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First Baptist Church Mission Statement

**To exalt the Savior, equip the saints, and evangelize the world
through the power of God's Word.**

(FEBRUARY, 2013)



Church-Wide Valentine Banquet

**Sunday, February 10
5:30 pm in the FLC**

**The menu is Ham, HAshbrown Casserole, Green Beans, Roll
and dessert**

Tickets are available for \$8 Adults and \$5 for children (child portions
are smaller).

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

We are in desperate need of help in our tech areas.

Computer/ Sound/ Lighting

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE HELP!!!



PASTORAL Ponderings

By: Derek Lambert



"Tell the Israelites to bring me an offering. You are to receive the offering from each man whose heart prompts him to give. Exodus 25:2

My Commitment as a Christian

Written by a young African pastor and tacked on the wall of his house.

I'm part of the fellowship of the unashamed. I have Holy Spirit power. The die has been cast. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I'm a disciple of His. I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away or be still.

My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, my future is secure. I'm finished with low living, sight walking, small planning, smooth knees, colorless dreams, tamed visions, mundane talking, cheap living, and dwarfed goals.

I no longer need pre-eminence, prosperity, position, promotions, plaudits, or popularity. I don't have to be right, first, tops, recognized, praised, regarded, or rewarded. I now live by faith, lean on His presence, walk by patience, lift by prayer, and labor by power.

My face is set, my gait in fast, my goal is heaven, my road is narrow, my way rough, my companions few, my guide reliable, my mission clear, I cannot be bought, compromised, detoured, lured away, turned back, deluded or delayed. I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of the adversary, negotiate at the table of the enemy, ponder at the pool of popularity, or meander in the maze of mediocrity.

I won't give up, shut up, let up, until I have stayed up, stored up, prayed up, paid up, and preached up for the cause of Christ. I am a disciple of Jesus. I must go till He comes, give till I drop, preach till all I know, and work till He stops me. And when He comes for His own, He will have no problems recognizing me – my banner will be clear!

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At what level have you committed your life to discipleship? Have you forsaken everything in order to wholly pursue the LORD Jesus Christ? The resolution offered above from the African pastor indicates that he intended to pursue the LORD with everything. He is no longer satisfied with half hearted commitment.

May you seek our your "Paul" and your "Timothy" over these next few weeks. Discover individuals that can and will invest into your life as well as individuals in whom your can invest spiritually. Intentional relationships with other believers will sharpen you and intensify your walk with Christ. Christianity was never meant to be experienced in isolation, but rather in community. May we grow to the point that we can adopt the resolution above as our own declaration to God, ourselves, and to the world.



TIM'S NOTES



The Story
(Easter Portion Only)
Easter Sunday Morning March 31st

It Is Finished
Senior Adult Day
May 5th at 6:00 pm

Rise and Sing Musical Drama Theatre
June 2nd 5:30 PM

Blast Off
Kidz Praise Choirs
May 19th at 6:00 pm

KIDZ PRAISE CHOIRS

Our *Kidz Praise Choirs* have already begun working on *Blast Off*. *Kidz Praise* is our children's choirs. We have a preschool group for ages 3 & 4 that meet in the Children's Building. Kindergarten through 5th grade meets in the Music Suite across from the Church Office on Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm. Come join us as we learn about God's plan and as we prepare to embark on a fun filled adventure through space.

CELEBRATION CHOIR

The Story will be our next presentation. But only the Easter portion of the musical presentation will be sung on Easter Sunday morning, which is about ½ of the musical. Then on October 13th the entire musical presentation will be presented.

Using the text of the NIV, *The Story* presents the Bible in a chronological, novel format. *The Story, The Musical* is a breathtaking new project that presents God's redemptive plan for His people from Genesis to Revelation, and is based on the best-selling books by Lucado and Frazee and the artist recording by Bernie Herms and Nichole Nordeman. It features eight songs from the Dove Award-winning recording, *The Story, The Musical* has been superbly crafted by master arranger and orchestrator David Hamilton for church choirs and soloists. Deborah Craig-Claar has artfully used sequences from Scripture and Frazee and Lucado's commentary to tell a seamless story from Eden's garden to an empty tomb to the throne of heaven.

