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JANUARY 2015

The First Word

*Glorifying God by developing fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ
motivated by a love for God and a love for others.*

Midweek Connection Begins ~ January 7

First Step Class ~ January 11

Uprising Weekend ~ January 16 - January 18





From Pastor Jeff

Seeking God for Revival and Spiritual Awakening

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.” (Jeremiah 29:11–13)

“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.” (Ephesians 3:20–21)

“Call to Me, and I will . . . show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.” (Jeremiah 33:3 NKJV)

As we begin 2015 together I want to invite you once again to join me in seeking God for a Spiritual Revival in our lives individually, in our families, in our church fellowship, in our community and our world. I am going to challenge us to begin the year seeking the face of God through a concentrated time of prayer and fasting. I will share more about this during the morning services on Sunday, January 4. There are several ways you can be involved:

1. Pick up a copy of the book, *Prayer for Revival* by Dr. Francois Carr and pray through this guide for at least the 21 days of prayer and fasting (January 11-31).
2. Fast from food for all or at least some of the 21 days of prayer and fasting through a partial or normal fast (more about these types of fasts during the message on January 4).
3. Reduce by half your intake of non-work related media for the 21 days of prayer and fasting and give that extra time to passionately seeking the face of God and aligning your will and every aspect of your life with God’s purposes and plans.
4. Join with others in times of prayer together in groups, seeking God together for a spiritual breakthrough as we begin the new year. **Save The Date: Sunday, February 8, we will come together for a special time of corporate prayer as a church family!**

Samuel L. Brengle wrote, “All great revivals have been preceded and carried out by persevering, prevailing knee-work in the closet.” If ever there was a time when we needed a revival, a spiritual breakthrough in our lives, our families, our churches and our nation, now is the time!

Is God calling you to be one of those who will begin the year seeking the face and the hand of God more passionately and purposefully than you ever have before? I look forward to seeing what God is going to do as His people follow the pattern of 2 Chronicles 7:14: *“if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”*



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

LIKE us on Facebook @firstbaptist.childrensministry



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First Step Class

FBC's new Christian class for kids & at least one parent

This one-time class is offered approximately every other month. It is designed for children ages 7 & up (who have already made a salvation decision) and is a prerequisite to baptism. Content includes discussion, teaching, Q & A on salvation and baptism.

Ideally BOTH, but at least one parent should attend with each child.

**Children are *not* automatically added to the class list
... it is the responsibility of the parent to sign up each child.**

Next Opportunity:

Sunday, January 11, 9:30 a.m.

Please call the church office (547-2051) or email Natalie (nsavader@fbcfm.com) by Thursday, January 8, to reserve a spot in the next class.
There needs to be a minimum of 3 children to have the class.

Mother's Morning Out

Fall registration for families not currently enrolled will begin on February 2. Details can be found on the web site or by calling Marsha at 803.547.2051.

Vacation Bible School 2015

June 7-11

*Journey Off The Map
Unknown to Us.
Known to Him.
Isaiah 30:21*



Midweek Connection: Options for Kids

Wednesday Evenings Starting January 7 ~ 6:15 p.m.

First Serve

First Serve is on the adult class list, but is also open to children if they are attending with at least one parent. This 12-week opportunity provides all FBCers hands-on ministry projects and experiences each Wednesday night. Folks must sign up by January 4, and the one-time suggested donation is \$10/family to off-set the cost of the projects.

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KidCare (Infant - Pre-K 4s)

Little ones who have parents attending a Wednesday night class will have great care on Wednesday nights. Based on staffing, they may have various projects, Bible stories, activities, music and crafts TBD based on sign-ups that end on January 4.

NOTE: Volunteers needed for these rooms!!

