



Forerunner

First Baptist Church
1024 E. Stuart Drive
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How do we
MAKE TIME
in a busy schedule
to have
QUIET TIME
with GOD?

One of the first things one must identify is to determine what part of the day works best for you to set aside quiet time with God. The best way to get at this is, "to know thyself." Are you a night owl and can set aside time once all of your obligations are satisfied for the day and the kids are off to bed? Can you set aside time at lunch for a getaway of 15-30 minutes and focus on being in the presence of God? These are the questions each of us must ask ourselves and then implement the best possible plan on a daily basis to be successful.

I have realized for myself, that I am at my best if I get up early, before the kids are awake, before the responsibilities of the day come at me. I will be more successful spending time with God then, than any other time during the day. It takes discipline, commitment, and desire to make this happen in our daily schedules. All I can do is encourage you to pray for that desire and discipline from the Holy Spirit. Hopefully, you will begin to see results and the benefit of an intimate, spiritual relationship with your Heavenly Father.

Once this begins to become established, then you should not have as many distractions so that you can keep your mind on God rather than the cares of the day. This will take much effort daily and will not just happen overnight. It is important to begin a routine and then guard that routine at all cost and make it one of the most essential things you do every day. This discipline of spending quality time daily with the Lord will become the most important thing you can do for yourself, your spouse, and your family...

In Christ's Love,
Kevin

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sundays

8:00 am—Youth Band Practice
9:45 am—Sunday School
11:00 am—Worship Service
6:00 pm—TruNorth (Youth Group)

Mondays

5:15 pm—Pilates Class
6:00 pm—Pastor Kevin's Bible Study
"The Book of Revelation"

Tuesdays

10:00 am—Staff Meeting

Wednesdays

1:30 pm—Clothes Closet
6:30 pm—Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm—Prayer Meeting
(Fellowship begins at 6:00 pm)

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 06

11:00 am—Worship / Communion Service
5:00 pm—Youth Fall Cookout
Grades 6—12

October 08

11:00 am—Women on Mission
5:30 pm—Loss Support Group

October 09

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

October 20

Samaritan Shoebox: Kick-off Sunday
Deacon Elections Begin
6:00 pm—New River Bapt. Assoc. Mtg
Skyview Baptist Church

October 21

3:30 pm—Soup Kitchen Ministry (Rooftop)

October 23

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

October 27

12:15 pm—Quarterly Business Meeting
12:30 pm—Welcome Luncheon for
Pastor Steve & Wendy Goatley

Nursery Schedule



- Oct 06** Tammy Anders,
Erica Testerman
- Oct 13** Lewis & Marian Porter
- Oct 20** Kevin & Tara Spurlin
- Oct 27** Ronnie & Debbie Harris



First Impressions Team

- Oct 06** Marty & Cathy Parks
Regina Snow
- Oct 13** Mike Coomes, Ruth Hall
Debbie Patterson
- Oct 20** Joe & Sara Lindsey
Pam Turner
- Oct 27** Sam & Nancy Blair
Debbie Patterson



Golf Cart Schedule

- Oct 06** Basil Carpenter
- Oct 13** Larry Spangler
- Oct 20** Doug Morgan
- Oct 27** Dick Cooley



Security Team Schedule

- Oct 06** Jack Bryant
Royce Easter
- Oct 13** Paul Walker
John Patterson
- Oct 20** Johnny Dickson
Scott Hall
- Oct 27** Eric Testerman
Dick Cooley

Willing Partners, Inc.

Fundraiser for WILLING PARTNERS

Willing Partners has an upcoming **Benefit Auction** with proceeds going toward our "new start." This will give us a great opportunity to tell the Willing Partners story and further publicize our plans. **The auction will be held on Friday, October 11, 2019**, and people can bring donations of clean, gently used items beginning at 9 a.m. that day. The event will occur on the grassy area beside of Schewel's Furniture. It should be a fun event, so please put this on your calendars now and tell others about it.



We invite you to help us fill our **Operation Christmas Child Basket** in the Fellowship Hall.



