

The Courier

a newsletter from your friends at
First Baptist Church
in Hamilton, Ohio



"Where everybody is somebody and Jesus Christ Is Lord"

January, 2017

From Daniel's Den What Does A RESET Look Like For You?

Colossians 3:1-2 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

Definition of "reset" 1) to set again or anew <reset type> <reset a diamond> <reset a circuit breaker>; 2) to change the reading of often to zero <reset an odometer>

To "reset" simply means to set something back to its original purpose and design. Just like you sometimes have to reset your phone or computer when it's not working properly or it gets stuck, you can reset your life to get it running the way God intends—a life full of significance that makes a difference in our world.

Do you feel like you're lacking significance or fulfillment? Is there a part of you that asks, "Is this all there is in life?"

Just like you sometimes have to reset your phone or computer when it's not working properly or it gets stuck, you can reset your life to get it running the way God originally intended.

Starting January 1, 2017 we are beginning a new series and small groups on this RESET theme.

We'll go through these five weeks that will really make a difference in these areas of your life:

January 2017 series **RESET**

1/01 - Reset my Life - Set the defaults for 2017

1/08 - Reset My Heart - It All Starts in the Heart

1/15 - Reset My Mind - I Am there for I Think

1/22 - Reset My Voice - Good News for Bad Times

1/29 - Reset My Hands-Soul at Peace, Hands at Work

This is the perfect opportunity to invite your friends, family, neighbors and coworkers to join you and grow deeper in their faith, or perhaps encounter God for the

first time.

Check out www.firstbaptisthamilton.org for more information and all the details.

Be the Light!

Pastor Dan

RESET and Revitalize!

Just like we will be studying what God says in the Bible about getting RESET on what makes for a healthy, growing Christian life, we are also focused on getting a RESET for our church family. Saturday, January 14, 2017 from 8:30 to 2:30, we will host a Revitalizing Retreat. I am asking all board members and staff to attend, but also want to extend an invitation to anyone (member, regular attender, past attender, etc.) to participate. Several at FBC have been reading FOR A NEW GENERATION: A Practical Guide for Revitalizing Your Church by Lee Kricher (Zondervan, 2016). I'm not seeking to copy what that church did, but I think we can learn from their experience and the questions they ask. In this Revitalizing Retreat, I will be teaching some about a biblical view of a vital church, look at where we have been and where we are going, and then we are going to put it all on the table and begin a process of identifying the essentials of being a healthy church focused on pursuing Christ vision for the future of FBC Hamilton. We will ask the question, "What must we do to reach the next generation for Christ?"

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American Baptist Women's Ministries

Giving Opportunity

As we start a new year, we will continue to collect donations for the food pantry, Serve City, New Life Mission and add One Way Farm to our donation list. We will continue to support the Fall Awana canned good collection for the food pantry at Laurel Avenue Church of Christ. Throughout the rest of the year, we will rotate our donations to the other three organizations. To make your shopping easier, we will focus on buying just a few items: cereal, ketchup, peanut butter, and canned fruits (particularly peaches, pears, pineapple chunks). Thank you for your generous support of this ongoing project. Call Nancy Whipple with questions (255-7783).

Missionary for the Month of January:

Taku & Katie Longkumer
India

Katie and Taku serve in North East India. Katie provides worship and counseling training to churches and shares her skills in missionary training. Taku works with the mission secretaries of the Council of Baptist Churches in North East India to provide the pre-field and in-service training to the missionaries, to equip churches to better support their missionaries and to visit and provide pastoral care to the missionaries on the field.

Bible Book of the Month Hosea

"Oh, that we might know the Lord! Let us press on to know Him, and He will respond to us as surely as the coming of dawn or the rain of early spring."

Hosea 6:3 (LB)

Hosea, whose name means salvation, was an eighth century prophet to the Northern Kingdom of Israel. He was a country man, devoted to the land but aware of the danger of life in protected open spaces. Against the background of his keen understanding of political affairs, his story of his tragic marriage to Gomer illustrates Israel's sins and punishment, inflicted reluctantly by a merciful God who loves and forgives through all. God's unfailing love is the theme of the book.

PRAY for the coming of peace and justice into our

world: for responsible and powerful world leaders, and for world citizens who must learn to live caringly with each other, in the name of the Prince of Peace.