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The story is brought into vivid reality by the addition of an accompaniment DVD which features the original concert videos from the popular tour of The Story.

In the words of the original authors: "The Story tells the grandest, most compelling story of all time: the story of a true God who loves His children, who established for them a way of salvation, and provided a route to eternity; and this same God is alive and active today. Listen for God's call on your life, as He helps you write your own story!

STUDENT CHOIR

Our Student Choir has already begun working on their 2013 *Missions Through The Arts/ Mission Trip*. Mark your calendar for June 6 – 9. The Musical Project is called *Rise & Sing*. Sunday June 2nd we will have a Dinner Theatre at 5:30 in the FLC and present the musical side to the Mission Trip. The music features 10 songs first introduced by some of today's most popular Christian artists including, Casting Crowns, Toby Mac, Fee, Hillsong, Jonathan Lee, and many more. *Rise and Sing* will excite our student choir as they prepare to lead in worship and lead outside the walls of the church. Student choir is open to all students 6 – 12 grade. Come join with us each Sunday at 5:00 pm in the Music Suite.

YOUNG AT HEART CHOIR

It Is Finished will be our next musical presentation. We will watch the Easter story come alive as we recount Jesus' final breath on the cross, celebrate His victory over death's stronghold, and declare with confidence, It is Finished!

Russell Mauldin has done it again with this dynamic new musical which is tremendously powerful. This new musical celebration is filled with many of our best-loved songs such as "It Is Finished," "When He Was on the Cross (I Was on His Mind)," "Behold the Lamb," "Just As I Am" and "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High." These timeless songs combined with strategically placed new titles gives *It Is Finished* the perfect balance of 'old friends and new,' bringing the two together in celebration of the triumphant message of Easter!

Songs include: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today Opener (It Is Finished/Beyond the Grave/Christ the Lord Is Risen Today) • Welcome the King! • Behold How He Loves • When He Was on the Cross (I Was on His Mind) with Behold the Lamb • It Is Finished • Just As I Am (I Come Broken) • Christ Is Risen Finale (Lord, I Lift Your Name on High/Christ the Lord Is Risen Today)

Come join The *Young At Heart Choir* as we prepare to tell the story of The Cross in a unique yet fresh new way. We rehearse at 10:00 am on Tuesday mornings in the Choir Suite. If you are 50 years of age or older you qualify and can join with us.

MISSIONS THROUGH THE ARTS

Many of you have already asked if there are students that may need help financially to attend MTTA. Yes there is. The total cost for the Mission Trip is \$190.00. If you would like to help, please contact me through the church office 386-454-1505 or on my cell at 352-317-3881. Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration.

His Servant, Bro. Tim



FROM YOUR DEACONS

"If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen. 1 Peter 4:11b

The word "deacon" is derived for the Greek word "diakonos" meaning "servant." So our role as deacons is that of a servant. We consider it our privilege to be a servant of our Lord and a servant to our church family. We want each of you to know that you can feel free to call on us at anytime. These are the active deacons for 2013:

