

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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When We Meet:

Sundays

9:15a Sunday School
10:30a Worship

Wednesdays

6:00p Prayer Meeting
AWANA
Youth Study

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MISSION

STATEMENT

To make disciples of
all people by sharing
the Good News of
Jesus, starting in
Ferriday.

The VOICE

MARCH 2021

FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear FBC Ferriday Family and Friends,

It is hard to believe that it has now been a year since you called us to come and serve as the Interim Pastor. And what a year it has been. No one could have foreseen the unprecedented events that unfolded in our world, our nation and even our own church family. But even in the midst of this pandemic, hurricanes, a contentious election year, a blizzard and the loss of loved ones near and dear to our hearts, the Lord has been faithful and so have you!

I can honestly say that I have never "Pastored" such a loving and caring church family. You have been such a constant source of love and encouragement to not only me personally but my entire family as well. Thank you for loving on us and especially my boys. They loved coming to "Daddy's Church".

There are so many to say thank you to and in doing so I know that I would unintentionally leave someone out. But just know that you will all be missed and thought of often.

I pray and (I know) that you will continue to show the same love and support to Brother Kevin and his family that you showed to mine.

I leave you with one final challenge. It is from the words of the Apostle Paul in Colossians 3:16-17. *"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.*

And whatsoever you do whether in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him."

That is our prayer for you! Continue to do ALL things for God's Glory and for His Kingdom!

With Much Love,

Thomas, Kara, Quinten & James Worsham

FROM OUR YOUTH PASTOR

Greetings to all of you as we made it to March after the frozen tundra week. Wow! We have had some really crazy things happen in the last year, but God is always Sovereign, in control, has His plans and we need to be in prayer and in His Word to follow Him in whatever He asks us to be faithful to do.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous. – Psalm 19:9 (NIV)

Has reading the Bible ever seemed maybe not as relevant to you or just overwhelming to you? If you say yes, you're not alone. It can seem like a huge task to spend time reading your Bible. Especially when social media is way more interesting. Yet the 'enemy' is always working to distract us from anything God and uses these worldly distractions to keep us from reading and studying His Word. God's word **is important**. The Bible tells us that all of the decrees of the Lord are firm and righteous. That means that God's word should be important to us. It's in God's word we find meaning for life when life seems hopeless. The Bible shows us **our worth** and gives us meaning for life. All the things we see around us come back to the Bible. The Bible makes sense of the world around us. So today, take some time to spend in the Bible. Whether it's listening to it being read to you on your phone or reading the paper version, make time for it. Let it speak to you and bring truth into your life. We need to be listening to God more than ever before.

Our youth and children's ministry are picking up so we invite you to keep coming and being a part as we will be move into Spring Season on March 20.

Upcoming Youth Ministry Opportunities:

Wednesday, March 10th: Deadline to pay the \$60 deposit, if did not pay last year, for our upcoming Youth Summer Trip: Student Life 2021 at Shocco Springs in Talladega, AL. Cost of Summer Trip is \$359 and is for all completed grades 6th – graduates by this May

Sunday, March 21st – Youth Breakfast Sunday School (9:15 a.m.) Bring a little breakfast and a friend to study God's Word together.

Sunday, March 28th: First full Sunday for new pastor to be here
5:30 p.m. Youth/Parent March Madness Event: Food, Fellowship and Faith-Based Movie – Will watch a recent one that has to do with Easter Week.

Friday, April 2nd – FBC Ferriday, Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 4th – EASTER SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Sunday Night, April 18th – Youth/ Parent Gym Event: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 25th – Youth Jambalaya Fund Raiser: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Coming in May: Sr. Graduate Recognition (Sunday, May 16)
Youth Summer Trip: (May 27-31) Shocco Springs, Talladega, AL

Because of Jesus, Bro. Dan

FROM OUR MUSIC MINISTER

IS GOD GOOD OR WHAT?

None of us knows very much about God. He is bigger than our comprehension, more powerful than our imagination, and more loving than our deepest perception. We spend our entire life learning of Him and never scratch the surface in understanding who He really is. When Moses asked Him who he should tell the Israelites who has sent him, he said to tell them I AM sent you. Is I AM even a name? You better believe it is. It encompasses more than we will ever understand. Who's gonna lead us, they said. I AM. Who's going to convince Pharaoh to let us leave? I AM. Who will provide for us? I AM. Who will protect us? I AM. AND HE DID...AND HE HAS...AND HE WILL. Every day, all day, without fail. He is I AM to us, as well as them.

We lose sight of that sometimes. We take our eyes off Him and struggle but He is ever faithful. I'm seeing a vision in my spirit right now that convicts me. When we are with a small child and we tell them to do something and they do something else, we are more likely to snicker at the result and gently put them back on task. We do NOT generally do that with adults who we know should understand the instruction. When God tasks us to do or go and we ignore or deliberately do something else, which do you think He will do? Aren't you glad He sees us as his "children" and is patient with us and gentle until our defiance begs for a different response.

These things I know about God. Other things I am learning. I know He loves me. I know He made me, therefore He has ownership of my original patent. I know He is my provider (Jehova Jirah). I shall not want. I know He is NEVER late but always right on time. I like to get my stuff early vs waiting, which generally gets me in trouble. I know that He wants YOU to know He Loves You and that He wants You to accept His gift of Salvation paid for by Jesus' death on the cross so that YOU will be with HIM for eternity. Your past was yesterday. You cannot do it over. Your future begins this very second. If you Believe in Jesus, if you believe He is who He says He is (the son of God), and confess with your mouth that God DID raise Him from the dead and He is alive and with God this very minute, YOU can ask Jesus to forgive your for everything behind you and save your soul (adopt you into His family). He gave His word that He would. Don't wait until Sunday... It may never get here. Ask Him NOW. You can tell us about it Sunday...if you can wait that long. Come join us as we learn of God.

Love you folks.

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DEACONS FOR MARCH

Mar. 14	Bill Beasley 601-807-5237 or 318-757-7307 Robbie Hargis 318-719-5881
Mar. 21	Nobby Walters 501-250-6419 or 501-270-0454 Dennis LaRavia 985-750-5205 or 318-757-4902
Mar. 28	Joe Webber 601-334-1492 or 318-757-4855 Mark Welch 318-452-7999

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DUTY SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

	MONEY COUNTER	BUILDING PATROL
Mar 14	Randy Maxwell	Dennis LaRavia
Mar 21	Bill Beasley	Robbie Hargis
Mar 28	Nobby Walters	Billy Freemasn

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP SERVICE NURSERY

March 14	Amber Jones	Debra Moak, Linda Wilson, Roselinda Maxwell
March 21	Amber Jones	Jamie Hargis & Emily Merrill
March 28	Sarah Tyler	Sharon LaRavia, Susan Price, Linda Wiley

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Mar 1	Jessica Bonnette	Mar 16	Linda Wiley
Mar 2	Sonny Jones	Mar 18	Josh Foster
Mar 3	Kayd Aswell	Mar 21	Alli Jackson
Mar 6	Joy Irvin		Zachary Emfinger
	Madison Bagbey	Mar 24	Madison Knight
Mar 7	Sylvia Johns	Mar.25	Mary Catherine
Mar 8	Peggy Wooten		Blaylock
Mar 9	Emmy Foster	Mar 26	Billy Freeman
Mar 10	Amber Jones		Mickie Harvey
Mar 11	Eric Wike	Mar 27	Gloria Martello
	Hailee Bonnette	Mar 28	Debbie Wilkinson
Mar 13	Peggy Wood	Mar 30	Sarah Anne Merrill
Mar 16	Dallas Batey		