

An edition of Witness

THE ENCOURAGER

FROM YOUR PASTOR ...

Sharing Our Vision...

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Pray. Love. Care. Invite. Those words describe and define some of the characteristics of a New Testament church. As a congregation prays, God places the love of His Son in our hearts, which in turn allows us to care for each other and invite others to know Christ in saving faith. I believe those words describe God's heartbeat, and I'm sure that like me, you desire what He does.

Please remember to pray for the following events and for God's touch upon them:

- "Different On Purpose" Men's Conference with Danny Singleton, **January 20-21** (We will start with a steak dinner at **6 PM** Friday). Danny will teach on three critical topics:
 - o A man and his walk with God.
 - o A man and his family.
 - o A man and his personal purity. Sign up ends this Sunday, so reserve your spot now. You won't be disappointed!
- DNow Student Retreat! **February 3-5** at the Laguna Christian Retreat Center in Panama City Beach, FL. Parents, this will be a marvelous time of fun, music, and Bible teaching for your child. Sign up now!
- Our annual trip to the FBC Woodstock Men's Conference is coming in one month (Feb. 10-11). You can sign up at the Reception Desk.
- Early Worship Service begins **March 18 at 8:00 AM**. New format, different music, and the same life-changing truths from God's Word.

Also, our **ENCORE** discussion and prayer groups have returned at 5 PM on Sunday evenings. This is a great time for interaction and to meet new people. Come and be part of something encouraging!

Pastor Bobby

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Guy & Karen Linder & sons, Dale & Doug Linder

76 Willow Run

DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435.

Guy, Karen, Dale, & Doug joined by statement of faith on Sunday, January 8, 2012.

Family Deacon: David Drake

Robert & Jennifer Newberry

709 N. 11th Street

DeFuniak Springs, FL 32433.

Robert & Jennifer joined by baptism on Sunday, January 8, 2012.

Family Deacon: Ken Jackson

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



January 15 — David Alford, Donna Porter, Tammy Van Eycken, Kirty Wickersham

January 16 — Jack Blutworth, Kyle Pannell

January 17 — Amie Abbott, Beth Anderson, Jessica Carroll

January 18 — Jan Adams, Caleb Cole, Tiffany Currid, Babe Moore

January 19 — Scott Cory, Scott Hayles, Dean Penzo, Cassie Skinner

January 20 — Kayla Atchley, Jack Lindsey, Betsy Majors, Elexus Perry, Debbie Richards

January 21 — None

READ THE BIBLE THROUGH IN 2012!

January 15 — Genesis 43-45

January 16 — Genesis 46-47

January 17 — Genesis 48-50

January 18 — Exodus 1-3

January 19 — Exodus 4-6

January 20 — Exodus 7-9

January 21 — Exodus 10-12

SUNDAY SCHOOL Attendance Report January 8, 2012

Nursery & Preschool — 26
 Elementary — 33
 Youth — 30
 Adult 1 — 18
 Adult 2 — 24
 Adult 3 — 45
 Adult 4 — 68
 New Members — 5
 General Officers — 5
TOTAL — 249

SCHEDULE FOR ...

NURSERY WORKERS:

Sunday morning, January 15:

Nick & Beth Anderson,
Janet Baxley, Dana Kay Evans

Sunday evening, January 15:

Darlene Paul

CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

Sunday morning, January 15:

Suzanne Johnson, Crystal Murray

Crusaders Thank You for Collecting Box Tops for Education



The Academy received a check for our program earnings in the amount of \$235.10. Thank you for clipping and sending in box tops to help us, and we say a big thanks to Mrs. Feitsma for volunteering her time to collect the classroom jars, total the coupons, and complete the required paperwork. Crusaders appreciate everyone who helped, and we ask you to please keep saving box tops for us.

Service Projects Are Continuing at FCA

Students will have the Friendship House in the spotlight during the month of January, and, as always, students will be doing a sanctuary cleanup on alternate Mondays after chapel service and lunch. Additionally, students will celebrate the 100th day of school with service and activities.

First Christian Preschool
Dana Kay Evans, Director
892-9533

First Christian Academy
Jennifer Wilkerson, Director
892-2722

Pregnancy Support Center
Pat Freeland, Director
892-7400

WAKJ Radio 91.3 FM
Jesse Knapp, Manager
892-2107

Dr. Bobby Tucker, Pastor Cordell Harrison, Interim Minister of Music
Richard Murray Jr., Associate Pastor Josh Manning, Student Pastor

FBC - DFS

January 12, 2012

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"A Fellowship of Encouragement"

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sunday, January 22:
SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE
EMPHASIS

PSC Baby Bottle Boomerang begins!

Adult Sunday School Teachers Meeting
 (4:00 PM in Adult 4)

Saturday, January 28:
WCBA Men's Breakfast
 (7:30 AM at Southwide Baptist Church)

Sunday, January 29:
Children's Sunday School Teachers Mtg.
 (4:00 PM in Conference Room)

5th Sunday Associated Charities Offering
 (6:00 PM)

Friday-Saturday, February 3-4:
Youth DNow Student Retreat
 Sign Up Now!!

Sunday, February 5:
Deacons' Meeting (3:30 PM)

Tuesday, February 7:
Grace Group (9:00 AM)
 Beth Moore study begins!