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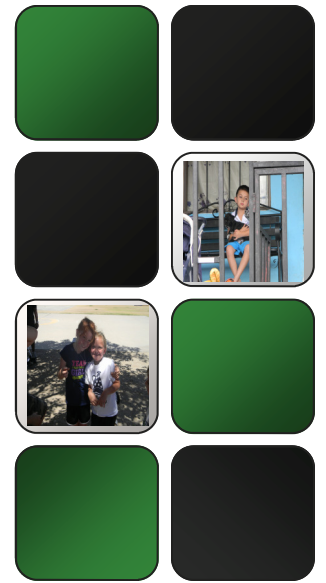
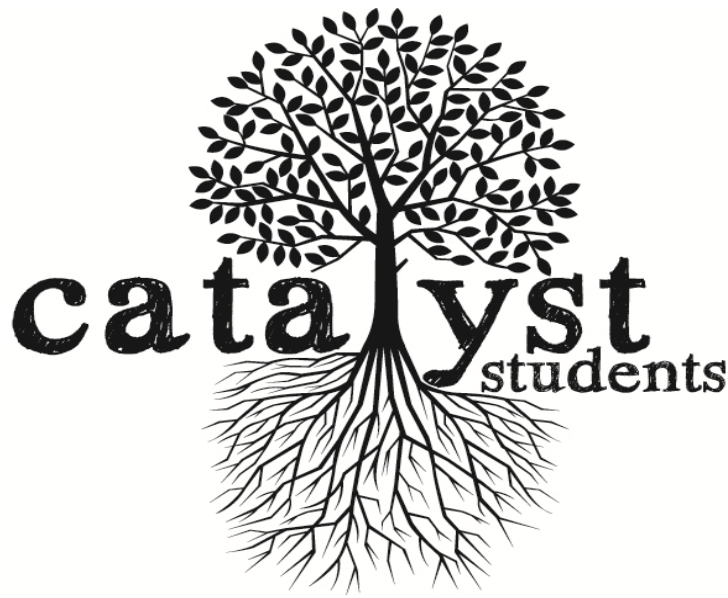
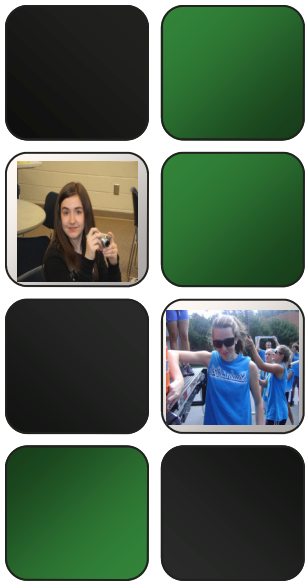
Zip for Kids (K-5th)

Elementary age children who do not attend *First Serve* with a parent but have a parent attending a Wednesday night class will be part of Zip for Kids!! During the sessions, kids will experience a large group worship and Bible study followed with special interest breakout sessions.

NOTE: Volunteers needed for several areas!!



Interested in serving in one of these areas? Email Neely (npotts@fbcfm.com)



UpRising Weekend Azimuth: Finding Direction For Your Life

UpRising weekend is January 16-18. John Lovell will speak again this year. The cost is \$65.00 for an individual student in a family and \$50.00 for multiple students in the same family. Remember, if your friends come and they are unchurched or they are not a believer there is no cost for them to attend. Sign-up is already underway in 180 or on the Student Ministry window. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is due at time of sign-up. Parents, if your student is arriving late or leaving on Saturday to attend another event a release form must be completed. The forms are available from Johnny or Kylie in 180, in the student ministry office or from Diane Dulin in the church office during the week.

11:00 Connect Group Leader

We are looking for a couple of Connect Group leaders for Sunday mornings. If interested in this opportunity contact Johnny or Kylie.

Sunday Night Live

We will resume Sunday Night Live and High School D-Groups January 25.

- 6:00 Snack Supper
- 6:20 High School D-Groups head to homes
- 6:30 Middle School Bible Study
- 7:30 Middle School finished
- 8:00 High School D-Groups finished

Student Rally

Wednesday, January 7, all students will attend a rally at Northside Baptist Church in Rock Hill. We will meet at the church at 6:00 p.m. and return at 8:30 p.m. There is no cost. Please do not arrive late or your student will miss the event.

6:17

6:17 will resume on Wednesday, January 14. There is a time of worship at 6:17 and then at 7:00 Middle School students head to their D-Groups and High School students head to the Catalyst Coffee Shop for coffee, fellowship and homework.





Adult Ministries

Experience It!