Upcoming Dates: Blanket Sundays—February 12 & 19

In natural disasters (tornado, hurricane, flood, fire, mudslide, earthquake, etc.) many people are left with little or nothing. Church World Service furnishes initial emergency service with blankets, mattresses, tents, etc. Suggested donation for a blanket is \$8.00. Checks should be made payable to American Baptist Women.

Don't forget that in February we will be collecting items baby layettes. If you see a bargain, please bring it in and give to Nancy Whipple (863-2309) or give to a greeter.

Advisory Board Meeting

The Advisory Board is made up of all elected officers of our church. The first meeting of this board will be on Sunday, January 15th, at 5:00. We will hear from boards and committees regarding their ministries and take care of any business items which should be presented to the church membership in the annual business meeting.

Annual Business Meeting

The annual business meeting of the church will be on Wednesday, January 18th, at 6:45 p.m. Your hearts will be encouraged as you hear how the Lord has worked among us in 2016 and the vision of the boards and committees for 2017.

Matthew Ministries

We will be making our monthly trip down to Matthew 25: Ministries for a wonderful day of fellowship, fun, and WORKING FOR THE LORD Thursday, January 26th. We will leave the church at 8:30 a.m. returning at about 3:00 p.m. Come dressed to WORK and bring a sack lunch and a beverage. Everyone is welcome to be a part of this ministry.

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Aaron's Attic

Greetings Church Family,

I thought the best use of this space this month would be to update you on where Valerie and I are in our process of becoming global servants with International Ministries.

First, I must say that Valerie, Theophilus, and I love being part of the First Baptist family. We continue to feel well-loved and supported by you and are grateful to call you our family and to call this church our home. When the Lord does lead us to the mission field, First Baptist will still remain our home church. And, even though I am likely to step down from the role of associate pastor in September, our family will still be here at FBC until at least the late spring of 2018. Now for the process update...

WHERE WE ARE IN THE PROCESS

Our most recent news is that Valerie and I have been officially endorsed as IM global servants to Malaysia as of December 13th. We are excited about joining IM as it is an organization that has been promoting the Gospel and supporting the global Church for more than 200 years. The endorsement stage is step one in a three-step process to being sent with IM. The stages are endorsement, appointment, and then the commissioning. The endorsement stage is where we begin to build a support (both prayer & financial) network as well as form a Missionary Partnership Team, receive further training, and visit the location where we feel the Lord calling us to serve. To reach the endorsement stage we have participated in multiple interview sessions (both over Skype and at IM headquarters in Valley Forge, PA), attended three days of psychological & personality evaluation, and prayerfully considered opportunities for service all over the world.

WHAT OUR ROLE WILL LOOK LIKE OVERSEAS

Our prayerful evaluation of IM's opportunities has led us to Sabah Theological Seminary in Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia. Although Malaysia is a Muslim country, Sabah Theological Seminary (STS) has existed for 28 years (founded in 1988 with the help of former IM missionaries as well as other denominations). They now have 25 faculty and around 425 students (from all over southeast Asia - including countries that are generally opposed to Christianity). Valerie and I are being asked to consider teaching MDiv (Master of Divinity - the typical degree for pastors) classes at the seminary. In addition to the master's level, the seminary trains at a certificate, bachelor's, and post-graduate level, which gives evidence to their

desire to develop pastors and church leaders wherever they may be at in the education process. Valerie and I are very excited about this opportunity.

UPCOMING VISION TRIP

Our family will be heading over to Malaysia in January (8th-20th) to meet with the leadership at STS. We will be further discussing what our roles would look like as well as getting an opportunity to visit an international school (where our children may end up in the future). We will also attempt to get a feel for what life in Kota Kinabalu would look like. The city of Kota Kinabalu (KK, as it is often called), where the seminary is located, is actually a resort destination (located on the island of Borneo, which I am told is a vacation prize package on "Wheel of Fortune"), though the locals in the area are poor (East Malaysia is generally an impoverished region). Valerie and I are excited about being based in KK because it means that adequate medical facilities and infrastructure are available in the area. It also makes it more appealing for friends, family, & church family (hint, hint) to come visit us in the future.

