## Pastor's Lines

Dear Church Family:

I want to share a few things that I have on my heart:

I was so excited to work with the Pumpkin Patch Team on Sunday getting ready for folks to come and enjoy some good ole fashioned First Baptist Church hospitality. Any time we can have people on our "holy ground", we have gained. Many people today have a skeptical view of the church and religion, and this event gives us an opportunity to overcome that concern and build relationships that can become Jesus relationships. Let's all give our best to continue to build a great relationship with the community. We will see the Kingdom of God advance.

I was thrilled to see such a great offering given to the Georgia Barnette State Missions Offering. The work of Missions in Louisiana is important and we have certainly done our part to assist in reaching people for Jesus in this great state.

I am still concerned about the pace of giving to the weekly budget through the offering on Sunday. I can simply say that we all need to follow the teaching of the Bible and practice giving the "First Fruits" (the first 10% of our income), to the Lord's work at the church. We will be going through the budget to see where we can trim as we continue to encourage members to give in support of the great ministry of the church.

I am extremely excited about the baptism activity at the church. We are excited to see so many people come to faith in Jesus Christ and follow through in believer's baptism. Jesus is bringing many new people to our church to be discipled. Let the waters stir!! I am glad to have Mrs. Jo and Roxanne home from India safe and sound. We will invite them to share of their trip soon.

Thanks for being a great church, Blessings, Br. jeff

# CHURCH IN ACTION CHURCH FINANCES

Monthly Budget Requirements: \$50,735.92 October 2014 Receipts to Date: \$17,099.99

## Church News



Adult Discipleship Training
1 Corinthians
October 12<sup>th</sup>
5:30 p.m. in FLC



Children's Church is cancelled for this Sunday.



The next WMU Meeting will be on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Family Life Center Dining Room.

Judy McFarlain will present the program and Jean Alcock and Carolyn Delahoussaye will provide the refreshments.



We have an opening in our nursery for an individual to work with our children (babies-age 3).

The nursery is open on Sunday morning and evening and on Wednesday evening.

Applications are available at the church office.



Finance Committee Meeting **today** at 5pm in the Family Life Center.

Business Meeting Wednesday, October  $15^{th}$  @ 6pm in the Sanctuary.

## Church News



- October 11th -Family Day 9am- 6:30pm
- October 13-17<sup>th</sup> Open 1:00 -6:30 daily to the public. 13<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, & 17<sup>th</sup> field trips from schools (9-12)
- October 18th Family Day (9 to 6:30)
- October 20<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> field trips from schools
   (9-12) and Public 1:00 6:30
- October 25<sup>th</sup> -Family Day (9 to 6:30)
- October 25th Blood Drive
- October 27<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> Field trips from schools
   (9-12) and Public 1:00 -6:30

## **Family Day Needs**

Sweets (brownies, cookies, etc.) are needed on Family Days.

Please wrap/zip lock items in small packages. These sweets will sell for one dollar.



## Operation Christmas Child November 17-24

"Every Shoebox offers an opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with a hurting child,"

Franklin Graham, President of Samaritan's Purse

Shoeboxes are available in the foyers of the church. Directions for packing are in each box.

Packed boxes may be brought to the church office and must be received by **Sunday**, **November 23**<sup>rd</sup>.

# Church News



## **FBCJ Youth Ministry Fall Schedule**

# **Sunday AM – Bible Study & Corporate Worship:**

We will start our Sunday off with Sunday School at 9:15 and from there move into the sanctuary to worship as a church at 10:30.

## **Sunday PM – Youth Worship & Fellowship:**

Sunday Evening is the perfect time to invite friends to youth ministry. We will meet from 5-7 pm with food, worship, fellowship, games and Bible study.

## **Wednesday PM – Small Groups:**

Our small groups, or Connect Groups, are moving to Wednesday nights. Youth Connect Groups will begin at 6:00 but feel free to come over early and hang out in the Refuge before we start.

## **Upcoming:**

Don't forget about Pumpkin Patch in Oct. and YEC in Nov.! (signup by Oct 26<sup>th</sup>)

## **MAD**

Minister Appreciation Day is rapidly approaching.