Upcoming Events in January

Jan 1 — Church Office closed

Jan 7 — Midweek Connection classes start

Jan 11 — 21 Days of Seeking God begins

Jan 16-18 — Uprising (Students)

Jan 19 — Church office closed (MLK Day)

Jan 31 — 21 Days of Seeking God ends

NEW New Ministries

Titus 2 Tuesdays (Ladies) - A new Ladies' event will meet the second Tuesday each month beginning in January for a time of fun and fellowship. (Fellowship Hall, 7-9 p.m.)

CAMO Class (Men) - Calling All Men Out class is a new class for men that will meet every Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. to discuss God's Word in a friendly environment. John Snincak is the class facilitator. Stay tuned for the launch date.



Sanctity of Life Sunday - January 18, 2015

The scripture teaches human life is sacred. The intrinsic value of human life comes from the creator of life, God. The fundamental right to life recognizes that we are created in the image of God and are called to defend, protect and value innocent human life.

"For you formed my inward parts; You knit me together in my mother's womb." Psalm 139:13

A Call to Action

1. Pray for God to intervene
2. Vote for pro-life candidates
3. Contact your government representatives
4. Support abortion alternatives
5. Be an example of purity



January 7 – March 25, 2015

- 1) When God's Spirit Moves / Study of the Holy Spirit (12 Weeks / Cost \$10) – *Shannon Ford*
- 2) Jeremiah 2 Precept Study – Ladies' Study (12 Weeks / Cost \$10) – *Trish Caruso & Jessica Davis*
- 3) Raising a Modern-Day Knight (7 Weeks / Cost \$6) – *Jeremy Keller*
- 4) Sacred Marriage (6 Weeks / Cost \$5) – *Chris & Jamie Bailey*
- 5) Financial Peace University (9 Weeks / Cost \$45 per couple) – *Larry Ashworth & Andy Jones*
- 6) Before Amen & The Circle Maker (12 Weeks / Cost \$8) – *Nancy Swicegood*
- 7) GriefShare (12 Weeks / Cost \$8) – *Bill Mayes*
- 8) First Serve (12 Weeks / Suggested donation \$10/family) – *Neely Potts*
- 9) Matthew 5-7 (Wednesday Morning Bible Study 10:00-11:30 a.m.) - *Lynn Sain*



Music ~ Celebrators ~ Media

Music News

Adult Worship Choir

- * Rehearsals are 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights and there are three ways to join: (1) 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. (sing on Sundays and all presentations); (2) 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. (sing only on Sundays); or 8:15 to 8:45 p.m. (sing at special presentations, such as Easter and Christmas). Contact Diane at the church office if you are interested in being part of the choir.

- * Celebrate Easter

February 6 and 7: Winter Choir Retreat to prepare for the Easter music. The retreat will be held at the church. If you are not part of the choir and are interested in singing in the Easter program, please contact Diane at the church office to find out more about being a "seasonal singer."

Schedule: Friday, February 6, 6:00 p.m. - 6:50 p.m. dinner; 7:00 p.m. - 8:55 p.m. rehearsal

Saturday, February 7, 9:30 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. rehearsal

At this retreat, you will learn at least 75% of the songs.

Childcare is available, 5th grade & under, upon request by contacting Diane Dulin at the church office.

Deadline to register for childcare is January 28 by 4:00 p.m.

- * March 29 - Palm Sunday

- * April 5 - Easter Sunday

CELEBRATORS' (Senior Adult) News

- * The Celebrator Choir meets on Mondays from 10:30 -11:30 a.m. in the Worship Center choir room. We would love for you to join us. We will resume on January 12. We sing at local senior adult facilities twice a month followed by a group lunch.
- * January 5: Senior Adult Choir Festival with Marty Parks in Spartanburg. Only cost is your meal. Contact Betty Jean Neal or Diane Dulin in the office if interested.
- * January 21: Luncheon, bring your favorite dish to share.

Upcoming Events:

- * February 18: Luncheon
- * February 23-24: Celebrator Choir trip to Myrtle Beach for the State Senior Adult Choir Festival. Cost is \$110.00/person. Balance is due January 4.

Media News

Audio & Media Needs

~ Training will be provided for those willing to serve in the areas of audio, ProPresenter and camera. Contact Tim Gale (tim@tmgale.com), Bryan Trotter (btrotter@fbcfm.com) or Diane Dulin (ddulin@fbcfm.com).