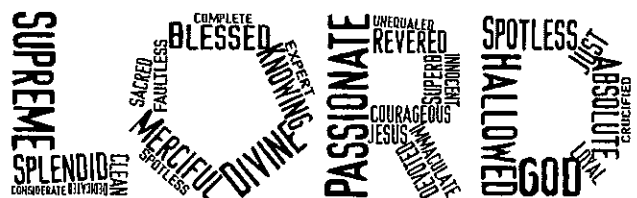
EXCITING OPPORTUNITY

One exciting bit of news for us is that we were given the opportunity to be interviewed for IM's quarterly magazine, *On Location*. It's a great opportunity for us because it gives us the chance to let the magazine's readers know about how the Lord is calling us as well as getting our story out there for any who may be interested in partnering with us. Look for us in the upcoming issue!

If you have any questions about the process, feel free to ask.

Gratefully your associate pastor,
Aaron Osterbrock

CALL ON HIS NAME



Just-in Time's

UNITED New Years Eve Party

A party you definitely do not want to miss. This New Years will be celebrated with several hundred students at the Underground!! We will have live bands, a mechanical bull, a foam put, prizes, and skyline chili catered in with other concessions available. The cost is \$15. Bring extra money for food and drinks. It starts at 8PM on December 31st and goes until about 1:30AM January 1st. We will be leaving at 7:30 from FBCH. Students must COME with us and RETURN with us, otherwise they will be consider part of the general public and will be responsible for their own rides to and from the Underground. Student pick ups will be at 1:30 from FBCH unless other arrangements are made with the youth leader team. I hope you will join us for an unbelievable night!

Wednesday Nights

On January 4th we will begin a four week series on the letter of 1 John. The aim of this series is to allow John's writings of God's love to reshape the hearts of those who hear it. John calls the believers of his day to true doctrine, obedient living and faithful devotion. We will seek to translate these truths into the lives of our students so they too can be encouraged to live by sound doctrine, obedience, faithfulness to the Lord.

Leadership Team

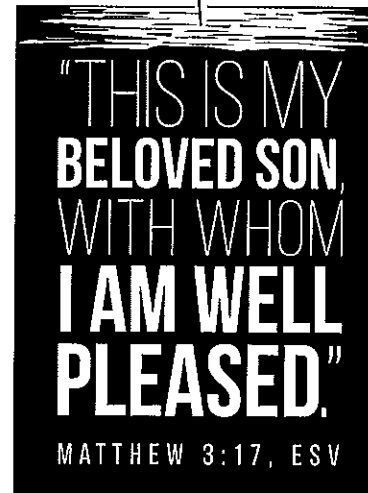
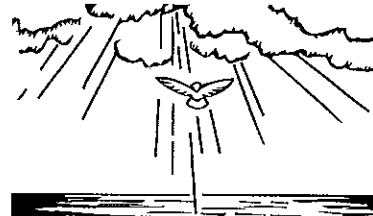
As a leader team, we are committed to being a community on mission. We believe that as we come alongside one another in love and service, putting ourselves aside to meet each others needs, we will grow in unity and fellowship that is so magnetic that students will see it and want it for themselves. And as a close community, our mission is to students; to draw them in through personal relationships and build bridges into their lives so as to win the right to be heard. Our commitment is to reaching students both within FBCH and in the local community, to partnering with students who already know Christ to reach their lost friends, and to discipling those God gives us.

Leaders, we will be having meetings on January 8th and 22nd of this month.

Looking Ahead

On February 5th, we will be having a Super Bowl party at FBCH. Stay tuned for details. February's Wednesday night series will be centered around the topic of healthy friendships.

-Justin Davis
Youth Pastor



Souper Bowl Sunday

Sunday, February 5th, is Souper Bowl Sunday. Please bring to church with you a can of soup or any other food item and \$1. Members of Student Ministries will be collecting these items at the doors. All items will be donated to local food pantries. Thanks for your participation!



ANNUAL REPORT

All annual reports are due in the office, preferably by email, ellie.dinger@fuse.net or on disk (Word Perfect, Word, or generic text file, if possible) by Tuesday, January 3rd. Preparation time is needed to compile and print this valuable report.



We Are Looking For You In Sunday School!

"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

Congratulations to those who had perfect Sunday School attendance for October, November, and December, 2016.