Wednesday, February 8:
WOM Noon Group (12:00 Noon)

Church Council (4:00 PM)

Stewardship Committee Meeting (7:00 PM)

Thursday, February 9:
Sonshine Group
 (6:30 PM at Harriett Hurley's home)

Friday-Saturday, February 10-11:
Men's annual trip to
FBC Woodstock Men's Conference

Tuesday, February 14:
WOM Murray Burke Group (9:30 AM)

Wednesday, February 15:
Business Meeting (6:00 PM)

Thursday, February 16:
Pioneer Luncheon (12:00 Noon)

The LOTTIE MOON
CHRISTMAS OFFERING

OUR GOAL: \$19,000
Received to date: \$10,556

REPORT of OFFERING
January 8, 2012

Budget Offering	\$14,482.92
Designated Offering	4,605.00
Total Offering	19,087.92
Total Budget Received To Date	26,041.78

Building Fund

Given on January 8, 2012	200.00
Balance in Building Fund:	\$60,796.20

Join us at 5:00 PM for the all-you-care-to-eat Wednesday Fellowship Buffet catered by McLain's Family Steakhouse Restaurant. This Wednesday's buffet will feature: *fried chicken, meatloaf, mashed potatoes/gravy, greens, cabbage, rolls, salad, and dessert.* \$4.50 youth/adults; \$2.50 children (4-10); ages 3 and under dine free.

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

Bible Drills (grades 1-6)
 meets each Wednesday at 5:30-6:00 PM
 in upstairs education area.

ENCORE, a small groups Bible study, meets
 each Sunday at 5:00 PM in the sanctuary.

Men's Study, The Most Excellent Way
 meets each Wednesday at 6:00 PM.

Women's Study, Lies Women Believe,
and the Truth that Sets Them Free
 meets each Wednesday at 6:00 PM.

Pregnancy Support Center

In January each year, our nation designates a Sunday to recognize the value of all human life. Our church will recognize Sanctity of Human Life on Sunday, January 22, 2012.

After the morning service, we will also kick off the **2012 Baby Bottle Boomerang** fund-raiser. We will provide an abundant supply of baby bottles so that everyone will have their very own bottle to fill with change, dollars, and checks!



Start saving your change!
 Here comes
2012 Baby Bottle Boomerang!

Women of All Ages:

Grace Group, a small group Bible Study under the Women's Ministry of FBC, will begin a new Bible Study on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2012. It is an adaptation of *So Long Insecurity* by Beth Moore. **Any woman of any age is invited to join this study with the Grace Group which meets each month on the first Tuesday at 9:00 AM in the fellowship hall.**

Whoever you are, this study is for you, because you have it in you to be secure in every area of your life as we continue a deepening of our personal relationship with our Savior, Jesus Christ!

IN APPRECIATION
/HONOR/MEMORY

- FIRST CHRISTIAN ACADEMY**

In honor of our
Sunday School Teachers
 Gladys Holley

- FOOD PANTRY**

In memory of Robert Greene
 Bill & Beth Sandlin

In deep appreciation of
Mike & Debbie Richards
& the Hospitality crew
 Zeddie McIntosh

In honor & appreciation
of our entire Staff
 Zeddie McIntosh

- PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTER**

In memory of Catherine Fulgham
 Nina Lane

In memory of Martha Wennerberg
 Gladys Holley

- WAKJ RADIO MINISTRY**

In memory of Barbara Cummings
 Bob Cummings

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

Sunday, Jan. 15	8:30-9:15 AM	Church Library open
	9:00 AM	Baptist Men's Prayer Time
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	3:30 PM	Outreach Team Meeting
	5:00 PM	Discipleship Training
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Monday, Jan. 16	10:00 AM	Seniorcise
Tuesday, Jan. 17	11:00 AM	Church Growth Task Force Meeting
Wed., Jan. 18	9:00 AM	Seniorcise
	5:00-6:00 PM	Church Library open
	5:00 PM	Fellowship Buffet
	6:00 PM	Bible Drills
	6:50 PM	Business Meeting
		Gas, RAs, and Mission Friends
		Youth Group
		Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thurs., Jan. 19	12:00 Noon	Pioneer Luncheon
Friday, Jan. 20	10:00 AM	Seniorcise
	6:00 PM	Men's Conference Steak Dinner
	7:00 PM	Men's Conference-Session 1
Sat., Jan. 21	8:00 AM	Men's Conference-Session 2
	9:30 AM	Break
	9:45 AM	Men's Conference-Session 3
	11:30 AM	Conference Concludes

Deacons of the Week:

Bruce Butts, 892-5541
James Coffield, 892-2680



FLOWER CALENDAR
2012

The calendar for the new year is open and waiting for your reservations!

Call the church office and reserve a date to place flowers in memory of a loved one, or in honor of special occasions like birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, etc., or ... what better reason than to honor our Lord!

Note of Thanks:

To our loving church family:
 Thank you for the beautiful flowers you sent during my recent surgery. We appreciate all the phone calls, cards, and texts. Most of all we appreciate all the prayers that were lifted up on my behalf. Many thanks for all the prayers for my mother during the previous two weeks also. We love you all.

Love,
 The Feitsma Family



INTERCESSORY
PRAYER ROOM MINISTRY

If God is leading you to participate in this ministry or if you have any questions, please call the church office (892-2722).

Current available times:

Monday	- 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30 PM;
Tuesday	- 2:00, 3:30, 5:30 PM;
Wednesday	- 3:30 PM;
Thursday	- 2:30, 3:30 PM;
Friday	- 2:30, 5:00, 5:30 PM.