On Mission

by Andrew Limbaugh



Farewell Friends

December 31, 2014, will be the marker of two events in my life and in the history of FBCFM. First, I will complete seven years of serving here. My family and I felt God's call to come here after having served ten years with the International Mission Board among the Zulu of South Africa. I had no other plans than serving with the IMB, but God changed the plans I had and led us here. I do not suggest that I understand the reasons for this shift in ministry but we are assured that our time here has been God's plan for us.

Second, we are convinced that our ministry here at FBCFM is completed. God has made it very clear that it is time to take the next step on our ministry trail. Our last day is Wednesday, December 31. I somewhat feel like Abraham when God spoke to him and told him to go to the country which He would show him. We do not know what, when or where our next step will lead us. The only assurance we have is that He is leading.

I would not be true to my nature if I did not, for one last time, encourage you to continue using your spiritual giftedness, your talents and your resources to advance the Kingdom of God in Fort Mill. Because of your efforts we have many reasons to say "Yeah God," three major ones taking place in the past two years. You have given more to our Faith Commitment Offering, more of you have gone "on mission," and because of this more have been baptized than any time in previous years.

Because of your commitments we are also seeing a number of our young men and women committing their lives to vocational ministry. This is something that can only be explained by a movement of the Holy Spirit / that God is at work at FBCFM.

We would like to thank all of you who have supported us, encouraged us and loved on us during our time here. We will take many, many fond memories with us. We ask that you pray with us that we will be sensitive to the Holy Spirit and His leading. We are open to go where God would have us go and do whatever God would have us do. My only fear is that I may get in the way!

We believe God hears and answers the prayers of His children. We covet your prayers and we promise to pray for you as we go. We believe the best years for FBCFM could be ahead and we will pray that for you. Let me close with a word from *the Word*. Paul expressed his thanksgiving to the church at Philippi which expresses my sentiment toward you so well.

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." Philippians 1:3-6

May our Lord bless every effort you make.

WORSHIP ARTS

by Bryan Trotter

Corporate Worship Is Better Than (Treating It As If It Were) Your Quiet Time

By Ryan David Shelton
www.worshipleader.com

It's Sunday morning. You finally made it through the one lane of traffic not quarantined by the orange cones that descended overnight like locusts. You carefully maneuver the parking labyrinth as your child kicks the back of your car seat. By the time your small tribe disembarks the fun bus, you consider the hike to the lobby and wonder if you should ration food for the journey. You temporarily sign over your parental rights to the twitchy-eyed nursery staff and sneak a contraband coffee cup into the worship center. As you slide into to a back pew and let out a sigh, you think to yourself, *Finally, I'm ready for some God-and-me time!* Right? Wrong. Well, incomplete to say the least. Certainly, you *are* right to come expectant to encounter God in a special way on a Sunday morning. But there's an important difference between a collective quiet time and corporate worship.

The Joy of the Assembly

Jesus' Bible was divided into three sections: the Law, the Prophets, and the Writings. The Writings make up the final section, and depict the joy and blessings of living in covenant relationship with Yahweh. Interestingly, the references to "the assembly" of God's people escalate dramatically as we approach the end of the Hebrew canon. It's as if the Hebrew Bible flares out in celebration over the assembly as one of the chief gifts of covenant life. The overwhelming majority (over half!) of these references are in the ruthlessly optimistic final book, Chronicles. Chronicles depicts David as one who assembles all Israel (1 Chronicles 11:1; 13:2, 8) to worship Yahweh together. *"Then David said to all the assembly, 'Bless the LORD your God.'" And all the assembly blessed the LORD, the God of their fathers, and bowed their heads and paid homage to the LORD and to the king.*" (1 Chronicles 29:20)

It is a good and precious thing to commune with the Living God. But the Writings ring with the peal that it is even more joyful to share that experience together with your brothers and sisters.

