

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CONNECT

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Missional Moments

We will be praying for the following in worship the next couple of weeks. Help us lift these up in prayer even now.

- Baptist Hospital Offering
- Commissioning for Red Springs & Pennsylvania Teams
- Commissioning Armenia Team
- Your Choices Randolph

Prayer Requests

“Father, quiet my heart and mind so that I may hear the leading of Your Spirit in my life.”

To share a prayer request, email elucas@fbcasheboro.com or call the church office, from 8 – 5pm, Monday through Friday.

Change of Information

If you have any change of contact numbers, addresses or emails, please contact the church office or email elucas@fbcasheboro.com.

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Celebrating **30** *Years*



Janet Smith

Associate Pastor of Preschool & Children

1988-2018

“Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, “The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.”

Lamentations 3:21-24



Our New Church Members



Micky Whitehead
Transfer by letter
Deacon—Ogburn Yates



Gene & Connie White
Transfer by letter
Deacon—Patti Cahoon



John Speight
Baptism
Deacon—Judy Richardson

Thank you!

Thank you to all who signed Easter cards, gave money or gift cards for our military. I am sure they appreciate being remembered. We will do cards and boxes again in late June to mail by July 4.

Anita Lahr

We appreciate the love and kindness you expressed to our family during the loss of our mother, Joan Dunn. Thank you for the cards, texts, hugs and wonderful meal that was prepared for our family. It is so great to have such a wonderful church family.

Beth Dunn Rush

AHS NEWS...Prom was Saturday, April 28. The Prom Shop assisted 54 students this year! The extra space and the new door which allowed direct access into the shop made a HUGE difference! We are so thankful for answered prayers. A HUGE thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who helped and supported Prom Shop. Whether you assisted the students in the shop, kept the shop tidy, sewed and did alterations or sent prayers up, you are greatly appreciated!

Terri Sexton

Thank you for the donations of \$1,268.98 for the stone chimney on the Guest Lodge. It will be very attractive and a great first view of the camp.

Camp Mundo Vista

Don is home from surgery and doing great. He is getting plenty of TLC and physical therapy. Pray he continues to do well. Thank you for the cards, calls and most of all prayers.

Carol Butler

Thank you for the delicious meal you served us during the passing of our father, John Nance. A special thank you to those who served us.

*Carol Lewallen John Nance Jr.
& Rick Nance*

Pastors On Call

May 4—6..... *Rick Davis/953-8090*

May 11—13..... *Scotty Carpenter/465-6346*

May 18—20..... *Janet Smith/653-1387*

May 25—27..... *Mark Hall/953-8659*

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



VBS GAME ON JUNE 10-14 6:30 PM-8:30 PM



New this summer for Vacation Bible School:

Game On! musical for rising grades 2-7. Learn all the songs and motions for this year's VBS and share them on the last night in worship rally. This first-ever opportunity will be from 5:45-6:15 pm on June 10-14. After rehearsal leaders will walk with children to their classes.



Register online! In just a few quick steps you can sign up to come and provide all the information you would normally fill out on paper. Registration is open NOW. Go to www.fbcasheboro.com or <https://kideventpro.lifeway.com/myChurch/?id=25367> to register. Tell your friends how to register so you can all go straight to your rooms on the first night.

For increased security, we are asking parents to go with their children to their classrooms at drop off every night to sign them in. For rising grades 2-7 pick-up will still be in the CLC (gym); for twos through Kindergarten pick-up will be at their classrooms. All parents will need to sign their children out before leaving with them. With all the people in the building at pick up and drop off, this will help ensure children are in the right place or leaving with the right person.



