

Our mission is to lead people to faith and growth in Christ

The Network



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Paris Biblical Counseling AND EDUCATION CENTER

Biblical Counseling Foundations Classes

Friday, January 19 & Saturday, January 20

Friday, January 19

5:30-9:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 20

9 a.m.-3 p.m.

**For more information concerning these opportunities, please see Bro. Ken or visit the biblical counseling page on our website at www.fbcparis.org.*

FROM THE PASTOR'S

DESK



We had a great start to the new year on our first Sunday of 2024! I am so thankful many of you started the new year attending Sunday School and worship on Sunday morning and participating in our discipleship groups (D groups) on Sunday evening. The spiritual disciplines of Bible reading, Bible study, prayer and worship are vital to our spiritual health and growth. If you were unable to be with us last week, then plan now to begin this week. It is never too late to start!

As I mentioned last week, much of our focus in January will be upon preparation for our upcoming Life Action Revival February 4-14. Investing time in prayer and preparation for the days of revival is crucial to experiencing what God wants to do in our church. On Sunday mornings, I will be sharing messages calling us to consider our relationships with God, confessing our sins to God and committing our ways to God. On Wednesday evenings, we will continue our consideration of the prayer life of Jesus. I encourage you to invest extra time praying and preparing your heart for our time together next month. We still need host homes and loaner vehicles for our Life Action team. If you would like more information, please contact the church office for details.

This Sunday, I will be sharing a message from Psalm 139 titled, "Considering Our Relationships with God." I hope to see you then!

In Christ,
Bro. Trent



DISCOVER FBC

Discover FBC Class & Luncheon

Our next Discover FBC class will be held on **Sunday, January 21**. This class is for guests who have been attending our church, or for anyone interested in knowing more about our church and how to become a member of our church. This class is also for new members who have not completed our membership class. During the class, adults and students will have an opportunity to become better acquainted with the church staff, receive an overview of church beliefs, missions and ministries, and participate in a question-and-answer time.

The class will be presented in two sessions on the same day. Session 1 will take place in Orr Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour, beginning at 9 a.m. Session 2 will take place during a luncheon immediately following the morning worship service. **A separate class will be offered for children who have recently made professions of faith. That class will be led by Ms. Angela.**

If you are interested in attending, **please call the church office to register.** Childcare is provided during Sunday School and is available during Session 2 upon request.



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**Submission deadline for
the next issue is
Monday, January 15, 2024**

Life Action

Life Action Revival

February 4-14



During the months of January and February, our pastor, Bro. Trent, has asked each of us to specifically pray for God to lead us individually and collectively to a greater understanding of Him. He also wants to lead us to an understanding of His "now" plan for each of us, and to an understanding of His "now" plan for our church.

We seek His wisdom and strength to continue to serve as He leads us, and to serve as He opens to us new areas where He is at work here and around the world.

FBC Prayer Helps for Our Church Family

The First Baptist Church Prayer Room/Chapel is a place of quiet and peace. It is away from noise and distractions, and full of prayer helps and prayer needs for us to pray on a personal, church, city, county, state, national and world level.

This area of our church, built and dedicated to prayer since 1992, is available for personal, family or group prayer, as needed.

With our emphasis on prayer this month and next – and truly always – this prayer resource chapel is a place to pray specifically as God is working in your life and in His world.

God calls us to come to Him. He calls us to listen to His word and share our thoughts with Him. He waits for us.

The Prayer Room is located on the street level of the sanctuary building, next door to the Henry County Young Adults 2 classroom. You can access it by entering the glass double doors near the back of the building on Poplar St. Please come to Him and pray as He leads you to His honor and glory.

FBC Prayer Ministry



In the event of inclement weather, the decision to cancel or adjust any scheduled or special service of FBC Paris will be made as early as possible. Information pertaining to the cancellation or adjustment of Sunday morning services will be announced on local radio stations and published on the church's website and Facebook page. A decision to cancel or adjust the schedule for Sunday evenings will be announced at the conclusion of Sunday morning worship services. For Wednesday evening activities, if the Paris Special School District does not have classes on Wednesday, all evening activities at the church will be canceled. In the event of impending weather when school is in session, the decision to cancel services will be made by noon and announced in the same manner as above.