The Wisdom of the Church

Chronicles launches the reader to anticipate one of the great realities of the New Testament — the creation of the Christian Church. The Messianic hope of Chronicles makes us look for a new anointed king who will assemble together the people of God. We are not surprised, then, when a new Son of David makes this climactic pronouncement: *"I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."* (Matthew 16:18) After all, that word "church," or *ekklesia*, is the same word that the Greek translation of the Old Testament uses for the "assembly" of Israel. Jesus fulfills the Messianic profile found in Chronicles by assembling a New Covenant people. And this assembly cannot be stopped by all of hell's fury: *"So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied."* (Acts 9:31) *"Through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places."* (Ephesians 3:10)

The assembly of the people of God was a marvelous thing, even a few times a year in Jerusalem during the Old Covenant. And now, in God's wisdom and grace, he manifests his spiritual presence in unique and special ways in the Church (see Matthew 18:17, 20; 1 Corinthians 3:16), the regular assembly of New Covenant people across the world. So when you make it to your pew on Sunday morning, you *are* encountering God. But in a remarkable way, you are doing so *with others*. Worshiping God shoulder-to-shoulder is one of the greatest joys of covenant relationship with God.

Honoring the Host

It might help to think of an analogy. If you host a dinner party and invite a few friends from different social circles, how disappointing would it be if your friends only chose to interact with you? One of the great joys of hosting is connecting people you love to one another.

When we treat corporate worship like it's our private meeting with God, we not only dishonor our great Host, but we rob ourselves of the joy of sharing our mutual love for the King who has invited us to His banquet. Only we gather not from different social circles, but from every tribe, tongue, people and family (Revelation 5:9). We honor the Host when we say with that famous Assembler King, *"As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight"* (Psalm 16:3).

Don't neglect the great gift of the covenant. We worship Jesus together.

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WARNING: Imminent Danger

The words stung sharply as soon as they came out of his mouth, “When no one has access to your heart, you become dangerous to yourself and others.” Andy Stanley continued with his sermon, but my mind and heart stayed right there. We are so prone to isolation, but that response is just like fighting your way out of quicksand. It’s a self-defeating response. It seems reflexive in the moment, but it actually does damage to us in the end. It’s like avoiding going to the dentist because you fear the pain you might experience, even if it is best for you.

What’s the opposite of this? What happens when someone does have access to our hearts? According to this phrase you would become helpful to yourself and others. It becomes life-giving for you and those around you. Is it hard? Yes! We don’t want people to know our junk. We don’t want people messing around in our lives, pointing out our inconsistencies. But is it good? Also yes! It’s exactly why God has designed the church body and exactly what He wants for your life. He wants us in each others lives, pushing each other towards Christ. So how will you give someone access to your heart? One way you could do this is by being this type of person in a Life Group. There is no better time than now to join a group. Be a part of GroupLink this month!

Group**LINK**

When: January 24, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Where: Beef O’ Brady’s in Baxter
How: Sign up online or in the lobby
www.fbcfm.com/life-groups

Want to learn more about Life Groups, the Host Team, or our Link Team?
Contact Matthew Cavin at:
mcavin@fbcfm.com

IN OUR FELLOWSHIP

Welcome New Member



Donald Morgan

The church office will be closed
Thursday, January 1, for New Year's Day
and Monday, January 19, for Martin Luther
King, Jr. Day.

In Sympathy

Our fellowship of faith extends the deepest love and sympathy to the following who have lost loved ones during the past month:

Carolyn Lape on the loss of her brother
Chad Byers on the loss of his grandfather
Richard VanBenschoten on the loss of his father
Michael Kidd on the loss of his grandmother
Teresa Ethington on the loss of her brother
The family of Charlie Emory
The family of Benny Wade
The family of Jim Bennett

Articles for the February *First Word* are due in
the church office by January 20.

January Top 5 Ministry Opportunities

1. 11:00 Catalyst Connect Group Leaders
2. Link Team Members
3. Volunteer Appreciation Month Team
4. First World Floaters
5. Pastor's Prayer Partners

More information about these positions is on the church's website and in the Worship Center lobby.



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Stephen Ministry

In addition to the cold weather outside, many people experience winters in their personal lives. A recent loss through death, divorce or relocation may leave them feeling lonely. A hospitalization, a cancer diagnosis or ongoing medical problems may leave them feeling isolated. The loss of a job, the fear of layoffs or a financial setback can devastate one's self-esteem. Family and personal struggles may leave them with nowhere to turn for support.