Items for October:

Letters and photo to be included in each shoebox.

Below is a note from a child who received a letter in her shoebox:

"One thing in the box I won't forget was a picture of a girl and her letter: Heather Roberts from Enon, Ohio. We started writing letters and to this day, nearly 20 years later, we're friends."

Nanor, Middle East



HARPER GREY STOMBOCK

Congratulations to Ronnie & Jackie McGrady on the birth of their granddaughter, **Harper Grey Stombock**. She was born on September 11, 2019 weighing 8.5 lbs. and was 21.5 in. long. Her **parents are Chris and Mindy Stombock**. Harper is niece & cousin to Bryan, Susan and Adam Dillon.



Minister to Youth & Families

September is quickly slipping away, and October is right around the bend. The temperatures are cooling off, and school buses are now a regular part of our daily commute. It's fall again, and for some reason this time of year always makes me think about families. Everyone is beginning to get the hang of the school year schedules. It's time for football games and a myriad of other after school activities. Family life gets hectic this time of year. The stress of it all illustrates the need for each member to do their part for the family to function properly.

All of this gets me thinking that Wendy and I are now part of a new family, the FBC family. In fact, I realized that FBC could just as easily stand for "family because of Christ" as it does First Baptist Church! It makes me think of just how important each member of our church family is and how we all have to do our parts if this family is to accomplish the tasks that God has set before us. Maybe my mind has been on this because I am currently trying to build up the children and youth ministries or maybe God is just trying to teach me something, but I want to encourage each of you to look at your own lives and involvement in the mission of Christ. Are you serving? Have you found out what your spiritual gifts are and are you using them to build the kingdom? I encourage you to pray and to dream of what God could use you and your talents to accomplish! Maybe He is calling you to something new or different or to step out in faith for the first time.

I pray daily for each of our families here at FBC. I pray for your health and happiness and that God will bless you abundantly. I am also praying that God will use you in mighty ways to grow the Kingdom! If you feel that maybe God has been nudging you to get involved with the children or youth ministries reach out to me. I'd love to talk with you. If that still small voice has been calling you to one of the other ministries here, please reach out to the staff and let us put you in touch with those who can help you get involved!

*In His Service,
Pastor Steve*



A WORD FROM THE MUSIC MINISTER

Autumn has arrived, and with that comes football, falling leaves, and fresh pumpkins. This also means that you still have time to "fall" into choir on **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.** Join the Sanctuary Choir one hour a week as they prepare for the 2019 Christmas season, **REPEAT THE SOUNDING JOY.** Travel through time to the manger in Bethlehem singing beloved Christmas classics and exciting, new, one-of-a-kind carols. And don't miss the opportunity to lead in weekly worship. Be a part of preparations for new Sunday worship music. We have a seat just for you!

"For how shall they believe if they have not heard? And how shall they hear if the story isn't told? ...GO AND TELL IT!" Deborah Craig-Claar



GREETINGS FROM OUR HISPANIC CONGREGATION!

We can read in the book of Acts, chapter two, how the newly formed churches were united, fellowshiping and eating together, having common goals, and gaining favor with all people as a small congregation. That is the goal of our church and the main focus. We are learning how to grow spiritually so that we can be a church that can bless the lives of other people. During September, we have been working together on improvements to the temple—replacing flooring in the kitchen, installing new lights, painting, etc., while at the same time enjoying the fellowship of spending time together with our church family. In October, we have invited a pastor from North Carolina to come and do a conference on marriage. I believe that we can joyfully say "thus far, the Lord has helped us!"

Please keep us in your prayers and may God bless you.

Daniel Sanchez



Donor Fund In Memory of:

Women on Mission	Mary Corbin
<i>Capital Campaign</i>	
Debbie Adams	John Adams, Sr.
	Fred Adams, Jr.
<i>Alma Hunt Offering</i>	
John & Susie Garner	Earl Morgan
<i>Capital Campaign</i>	
Carolyn Cone Zachrie	Steve Cone
<i>Macha Missions</i>	
Gardner Brannon	Mary E. Brannon
<i>Fran Cregar Fund</i>	

Thank You!

