

Pastor's Lines

Dear Church Family,

I was in a conversation with a pastor the other day. He was sharing with me about his church. He went on and on about how sweet and loving the church family was. He was beaming at the relationship the people had with one another, and the relationship he had established with the people. He shared with me that he felt so loved and appreciated and respected. I enjoyed watching him "brag" about his church family. After he finished, I began to tell him about my experience at our church. I was able to "brag" about the sweet fellowship "you guys" have with one another. I was beaming about the way my family feels so loved and respected. I was able to glow a little over the fact that I feel refreshed after a full day of church on Sunday (instead of feeling drained). We had a very good time sharing about our church.

I talk to a lot of pastors, and I am sad to say, that conversations like that one are rare. More often, the conversation is confusion and frustration over congregations that can't get along with one another. The conversation leads to frustration from the pastor and the leadership that competes or is apathetic and not interested in moving the church forward. In short, it is not a place that you would want to be.

So, I want to encourage us to be thankful that God has granted us his blessings. Be thankful that God intends for his church to be happy and productive. When the church is happy, then the message of the gospel takes full effect in the lives of people who hear. Life change occurs and people are forever different when the message of Jesus is delivered from a happy place.

As we look at the scriptures today (Acts 2:42-47), let's be reminded that God intended to be a blessing through us from the very beginning. God has designs on blessing the church that is seeking to be happy with one another, and with Him.

You are that blessing,
Dr. j

PS I cooked a big jambalaya for today's covered dish luncheon. Others have cooked extra as well. There is plenty. If you did not bring a dish, please stay anyway, because we want to spend time together as a church family. We will be sharing some exciting details about our Summer Sunday Night Plans "Be the Church"

PPS We are taking a Vacation Bible School Offering on June 18. We want to make sure the VBS has all the supplies they need to be able to share the gospel with over 200 children! Be prepared to give on that day.

Church News

Prayer Walk

On Sunday, June 11th we will prayer walk our community that evening starting at 5pm. Please meet in the Family Life Center and we will go out in groups of two or three or in families and walk through neighborhoods in Jennings and pray for our community. This is the first activity of "Be the Church" where we will follow the example of the New Testament Church in Acts Chapter 2. Hope to see you there.

Children's Calendar

July 31-August 2 - Tall Timbers Camp for 2nd - 6th graders

FOOD DISTRIBUTION MINISTRY

Food Distribution will resume on **Monday, June 4th from 3-5pm**. Individuals whose last name falls between (A-D) will be served. If you are interested in being involved, you are welcome to participate. Thank you for your prayers and service.

Women's Ministry Surveys

Please remember to turn in your Women's Ministry Survey! It is our deepest desire to meet where you are in order to provide events, activities and resources to encourage and challenge you in your walk with Christ. Thank you for taking the time to tell us about yourself. If you haven't received a survey or need another, hard copies are available in the office, and a digital copy is available online on our website.

Church News

To send a prayer need to the prayer chain, e-mail Liz Bollich at bollich@bellsouth.net text or call @ (337) 580-2896.



Deacons meet today following the Potluck Luncheon.

Youth VBS Meeting today at 5pm in the Refuge.

Church Council Meeting June 7 at 5pm in the Family Life Center

Window/Door Offering

March 19 - April 30	\$20,900 received
May 7	\$ 5,000
May 14	\$ 2,058
May 21	\$ 50
May 28	\$ 530

Total \$28,538 Received

Offerings and pledges will continue to be received throughout the construction period.

VBS Needs:



- Recreation Leader for the morning
- Wide mouth jars (i.e. pickle jars)

Youth Meetings:

- June 4 at 5pm in the Refuge
- June 18 at 5pm in the Refuge

Adult helpers needed in the classes and nursery

Church News

Student Ministry students.fbcjennings.com

Summer Time: Our Wednesday schedule time has changed. We will meet from 5-7pm. Students who completed 7-12th grade are welcomed to join us. We will also have game nights and different scheduled events. Details will be listed here, in the newsletter and on our website.

Also, Sunday night discipleship time will be canceled through the summer so students can join the church for the "Be the Church" events with their families.

Summer Camp: Students are getting ready to head to Ruston, Louisiana for our mission trip. We will leave at 9 am on Monday, June 12 and will be home Friday, June 16 around 1pm. Contact Derrick for more details.