This Week At First Baptist

SUNDAY, January 14

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 9:00 Sunday School
- 10:15 Morning Worship
(Childcare Birth-3)
- 5:00 Deacons Meeting
- 6:00 Adult & Student D Groups;
Children's Discipleship

MONDAY, January 15

- 11:00 LLL Meeting-Orr Hall

WEDNESDAY, January 17

- 5:00 Family Night Meal
- 5:45 Adult Bible Study;
Children's Choirs;
Youth-The LOFT
- 7:00 Adult Choir Practice

FRIDAY, January 19

Church League Volleyball **January 19 & January 20**

Biblical Counseling **Foundations Class** **January 18-20**

Student Ministry Conclave **at Chattanooga, Tenn.**

SUNDAY, January 21

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 9:00 Sunday School;
Discover FBC (Orr Hall)
- 10:15 Morning Worship
(Childcare Birth-3)
- 11:30 Discover FBC Luncheon
- 5:00 Quarterly Business Meeting
- 6:00 Adult & Student D Groups;
Children's Discipleship

WEDNESDAY, January 24

- 5:00 Family Night Meal
- 5:45 Adult Bible Study;
Children's Choirs;
Youth-The LOFT
- 7:00 Adult Choir Practice

THURSDAY, January 25

- 6:30 Guatemala Mission Trip
Meeting (June 25-July 2)
at WDBA Office

FRIDAY, January 26

Church League Volleyball

JANUARY LLL MEETING

Monday, January 15
11 a.m. • Orr Hall

Program: Mark Johnson

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313 N Poplar Street
Paris, Tennessee 38242
*One Block North
of the Court Square*

Sunday School

9 a.m.

Morning Worship

10:15 a.m.



Sunday, January 14

Sermon:

*"Considering Our
Relationships with God"*

Psalms 139:1-24

Dr. Trent Bullock

GIFTS RECEIVED

Glenda McNutt, OCC workers in memory of **Fannie Brown**; Juanita Sparks in memory of **Jack Sparks Sr. on his birthday**; Janie Bomar, Mike & Judie Garner, Bob & Nancy Irby, Bettye Paschall in memory of **Charles Breeding**; Mike & Judie Garner, Bob & Nancy Irby in memory of **Joe Ed Speight**; Betty Paschall in memory of **Kenny Paschall**; Glenda McNutt honoring **Jack & Pam Sparks, George & Rita Wofford**.

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FINANCIAL REPORTS

January 7, 2024

Worship Attendance 332
Sunday School Attendance .. 318
Budget Required \$27,404.62
Budget Received \$15,977.35
Other Designated \$1,490.00
Total \$17,467.35

Deacons Meeting



Sunday, January 14
5 p.m. • Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

January 17

Chicken Enchiladas
Refried Beans
Spanish Rice
Chips/Salsa
Dessert

Alternate Menu

Hot Dogs/Chips/Dessert

Lottie Moon Offering Update

FBC Goal: \$60,000

Final Total: \$83,566.71

Church Volunteers for January 14

Bus Ministry

Driver

Lance Smith

Children's Ministry

Babies

Lisa Todd

1-year-olds

Karen Dukes

2 & 3-year-olds

Lindsay Craig, Caitlin Jelks

Media Ministry

Sound

Will Jelks

Pro Presenter

Dan Redden

Media Room

Kevin Nanney

Philip Todd

Evan Twilbeck

Security/Usher Ministry

Security

Stan Dunagan

Bryan Irby

Bob Moultrie

Bo Sinclair

John Spencer

Ushers

Cody Craig

Ryan Hamlin

Bill Jelks

John Linsman

Randy Mathis

Doug Neeley

Tom Pillow

Mike Williams

FBC 2024

Bible Reading Plan

Week 2 (January 8-12)

Day 1 - Matthew 3; Psalms 6; Proverbs 6

Day 2 - Mark 1; Psalms 7; Proverbs 7

Day 3 - Luke 3; Psalms 8; Proverbs 8

Day 4 - Matthew 4; Psalms 9; Proverbs 9

Day 5 - Luke 4; Psalms 10; Proverbs 10

Week 3 (January 15-19)

Day 1 - Luke 5; Psalms 11; Proverbs 11

Day 2 - John 2; Psalms 12; Proverbs 12

Day 3 - John 3; Psalms 13; Proverbs 13

Day 4 - John 4; Psalms 14; Proverbs 14

Day 5 - Matt. 8; Psalms 15; Proverbs 15