Nursery/Toddlers
Ewan Metzger

Threes
Marilyn Bowling
Claire Metzger
Ciaran Metzger

Beginner/Kindergarten
Eugenia Sexton
Callum Metzger

Primary
Carolyn Dudley
Janet Day
Elizabeth Metzger

Middler/Junior
Dorothy Hollowell
Camden Lamb

Senior High
Justin Davis

Homebuilders
Larry Bowling
Josh Day
Aaron Osterbrock

FOCUS
Janet Lewis
Allen McComb
Glenna McComb
Jill O'Hara
Valerie Osterbrock
Gary Swindall

Keystone
Dennis Dudley
Mary Petry
Mary Walker

Parenting
Stan Brown

Yada Sisterhood
Brenda Brown
Ruth Gaskins

Legacy Builders
Chris Metzger
Andrew Sommers

Office
Barb Begley
Brian Begley

Perfect Attendance - January - December 2016

Nursery/Toddlers - Ewan Metzger
Threes - Claire Metzger, Ciaran Metzger
Beginner/Kindergarten - Callum Metzger
Primary - Elizabeth Metzger
Keystone - Mary Petry, Mary Walker
Parenting - Stan Brown
Yada Sisterhood - Brenda Brown, Ruth Gaskins
Legacy Builders - Chris Metzger

Budget Status Report

The Month of November, 2016

Projected (Budgeted) Spending	\$64,407
Offerings	54,682
Over (Under) Budget	(\$9,725)

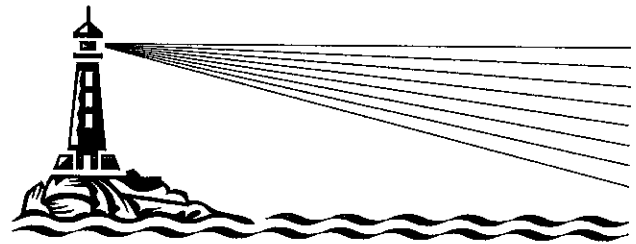
Actual (Budgeted) Spending	\$79,299
Offerings	54,682
Over (Under) Actual	(\$24,617)

The Year Through November, 2016

Projected (Budgeted) Spending	\$758,757
Offerings	673,709
Over (Under) Budget	(\$85,048)

Actual (Budgeted) Spending	\$767,927
Offerings	673,709
Over (Under) Actual	(\$94,218)

-The Board Of Trustees



THE LORD IS THE
STRONGHOLD
OF MY LIFE.

PSALM 27:1



**KeenAger
January Meeting**

The KeenAgers are meeting at church in Room 200 for their Annual Game Day on Monday, January 30th, at 11:00 a.m. Bring your favorite board game and a friend. We will have pizza together. Please sign the list on the KeenAger bulletin board.

-Dave & Janet Hazelwood,

★ Thank You! ★
★ THANK YOU! ★

To the Awana Clubs & Members of First Baptist Church

We would like to express our deepest gratitude for your recent donation to the Laurel Avenue Church of Christ. Generous gifts from donors like you provide the support needed to continue our ministry work in our community and across the world. Your blessing to our Church will be put to use in a way that will be respectful and will help others.

Our church families have a very rich and blessed relationship. This relationship has, in turn, blessed countless others in our community. Your gift of food, as well as the generous check, will enable us to pass along a blessing to those who search daily for a meal. By sharing our combined love for man, we can express God's wonderful grace and love, and hopefully impact lives in a positive way. We could not meet the need by ourselves, but the combined efforts of our congregations can bless many people. There is much to do in our community, and, by working together, we can help reduce the burden and stress on families in need.

Thank you seems like such a small way to express our gratitude for your generosity. Your generous gifts are very appreciated, and we will find a way to share this blessing with others in many ways. We may never fully recognize the impact this blessing may have on others, but we can rest assured that it will touch many lives. Our church is blessed to work with wonderful people like you. Thank you so much for your support and for showing God's amazing Love!

Luke 6:38 *"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."*

In His service

Kevin Dunaway
For the Elders at Laurel Avenue Church of Christ

Cherub Choir

The Cherub Choir will continue to meet this winter and spring during the first part of the KinderChurch hour. The Cherub Choir welcomes all children who are 3 years old by last Sept. 30 through Kindergarteners. We look forward to them sharing their music ministry on a Sunday morning in May after Mother's Day.

Newsletter
DEADLINE

Reminder: All articles for the monthly newsletter, The Courier, are due in the church office by the **15th of the month**. They can be emailed to Ellie at ellie.dinger@fuse.net. Articles received after the 20th may not be in that month's newsletter.

