

The Courier

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"A Light on the hill with a heart for the community"

March, 2018

From Daniels Den

"Everything rises and falls on leadership". We need leaders to think through, pray through, plan, guide and motivate us into action, into deeper thought, spiritual growth, and service. I am grateful for the leaders God has placed among us at FBC Hamilton. We are blessed with strong and selfless lay-leaders on our Cabinet and Boards.

And he [Jesus] himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, equipping the saints for the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ... (Ephesians 4:11-12 CSB)

I am grateful as Senior Pastor for the ministry staff from whom FBC Hamilton benefits from their leadership. Our Music Team of Roger Chamberlain, Shon Morgan, and Laurin Sprague is gifted and exceptional. Our Children Ministry Team of Claire Metzger, Cheryl Motzer and Katie Simpson is creative and fun. Our Administrative Team of Ellie Dinger and Martha Griffin are so helpful and efficient.

But in this article, I am sharing a new job description and responsibilities for Justin Davis. Justin Davis came to us in July 2015. Justin has a unique set of experience and gifts. As he has matured and developed, I have experienced him as a highly motivated self-starter who loves Jesus, students and the church. Justin reads EVERYTHING. As his gifts and passions have become clearer to me, I have proposed to and received the affirmation of the Cabinet to add to Justin's responsibilities of Youth Pastor to include Connect Pastor.

The Connect Pastor responsibilities will be to oversee the connection and spiritual growth strategies of FBC Hamilton under the direction and leadership of the Senior Pastor.

This will require a firm grasp of the beliefs, values, and strategy of FBC and the ability to align staff and key leadership teams with FBC's mission, vision and values. The Connect Pastor will have several areas of focus, including to lead a team to help guests to a

genuine sense of *belonging*, involvement and spiritual growth by meeting people where they are and leading them to *next steps* in their Christian journey.

The Connect Pastor will facilitate the relational connection and discipleship of adults and youth through various groups (community groups, Sunday morning groups, classes, etc.), and volunteer service teams to help *"reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of God's Son, growing into maturity with a stature measured by Christ's fullness."* (Ephesians 4:13).

So, I break Justin's new job description into four statements:

1. Connecting people through First Impression
2. Connecting people through Assimilation
3. Connecting people through Groups
4. Connecting Students with their faith and the church

If you would like to serve through one of these important areas of ministry, or have a question regarding them get in touch with Justin (justin.davis@firstbaptisthamilton.org).

Pray for Justin as he assumes these new responsibilities. He is an integral part of our leadership team to help FBC Hamilton to Gather - Grow - Serve.

Be the Light!

Pastor Dan

Lenten Series: God on a Mission

- 2/14 Ash Wednesday
- 2/18 Lent 1 Temptation: The Way of Escape
- 2/25 Lent 2 Why Does God Allow Suffering?
- 3/04 Lent 3 This is How Anger Works
- 3/11 Lent 4 Not to Condemn
- 3/18 Lent 5 Son of Man Glorified



American Baptist Women's Ministries



Giving Opportunity

During the months of March and April, ABW is collecting **peanut butter, cereal, ketchup, and canned fruits (especially peaches, pears, and pineapple chunks)** for the food pantry at the **One Way Farm**. These items are always in short supply at food banks. Place your donations in the box in the coat room outside the Family Center. Thank you for your generous support of this ongoing project. Call Nancy Whipple with questions (255-7783).

March Missionaries of the Month:

- Nzunga Mabudiga & Kihomi Ngwemi
Haiti
- Philip & Corene Smith
Brazil

Kihomi and **Ngunga** serve as a vital link between International Ministries and the Haitian Baptist Convention. They both visit and preach in churches and serve through a variety of ministries.

Ngunga Mabudiga teaches theology at the Christian University of Northern Haiti, trains assistant professors in teaching and administers a scholarship program for elementary, high school and university students. He manages two projects: the goat and pig project for children and the clean water project for communities. He also administers the Cap Haitien Eye Clinic. **Kihomi** works with families in the areas of counseling, women's health, Community Health Evangelism and economic development. She also coordinates and advises the Women's Association of the Haitian Baptist Convention, representing women of all the Baptist denominations of Haiti at international conferences.

In Brazil, poor youths often choose life on the streets to escape the poverty of the slums and abusive families. On the streets, they are vulnerable to HIV/AIDS, malnutrition, prostitution, substance abuse and violence.