Wayne Bloodsworth, Sr.	386-454-1302 (h)	352-215-8081 (c)
Dick Bridges	386-462-3123 (h)	352-870-2112 (c)
Garrett Buzbee	386-454-2031 (h)	352-318-4700 (c)
Ed Carter	386-755-9406 (h)	352-538-6826 (c)
Pace Emerson	386-454-4036 (h)	386-588-4286 (c)
Jeff Friar	386-462-1482 (h)	352-318-1577 (c)
Matthew Humphries	386-497-3295 (h)	352-514-6830 (c)
Warren Godsmark	386-752-6061 (h)	386-965-2367 (c)
George Hall	386-454-3660 (h)	
Wayne Hollingsworth	386-454-4187 (h)	352-317-5657 (c)
Rick Jefferson	386-497-1149 (h)	386-853-5633 (c)
Bob McMillan, Sr.	386-462-7867 (h)	352-231-7867 (c)
<i>(Chairman)</i>		
Bryan Olmert	386-454-1783 (h)	352-538-6457 (c)
Gene Petteway	386-454-2502 (h)	352-665-0687 (c)
Kyle Petteway	386-454-5100 (h)	352-213-4273 (c)
<i>(Vice-Chair)</i>		
Mke Sturm	386-462-2891 (h)	352-316-1872 (c)
George Tatum	386-454-7217 (h)	386-266-8294 (c)
<i>(Secretary)</i>		
Robbie Teele	386-497-3360 (h)	352-215-3999 (c)
Jose Valdes	386-454-9753 (h)	352-562-5633 (c)
Robbie Yarborough	386-454-5228 (h)	352-316-1545 (c)

This year it is our desire to be a help and support to our pastoral staff so that they will have as much of an opportunity as possible to study and stay in the Word. We have organized our deacon body into ministry teams (Deacon On-Call Teams) that will help the staff with hospital visits and meeting various other needs within the church body. These Deacon On-Call Teams will rotate each month. We will continue to communicate throughout the year which Deacon On-Call Team is currently serving.

We request that you please help us in this effort in the following way. If you are aware of someone in our church who is sick, who is in the hospital or who has another significant need, please call the team leader of the current Deacon On-Call Team (rather than calling the Church Office).

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The Deacon On-Call Team will communicate with the Church Office and coordinate meeting the need. These are the upcoming Deacon On-Call Teams:

January 7 – February 10

Garrett Buzbee*
Pace Emerson
Matthew Humphries
Rick Jefferson
Jose Valdes

February 11 – March 10

Wayne Bloodsworth, Sr.*
Warren Godsmark
Kyle Petteway
Mike Sturm
Robbie Yarbrough

* Team Leader



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*Mr. Jarrod Carter
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*Mackenzie Fox
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*Pending completion of the New Members Class

THE POINT BILLY STEPHENS

With January now in the rear view mirror we are rapidly approaching the summer. I know that sounds crazy but you and I both know that the summer will be here quickly. Between now and then there are some very important dates we want you to know about for student ministry.

February 6 – Student Ministry worshipping at Mt. Carmel in Lake City at 7:00 pm

February 10 – Valentine's Dinner Theater

February 24 – Night of Worship with the Kleos Band (in the Theater) at 7:30 pm. All are invited.

April 26 – 27 – Dream Now Weekend



During the month of February we will be studying *Crazy Love*. This series is based off the book *Crazy Love*, by Francis Chan. I want to encourage you all to buy this book and read through it with your students.

Thank YOU!

Dear Church,

Thank you for your thoughtfulness in reaching out to us during Pat's surgery and recovery. Your prayers, calls, cards, food, and all other gestures of concern were very much appreciated.

Pat and Lou Westmoreland

WISE THOUGHTS ON LOVE FROM A KID'S POINT OF VIEW

Is it better to be single or married?

"It's better for girls to be single, but not for boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them." (Lynnete, age 9)

Why does love happen between two people?

"No one is sure why it happens. But I heard it has something to do with how good you smell. That's why perfume and deodorant are so popular." (Jan, age 9)

What is the proper age to get married?

