

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 9:30am, we offer small group Bible studies, which we call ConneXion Groups. If you'd 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 into 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

Pastor Matt will be preaching **today**. Pastor Duane is out of town at a conference.

ConneXion Groups will study Exodus 5 the week of **Sept 24-30**.

Wanted! Our Mission Committee sponsors the "Operation Christmas Child" ministry. We are looking for someone to lead this project next year. Please pray about serving. See Genie White for further information.

"Illinois Needs You Now" Mission Illinois Offering given to date: **\$337.00**. Our church goal is **\$1,000.00**. Please pray as to how you can support this need in our state.

September's Operation Christmas Child idea is puzzles and games for indoor or outdoor use. Reminder...all puzzles and games must fit inside the shoebox!

Coming in January 2019....."Navigating Your Finances God's Way." Watch your future bulletin for more information about this Bible study.

Mascoutah Fall Festival & Chili Cook-off will be on **Saturday, October 20th** from **10:00am - 4:00pm**. We will have a booth at the festival. Contact Shelby Wilson by texting her at 618-520-2783 with any questions. The sign-up sheet is on the clipboard near the Nursery. This is a great outreach opportunity!

It's not too late! We begin our Christmas Choir practice this afternoon at **4:00pm**. Everyone 6th grade and older is welcome to join us.

Our next Oasis Community meal will be **this Thursday**. The meal will be served from **5:00pm-6:30pm**. Please be praying for this event. We are looking to reach the hungry, the hurting, and the lonely. See Debbie or Charlie Witty with questions or if you'd like to help with this ministry.

Men's Breakfast - Open to men of all ages! We will meet at Cracker Barrel in Shiloh **Saturday, September 29th** at **8:00am**. Tim Seaney would like to know if you will be attending no later than **Thursday, September 27th**.

"Engaging Our Mission Field" is the theme for the annual MEBA meeting on **Sunday, October 7th**. The meeting will be held at Calvary Church, 1509 Melmar Dr., Sparta, IL. See hallway clipboard for more details.

Christian Activity Center's September "Thank You" letter and activity update from Chet Cantrell is posted on the hallway clipboard.



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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MASCOUTAH

A Family Helping Families Connect With Christ

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Discipleship Pillar Head, Kurt Grady
Secretary, Bev Reeves
Deacon, Kevin Hutcheson
Deacon, Sam Graf
Deacon, Tim Seaney
Deacon, Randy Bodiford

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



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