With the blessing of the National Baptist Convention of Brazil, **Corene and Phil Smith** serve through Hope Unlimited for Children, a residential

program that rescues homeless street children ages 8 to 18. The program provides guidance, education, and job training. By the time they leave, all students have completed a paid internship and are employed.

Corene works mainly with the older youth on life skills and serves as a surrogate mother to many of the children. After living in this safe, caring Christian environment, most of them decide to follow Christ. **Philip** is the program's president and CEO. He is an associate missionary serving in Brazil in a joint appointment by International Ministries and Hope Unlimited International.

Bible Book of the Month I & II Peter & Jude

"Cast all your anxieties on Him, for He cares about you."
I Peter 5:7 (RSV)

The main purpose of this letter is to encourage the Christians in Asia Minor, who were facing persecution and suffering for their faith. They are to accept and endure their suffering, confident that it is a test of the genuineness of their faith and that they will be rewarded on "the Day when Christ is revealed." They are urged to live as people who belong to Christ.

PRAISE God for those faithful people in our churches who have a real sense of what the mission of the church is and who see themselves as part of that mission.

Baby Layettes

Don't forget that we are still 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. (See last month's Courier for the list of items.)
-Nancy Whipple



The next scheduled Work Day at Matthew 25 will be Thursday, March 22nd. As usual, we would like to have a good working group to go. We will leave the church at the usual time, 8:30 a.m. Bring your sack lunch and beverage and be prepared for a good day of work and fellowship.

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Why #FirstHamilton

In my previous life I did marketing, it's a passion of mine. A Marketer is basically a glorified sales person, we are always looking for the next step. As we become one with this city we wanted to come up with a # that combined us with the city, one that pointed back to our community being our number one concern. When researching #s we found that if we did #FirstBaptistChurch it would pull up any Baptist church that you were close to if your location settings were on. We found when doing #FBCHamilton it would sometimes pull up Freedom Baptist Church. We are trying to create a culture or a brand. Basically when you think of First Baptist and every organization that encompasses it we want you to think of First. First Kids, First Students, First Groups etc. We also want you think of us as your First church. The church you will turn to First.

We are not changing our name; I would never let that happen. I'm proud to be a Baptist and I'm proud to be at this church. I'm hoping if you have trouble understanding why we are using this "expression" or # you would come to me and talk with me. I'd be more than happy to pull it all up on my computer and show you. I recently did that with someone and now he understands and it only takes about 1 minute to show you.

We are a family and as a family I hope that you trust that I have First Baptist's best intentions at heart and am trying to do everything I can to keep this church alive and help grow. I am here to serve our church, serve you and serve Christ. Again please come to me with any questions, concerns and even complaints as I want everyone to understand why we are doing what we are doing. If you understand then you can stand with us and help us grow!

—Katie Simpson
Director of Family & Children



Summer Softball

Softball begins in April! If you would like to play on the men's team (games on Monday nights), please see Bryon Simpson. Watch the bulletin for sign-up dates. All games are played at North End (Ford's Field).

—Bryon Simpson
Director of Sports and Recreation

Do You Do Something We Should Know About?

Since starting this position I've realized how many times I've asked "who do we know that can do this?" I thought it might be nice to have a living document that we would hold in the office that you could let us know what you do for a living or a trade that you have so if someone calls and says hey I need an electrician, we can point them to someone in our congregation. We value you here at FBC and anything we can do to make sure your work life easier please let us know. That way we are recommending a Christian and you are able to get paid for the services you do. Please email Katie at Katie.simpson@firstbaptisthamilton.org to let her know if you and your business or trade would like to be added to the list!

Family Activities

Parent's Night Out

Don't forget the last Friday of the month is Parent's Night out from 5:30-8:30 and costs \$5 a child. We will feed them, entertain them and wear them out while you have a date night or just catch up on some sleep. If you would like to volunteer for this, please let Katie know. If you are in First Students and would like to volunteer you will earn money towards your camping/Brazil trip.

Trivia Night

The last Thursday of the month is Trivia night at Eli's in Ross from 6-8:30. Come and join the **undefeated (because we've only played once! Ha Ha!) FBC team for food and fun!**

—Katie Simpson
Director of Family & Children



Easter arrives early this year -- on April 1st! You have a few more days to order a lily in memory or in honor of a loved one. The cost is still \$9 per flower. Checks should be made out to the church. Order envelopes are available in the connector and the office. Return your envelope to either Marilyn Bowling or drop it in the offering plate, no later than Sunday, March 3rd. Those who purchase lilies can take them home following the Easter morning worship service.