If you are going through a difficult time, our Stephen Ministers can bring God's warm love back into your life. They provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care. They will meet with you privately on a weekly basis to listen, to support and encourage you, to pray with and for you, and to walk with you for the duration of your crisis.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, talk with one of the Stephen Leaders listed below.

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Sam Treadaway, 803-802-3025

Ken Terry, 727-512-0920

Karen Morrow, 803-547-2051

Carolyn Lape, 704-989-0284

Tony Bishop, 803-548-4109

Hannah Bates, 704-644-9681

Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!

January Deacons

Sunday, January 4 ~ Paul Taggart & B. Jay Bogan

Sunday, January 11 ~ Dohn Davis & Alan Drake

Sunday, January 18 ~ Tom Neal & Pat Maness

Sunday, January 25 ~ Larry Hammond & Shawn Swicegood

Congratulations To:

Mike & Deborah Short on the birth of their granddaughter,
Penelope Evelyn, on November 23. Parents are Michael & Ami Short.

Alisha Adkins on the birth of her son, Jordan Tyler, on
November 26. Grandparents are Ken & Judi Adkins.

Faye McCraven on the birth of her great-grandson,
Sawyer Gabriel Dry, on December 9.

Bart & Pam Nicholson on the birth of their granddaughter,
Ruth Frances Nicholson, on December 17.
Parents are Brantley & Helen Nicholson.

Regular Sunday Schedule

8:15 a.m. ~ Blended Worship

9:30 & 11:00 a.m. ~ Contemporary Worship/ABF and Serving
Opportunities

6:00 p.m. ~ Catalyst Sunday Night Live

Regular Wednesday Schedule

5:15 p.m. - Midweek Connection Meal

6:15 p.m. - Midweek Connection Classes

6:17 p.m. - Catalyst Worship/Classes

7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir/Wind Ensemble Rehearsal

January 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>New Year's Day</i> <i>Church Office Closed</i> 8:00 AA	2 <div style="background-color: #4a7ebb; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;"> Passion Conference ~ 2-4 </div> 7:00 NA	3
4 4:00 Deacons' Meeting	5 6:00 Men's Prayer Group 3:30 Choir Festival	6 6:30 SM Training Classes 6:30 SM Supervision Groups 8:00 AA/Al-Anon	7 6:30 Prayer Meeting 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 Handbell Rehearsal 5:15 Midweek Meal 6:15 Midweek Classes 6:00 Student Ministry Rally	8 8:30 Prayer Meeting 8:00 AA	9 9:30 MOPS 7:00 NA	10 Ordination Service
11 9:30 First Step Class 11:00 Start Here	12 6:00 Men's Prayer Group 10:30 Celebrators' Choir 7:00 Ashebrook Villas HOA	13 9:30 Ladies' ESL Classes 6:30 SM Training Classes 7:00 First Ladies - Titus Two 8:00 AA/Al-Anon	14 6:30 Prayer Meeting 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 Handbell Rehearsal 5:15 Midweek Meal 6:00 GLOW to CAH 6:15 Midweek Classes 6:17 Catalyst Worship Classes	15 8:30 Prayer Meeting 10:00 Stitches Group 8:00 AA	16 <div style="background-color: #4a7ebb; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;"> Catalyst UpRising Weekend ~ 16-18 </div> 7:00 NA	17
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FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Through November 30, 2014

We are celebrating God's faithfulness through His stewards within the First Baptist Family! We are so thankful for the many folks who week by week honor God with the first fruits of all that God has entrusted to them. Your continued faithfulness is making an eternal difference! Here's a quick financial snapshot through November 30, 2014

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Budget	\$ 2,186,501.13	\$ 2,186,501.13
Budget Income	\$ 2,128,328.49	\$ 2,019,524.42
Budget Spending	\$ 2,104,361.92	\$ 2,030,424.05
Balance on Building Loan 11/30/2014	139,638.20	

You can monitor your year-to-date gifts by going to the church website and clicking on "member login."
Follow the instructions for creating a username/password if you don't have one.
Contact Karen in the church office if you need assistance.



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