"84, because at that age you don't have to work anymore, and you can spend all your time loving each other." (Judy, age 8)



HEAR US ROAR! "No greater joy can I have than this, to HEAR that my children follow the truth." 3 John 4"

Library News:

Reporting our circulation for the last quarter:

October – December 2012

Books:

Youth and Adults	548
J Section (Older Children)	559
C Section	740

DVDs	105
VCs	4
Periodicals	3
Equipment	22

TOTAL	1,981
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In-House Usage

Books	41
Periodicals	25

Collection Statistics:

Books	260
DVDs	54

Patron Statistics – Added: 2

The Library would like to recommend two new DVDs that have been added to our collection and great for the whole family:

Last Ounce of Courage: A Story of Faith, Family & Freedom:

A small-town war hero is heartbroken when his own son Tom loses his life defending America. Tom left behind a son of his own named Christian, and 14 years later, the young boy and his mother move back to the small town to be with their family for the holidays. When powerful Washington interests seek to stamp out religious expression, Christian inspires his grandfather to take a stand for the ideals Tom died defending. Accused of violating the Constitution, can Bob reignite the faith of this small community – or is it too late? (Call # DVD F Las)

Monumental: In Search of America's National Treasure:

How did the U.S. become the freest, most prosperous country in the world? Kirk Cameron challenges us to discover America's true "national treasures" – the people, places, and principles that have empowered this nation. Beginning in England and moving forward, you'll learn about the founder's motivations, designs, and goals and how to apply the same truths today. (Call # DVD 973 Mon)

Janet H. Bridges
Library Director

UPCOMING EVENTS TO WATCH FOR:

January 28: Re-enrollment forms due

January 30: 100th Day of School

February 1: Elementary tuition payment due

February 6: 3rd Progress Reports go home

February 18: President's Day Holiday, school closed

March 19: Art in the Park

May 8: Kindergarten Musical, FCA Theater, 10:00 am

May 15: Sinfonietta Musical, FCA Theater, 10:00 am

Honor Roll for Second Nine Weeks: Luke Emerson, Eli Davis, Shay Emerson, Abigale Iams, Aiden Pinkston, Olivia Potts, Katherine Radder, Karlee Gainey, Brent Lavinder, Noa Radzininski, Emily Allen, Madeline Gruenwald, Mason McRae, Michaela Nelson, Abigail Soto, Harley Swilley, Madison Barrelle, Riley Yost, Madison Brown, Tyler Cousins, Abigail Daugherty, Sophia Davis, Arabella Rumore, Caleb Johnson, Ellie Keesling, Jacob Potter, Ashlyn Allen, Zachary Brecken, Ethan Conner, Samantha Cowart, Whitney Davis, Payton Gainey, Matthew Nelson, Evie Newman, Carleigh Newson, Haley Pyle, Jaedyn Waldron, Jordan Webb, Jacob Baggs, Chesney Brown, Aidan Collins, Allen Friar, Matthew Green, Blake Petteway, Connor Strickland, Cade Vaughn, Callie Delaney, Trey Dohose, Anna Mills, Grant Stephens, Michaela Potter, Junah Rumore, Reagan Waldron, Ryan Beasley, Hunter Burnett, Joshua Johnson, Caleb Land, Jenna Sullivan, Ivy Emerson, Emily Keene, Alana Lambert, Tyler Levanduski, Emily Noah, Kaitlyn Petteway, Kayli Sapp, Khylee Tomberlin, Noah Combs, Peyton Delaney, Madeline Donnelly, Kara Lounsbury, Meghan Collins, Johnathan Green, Maggie Zawoy, Garrett Barrelle, Marshall Newsom, Josh Ryall, Will Stephens, Keegan Flatley, Hunter Johnson, and Logan Waldron.

Spelling Bee: Our annual school Spelling Bee was held in January for 5th – 8th Grades. Michaela Potter was the winner for 5th grade. Maggie Zawoy was the overall school winner and Kaitlyn Petteway was runner-up. Thomas Wingfield took 3rd place. The county-wide Spelling Bee was held January 23rd at Kirby Smith Center.

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Ongoing Fundraisers: Here at FCA, we have several fundraisers that go on year round. We appreciate all of our parents and church family helping in the collection of the following: Campbell's Soup Labels, Box Tops for Education, Tyson Project A+ labels, Sunny D Labels, and Coke Rewards. We are no longer collecting ink cartridges. We appreciate all of the generous support you have provided while we were collecting the cartridges.