FIRST STUDENTS

Follow us on Facebook and in our Newsletter for the latest updates!

March Dates

Students:

Midweek - March 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
Every Wednesday night in March in room 100 at FBCH.

* We will join First Kids for the Grand Prix on March 21st

** We will not have an regular gathering on the 28th due to Maundy Thursday

Nerf War - March 4th - 6pm to 7:30pm
We will once again be taking over the downstairs of First Baptist. Obstacles, objectives, team work and as always...food. Bring your nerf gun and ammo and join us for a great night of being letting loose and being silly.

Maundy Thursday Service - March 29th - 7pm to 8pm

Leaders:

Leader Team Gatherings - March 11th, 25th - 5pm to 7pm

-Justin Davis

Maundy Thursday Service March 29th at 7:00 p.m.

At His Name

Composed and Arranged

By Joel Raney

The Adult Choir will be joined by St. Mark's United Methodist Church choir and other community singers to lead a special Maundy Thursday service on March 29th at 7:00. In his letter to the Philippians, Paul referred to the name of Jesus as "the name above all names." *At His Name* reflects on Jesus' ministry and life on earth, and looks at the monumental effect his name had on history. Starting with the early days where he began preaching and performing miracles, continuing up to those final momentous events of his passion it tells the story.

Please join with us in worship to reflect on Christ's journey and sacrifice the night before He is crucified. Childcare 0 - 5 years old will be provided.

-Laurin Sprague

Adult Choir and Orchestra Director

FIRST GROUPS

Join in on our group life at First Baptist!

Community Groups

If you are interested in joining a community group, go to our website or grab a connect card in the lobby to let us know! We will do our best to plug you in or start a new group for you to belong to.

If you are interested in leading a group, please see Pastor Justin!

*2018 Winter Campaign: January 7th - March 31st

2018 Summer Campaign: May 6th - July 28th

2018 Fall Campaign: September 2nd - November 25th

Sunday Groups

We have numerous groups who meet on Sunday mornings at church. There are two different hours of groups offered depending on, which Sunday gathering you go to.

First Hour Groups: 9:30am to 10:30am

Second Hour Groups: 11am to 12pm

Classes

If you missed the last round of Belonging, don't worry! It is coming back up in April. See the details below:



you've been a regular attender at First Baptist for quite some time. Either way, we want to invite you to Belonging! Over the month of April we are going to be hosting a membership class on Sunday mornings at 9:30am in room 209.

Here's what to expect: We will be meeting for only an hour each Sunday during April. We will get to share a little about who we are as a church and then hear from you about your questions on membership. It'll be a great time.

If you are unable to attend each session, that's okay! Although we encourage you to be at as many as you can, we only require you to attend our last session to become members. And if you are unable to attend that session, but still want to become a member, just let Pastor Justin know and we can make other preparations.

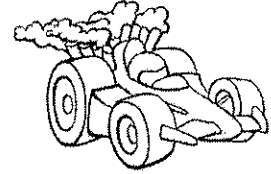
Our desire as a church is to help you connect to the body of Christ, and the heart behind Belonging is to help you feel like a beloved member of the family of God. So join us this round or catch another membership class later this Spring!

Meeting Dates: April 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

-Justin Davis



Car Show and Awana Grand Prix



Happy March! It is a very busy month in Awana, so we are very grateful for all the leaders and listeners who lend us hands and ears on Wednesday nights. For some of these children that one hour on Wednesday is the only time they have a Bible open with an experienced adult who loves Jesus sharing with them. So thank you so much for all those who come and help us share God's love in Awana!

When: 3/21 @ 5:30

Where: Main parking lot and Family Center

Who: All church, there will be no evening services this night in order to have a family fun night!

Awana March Calendar Update

- 7 - Sparks Match Box Race (room 109/110)
- 14 - Regular Store Night
- 21 - Superhero Theme Night/Grand Prix!
- 28 - NO CLUB MAUNDY THURSDAY WEEK

What: We will be having dinner @ 5:30 and it will be race themed food that is easy to carry while you stroll through the parking lot to see the quarter midget racecars, fire trucks, police cars and some antique vehicles. Examples of the food could be hamburgers, hotdogs, brats, mets, popcorn, chips, etc.