Needed for VBS:

Paper towel tubes (no toilet tissue tubes please). Only collecting through June 10.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

How grateful I am for 30 years of ministry with you! We've experienced a lot together since I came here May 1, 1988 to open The Growing Place Child Care Center and build on the excellent Children's Ministry already in place. It has been so fulfilling to see babies who were born in my early days grow all the way through elementary, middle and high school and go on to college, marriage, and parenthood. It is especially meaningful to see so many of those whom I consider "my children" find their own ways to serve God in their churches, careers, and communities. My family and I will be forever grateful for your ministry to us through difficult days and your continuing prayer support. Together we have learned, grown, and explored God's call. You will always have a special place in my heart!

Congratulations to our Bible Drill group who participated in the Regional Drill on April 21 and were all winners! Your focus on learning scripture and how to use the Bible will help you throughout life. I'm grateful for parents who make the family commitment to Bible Drill and give it priority. Special thanks go to Carolyn Thomas and Mike Lucas, who make a great leadership team.



Left to Right

Chris White, Erin McCutchen, Hannah Charles, Jake Gainey, Jeffrey Wyche, Landry McRoy, Owen Green, Nicholas Greene, Rachel Siniard

Remember the VBS Preview and Race for Missions on June 6! A tailgate meal will kick off a fun night that will include all ages. We at First Baptist are one of very few churches to offer VBS for everyone, including students and adults. Be sure to participate in this unique opportunity for in depth Bible study and fellowship with your church family.

ON MISSION

On Mission Team Meeting—Sunday, May, 6 at 4:30 pm in room 225.

A **Sunday school class is needed** to help our Prom Shop at Asheboro High School manage the cataloging. Please let us know if your class could take on this project this year.

Prayers for those on mission in May:

1 Attending | May 11-19 | Dominican Republic

6 Attending | May 17-23 | Pennsylvania

22 Attending | May 18-20 | Red Springs

7 Attending | May 23-26 | West Virginia

3 Attending | May 25-June 3/10 | Armenia

“Every Baptist is a missionary.”

~ Johannes Gerhard Oncken

Piedmont Place MHMA will have a spring party at the home of John and Sue Cameron on Tuesday, May 8. Thanks to the LOFT class for planning and implementing this great event for our families in MHMA.

Coleridge MHMA will have their spring party on Monday, May 14. Thanks to the Adult 4 Co-Ed class for organizing a party for our hard-working students!



First Baptist Church will partner with Communities In Schools to honor the staff of Asheboro High School on **Tuesday, May 8**. The menu is breakfast treats. If you can provide breakfast casseroles, juice, fruit, sausage balls, biscuits, or doughnuts, please contact Ashley Proctor-Gann at (336) 465-6852. Volunteers will also be needed to host the staff.

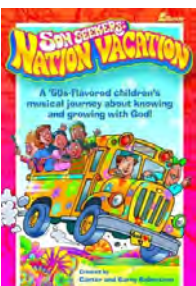
Our special offering for the month of May is the Mother's Day offering for ministries at Baptist Hospital. Learn more about this offering at: www.mothersdayoffering.org

MUSIC MINISTRY

WOW! Is all I can say about the Cuba Music Mission trip. We went to bless the people of Cuba and came back being more blessed because of how we saw God at work in the Cuban people and pastors.

Many videos of the concerts, prayers and music camp have been published on my Facebook page. There are some pictures and a synopsis video published on the church Facebook page. Thank you church family for the opportunity to go and for your support on this mission trip. Singing together in two different languages at the same time was a glimpse into what I imagine all the people praising Jesus in heaven will look like. My heart is overflowing and I am grateful to see the Lord working.

They need construction crews to go and help build a seminary in central Cuba and help finish the retirement home in Santiago. We are considering a music mission trip back to Cuba next year to combine with a couple other churches to take a team. I'm praying that God will create a desire in us to go back and minister to the Cubans there.



It's time to start signing up for Summer Music and Arts Camp. I chose a musical this year that has many drama parts so that more people will get a chance to be in the drama. There are six boy and six girl speaking parts. The music is in the 60's style and teaches the children how to grow in their walk with God. You can see a sample video at the link mentioned below. You can register in the church office or online at <http://fbcasheboro.com/music-camp/>. Registration is \$50 per child.