BE THE CHURCH ACTS 2:42-47 Summer Sunday Nights

- June 11 Prayer Walk**
- June 18 VBS Work Day**
- June 25 D-Now, John David to lead worship Breakaway DT Groups**
- July 2 Celebrate 4th of July - Backyard BBQ, Waterslide**
- July 9 Worship in I-10- Park**
- July 16 off**
- July 23 Game Night Fellowship**
- July 30 Worship Southside of town**
- August 6 Ice Cream Social**



Any articles or postings for the Sunday Bulletin need to be in the office by Wednesday.

Articles for the Newsletter need to be in the office by the 20th of each month.

Sunday, June 4 - Saturday, June 10

Sunday, June 4:

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
 11:30 a.m. Potluck Luncheon
 1:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting

Monday, June 5:

4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 3-5 p.m. Food Distribution (A-D)

Tuesday, June 6

4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

Wednesday, June 7:

4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 5:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting
 5:30 p.m. Refuge
 6:00 p.m. Midweek Prayer Service
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, June 8:

4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

Friday, June 9:

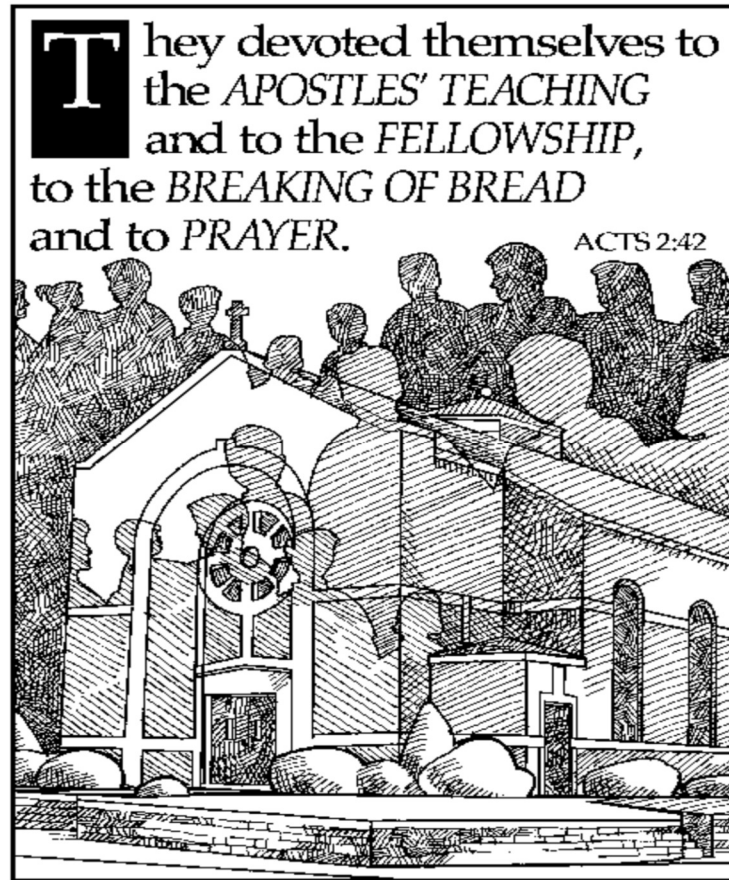
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Saturday, June 10:



Welcome to the worship services of First Baptist Church

Sunday, June 4, 2017



Dr. jeff Cook Pastor	Brian Wells Minister of Education & Sr. Adults	Sean Bean Minister of Music
Derrick Laughlin Youth Leader	Eric Sonnier CC Leader	

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Morning Worship

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Welcome & Fellowship

"Blessed Be Your Name"

"One Thing Remains"

Scripture Reading & Offering

Children's Dismissal

"It Is Well With My Soul"

Ladies Ensemble Special

Sermon

Dr. jeff Cook

Invitation

"Just As I Am"

Activities

Potluck Luncheon immediately following morning worship service

Deacons meeting after luncheon

Youth VBS Meeting in Refuge at 5pm

Sermon Notes

GOD'S DESIGN FOR A BLESSED CHURCH

ACTS 2:42-47

A BLESSED CHURCH CLEARLY UNDERSTANDS ITS PRIORITIES...V. 42

A BLESSED CHURCH PRACTICES WHAT IT PREACHES...V. 43

A BLESSED CHURCH ABSOLUTELY TRUSTS ITS MEMBERS...V. 44-46

A BLESSED CHURCH ENJOYS DAILY GROWTH...V. 47

A BLESSED CHURCH IS THANKFUL

Nursery workers for extended session:

June 4	Nonie Sonnier
June 11	Tina Patterson
June 18	Samantha Patterson
June 25	Kristian Fontenot

CHURCH FINANCES

Monthly Budget Requirements: \$39,993.17
 May 2017 Receipts to Date: \$41,774.85