All our Sparks families are welcome to join us for the Sparks Matchbox Race on the 7th. We will be setting up for the Grand Prix on Tuesday the 20th, from 12pm onward all willing hands are welcome! For more information please see the separate Grand Prix article.

Then starting at 6:30 come into the Family center and root on the AWANA teams as they battle for Grand Champion of the AWANA Grand Prix.

CHILDCARE LUNCHEON

This is an all church event because these kids would love to have their church family cheering them on and it also brings in nonmembers and we want to show them what a great time we can have!

Due to a scheduling change our childcare CELEBRATION luncheon is now on March the 11th! We hope you are able to join us in celebrating all our fantastic friends who help minister to our children, through prayer, babysitting, teaching, playing, listening and most importantly in love. You are all cherished!

Why: Because we love AWANA, our church family and cool cars!

GAME ON!

Easter Celebration At Riverview Elementary

Our Vacation Bible School is quickly approaching, we have a video out on facebook, please take the time to like and share. We have many areas still to fill and plenty of opportunities for those who are unable to help during the actual VBS dates - July 9th - 14th. Just let us know!

FBC will be hosting an Easter Celebration at Riverview Elementary on Saturday, March 31st, from 10-11:30. We have the opportunity to witness to over 500 kids and families about the true meaning of Easter. We will be having an Easter Egg hunt, face painting, balloon art, Christian DJ and more. We need help stuffing Easter Eggs so please make sure you get a bag from the sanctuary lobby and follow the directions on the bag and then return it to the coat room. Also if you would like to volunteer at the event please let Katie know!

-Cheryl Motzer & Claire Metzger,
Awana Leaders

KeenAger March Outing



Winter Reminder!

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

The KeenAgers will be going to Miami University in Hamilton on **Thursday, March 8th**, at 7:00 p.m. Hamilton Rotary is presenting *Beauty & The Beast* at Parrish Auditorium. The bus will leave church at 6:15 p.m. Please sign the list on the bulletin board.

-KeenAger Activity Committee
Dave & Janet Hazelwood



Blessings To You All This Spring Season!

Yippie March is here and the smell of rain sends a fresh sense of energy to me as it does to the blossoms. I have prayed over this article, I have had my mind in study for what to write and I am so anxious to see what God will deliver here. Our month of February was so full of life, excitement, fellowship, and loveliness that I cannot contain my joy for the rest of this year! God is getting better all of the time.

Our theme for March is *Free To Share*. Ladies if you don't share Jesus how will they know. They being our world. If we don't share how Jesus comes in and helps us live a life for him how will others know how they too can be helped, or that they need help? Can you just imagine if people in the Bible days decided "no one will believe me," "no one will listen," "everyone will think I'm that fanatic person," or the other fear "I don't want to come across as anyone's judge." Without people wanting to share how Jesus changes everything more than clinging to their fear of how I would receive them I would not be the woman, the mom, the wife, the daughter that I am today. Without my parents planting seeds in my childhood -listening to and singing Christian songs regularly, taking me to church, praying over the sick in homes, hospitals, and at the front of church, and studying the word in front of me; without God loving women coming in to my life and trusting Jesus enough to share the good news of Jesus happening with them in their daily lives the backslidden, hard-hearted, sarcastic, pop' culturally correct Heather in her 20s may not have lived to almost 40! I certainly wouldn't be living in the freedom and joy that I live in today.

I can imagine that my "I don't need anyone's help" persona would have sabotaged big time my parenting. My extreme desire to travel and do my OWN thing would not have worked miracles in my marriage. My "it's all about me" would have left my father in a nursing home 13 years ago rather than coming back home to help my mom and dad redesign a life with dad as a stroke survivor living at home. Careerwise as a proud hard charger, I imagine nightly hours coming home having proven how much I knew about studies to a distancing couple, but definitely not aligning in a humble and gentle manner and definitely not working with addicts who express gratefulness and say "do you remember when you told me that place in the Bible that says 'the day you seek me with your whole heart there you will find me,' well that really stuck with me and so some guys and I began this bible study and reading like never before God's word." Did I sell out? Did I become a cookie cutter? Am I a goodie goodie? Am I a boring person now v the headbanger that I once was? Well, Yes -I give me up to follow Jesus; Yes -I love cutting out dinosaurs and unicorns cookies with my kids; a work in progress, saved anyhow; and I think my life is anything but boring and I have crazy residual neck pain:) Thank you Jesus

for women who trust and follow after you, forsaking their understandings and just being obedient to your charge for saving the lost and reaching the broken.