Dear First Baptist Galax,

Please accept the enclosed check as a memorial gift for my brother, Steven Cone. It was an honor and privilege to be his sister. Thank you to each of you who meant so very much to him. After meeting so many wonderful people, I understand his love for the school, and especially his church.

*Blessings,
Carolyn Cone Zackrie*

Dear Church Family,

My family and I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you. Many of you have been praying, several have sent cards, and even the flowers. It has been a tough few months for our family. My father died and then on the day of the funeral, Julie's dad went into the ICU and over the next couple of months he never made it home before he died. The outpouring of your love and encouragement was extremely special to all of us. Knowing that someone is praying for you is such a powerful strengthening awareness. We cannot thank you enough for that feeling, that knowing, that strength that has and continues to enable us to move forward. We are blessed to be sure that both our dads had a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and one day in the future we will be reunited. Thank you again for all your love. We feel so blessed to be part of the FBC family.

*Love and prayers,
The Schultheis Family*



Thank you for giving to the Women's Missionary Union of Virginia (WMUV) and the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV) who sponsor Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia. The entire offering goes instate to help missionaries and mission projects in Virginia. Our goal this year was \$2,500, and we far surpassed that with the total received being **\$3,407**. May God richly bless everyone who gave so generously to this mission!



World Hunger Sunday

October 13

WOM (Women on Mission) will be **collecting nonperishable boxed and canned food** to be delivered to God's Storehouse Soup Kitchen. The drop-off tubs are located near the church office.



The Amazing Journey of a Shoebox Gift

begins with . . . You!

October is the month to begin packing shoeboxes, so keep that in mind as you go through the next few weeks. This program is an excellent way to get involved in a missionary project which can lead a child to salvation through Christ. The National Collection week is November 18-25.



... to Julie Schultheis on the death of her father, **Walt Stephenson**, who passed away on Thursday, September 12, 2019.

The Closet Schedule

October 02

Judy Hennis, Susan Honaker, Ann McMillan

October 09

Debbie Patterson, Lisa Siegle, Elaine Widner

October 16

Phyllis Barker, Paulette Peterson

October 23

Martha Dozier, Margaret Liddle

October 30

Nancy Blair, Linda Cooley

CURRENT WORSHIP STATISTICS

	08/25/2019	09/01/2019
Evening Attendance	82	36
Sunday School	156	145
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	228	237
Hispanic Worship Service	45	41
Total Worship Attendance	273	278
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	9,651.72	9,171.00
REQUIRED TO DATE	313,750.30	322,978.25
RECEIVED TO DATE	284,868.05	294,039.05
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	807.98	2,859.81
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 10,459.70	\$ 12,030.81
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	91%	91%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	105%	99%

	09/08/2019	09/15/2019
Evening Attendance	154	128
Sunday School	164	171
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	284	226
Hispanic Worship Service	40	44
Total Worship Attendance	324	270
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	9,308.45	7,834.27
REQUIRED TO DATE	332,206.20	341,434.15
RECEIVED TO DATE	303,347.50	311,181.77
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	1,215.29	3,010.73
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 10,523.74	\$ 10,845.35
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	91%	91%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	101%	85%



