

# *The Visitor*

## *First Baptist Church of Smithfield*

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### Spring Block Small Groups

These are the small group opportunities for Spring 2019. To sign up or if you have any questions, you may contact the church office or the study facilitator(s). All small groups will begin Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Henry Wright and Steve Adkins will continue our large group study of the book of Romans in the Fellowship Hall also on January 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30p.

Please note: Grief Share will begin their small group meetings on Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6:15p.

#### **Anxious for Nothing (5 weeks. If there is enough interest we will offer a second session this block.)**

Do you feel weighted down with worry? Does the uncertainty and chaos of life keep you up at night? Are irrational fears your constant companion? *Could you use some calm?* In this five-session video Bible study, bestselling author Max Lucado explores God's treatment plan for anxiety found in Philippians 4:4-8. As you follow this prescription – celebrating God's goodness, asking for his help, leaving your concerns with him, and meditation on good things – you will experience God's peace. This is a peace that “transcends all understanding” and will help you reframe the way you look at your fears. While anxiety is a *part* of life, it doesn't have to *dominate* your life. With God as your helper and his promises at your side, you can sleep better tonight and smile more tomorrow. You can talk yourself off the ledge and view bad news through the lens of God's sovereignty. You can discover a life of calm and develop tools for combating the onslaught of anxiety. The *Anxious for Nothing Study Guide* includes video discussion questions, Bible exploration, and personal study and reflection materials for in-between sessions.

Sessions include:

1. Rejoice in the Lord Always
2. Let Your Gentleness Be Evident to All
3. Present Your Requests to God
4. The Peace of God Will Guard Your Heart
5. Meditate on These Things

Facilitators: Faye Downs, Hank Daniels, Class Size: 8-10 Cost: Study guides are \$10.65 Kindle is \$6.99

Time/Room: 6:30-7:30p/Parlor (1<sup>st</sup> Floor Sanctuary Building)

#### **A Grace-Filled Home (6 weeks)**

No matter what age and stage you and your child are in, no matter what your family dynamic is, the principles of grace can set your family free and unlock everyone's true potential. In this 6-part course, Tim Kimmel, Founder and Executive Director of Family Matters, talks about how to take the grace that we receive from Christ's death on the cross and bring it home into all of our relationships.

Facilitator: Laruen Barker, Lauren Alford, Class Size: Open Cost: None

Time/Room: 6:30-7:30p/Ministry Center Rm. 112

#### **Grief Share (13 Weeks)**

GriefShare is a program with direction and purpose. With GriefShare you will learn how to walk the journey of grief and be supported on the way. It is a place where hurting people find healing and hope.

Facilitators: Frank Knott, Bill Clark Class Size: Open Cost: \$15 per person

Time/Room: 6:15 – 7:45p/Ministry Center Conference Room

## FBC YOUTH INFORMATION

**Youth Parent Meeting** this Sunday, January 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Ministry Center.

**Youth Group** will meet Sunday, January 13, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. in the Ministry Center for Snack Supper followed by Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.

**Youth Week at Caswell** is June 24-29, 2019. The Cost is \$366 per person. A non-refundable deposit of \$183 is due February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Youth Fundraiser Breakfast**, Sunday, January 13, 2019 beginning at 8:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Menu: Eggs, Sausage, Grits, Orange Juice and Coffee. Cost is a donation to support our Summer Youth Missions.

**Youth Community Outreach** is Saturday, January 26, 2019. Watch the Visitor for more information.

**DNOW is March 8-10, 2019.** Theme is "RELENTLESS-How to Build a Faith That Won't Quit." Sign-ups are going on now.

## OUR KNOWN SICK

Brenda Heard (Wake Med), Betsy Byrd (Home), Betsy Knott (Home), Hilda Whitley (Smithfield Manor Rehab), Yates Dobson (Springbrook Rehab)

## COASTAL WOMEN'S RETREAT 2019

Come to the Table - Be Set Free....Don't miss the Coastal Women's Retreat at Caswell, February 22-24, 2019! The theme for this retreat comes from Ephesians 3:12, "In Him and through faith in Him we may approach God with freedom and confidence." Guest Speaker is Holly H. Myers with Cindy Johnson leading worship music. If you are interested, call or come by the church office to reserve your space for this retreat. Invite your family, friends and co-workers. Cost: \$170.00

## PRAYER CHAIN

Would you like to be on the prayer chain? It's easy to join. You can....

- Email Hank Daniels at [j95xit95@gmail.com](mailto:j95xit95@gmail.com)
- Or text **prayer chain** to 22828 (then add email address)

## NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Parker and Emily Lamm on the arrival of their infant daughter, Kennedy Rae Lamm. The proud grandparents are Travis and Barbara Lamm. Then proud great-grandfather is Carl Lamm.