Today, as I write this America's beloved reverend, as he was known, Billy Graham, has passed away and I can only think, "God let me be like him." I want to touch lives the way that Rev Graham touched lives. I want to set myself, my desires, my passions down to follow You, Jesus. I love most of my choices, but if I am making choices in my life that hinder my getting closer to you Jesus take these desires from me. I want my life to just be about you. I don't know how that looks over the next 50 years, and I don't have the promise of the next 50 years, so let me just be yours, I surrender to your will for my life, I want to follow you Jesus.

Motivational Verse: Luke 8:41-48

And, behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and besought him that he would come into his house:

For he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying. But as he went the people thronged him. And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, Came behind him, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanch'd. And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me? And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me. And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately. And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace.

This month we will share personal testimonies. If you would like to share come ready to share or you can let me know ahead of time and have you in prayer.

Moppet Workers-We accept your love, your service to MOPS, your volunteering of your precious time. We need you every third Tuesday of the month and you always step up. You help me to see that God is always working on my behalf. Please never forget that you matter and that all that you do for MOPS demonstrates God's love here on earth. XO.

MOMs -Our MOPS is also a MOMSNEXT group which applies to every mom even those without preschoolers, so if you would love to meet with Jesus and other moms going through life with family come see us. Let's break bread together and meet each other where we are -Rm 200 every 3rd Tuesday of the month:)

In Love With Our Savior and All That He Does!

Heather Nguyen
Coordinator

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>March 2018</h1>						
				1	2 9:00 24 hour Prayer begins for Modern Service 9:30 Women's Bible Study <i>Experiencing God</i> in Rm. 113-114	3 9:00 Men's Prayer Gathering
4 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Blended Worship 11:00 Sunday School 11:00 Modern Worship 6:00 KingsKids 6:00 Evening Ministries 6:00 First Students Nerf War	5 6:30 Cabinet Meeting	6 9:45 MOPS Steering Committee	7 5:45 Family Dinner 6:30 Awana Sparks Matchbox Race 6:30 Student Ministries 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Adult Choir	8 5:30 Board of Trustees 7:00 KeenAgers to Rotary Presents <i>Beauty & The Beast</i> (Bus leaving at 6:15)	9	10
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25 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Blended Worship 11:00 Sunday School 11:00 Modern Worship 5:00 Student Leader Team Gathering 6:00 KingsKids 6:00 Evening Ministries	26	27	28 7:00 Adult Choir/Orchestra Rehearsal No Evening Programs	29 7:00 Maundy Thursday Service <i>At His Name</i> presented by Adult Choir/Orchestra	30 12:00 The Way of The Cross 5:00 Parents Night Out	31 10:00 Easter Celebration @ Riverview Elementary



Child Care Schedule

Nursery/Toddlers (Morning)

- March 4 - Bianna & Tom Ellison
- March 11 - Jerri & Brad Begley
- March 18 - Sarah & Andrew Coots
- March 25 - Jerri & Brad Begley

Kiddie Church

- March 4 - Katie Spradling & Juli Ford
- March 11 - Claire & Chris Metzger
- March 18 - Sharon Brewer & Teen Helper
- March 25 - Julie Yantes & Teen Helper

Kinderchurch

- March 4 - Dorothy Hollowell & Jill O'Hara
- March 11 - Cheryl Motzer & Syd
- March 18 - Dorothy Hollowell & Jill O'Hara
- March 25 - Cheryl Motzer & Syd

KidsChurch (Helping Karen Buchanan & Nancy Whipple)

- March 4 - Mary Brown, Dale Braun, Kathie Russell & Mike Brudzinski
- March 11 - Katie & Bryon Simpson
- March 18 - Gary Swindall, Jason & Ashley Twyman
- March 25 - Carolyn Dudley



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 10:45 a.m. to help with the transition. When you have difficulty finding someone with whom to trade, please call Katie (255-2852)

Thank you for volunteering as a child care worker and may you always know how much we appreciate you!