Monday - Thursday

8:30 to 5:00

Friday

8:30 to 3:00

CHURCH STAFF

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Prayer Requests

Susan Garrett, cancer; David Smith, cancer; Nancy Carpenter; Sara Lindsey; Basil Carpenter; Zachary Thornton, cancer; Barbara Baxley; Laila Cox; Ronald Vaught; Alice Hasbrouck (Susan Honaker's sister); Imogene Frye; Kim Kinser, cancer (Mary Dotson's daughter); Lou Brock (Betty Parrish's daughter); Mark Horton, multiple myeloma; Wanda Jean Harris; Mike McMillan; Juan Rios; Colene Larrowe; Arville Stanley (Glenn Morris' brother); Geraldine McMillan (Rhonda McMillan's mother); Fran Halsey; K.T. Carico; Betty Walker, Stage IV cancer (Penny Adams' sister); Iva Wagner (Glenn Morris' sister); Stanley Meador (Marie Combs' son); Gladys Catron; Max Brown, leukemia (Martha Dozier's great-grandson); Mary Littreal; Sylvia Robinson, cancer; Nell Bartlett; Betty Robinson, kidney failure; Judy Fayne, cancer (Eugene Fayne's daughter); John & Debby Stringer; Ronald Cummings (Dolly Moss' brother); Betty Fender (Ann Roberts' mother); Our Country; The Unemployed; USA Military and other coalition forces;

NURSING HOMES: Hillsville Health & Rehab - Martha Combs, Rm 203 (Dennis Combs' Mother); Doris Marshall, Rm 206 (Benita Bryant's Mother); **Waddell Nursing Home** - Glenn Morris, Rm 111-B; Helen Robinson, Rm 209-D; **Yadkin Nursing Care Center** - Kent Cox, Rm 202;

Autumn Days

*These amber days so richly blessed
In trees and sky and sod,
Who can view an autumn day
And not believe in God!*

~ Kay Hoffman ~

WORSHIP STATISTICS - CONT'D

	09/22/2019
Evening Attendance	196
Sunday School	181
11:00 A.M. Worship	246
Hispanic Worship Service	44
Total Worship Attendance	290
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	6,188.24
REQUIRED TO DATE	350,662.10
RECEIVED TO DATE	317,370.01
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	1,702.91
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 7,891.15
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	91%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	67%

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October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>2</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm)	<i>3</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>4</i> <i>No Preschool Today</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>6</i> 8:00am-Youth Band 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship / Communion Service 5:00pm-Youth Cookout Grades 6 -12	<i>7</i> 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:00pm-Kevin's Bible Study <i>"The Book of Revelation"</i>	<i>8</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool 10:00am-Staff Meeting 11:00am-Women on Mission 5:30pm-Loss Support Grp	<i>9</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 5:30pm-MCC Mtg. 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm) 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids	<i>10</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool)	<i>11</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>12</i>
<i>13</i> 8:00am-Youth Band 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 6:00pm-TruNorth World Hunger Sunday	<i>14</i> 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:00pm-Kevin's Bible Study <i>"The Book of Revelation"</i>	<i>15</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>16</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm)	<i>17</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>18</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>19</i>
<i>20</i> DEACON ELECTION 8:00am-Youth Band 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 6:00pm NRBA Annual Mtg Skyview Baptist Ch 6:00pm-TruNorth <i>Operation Christmas Child Kickoff Sunday</i>	<i>21</i> 3:30pm-Soup Kitchen 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:00pm-Kevin's Bible Study <i>"The Book of Revelation"</i>	<i>22</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool 10:00am-Staff Meeting	<i>23</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm) 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids	<i>24</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>25</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>26</i>
<i>27</i> 8:00am-Youth Band 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 12:15pm-Quarterly Business Meeting 12:30pm-Welcome Lunch for Steve & Wendy 6:00pm-TruNorth	<i>28</i> 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:00pm-Kevin's Bible Study <i>"The Book of Revelation"</i>	<i>29</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool	<i>30</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm)	<i>31</i> 9-12 Weekday Preschool		



October 1

Ashlen Lawson

October 10

Ted Phillips

October 25

*Becky Adams
Clif Conley
Harvey Hennis*

October 2

Doris Spangler

October 12

*Jim Baxley
Charlotte Frye*

October 27

*Doris Bedwell
Erika Galvan*

October 5

Deyanira Gonzalez

October 15

John Patterson

October 28

*David Banks
Colene Larrowe*

October 6

*Margaret Ballard
Alexis Cecil*

October 19

Martha Dozier

October 29

*Deborah Alexander
Jeff Painter*

October 8

Pamela Bailey

October 20

Gladys Catron

October 9

Gerald Cox

October 21

Gwendolyn Seay

October 30

Jackie Wyatt