Not next Sunday, but the next (the 26<sup>th</sup>), the last
Sunday of the month. After the morning service we
will gather in the FLC for food and fellowship. Cook
something you like and try to come up with something nice to say.

Your Personnel Committee



### Sunday, October 12- Saturday, October 18

#### Sunday, October 12:

9:15 a.m. **Sunday School** 10:30 a.m. **Morning Worship** 

KING'S Kids CANCELLED 10:30 a.m. **Finance Committee Meeting** 5:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. **Evening Service** 

**Connect Groups** Children's Choir

5:30 p.m. **Adult Discipleship Training** Children's Discipleship Training 5:45 p.m.

#### Monday, October 13:

FLC Open Exercise/Walking 4:30 a.m. First Place 4 Health

6:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday, October 14:

FLC Open Exercise/Walk 4:30 a.m. WMU Meeting—FLC 6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, October 15:

**FLC Open Exercise/Walking** 4:30 a.m. Family Night Meal 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. RA's, GA's, Mission Friends

**Business Meeting** 6:00 p.m. **Choir Practice** 6:00 p.m.

#### Thursday, October 16:

FLC Open Exercise/Walking 4:30 a.m.

#### Friday, October 17:

4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

#### Saturday, October 18:



Nursery workers for extended session:

October 12: Carolyn Delahoussaye October 19: Kristian Fontenot October 26: Samantha Patterson



**Family Night Meal** Wednesday, October 15

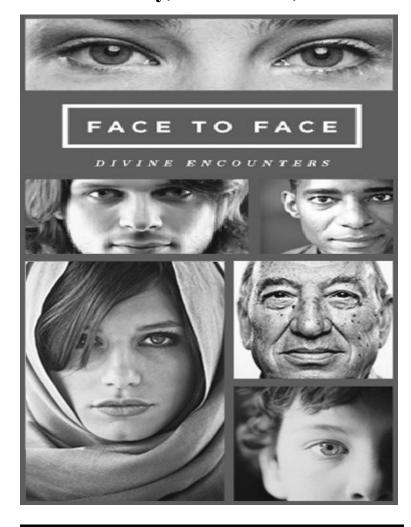
Lasagna Corn Garlic Bread Salad Dessert

**Dining In Meal** Adult Plate \$5.00 Child Plate \$3.00 Maximum per Family \$20.00 All to Go Plates \$6.00

Please call the church office if you have any changes or cancellations for your dinner reservation by Monday morning.



Sunday, October 12, 2014



Dr. jeff Cook

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# **Morning Worship**

### **Prelude**

"Forever"

"To God Be the Glory"

Welcome

**Baptism** 

**Fellowship** 

"Come, Thou Fount, Come, Thou King" Scripture Reading—Matthew 11:28-30 **Offertory** 

**Choir Special** "Come As You Are" **Solo - Jessica Fontenot** 

> "More of You Jesus" "To God Be the Glory"

Sermon John 9:1-28 "What Have You to Say About Him?

Invitation

"More of You Jesus"

**Closing Chorus** 

"To God Be the Glorv"

# **Evening Worship**

### **Prelude**

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

#### Welcome

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" "O Worship the King"

**Offertory** 

Sermon

**CONNECT: Small Bible Study Groups** 

# Sermon Notes

## **Encounter with a Blind Man** John 9:1-7

- The Story
- What We Learn

A. People Tend to Associate "		
-		" That Happen With
	Sin	

B. God Uses in our life to bring us to a place of **Intimacy with Him** 

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## sinners

- 1. "I Can See"
- 2. "Light of the World"
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  - 1. An Act of Faith
  - 2. "Light of the World"

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John 9:30-34 The man answered, "Now that is remarkable! You don't know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. 31 We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly man who does his will. 32 Nobody has ever heard of opening the eyes of a man born blind. 33 If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." 34 To this they replied, 'You were steeped in sin at birth; how dare you lecture us!" And they threw him out.

## IV. Conclusion

- A. What about your spiritual vision
- B. Do you have a testimony?

Do you need to "receive" a testimony today?