

WELCOME!

If you are visiting with us, we would like to give you a special welcome this morning and make you aware of a few things:

- Please stop by the welcome table across the hall to select a tote bag of your choice as our gift to you.
- If you would like to leave your children in our nursery, you will find it along the main hallway toward the North end of the building.
- You are welcome to join us for coffee and snacks in our fellowship hall.
- At 9:30, we offer small group Bible study, which we call ConneXion Groups. If you would like help finding one, just ask a pastor.
- We would love it if you would take a moment to fill out the visitor card inserted in this bulletin so we have a record of you being here.

F.A.Q.

How can I know peace with God? You may be surprised to find that the Bible is very clear on this. You must:

Believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior (Acts 16:31)

Repent, turn from sin, and turn to God (Acts 3:19)

Confess Jesus as the Lord of your life (Romans 10:9)

What should I do after I have been saved?

You should follow the Lord's command to be baptized as a believer. Because He was baptized by immersion as an adult, we practice believer's baptism by immersion at First Baptist. Just step forward during the invitation time and tell our Pastor you'd like to be baptized.

How do I become a member of First Baptist Church?

- By profession of faith and baptism by immersion.
- By promise of a letter of recommendation from another Southern Baptist Church, or another Baptist Church of like faith and order, or
- By statement of prior conversion experience and baptism by immersion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ConneXion Groups will study **Colossians 3** the week of **Feb 12-18**.

New Members class will meet **tonight at 5:00 pm**.

Nominating Committee will meet **today at 3:15 pm**

Reduce the Risk training will be held **today at 3:30 p.m.** If you have any questions or you need an application, please see Andrea Sisson.

Ladies' Night Out in the Church Fellowship Hall **Thursday, February 15th at 6:00 pm**. Salad and baked potatoes will be provided. Bring your favorite salad toppings and your favorite baked potato toppings. Sign-up sheet is on the clipboard near the Nursery. All ladies are invited!

Attention Men! The annual "Iron Sharpens Iron" Conference at FBC O'Fallon will be **Saturday, February 17th**. This one-day conference is for men age 13 and older. See bulletin board for costs, seminar options, and registration details or go to www.rpmfm.org.

Mosaic Pregnancy & Health Centers Annual Baby Bottle campaign - Bottles will be collected from the congregation **today**.

VBS Training meeting on **Saturday, Feb. 17th** from **9am -11am** at the church.

Vacation Bible School will be a one day event from **9am - 3 pm** on **June 9th**. The volunteer signup sheet is posted on the hallway bulletin board. For questions, please contact Eric Wahl.

February Operation Christmas Child theme is "Accessories." Ideas include hair clips, ribbons, elastic bands, belts, wristwatches, sunglasses, jewelry, tote bags, small purses, bandanas, and bead kits.

Ladies' Spring Retreat "Be Still...Easier Said Than Done" will be **Apr. 13-14th**. Registration fee is \$50.00 and is due by **Sunday, Feb 25th**. See Andrea Sisson for questions or registration forms.

Extra February Prayer Calendars are in the rack outside of the Preschool hallway.

Prayer Revival -Come join us in prayer for genuine revival **today at 4:00 pm** in the sanctuary. We will also meet **Sunday, February 25th**.

Thank you message from Mona Brown is on the bulletin board near the Nursery.



Everyone is welcome to connect to our wireless guest network, FBCM-Guest. The password is **BeOurGuest**. Please note: All users of our network consent to monitoring.

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Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am
Sunday Worship 10:45 am
Sunday Church Development 5:00pm
AWANA Wednesday 6:15pm



Senior Pastor, Duane Smith
Assoc. Pastor, Worship Pillar Head, Matt Burton
Evangelism Pillar Head - Not filled
Ministry Pillar Head - Not filled
Fellowship Pillar Head, Shelby Wilson
Discipleship Pillar Head, Kurt Grady
Secretary, Bev Reeves
Deacon, Kevin Hutchison
Deacon, Sam Graf
Deacon, Tim Seaney
Deacon, Randy Bodiford

LIFE'S SPIRITUAL DIMENSION, John 3:9-21
 Message Outline for Sunday Morning, 02/11/18

Purpose Of Message: To help us recognize the spiritual side of life and judge whether or not we are in darkness or in the light – spiritually speaking.

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Context of John 3:9-21
- B. Outline

Our passage begins with

I. SPIRITUAL IGNORANCE ADDRESSED, John 3:10-12

- A. The New Birth – Born of the Spirit

- B. Addressing Spiritual Ignorance

II. SPIRITUAL INSIGHT AFFORDED, John 3:13-18

- A. Picture of Salvation – The Serpent in the Wilderness

- B. Jesus' Words Concerning Salvation

III. SPIRITUAL ILLUMINATION ANALYZED, John 3:19-21

- A. 3 Things from Passage

- B. Thinking about Spiritual Illumination

CONCLUSION:

Family Discussion Questions:

- How ignorant are we concerning the spiritual life Christ has for us?
- How can we grow in our knowledge of spiritual things?
- What is Jesus' simple message concerning the new birth? (How, Why, Who)
- Why is it hard for the natural man to accept the concept of salvation?
- How do we come to believe the truth?

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Today

- 9:30 am ConneXion Group Bible Study
- 10:45 am Worship Service
- 1:30 pm Mar Ka
- 3:15 pm Nominating Committee Meeting
- 3:30 pm Reduce the Risk Training
- 4:00 pm Revival Prayer Meeting
- 5:00 pm New Members Class
- 5:00 pm Youth Escape
- 6:00 pm Choir

Tuesday

- 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting

Thursday

- 6:00 pm Ladies' Night Out @ the Church

Saturday

- 9:00 am Vacation Bible School Training

MONEY COUNTERS

- Today** Jamey Wiscombe & Sam Graf
- Next Sun** Candy Wiscombe & Angie Haas

NURSERY

- Today** Tim Sisson & Mona Brown
- Next Sunday** Andrea Sisson & Chris Pierce

WORSHIP PRAYER TEAM

- Today** Shelby Wilson & Debbie Witty
- Next Sun** Eunice Hicks & Melody White

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LORD'S SUPPER & BAPTISM SUNDAYS

February 25, April 1, July 22, September 30,
 December 23, 2018

CONNEXION GROUPS

At FBCM we believe real Christ-like growth happens in our small groups, which we call "ConneXion Groups." We have several that meet on Sunday mornings (here at church) and Monday evenings in Mascoutah and New Baden. If you would like more information about which group might be best for you, talk to Kurt Grady or one of our pastors.

WHO ARE WE PRAYING FOR THIS WEEK?

- Moll Funeral Home, LTD
- Moto Mart
- Muenchau Metal Works

See bulletin board near the Nursery for more details about how to contact these businesses to let them know that we are praying for them.

If you did not use your visitor card/prayer request card, would you help us control costs and return yours to one of the ushers on your way out this morning? Thank you for your help.