Fine Arts News, Mrs. Shoran Potter: In Chorus, Kindergarten through 6th grade will have the opportunity to learn anthems, hymns, and seasonal songs all year. II Timothy 1:6 "Therefore I remind you to fan (stir up) the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands."

Archery Team, Mr. Pat Combs: The FCA Archery team recently competed in the OAS Mail-in Tournament hosted by the Eastern Foundation. With 167 archers competing for medals, FCA earned 13 medals and placed 1st in every division. Congratulations to the following archers for this tremendous accomplishment: Tyler Levanduski, Noah Combs, Garrett Barrelle, Thomas Wingfield, Emily Keene, Emily Noah, Aidan Collins, Dexter Fleming, Jordan Webb, Reagan Waldron, Hunter Burnette, and Samantha Cowart.

Physical Education, Mr. Shane Johnson: Physical Education classes are on Thursdays for grades K-2 and on Fridays for grades 3-8. "Lord, teach my children perseverance in all they do, and help them especially to run their race with perseverance." Hebrews 12:1

Website of FCA, Melissa Levanduski: The Host and Updater of our website is Melissa Levanduski. Our web address is www.fcahighsprings.org "May my children be filled with the joy given by the Holy Spirit." I Thessalonians 1:6

Volunteers: To be able to volunteer in the classroom or go on field trips we must have a cleared background screening. Stop by the office to fill out paperwork.

These teachers at FCA are reporting some very exciting things going on in their classes:

Pre-School: Rachel Gillis (Director), Lindsey Bigelow, Amanda Brown, Cindy Collins, Erin Emerson, Margaret McQuatters, Gay Moody, Jennifer Newman, Dede Stephens, Shelby Waldron, Amber Withey, and Sierra Withey: Our VPK classes went on a field trip to see Cinderella. "Let love and faithfulness never leave my children, but bind these twin virtues around their necks and write them on the tablet of their hearts." Proverbs 3:3

Mrs. Lori Clark, Kindergarten, Renee Deese, Aide: We had our 100th day of school on January 30th. It was a day of celebrating our accomplishments! We counted to 100 in many different ways, number sequencing to 100, counted our 10 groups of 10 different snack items, made silly hats and shared about all the many things we have learned in our first 100 days. Mrs. Clark is very proud of this group of students! "May my children always be merciful as their Father is merciful." Luke 6:36

Mrs. Kim Friar, First Grade: "May my children always be strong and courageous in their character and in their actions." Deuteronomy 31:6

Mrs. Kate Kieszek, First Grade: "Grant that my children may be generous and willing to share, laying up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for eternity." I Timothy 6:18-19

Mrs. Martine Wikstrom, Second Grade: In second grade we are learning about borrowing from the tens place and hundreds place. I'm so proud of my students and how quickly they have caught on! "I pray that they may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18

Mrs. Vicki Johnson, Fourth Grade: "Father, help my children not to be like many others around them, but let them be alert and self-controlled in all they do." I Thessalonians 5:6

Mrs. Whitney Bussey, Fifth – Seventh Grade Language Arts/Writing: "Create in them a pure heart, O God, and let their purity of heart be shown in their actions." Psalm 51:10

Mr. Pete Collins, Fifth – Seventh grades, History and Spelling/Poetry: I'm very proud of our 5 – 8th grade students for participating in the 2nd FCA Spelling Bee! The students that won at FCA are participating in the Alachua County Spelling Bee. In Language Arts, we continue to polish our writing skills with grammar exercises, book reports, creative writing opportunities and research papers. The last half of the year keeps us on our toes. As a middle school team, we aspire to teach the study skills needed for the students now and in the future. I am so proud to be working with such a wonderful group of faculty and teachers. Create in them a pure heart, O God, and let their purity of heart be shown in their actions." Psalm 51:10