The Sunday Evening Faithful

We will meet again on January 1, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Stan Brown will continue with his Bible studies, but we will party first! On this evening, we will eat all our left-over Christmas snacks and share our holiday stories. The last half of our hour will be spent in making prayer concerns for 2017. We will use this time to lift up concerns of our church family, our weekly programs, and needs of both the church and our nation. Join us with your treats, and help us start off the new year with renewed interests and enthusiasm---and, of course, eating!





Happy New Year MOPS Moms!

This MOPS year is moving full speed and I pray that all of you have been soaking in all of the sacred moments with your preschoolers. December certainly afforded us the opportunities to get back to what matters and spending time with our loved ones. We loved so much all of the MOPS mom fun at the Christmas party and the fun with the wee ones at the cookie and play date. Thank you Pastor Dan for speaking with us at our monthly meeting and reminding us that we are right where The Lord wants us, to be moms and to be realizing that this is a special calling.

Moms know this, that time will pass, you may not wish for it to return as you will be head deep in new stages and joys with your school aged kids, adolescent teens, and young adults; however, you will be one of those one day that we have all heard, as our children have been saints, and someone stops to remark how "precious the little one is," and to "remember these days as they fly by too soon." No stranger has approached me to say this after one of our play dates out in the community, hmmm.

Let's get ready for January! Out with the old in with the new! New year, new you! What is your goal? Who are you going to be this year? What do you want to be different about your life? Our theme this month is Newness and our memory verse is 2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:[a] The old has gone, the new is here! Amen to newness!

What I want most is to put God first, to be balanced because I choose him first every day, over and over, and all day. I saw this ornament that sparked my soul; a young girl was stealing away a moment to just be at her Christmas tree for a time of prayer. Certainly this was different than our culture and demonstrates the intention that we need to have in our prayer life, the girl wasn't sneaking a peek, she was seeking silence to just seek. I recognized this girl, as I try to steal moments and try to be alone. I'm never alone it seems and this can make me feel defeated and like I'm failing because my perfect picture of my prayer time is not happening. I'm going to try something new this year, I'm going to remember my faith; I'm going to remember victory over defeat; and I'm going to look deeper into those eyes of the ones that I feel distract my prayer, thus, remember Whose they are. I'm going to trust in God's leading

rather than my picture of a leader.

Our meeting will focus on how our moms have been made new. Moms will be speaking of their experiences as they became new moms: the challenges, victories, how they've helped and been helped by God, and new goals.

Moppet workers you are heaven sent!!! When I met with Cathi to check on coverage again my heart was happy and so full! I along with all MOPS moms are blessed by your outpouring of love!! We recognize what your work allows us to do and without you our fellowship could not happen. You are loved!

*Remember, we could use more Moppet workers, even if you just want to be on a standby list in the case of a cancellation, we want your service. Your commitment to these moms and the children is valued and greatly appreciated. Please get with me or Cathi Thomas if helping with children is your gift and you want to volunteer your time once a month to help.

Love and Blessings!
Heather Nguyen



Winter Reminder!

If Hamilton City schools do not open on a weekday because of snow or ice, the church will not be open that day either.

Corrections and Additions To The Directory

Please call the church office with additions or changes to your address, phone number, or e-mail address.

Lakes, Ron
5200 28th Street North
Lot 612
St. Petersburg, FL 33714
Phone # 513-275-8387

January 18 - May 1

Pickett, Barry & Verna
20 Brookshire Drive
Nokomis, FL 34275

December-April



Awana Club

It seems like only yesterday we were starting the Awana year, it has swept by so quickly! Looking forward to 2017 we are praying that we can continue to meet our children's needs and serve them by helping them to read their bibles and learn about God's love. For some of our children the brief time they spend with their listener is one of few chances to spend time with a Christian who is able to help them understand what the bible says about Jesus and them. These relationships are built over time and can last for a long time. Does anyone remember a Sunday School teacher or Christian mentor from their own childhood? I certainly can! Here are the following dates for January, please note that the T&T Grand Prix is coming ever closer. We'll be looking for volunteers to help children build their designs and so forth.

Thank you for all who "purchased" a miniature of the large Christmas Card, we were able to buy gifts for four children through the Salvation Army gift purchases.

Our schedule for the month is as follows and we look forward to continue to work with all our kids exploring the Bible!

