 25

Class 1: Leah Amburgey, Judy Hennis
Class 2: Dell Carico, Jessica Lewis



First Impressions Team

September 04 Gary Ballard, Donald Handy, Susan Honaker
September 11 Bob Leonard, Gregg Rector, Benny & Shirley White
September 18 Sue Holt, Marty & Cathy Parks
September 25 Debbie Carlson, Dale & Margaret Liddle, Joe & Sara Lindsey



CURRENT WORSHIP STATISTICS

	<u>07/31/2011</u>	<u>08/07/2011</u>
Wednesday	27	0
Sunday School	217	217
11:00 A.M. Worship	280	285
Hispanic Worship Service	60	54
Total Worship Attendance	340	339
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 8,896.81	\$ 8,896.81
BUDGET RECEIVED	10,998.60	11,274.36
REQUIRED TO DATE	275,801.11	284,697.92
RECEIVED TO DATE	262,844.19	274,118.55
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	344.07	1,510.90
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 11,344.67	\$ 12,785.26
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	96%	97%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	124%	127%

	<u>08/14/2011</u>	<u>08/21/2011</u>
Wednesday	35	137
Sunday School	198	215
11:00 A.M. Worship	278	298
Hispanic Worship Service	54	57
Total Worship Attendance	332	355
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 8,896.81	\$ 8,896.81
BUDGET RECEIVED	7,705.55	8,659.55
REQUIRED TO DATE	293,594.73	302,491.54
RECEIVED TO DATE	281,824.10	290,483.65
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	191.45	692.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 7,897.00	\$ 9,352.05
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	96%	96%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	87%	98%



Gladys Catron; Jean Hampton; Jackson McGrady (Jackie McGrady's grandson); Rose Cox; Hiter Robinson, back injury; Jason Liddle, colon cancer (Dale Liddle's great nephew), and Jason's wife Michelle, brain tumor; Ronald Cummings (Dolly Moss' brother); Roger Alley & his family; Phillip Segal; The Unemployed; Michael (Judy Hennis' grandson); Hazel Lowe, heart problems; Pauline Robertson; Earlene Epperson (Debby Stringer's mother); Dennis Smoot, terminal cancer (Grace Smoot's nephew); Kimberly Graham; Rick & Susan Stark (Rick has lost job); Phillip, serious leg injury (Susan Stark's brother-in-law); Frank Walker (friend of Jean Acencio); Aimee, for salvation (Daniel & Sharon Andrews' daughter); Ricky Alvarado and the Hispanic congregation; Bronson Mabe; Rayburn Martin; Shirley Parsons; 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; Karen Osborne; Linda Johnson, cancer (Iva Ward's niece); Inez Hebert (Lamar's stepmother); Elizabeth Roberts, colon cancer (Ann Carol Roberts' mother-in-law); Robert Beasley, Alzheimer's disease (Bill Beasley's brother); 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**; Chris Burnett; Christopher Littreal; and Paul Ferguson (Afghanistan).

NURSING HOMES: **Westwood Hills** - Harold Smith, Rm 700; **Golden Living** - Nannie Sizemore, Rm B-3 (Joe Sizemore's mother); **RidgeCrest (Mt. Airy)** - Jane Edwards, Rm 221; **Waddell Nursing Home** - Tommy Adams, Rm 107-B; Kent Cox, Rm 223; Elizabeth Hill, Rm 115-B; Dorothy Marie Horton, Rm 222; Aleta Reavis, Rm 126-A; James Reavis, Rm 223-A; **Wheatland** - Auralea Curtis, Rm A-3; Hazel Lowe, Rm C-12; **Grayson Nursing & Rehab Center, Independence, VA** - Benjamin Smith, Rm 146 (Dolly Moss' father).

WORSHIP STATISTICS - CONT'D

	<u>08/28/2011</u>
Wednesday	-
Sunday School	230
11:00 A.M. Worship	300
Hispanic Worship Service	55
Total Worship Attendance	355
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 8,896.81
BUDGET RECEIVED	8,752.55
REQUIRED TO DATE	311,388.35
RECEIVED TO DATE	299,236.20
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	556.82
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 9,309.37
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	96%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	99%



"I have set before you
LIFE and DEATH
CHOOSE LIFE so that
you and your descendants may live."
Deuteronomy 30:19, 20, 21

CHURCH STAFF

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(Office) 236-5185 (Cell) 233-9010
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Mrs. Wendi Pemberton Minister of Music
(Office) 236-5185 (Home) 236-0108

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Ms. Joan Gillespie Financial Secretary
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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
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September 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9-11 Preschool Open House 12:00pm Men's Bible Study 12:00pm Women's Bible Study "Breaking Free"	2	3
4 6:00pm Hispanic Bible Study	5  CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED	6 9-12 Weekday Preschool Begins 7:30pm Boy Scouts	7 9-12 Weekday Preschool 5:15pm Pilates Class 6:30pm SpiritSong 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir 8:00pm Adult Praise Band	8 9-12 Weekday Preschool 12:00pm Men's Bible Study 12:00pm Women's Bible Study "Breaking Free"	9 9-12 Weekday Preschool	10 9:30-4:30 Beth Moore's <i>Living Proof</i> Simulcast -Cornerstone Church
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SEPTEMBER Birthdays

September 1

Shirley White

September 2

Jasmin Gonzalez

September 3

Ricardo Osuna

September 5

Glennis Morris

September 6

Megan Boyles

September 7

Barbara Baxley

Cesar Marquez

September 9

Mary Ann Dotson

Vivian Hartt

Jocelyn Vega

September 10

Julio Aguilar

Maggie Vaughan

September 11

Ruth Lyon

September 13

Basil Carpenter

Wilda Fayne

September 14

Paige Dalton

Marisol Solis

Leighton Weaver

September 15

Gary Williams, Jr.

September 16

Steve Archer

Michelle Hampton

Brittany Lambert

September 17

Mandy Archer

Nancy Hazelwood

Adrian Hernandez

Sue Holt

September 18

Clarence Davis

Margaret Roberts

September 19

Jimmy Litz

Shawn Sales

September 20

Janice Rourke

Antonio Ruiz

Josh Wilson

September 21

Gage Campbell

Roberta Pelland

Mike Stevens

William Threatt

September 22

Molly Bryant

Debbie Patterson

September 24

Elliott Stevens

September 25

Susan Hash

Hazel Lowe

Frank Plichta

September 26

Debra Cone

Helen Robinson

Mary Lynn Terry

Marie Walker

September 27

Wanda Harris