Mr. Pete Collins, 5th – 7th grades, History and Spelling/Poetry: "May my children grow to find your Word more precious than gold than much pure gold, and sweeter than honey from the honeycomb." Psalm 19:10

Mrs. Reba Land, Fifth - Seventh grades, Science and Reading: The seventh and eighth graders have been reading Shakespeare, "Macbeth." They have really enjoyed it! It has been an opportunity for their personalities to shine. The 5th and 6th graders are working on Space Units and have had several papers and oral reports that they have really enjoyed doing. It is a great opportunity to learn research skills that they will need throughout their education. "God, please cultivate in my children the ability to show true humility toward all." Titus 3:2

Mrs. Melody Petteway, Fifth – Seventh Grades, Math and Algebra: "God, help my children to love justice as You do and to act justly in all they do." Psalm 11:7; Micah 6:8

Linda Petteway



BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST

The next Brotherhood Breakfast will be Sunday, March 3, 2013 at 7:00 am in the FLC.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Nursery Volunteers are always needed. If you are interested in helping with this vital ministry of our church, please contact Edie Bache at 352-363-0902.



BUS STOP CAFÉ MENU

- February 6 Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread, and Dessert
- February 13 BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw and Dessert
- February 20 Chili, Fixings' and Dessert
- February 27 Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Veggies, and Dessert

VBS LEADER NEEDED

A volunteer is needed to coordinate VBS for 2013. If you are interested, please contact Bro. Billy.

LIFE SOUTH BLOOD DRIVE

The next Blood Drive will be Sunday, February 10th at 9:15 am.

LIFE LINE SCREENING

A stroke prevention screening is coming to FBC Monday, February 25, 2013, in the C-wing. There is a special \$10 package discount for members and their families PLUS a matching \$10 donation to FBC. Pre-registration is required by calling 1-800-324-9458 or by visiting www.helpinghandsforhealth.com. Stroke, Aneurysm and Vascular Disease Screenings are just \$60 or get all 5 screenings for only \$149.

LIFE CONNECTIONS TEACHERS MEETING

The next Life Connections Teachers Meeting will be Sunday, February 17th at 12:30 pm in the FLC. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to the Church Office by Wednesday, February 13th if you plan to attend. For more information, contact Bro. Billy.

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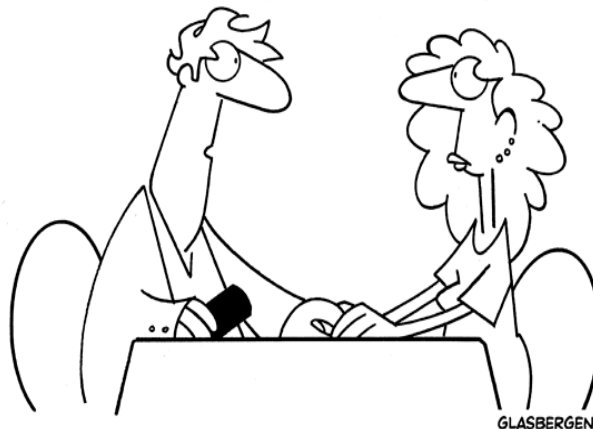
Please reserve the February date on your calendar to bless us with your presence and participation at Koinonia. Feel free to contact the Church Office regarding any questions you may have, concerning this opportunity. **Bro. Derek will meet your family in the FLC at 7:00 pm.**

MONTH	DAY	FIRST LETTER OF LAST NAME
February	4	I, J
	11	K, L
	18	M, N
	25	O, P



Parents, need a night out? This is your chance! Parents' Night Out will be Friday, February 15, 2013 from 6:30 – 10:00 pm, for **K – 5th Grade ONLY**. You can drop off your child/children in the FLC. The cost is \$2.00 per child; food and fun provided. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign-up in the Sanctuary Foyer.

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**"I can't afford an engagement ring,
so I bought you an engagement ringtone."**