Week of Prayer for Home Missions
March 1st-8th

2015 IRON Sharpens IRON
Men’s Conference
March 21, 2015
One-day conference
8:30am-4:55pm

March Breakfast
Sunday, Mar 1st, 9am

Deacon Meeting - Tuesday, Mar 3rd
6:00pm

Meet Me at the Cross

March Sermon Series
How are you coming on the “Make It 15!” challenge? I want to encourage you to not give up reading the Bible and praying for 15 minutes a day. This month I want to encourage you to read a chapter a day from one of the Gospels—Matthew, Mark, Luke or John. Each of these four books at the beginning of the New Testament gives an account of the life of Christ. They all end with the powerful story of Christ’s death on the cross and His resurrection from the dead. Reading from one or more of these books this month will make your celebration of Easter even more meaningful as you retrace the steps of our Savior and see His great love for you as He suffered on the cross and His awesome life-giving power as He rose up from the dead.

Another part of the “Make It 15!” challenge is praying for 15 people who do not know Christ personally and also sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ at least 15 times this year. As we approach Easter, this is the prime time to be inviting them to come to church with you or to go and see a Christian movie with you like “Do You Believe?” which is coming to theatres March 20th. I have enjoyed seeing the various Bible verses that many of you have been posting on Facebook.

This month leading up to Easter I will be speaking on the theme, “Meet Me at the Cross!” as we remember all the events leading up to Christ’s death and resurrection. What Christ did for us on the cross ought to inspire and motivate us every day of our lives.

I love you and I love being your Pastor. Let’s live for the One who died for us! Let’s reach Auburn for Christ! Let’s change our world for Christ!

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The modern church has such a wide and vast array of interpretations of worship services pertaining to music. Some Christians think that only the “old hymns” should be used and accompanied by a pipe organ. Other Christians think you should only sing “modern” choruses over and over and over. Some people sing with their arms folded across their chest while others are raising hands and even clapping. Some churches have choirs and others have praise teams or bands. Many modern day Christians would feel very uncomfortable if they had to worship with the ancient Israelites. They would have very loud and boisterous music and it would REALLY be a praise band. In Psalm 150 we are told they would use a trumpet, harp, lyre, tambourine, stringed instruments, flute, clash of cymbals, and resounding cymbals, all with dancing. WOW! What a worship service that would be! Now don’t take me wrong. I am not suggesting that we change our format of praising the Lord. The ancient Israelites would be over-flowing with praise from their hearts. It doesn’t matter what music, instruments or anything else that is used. It must be a heartfelt praise, something that comes from the very depth of our soul. In Ephesians we are told to use “psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, making music in your heart to the Lord”. This verse in chapter 5 tells us that a variety can be used for worship. Whatever style we use, all of us should participate in worship. Back to Psalm 150, we read in verse 6 “Let everything that has breath praise the LORD”. Praise the LORD! May our praise come from deep within and be a fragrant sacrifice to our LORD.

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Youth Events Coming Up:
- Mar 1  Breakfast- 9am
- Mar 20  D-NOW Weekend

Join us weekly for:

IGNITE
Wednesdays- 7pm
Join us as we discuss what it means to be a disciple.

Sundays
The Gathering- 9:30am
Hang-time- 5-7pm- selected Sunday evenings

CCBA DISCIPLE NOW WEEKEND
March 20-21
Rochester 1st Baptist
$20/student
Let Patricia know by Sunday, Mar 15 if you plan to attend.

This will be a great time of fun, meeting new people, and most of all growing in our relationship with Christ through teaching, and small group discussion.

Disaster Relief Training
Mar 20-21 @ Lincoln Ave, Jacksonville
April 17-18 @ Streator Camp
Classes in chainsaw, food prep, mudout, and more
www.IBSA.org/dr
$30 for new trainees
$10 for renewals

Children’s Ministry Day
March 14
A one day hands-on missions opportunity specifically designed for kids in 1st-6th grade with projects designed to be age-appropriate.
Registration begins Jan 12th
Cost- $15/person which includes t-shirt, lunch, and some ministry supplies.
Project locations include Alton, Decatur, Peoria, Champaign, & Springfield.

Financial News Year-to-Date
As of Feb 22nd,
Receipts to date- $ 12,939.00
Needed to date- $ 15,920.00
Checking Account: $ 5,494.96
Deacon Fund- $ 200.00
Building Fund- $ 207.50
Debit Account- $ 103.99

priority
Women’s Resource Conference
Tomorrow Begins Today
Living your life with intention
April 24-25
Tabernacle Baptist Church
Decatur
Cost: $25 includes lunch
Register at IBSA.org/WomensMissions
Or BarbTroeger@IBSA.org
Conference begins Friday at 1pm and concludes Saturday at 3:30pm

To our Family and Friends
March
1 Hettie Crocker
1 Richard Van Bebber
2 Dave Capella
25 Jessica Waterkotte
30 Kelsey McElyea

Please let us know if we have overlooked your birthday. We want to include all of our church family.
Faithful Servants in March

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Ushers

| 1st Lonnie Cain, Zack Rector, Brian Rector |
| 8th Zack Rector, Brian Rector, Nick Rector |
| 15th Brian Rector, Nick Rector, Todd Brummet |
| 22nd Nick Rector, Todd Brummet, Moe Stuhme |
| 29th Todd Brummet, Moe Stuhme, Pat Stuhme |

Counting Team

| 1st Lonnie Cain & Brian Rector |
| 8th Pat Stuhmer & Kim Brown    |
| 15th Mary Atkinson & Jodi Rector |
| 22nd Louise Dudley & Hettie Crocker |
| 29th Lonnie Cain & Brian Rector |

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE DATE INDICATED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE IN YOUR AREA. If you would like to serve as an Extended Session helper, please fill out the form on the foyer bulletin board.

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Sunday Schedule
9:30a.m. - Bible Study for all
10:40a.m. - Morning Worship
5:00p.m. - Youth Hang-time
6:00p.m. - Evening Worship

Wednesday Schedule
6:15p.m. - Praise Team
7:00p.m. - Adult Bible Study
- TeamKID (Pre-K thru 6th gr)
- Youth IGNITE (Gr. 7-12)