## COMMUNITY KITCHEN UPDATE

The Community Kitchen continues to look for a volunteer to pick up food on Thursdays from Outback (2:30 – 3:30). Unfortunately our temporary volunteer will not be available after this week. Therefore, we are forced to discontinue Thursday pick-ups. Regretfully, Anesha Johnson

## Children and Families:

### Rooted in God's Word, Growing in Faith Living for Jesus

**"Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together....but encouraging one another..." Hebrews 10:23-25a**

**Shoobox Destinations: The Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes that were packed by our children in Sunday School have arrived at their destinations. One group of boxes was delivered to children in the Dominican Republic and another group went to children in Peru. Please pray that the children who received our boxes will be blessed by the contents and led to experience faith in Jesus.**

**Thank you from In His Hands Pregnancy Support Center**  
Dear Friends at First Baptist Church, Thank you for all the baby gifts donated from your Happy Birthday Jesus Party! The clients, babies, staff and volunteers of In His Hands Pregnancy Support Center appreciate your support. We love how you love Jesus! Serving for Life, Ann, Lynn, Terry and our Volunteers and Board

**Mission Friends, ages 3-Kindergarten and Children in Action, grades 1-5 meet on Wednesday nights @ 6:30.** These groups are back in action for the Spring beginning Wednesday January 9<sup>th</sup>. They are having a wonderful time learning about missions, praying for missions, giving to missions and doing missions. It is a great program and will continue through the school year. We will even plan Mission Expeditions next summer!! So come and see what these groups are doing!! It's one of the best ways to help your child grow in faith and live the way Jesus did.

## "In The Wild...Amazing Encounters with JESUS"

Vacation Bible School 2019 will be the week of June 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. Mark your calendars! The Theme verse is: "But these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." John 20:31

**Pray for the spiritual and physical preparation of this year's VBS week. Pray for how YOU might be involved!**

Other plans are also in the works for the upcoming year so **STAY TUNED!**

**Birthdays are a BIG DEAL to children!! Please make sure that I have your child's birthday on my calendar!! You can text the name and birthday to 919-497-2104 or leave a voice message at 919-934-9927 Thank you!**

**Amy Galloway, Children & Family Ministries Coordinator**

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER MEETING

Faith and Community are important and these are two fundamental supports for effective Sunday School ministry. We'll be meeting to discuss these two topics on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. Meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Ministry Center Lobby.

Dear Church Family,  
 We would like to thank you for all of your love and support these past few months. We have been so excited to see God working in our lives in bringing us here to First Baptist, and are humbled by how much you have made us feel at home here. Because of how God has been working in our lives, we felt it was time for us to move forward – this was due largely to your support and encouragement. With our schedules being the way they are, it worked best for us to get married sooner rather than later. We had a small wedding ceremony on December 23<sup>rd</sup> with our immediate families and a few other witnesses. That being said, we want to invite you all to a wedding reception on February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall here at First Baptist Church, and we would love to see you there!  
 Love, Braxton and Mallory Kubasko.

**2018 BUDGET INFORMATION**

**General Fund**

Budget needs per week:	\$17,832.79
Received as of 12/23/18	\$24,510.00
Budget needs Year to Date	\$894,172.29
Received Year to Date	\$823,561.10

**Building Fund**

Needs per week	\$2,922.75
Received 12/23/18	\$3,426.00
Needs Year to Date	\$140,292.00
Received Year to Date	\$136,581.91

**2018 BUDGET INFORMATION**

**General Fund**

Budget needs per week:	\$17,832.79
Received as of 12/30/18	\$42,509.64
Budget needs Year to Date	\$911,705.08
Received Year to Date	\$866,070.74

**Building Fund**

Needs per week	\$2,922.75
Received 12/30/18	\$9,505.00
Needs Year to Date	\$140,292.00
Received Year to Date	\$146,086.91

**Lottie Moon**

Received to Date	\$5,343.00
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**CBF Global Missions**

Received To Date	\$1,672.08
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**FROM THE PULPIT**

January 6 Sermon by Lee Colbert  
 “A Time to Choose!”  
 Joshua 24:14-18

January 13 Sermon by Lee Colbert  
 “The Banquet!”  
 Matthew 22:1-14

**WEEKLY SERVICES & OPPORTUNITIES**

**Sunday**

8:45 A.M. Early Worship, Fellowship Hall  
 9:45 A.M. Sunday School Classes for all ages  
 10:00 A.M. Radio Bible Class, taught by June Ward, broadcast over 1090 AM & 105.5 FM  
 10:55 A.M. Morning Worship, broadcast over 1090 AM & 105.5 FM  
 11:00 A.M. Hispanic Worship Service  
 5:00 P.M. Youth Choir, Music Room  
 6:00 P.M. FBC Youth Activities, Ministry Center  
 6:30 P.M. Praise Ringers Handbells, Alatheia Room

**Monday**

10:00 A.M. Clothes Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon  
 10:00 A.M. Household Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon  
 10:00 A.M. Adult Respite Care, Ministry Center, end at 2:00

**Wednesday**

10:00 A.M. Wednesday Morning Bible Study, Ministry Center  
 5:30 P.M. Family Night Supper  
 6:00 P.M. Children’s Choirs, Ages 4, Kindergarten: Preschool V; Grades 1-5, Adult II  
 6:15 P.M. GriefShare, Ministry Center (1/9)  
 6:30 P.M. First Baptist Bells, Alatheia Room (1/16)  
 6:30 P.M. Small Groups for Adults (1/16)  
 6:30 P.M. Church at Work Meeting, Fellowship Hall (1/9)  
 6:30 P.M. Mission Friends for ages 3 – Kindergarten  
 6:30 P.M. Mission Expedition for Grades 1-5  
 6:30 P.M. Youth Activities  
 7:30 P.M. Sanctuary Choir Practice, Music Room

**Thursday**

10:00 A.M. Clothes Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon  
 10:00 A.M. Household Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon  
 10:00 A.M. Adult Respite Care, Ministry Center, end at 2:00



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