SMAC Staff Meeting

Sunday, June 3

4:45 pm-5:30 pm | Room 118

If you cannot attend the meeting, please let me know.

I need to share some information with you and get your t-shirt size.

ADULT & STUDENT MINISTRY

SEASONS

When most people use the term SEASONS, they think of the four seasons we experience throughout the year. I'm suggesting taking it one step further. Throughout our life, we all experience different seasons. Seasons of love, loss, grief, pain, change, joy, excitement, transformation, opportunity and adventure. It happens to each one of us and that's why our desire for community and support is a NEED, not a want. We were created to belong. During these seasons of both good and bad, we cling to our support system and most importantly to our Father, the one in control of all the seasons.

So, I've got **BIG NEWS**. The most important people (my youth) know and now, I can share it more publicly.

At the end of July, I will no longer be attending, working, or serving in student ministry at First Baptist Church. This will definitely be a bittersweet time as I transition to a new church community. I have felt this calling since the beginning of January. This may shock you since I've been invested at FBC since I was in the 5th grade. This has been a very long season of my life. It's been a beautiful, fruitful season of growth. I've continued to grow in my relationship with God, met amazing people that I call my lifelong friends, found encouragement in pursuing a degree through Southern Seminary, and received endless support from people who allowed me to "do life" with their 7th-12th grade youth. It's been one tremendous blessing. But, as we know, seasons change. God brings about new people and opportunities into our lives and I could not be more excited about what the next chapter includes for me. Change can be good and with God leading me, I know it will be so much greater than anything I could ever imagine.

I won't lie to you; I bawled telling my students a few weeks ago in Sunday school. We've done a lot of life together over the past four years and I've loved seeing them transform and grow into God's servants in our community. They support and love one another and I could not be more proud of the young people they are becoming. We laugh, cry, encourage, and dig deep into God's word together. I am so grateful for the opportunity to serve in student ministry and to give back to a part of the community that invested so much in me. Even though they were surprised and saddened by my news, they understood and supported my decision. The students even prayed over me.

These next few months will be interesting as I gradually release responsibilities to parents and students that are able to come alongside Mark in more administrative and social media related roles. I appreciate your prayers and support during this time. I've had many people say that they "backed me" 100% and I could not be more thankful. God calls and we follow.

My challenge to you is: What season are you in? How is God working in your life? What/where is He calling you next?

Emily Allen



Wednesday, May 2—CUOC | 6:00 PM

Sunday, May 6-Student Choir Outing & Open Gym | 3:30-7:00 PM

Wednesday, May 9—Your Choices Randolph | 6:00 PM

Sunday, May 13-NO EVENING YOUTH ACTIVITIES | MFUGE Balance Due (See Chuck)

Wednesday, May 16—Habitat Restore | 6:00 PM

Sunday, May 20-Last Parent Meeting | 6:00 PM | Room 224

(We will discuss the summer calendar for students.)

Wednesday, May 23—Habitat House | 6:00 PM

Sunday, May 27-NO EVENING YOUTH ACTIVITIES | Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 30—Habitat House | 6:00 PM

Vacation Bible School Snacks

Snack items are still needed for VBS. Please leave donations outside Janet Smith's office no later than June 3. Monetary donations are appreciated as well for perishable items.

- Bugles
- "Fun Size" packs of M&M's
- Mini Oreos
- Nacho Cheese – larger cans can be purchased at Wal-Mart
- Pretzel Rods
- Tostito Chips – bite size or round
- Turkey Pepperoni Packs



Bonus Teaching Hour Schedule

Sunday, May 6

8:30 am Babies/1s
2s, 3s, 4s
11:00 am Babies/1s
2s, 3s, 4s
Cross Road Driver
Special Education Driver

Jeanne Allen, Jennifer Cox
Kelsey Confer, Amy Deck
Michele Futrell, Valerie Hall
Ernie Confer, Carolyn Thomas
Gary Davis/302-2143
Ben Tesh/302-8473

