

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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When We Meet:

Sundays

9:15a Sunday School
10:30a Worship

Wednesdays

5:30p Fellowship Meal
Prayer Meeting
AWANA
Youth Study

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exists to
glorify GOD
in all things.

The VOICE

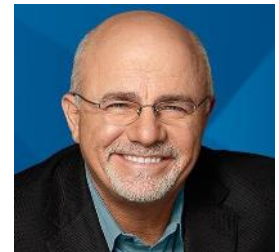
Happy New Year!

JANUARY 2018

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will be offered at Ferriday FBC starting on Sunday, January 21-March 18 (9 weeks) at 5:-6:30pm in Adult 5 SS class room.

For more information and to register online go to the following link: <http://www.fpu.com/1045295>

First time membership package is \$109.00 online (includes shipping) to your house. The church has purchased six (6) kits at a reduced rate of \$77.50. These will be available to the first that pay through the coordinators (Bill or Gloria Beasley) but will still need to register for the class online. Checks made out to FBC.



Child care will be provided.

A preview class will be held on January 7 at 5:00pm in Adult 5 SS class room. We will be watching Dave Ramsey on a short DVD, discussing the class and answering any questions. **Everyone is invited to this preview class.**



Meeting Thursday, January 11 - 11am

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Jenneth Book
Haley Bagbey
Noah White
James & Anita Huff
Eli Merrill

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Church goal \$3500
WE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL!

*Is not the festive season
the most appropriate time
to send forth the good tidings
of great joy into all the earth?*

LOTTIE MOON



From Our Pastor

Dear Church Family,

What a wonderful time we have had together this Christmas Season! Our worship times were Spirit-filled and joyful over the birth of God's Salvation. Thank you for all your cards, gifts, and encouraging words sent my way. It is a blessing to serve Jesus with you, and you are a church who truly knows how to bless your Pastor. I pray that your loving and giving Spirit so evident this Christmas would continue throughout the year, as you continue to serve Christ faithfully.

Are you up for a challenge? I've just recently decided to continue my Seminary education in pursuance of a Doctor of Ministry degree. I'm facing one of the biggest challenges of my life, but I know that God has called me for the sake of the Gospel message. We are constantly challenged by the words of Scripture to move onward and upward for the cause of Christ. Jesus' words in Matthew 28:18-20 are most compelling: ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

If you've been a Christian for very long, you've, no doubt, heard these words many times. Our AWANA kids memorize and repeat this passage as part of their curriculum. However, *knowing* and *doing* what Jesus said are two different matters entirely. Perhaps why many of us don't fulfill the upward call of Jesus upon our lives is that we are simply not up for the challenge. No one runs a marathon without training rigorously beforehand, and no one climbs a mountain or hikes the Appalachian Trail without months of preparation and practice. Neither can a Christian expect to win his world for Christ without developing his witnessing abilities daily. How do we do that?

Train yourself in the Gospel. Know why we need to be saved, how we are saved, and who needs to be saved.

Jesus said He came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10). You can't lead someone to be saved, if you can't show them what it means to be lost, and you can't show a lost person how to be saved, if you don't know the Word.

Look for Gospel opportunities every single day. God will never use you to lead the multitudes to faith, if you are unwilling to have a Gospel-centered conversation around a cup of coffee with a coworker. Jesus gave us concentric circles representing our mission field that began with those closest to us and expanded to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8). When you rub shoulders with other people wherever they are, let the Gospel rub off on them.

Hear the heartbeat of the Gospel. No one expends their life's energy and effort for a cause they don't really believe. Perhaps your passion for the Gospel is lacking, because you simply haven't seen people the way God sees them. The next time you meet someone, look them in the eye and ask God to show you what He sees. His hands and feet were pierced for the Salvation of their soul. Get a view of humanity (including your own life) from God's perspective, and you will become the most passionate soul winner for Jesus you can be.

There still might be something screaming inside of you saying, "Not me!!! I can't do that!" If that's true today, this article is for you. God is calling YOU out of your comfort zone for His glory! Don't waste a moment of 2018 on the sidelines!

Bro. Josh

Upcoming Opportunities

- Mon. Jan. 1 - Happy New Year! Office reopens January 2
- Wed. Jan. 3 - 5:30pm Fellowship Meal (TJ Batey class in charge) menu: spaghetti
- Sun. Jan 7 - 8am Men's Prayer Breakfast; 5pm Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University preview class
- Wed. Jan. 10 - 5:30pm Fellowship Meal (Dallas Batey class in charge) menu: fried chicken
- Thurs. Jan. 11 - 11am WMU
- Wed. Jan. 17 - 5:30pm Fellowship Meal (Colvin class in charge) menu: hamburgers
- Sun. Jan. 21 - 4pm Deacon's Meeting; 5:00pm Financial Peace University; 5:30pm Planning Team Meeting
- Mon.-Tues. Jan. 22-23 - E Con First Baptist Church Pineville, LA
- Wed. Jan 24 - 5:30pm Fellowship Meal (Odenwald/Monday School class in charge) menu: fried chicken - Business Meeting after prayer meeting
- Sun. Jan. 28 - 5pm Financial Peace University
- Wed. Jan. 31 - 5:30pm Fellowship Meal (Colvin class in charge) menu: TBA

From Our Music Minister

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For the month of January, the WMU is collecting socks for nursing home residents. Collection baskets in the church foyer and Colvin's SS class.

Who is Doing What in January

	JANUARY 7	JANUARY 14	JANUARY 21	JANUARY 28
Money Counter	Sonny Jones	Randy Maxwell	Bill Beasley	Nobby Walters
Building Patrol	Nobby Walters	Dallas Batey	Joe Webber	Homer Rodriguez
Benediction	Joe Odenwald	Wayne Roberts	Dallas Batey	Butch Hosea
Offertory Prayer	Randy Maxwell	Bill Beasley	Mark Welch	Dallas Batey
SS Nursery	Susan Price	Catherine Dodd	Gloria Beasley	Kathy Finley
Worship Nursery	Diane Sass Sylvia Johns Mary C. Blaylock	Jamie Hargis Hazel Goodwin Janice Rogers	Peggy Crow Debra Moak Linda Wilson	Sarah Tyler Roselinda Maxwell Dina Haines
Children's Church	Jordan Morea Allison Morea	Susan Grayson Stacey Burnham	Mika White Erin Jackson	Ann Burley Angela Jackson

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From Our Student Minister

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January 22-23 at First Baptist Church - Pineville

January Birthdays

Jan. 1 - Mary Ellen Gremillion	Jan. 17 - Haley Bagbey, Jackson Crace
Jan. 4 - Angel Bagbey	Jan. 18 - Amy Crace
Jan. 5 - Dorothy Eames	Jan. 23 - Taylor Morea
Jan. 6 - Glenn Goodwin	Jan. 24 - Josh Beckman
Jan. 9 - Brant Barnett	Jan. 25 - Jamie Merrill
Jan. 10 - Jeannie Huang, Lola Jordan	Jan. 27 - Freda Williams, Sandra McGlothlin
Jan. 12 - Kimmie Wike	Jan. 31 - Logan Bamburg
Jan. 14 - Chris Bamburg	

First Baptist Church exists to glorify God in all things. We purpose to...

- Love God with our whole hearts in worship
- Make disciples of all nations beginning in Ferriday
- Preserve the unity of the body of Christ in fellowship
- Demonstrate our love for our neighbors through serving them in Jesus' name