Wednesday Family Dinners

March 7

Menu: Fried Fish, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Corn Bread, Jello Cake
Hosts: Deaconesses

March 14

Menu: Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Banana Pudding Cups
Hosts: Berean Adult Bible Fellowship

March 21

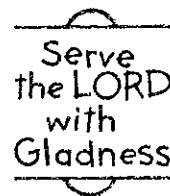
Menu: Grilled Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Brats, Mets, Potato Chips, Pretzels, Cookies (foods you would find at a car race)
Hosts: Awana Grand Prix

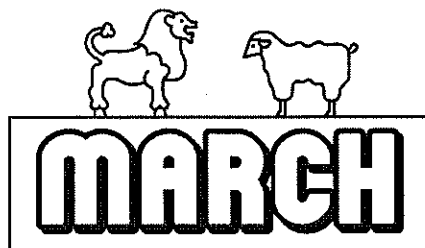
March 28

Menu: No Dinner/No Evening Programs

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 the date, item, and number returned. Please see Ellie.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

1 - Debra Clemens
Tammy Gabbard
Derek Hines

2 - Edward Allen
Katie Spradling

3 - Adam Begley
Rich Hazelwood
Cameron Jenkins
Kelley Taylor Rion

4 - Jerri Lenehan

5 - Jacob Baker
Jim Baker
Bruce Helton
Anne Ruwe
Dave Walker

6 - Roxanne Burton
Brandon Sapp

7 - Taylor Schuermann

8 - Barb Blevens
Bill Brantingham
Benjamin Nguyen
Conner Nguyen

9 - Lauryn Emenaker
Nancy Humbach
Chris Metzger
Keith Wallace

11- Betty Dulli
Mikayla Laney

12- Janet Hazelwood
Caitlin Jackson ❁
Debbie Miller
Joey Sackenheim
Dorothy Wallace

13- Elaine Tragesser
Tyler Dickman

14- Christopher Arnold
Stephen Campbell
Lauren Schwab

16- Rob Ruwe
Barb Perkins-Salcido

17- Miranda Gabbard
Billie Jean Gipson
Gary Hetterich
Emma Imhoff
Durb Tuley

18- Hank Miller
Lisa Stanger
Jill Saylor

19- Zoe Caswell
Paul Bryant

20- Michelle Harris
Hannah Spicer
Jim Yates

21- Riley Bowling
Heidi Martin

22- Dwain Brewer
Pat Gingrich
David Hall
Ciaran Joseph Metzger
Steve Woollard

23- Kristin Fryer

24- Lisa Witmer
Brian Martin
Jared Morris

25- Bill Corley
Ryan Inloes
Nick Wilson

27- Taylor Emenaker
Lee Trent Yates

28- Michael Shalloe

29- Josh Braun
Bob Stanger
Freida Tuley

30- Savannah Millie Adams
Danny Sparks
Elliana Grace Spence
Katie Hoskins

31- Ann Brown
Samuel Jarrett
Craig Keller
Janice Russo
Andrea Thomas
Buddy Wallin

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 Zeke Bowling

Just a note to thank everyone for their love and support during my sister's (Libby Sullivan) final days and Homegoing. Your cards, prayers, and visits to the funeral home and church were very meaningful and uplifting. I take comfort in the knowledge that Libby is with our Lord and Savior and that I will re-unite with her someday. Thanks again.

24 Hour Prayer

Starting Friday, March 2nd, at 9:00 am we would like to have people in the sanctuary 24 hours to prayer until March 3rd at 9:00 am. This is to get ready for our public launch of the Modern Service on March 4th.

We would like to have you fill out hour slots so for example:

Friday

9:00 AM (someone's name)

10:00 AM (someone's name)

11:00 AM (someone's name)

and so on, even throughout the night!

If more than one person wants to sign up for a slot that is wonderful, we can have as many as will sign up pray.

Be looking for the poster board in the lobby of the sanctuary to sign up for your time slot!

Let's pray for the people who are coming, for our church and for ourselves.

–Katie Simpson
Director of Families and Children

Official Launch Of Modern Service

We are officially launching our second service Sunday, March 4th, at 11:00 a.m. Be on the lookout for our two billboards in Hamilton. On the day of the launch please be on the lookout for new people and introduce yourself. If someone seems lost, please help them find their way. If you would like to help that day during the second service, please let Katie know as we need all hands on deck!

–Katie Simpson
Director of Families and Children



FBC Annual Easter Egg Hunt

We will be having our annual Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the second service (close to noon) on April 1st. As always we will be grouping the kids up per ages to hunt eggs outside (if weather permits) Look for more details soon on how you can help with that.

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March 11th

(Set your clocks up before you go to bed
Saturday, March 10th)