Sunday, May 13

8:30 am Babies/1s
2s, 3s, 4s
11:00 am Babies/1s
2s, 3s, 4s
Cross Road Driver
Special Education Driver

Dawn Greene, Devin Wilson
Kim Britt, Laura Strickland
Wanda Roberts, Alice Cook
Julia Williamson, Mary Pickett
Julie Bates/919-633-5037
Tom Deck/629-1933

Sunday, May 20

8:30 am Babies/1s
2s, 3s, 4s
11:00 am Babies/1s,
2s, 3s, 4s
Cross Road Driver
Special Education Driver

Ellen Adams, Leslie McCutchen
Brad Crumpler, Melinda Snipes
Tom Deck, Tami Weske
Nancy Carpenter, Mike Weske
Ben Tesh/302-8473
Dennis Gardner/626-3459

Sunday, May 27

8:30 am Babies/1s
2s, 3s, 4s
11:00 am Babies/1s
2s, 3s, 4s
Cross Road Driver
Special Education Driver

Kim Aldrich, Rick Burleson
Paige Motley, Donna Burleson
Carol Pearce, Sarah Cox
Laura Gardner, Ashton Confer
Tom Deck/629-1933
Mike Lahr/625-4576



Supper is served at 4:45 pm in the CLC. Make your reservation on Tuesday by 12 noon or ask to be added to the permanent list.

May 2

Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes,
Green Beans, Bread, Salad Bar and Dessert

May 9

Baked Spaghetti, Green Peas, Garlic Bread,
Salad Bar and Dessert

May 16

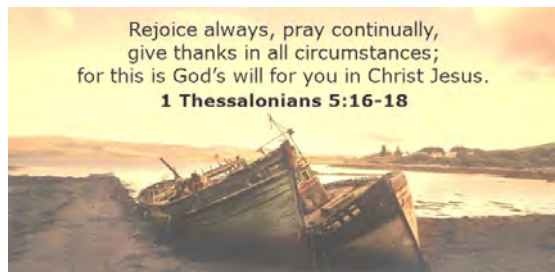
Pork Chops, Rice, Crowder Peas,
Biscuits, Salad Bar and Dessert

May 23

Meatloaf, Hash Brown Casserole,
Cole Slaw, Bread, Salad Bar and Dessert

May 30

Chicken Salad, Macaroni Salad,
Lettuce, Tomato, Crackers, Salad Bar and Dessert



Church Records

Ministry	4/1	4/8	4/15	4/22
Sunday Bible Study	349	337	362	350
Family Night Dinner	163	171	160	169
HeartSpace Ministry	228	221	230	216
Fall Classes Adults & Children	74	77	92	96
Wed. Student Service Ministry	18	24	28	26
MHMA	0	71	80	63
Totals	832	901	952	920

LOOKING AHEAD

- May 2** *Prayer & Worship Service*
- May 8** *Deacons Meeting*
- May 8** *MHMA Spring Party*
- May 13** *No Church Activities*
- May 14** *Monday Matters*
- May 17** *Senior Travelers/Ava Gardner Museum*
- May 17-23** *Pennsylvania Mission Trip*
- May 18-20** *DI Kids Family Mission Trip*
- May 21** *Hearts & Hands Mission Craft Group*
- May 22** *Aktion Club Meeting*
- May 24** *Live Embers*
- May 30** *Music & Missions End of Year Program*
- May 31** *Summer Music & Arts Camp Auditions*
- June 1** *Summer Music & Arts Camp Auditions*
- June 2** *Summer Music & Arts Camp Auditions*
- June 2** *2018 Graduate Banquet*

Connect will next be published on

May 25, 2018

The deadline for submitting information is
Noon on Monday, May 21.

For more information on upcoming ministry events,
please see the weekly **Worship Guide** calendar
or call the church's main office.

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