Awana January Calendar Update

- 4th - Regular Club Night
- 11th - Regular Club Night
- 18th - Sports Fan Theme Night (wear your favorite sport/team shirt)
- 25th - Regular Club Night

If you read through the Courier you should find a lovely letter from Laurel Avenue Church. All the donated food items given in love, were able to bless others through their great outreach ministry, so thank you for all the food given.

—Claire Metzger & Cheryl Motzer,
Awana Leaders

Childcare

We've been blessed with many children coming to our church, but we're still in need of help to watch, teach, care for, and love these little ones. If you are able to commit a Sunday morning please let us know, or sign up on the sign up board outside the

nursery/toddler room. Seeing a welcoming and smiling face when people drop their children of is one way to greet new (and old!) families and say, "We're glad you came, we're happy to serve your children!"

Tabitha Ministries

On December 5, 2016, we sent a trunk loaded with dresses, tee shirts and crafts to Ann Clemmer in Maine. She will return with it to the Congo in early January, 2017. In the trunk were 57 dresses, 50 tee shirts, and 6 crafts--all weighing a mere 48 pounds. The crafts were ideas that women could make locally in hopes of selling for their family income.

On December 18, 2016, we met Sarah & (Peter) McCurdy and displayed our dresses and britches. We are hoping they can see needs in Costa Rica where they will be ministering in 2017.

Our seamstresses will have a sewing day on Saturday, January 21, 2017, from 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. We will make plans for our next gifting of dresses and britches, and share ideas.

Please pack your lunch and join us. Bring your machine---or we have machines ready to go. Remember, I am usually in the sewing room every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Join me!

--Diana Bueker



January 16, 2017



Child Care Schedule

Nursery (Morning)

January 1 -
 January 8 - Barb & Brian Begley, KK & Lyndsay
 January 15 -
 January 22 -
 January 29 -

Toddler

January 1 -
 January 8 -
 January 15 -
 January 22 -
 January 28 -

Kiddie

January 1 -
 January 8 - Claire & Chris Metzger
 January 15 - Sharon Brewer & Lauren Hampton
 January 22 - Claire & Chris Metzger
 January 28 - Claire & Chris Metzger

Kinderchurch

January 1 -
 January 8 - Cheryl Motzer & Syd
 January 15 - Jill O'Hara & Dorothy Hollowell
 January 22 - Cheryl Motzer & Syd
 January 28 - Jill O'Hara & Dorothy Hollowell



Attention All Morning Worship Child Care Workers

Just a reminder that all child care workers should try and trade with someone on their schedule sheets when something comes up and they are not able to keep their scheduled Sunday. Also, it would be extremely helpful if child care workers would be in their scheduled room by 10:15 a.m. to help with the transition time between Sunday School and Morning Worship time. Several of our Sunday School teachers need to be relieved for choir and the adult worship service. When you have difficulty finding someone with whom to trade, please call Claire or Cheryl.



Wednesday Family Dinners

January 4

Menu: Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, Sausage, Biscuits & Gravy, Hash Brown Casserole
 Hosts: Chancel Choir

January 11

Menu: Pulled Pork Barbecue Sandwiches, Macaroni & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Jello Cake
 Hosts: Deacons

January 18

Menu: Chili Soup, Hot Dogs with toppings, Tossed Salad, Loretta's Texas Sheetcake
 Hosts: Deaconesses

January 25

Menu: Chicken & Noodles, California Blend Vegetables, Fruit Jello, Rolls, Peach Cobbler
 Hosts: FOCUS

Reminder: Adults should contribute \$5.00 per person for the meal (including children who eat from the main table), \$15 per family (those living in the same household), and \$1.50 for children under twelve who eat from the hot dog table. Be sure to make your reservation on the Friendship Folder each Sunday.

Reminder: Anyone desiring to borrow items, such as, chairs, tables, coffee pots, etc. are now required to fill out a sheet in the office with name, date, item, and number borrowed and then the date, item, and number returned. Please see Ellie.



January 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Have a happy, healthy, blessed New Year! 6:00 Evening Snacks Prayer	2 Church Offices Closed!	3 9:30 MOPS Steering Committee	4 5:45 Family Dinner 5:45 Awana 6:30 Student Ministries 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Adult Choir	5	6	7 9:00 Men's Prayer Gathering
8 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 4:00 Student Ministries Leader Class 6:00 Evening Programs	9 11:00 Women's Christian Book Club @ Fairfield Library	10 9:30 MOPS Bible Study	11 5:45 Family Dinner 5:45 Awana 6:30 Student Ministries 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Adult Choir	12 5:30 Board of Trustees	13	14 8:30 Revitalizing Retreat
15 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Meet The Pastor in Library 10:30 Worship 5:00 Advisory Bd. Mtg. 6:00 Evening Programs	16 5:30 Serve City Meal	17 9:30 MOPS	18 5:45 Family Dinner 5:45 Awana-Sports Fan 6:30 Student Ministries 6:30 Annual Business Mtg. 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Adult Choir	19	20	21 9:30 Tabitha Ministries Sewing Day
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29 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 6:00 Evening Programs	30 11:00 KeenAgers Game/Pizza Day @ Church	31				



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

1 - Pat Brown
Janet Hetterich

2 - Charlotte Day
Tina Monhollen

3 - Fuz Buchanan

4 - Felicity Hines

5 - Alex Wallace

6 - Brian Begley
David Dawson

7 - Brenda Roddy

8 - Florence Jones
Thelma Stanger

9 - Robert Abney

10 - Mark Schumm

11 - Hannah Ruwe

14 - Jesse Brown
Nicole Campbell
Elyse Hendrickson
Norma Winkler

15 - Aubrey Jordon
Karl Metzler

16 - Ron Lakes
Sheryl Morrow

17 - Laney Austin Jordan
Mike Moore

18 - Zachary Caswell
Rachael Click
Logan Andrew Sapp
Margie VonStein

19 - Ed Dawson

21 - Adam Metzger
Ted Soderholm

22 - Jeffrey D. Miller

23 - Tracy Beltz
Carla Tamplin

24 - Emma Caswell
Zeke Bowling
Larry Wallace

25 - Scott Dawson
Evelyn Maddox

26 - Ralph Lenehan
Sydney Schramm

27 - Brittany Nesbitt
Candace Yates

28 - Lisa Rankey
Amy Wallace

29 - Verna Pickett
Nancy Hoskins

30 - Maggie Baker
Orville Madden

31 - Robert F. Williams
Becca Yantes

Note: Please call the church office if you notice that one of your family members has been inadvertently overlooked on the birthday calendar. We do not intend to overlook anyone but do not realize it unless you inform us.

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Personal Notes

From the family of Gene Angel

Thank you sincerely for sharing our sorrow. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered. Thanks also for all the prayers.

From Jeremy, Aleesha, Daniel, Josiah, Elliana Spence and the entire Brandt Family

Thank you so much for your support and encouragement during the senseless death of Aleesha's brother, Allen Brandt. Your cards, notes, expressions of sympathy and most importantly your prayers were felt and helped to sustain us during the difficult moments over the past couple months. We know that now he is enjoying his full relationship with the Prince of Peace and is no longer struggling to see, for now he sees perfectly. Thanks again for being a great church family to us.

From Diana Bueker

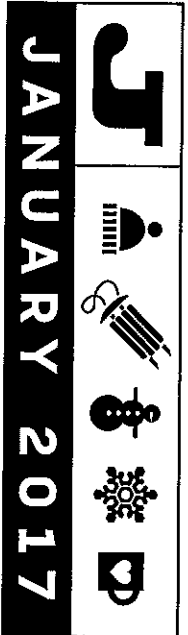
My brother, Merle and wife, Cheryl Bueker, are so thankful to the First Baptist Church family for prayers and encouraging notes. He is through with radiation and chemo, so now in holding pattern waiting on test results for next step. We praise God for His strength and reassurance, and thank you for remembering us!

From Carol Howard

I received blessing upon blessing from you following my recent surgery. I appreciate the cards (some of you sent more than one), the phone calls to check on my progress, the hospital visit from Pastor Aaron and the home visit from Pastor Dan. All were received with joy and thanksgiving. But, you didn't stop there. I was also showered with birthday cards. Altogether I received over 60. I'm grateful, too, for Carolyn Dudley's help with the Prayer Calls. Thank you everyone for your expressions of love and concern. May the Lord shower you with blessings throughout this new year.

From Luella Lerch

I want to thank everyone for the prayers which were bestowed for me during my recent stay in the hospital and nursing home rehab stay. I am feeling much better now. Thank you so much.



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