

The Encourager

Service Times

Sunday Service

Breakfast.....8:00AM
Sunday School.....9:00AM
Morning Worship.....10:25AM

Discipleship Training.....5:00PM
Preschool & Children 's
Classes.....5:00PM
Youth Connect
Groups.....5:00PM

Evening Service.....6:00PM

Wednesday Service

Supper.....5:00PM
Adult Prayer.....6:15PM
Children & Preschool
Classes.....6:00PM
Youth Service.....6:00PM

Office Hours

Monday.....8AM-5PM
Tuesday.....8AM-5PM
Wednesday.....8AM-5PM
Thursday.....8AM-5PM



“Growing Disciples of Jesus!”

“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

2 Peter 3:18

June is a month of change. School is out. Summer has begun. Graduating seniors are beginning a new chapter in their lives. Even for those of us who have been out of school for more years than we want to count, June is a transition month. The beginning of summer is as much a mental and emotional phenomenon as a physical phenomenon. Summer makes us think about vacations, backyard BBQ's, and swimming. Whether we are actually involved in these things, or just reliving childhood memories it's why summer is special!

A transition month is also a good time to take inventory of our spiritual development. Am I growing in spiritual maturity? Am I a more effective disciple of Jesus than I was a year ago? We know each of us is a work in progress, but we should be able to see the progress.

Our church staff and church leadership is striving to provide a structure that is conducive to spiritual growth; however as with everything, it is up to each individual to take advantage of the opportunities that are offered.

Our basic path to discipleship includes the following:

- *Attending a newly revamped New Member's Class.
- *Participating in a small group Bible Study class (Sunday School class).
- *Regularly participating in worship services.
- *Attending two or three Discipleship Training specialty classes each year.
- *Having a daily personal time of prayer and Bible study.
- *Being in a discipling relationship with one or two accountability partners (encouragers).

Each member of First Baptist Calhoun is encouraged to actively seek to grow toward spiritual maturity and effective discipleship

in obedience to our Lord's instructions. In doing that, we will realize our purpose in life and experience the joy of fellowship with God as we grow in Him and serve Him.

The path outlined above, along with faithfully giving our tithes and offerings and sharing Christ with others are all part of an effective discipleship effort. Remember, if a person just sits and soaks, he soon sours. New Testament instruction, and the Biblical examples given us all point toward the necessity of putting into practice the scriptural principles revealed to us by the Holy Spirit .

June is a transition month. Whether you're needing to fill in some gaps in your discipleship plan, or just stay the course, the beginning of summer is a good time for a renewed commitment to spiritual growth!

In Christ,
Bro. Neil



Dear Church Family,

VBS is HERE!!!!!!!!!! Please Pray for VBS as we teach the children about God and His love, pray for safety, pray for strength for the teachers and pray that the children will come to know the saving grace of God.

There's still time for you to get involved in VBS. Listed below are ways you can participate:

- Bring snacks for the teachers
- Be an Assistant Teacher
- Help with Records
- Register the children each morning

In Him
Amanda Wilson

Regular Schedule

Sunday

Sunday School.....9:00am
Nursery.....9:00am
Worship.....10:15am

Nursery.....5:00pm
Mission Friends.....5:00pm
GA's & RA's.....5:00pm
Worship.....6:00pm

Wednesdays

Nursery.....6:00pm
Kids Worship.....6:00pm

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WHAT IT DOES NOT MEAN TO GIVE GOD YOUR BEST

Doing or giving our best is not to gain merit with God, for salvation or otherwise. Scripture makes it clear that all our righteousness is as filthy rags (Isa. 64:6). We all fall short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23). We are saved by grace through faith, not by our good works (Eph. 2:8-9). We live our lives in Him just as we received Him — by grace through faith (Col. 2:6).

Doing or giving our best is not about getting applause for a job well done. Our objective should be to honor God, to in every way “make the teaching about God our Savior attractive” (Titus 2:10). We should do that whether or not we receive recognition. — “Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters ...” (Col. 3:23)

Doing or giving our best is not about self-effort. Jesus said, “apart from me you can do nothing” (Jn. 15:5). No matter how excellent we perform on our own, apart from His power at work in us, we will come short. As a branch draws its sustenance from the vine, so we must abide in Christ to bear eternal fruit. Remember verses like Philippians 4:13. — “I can do all this through him who gives me strength.” We must “strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works” in us (Col. 1:29). We are at our best when we put all of who we are into all of who He is and watch Him work through us.

Missions

Mission Arlington — May 26-30 — \$100. See bro Joey to sign up

Cross Camp:

July 15-20, \$275, With Joe Handy and the Good times band. @ Louisiana. Late Cost: \$300 due June 2nd. If you paid the deposit the remainder and paper work are due June 2nd as well. You can pay for any of the above trips in advance. Turn your money into Bro. Joey and we will keep a record of your payments.

Love, Peace and Chicken Grease!

BRO. JOEY

Student Pastor, First Cal

Things To Check Out

Music:

“Burn the Ships” for King and Country
 “Living Hope” Phil Wickham

Books:

Discipling—Mark Dever

Book of the Bible:

New Testament— 2 Thessalonians
 Old Testament— Jonah

Weekly Schedule

Monday Night Basketball—6:30–9:00pm

Wednesday Worship—6:00–7:15pm

Sunday School— 9:00–10:15pm

Sunday AM Worship Service @.10:25pm

Connect Groups—Sundays @ 5:00pm

Feel free to text or call us and come by the house any time

Student Ministry Contact

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(www.facebook.com/firstcalstudentministry)

Twitter at:

@fbCalStudents

Friend us personally if you wanna chat with Rach or myself :

www.facebook.com/joey.anwar or on

Instagram—janwar and rachelanwar

Devotional Apps

Daily Devo
 Shane and Shane



Solid Joys
 John Piper



First 5
 Proverbs 31



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WORLD MISSIONS OFFERING

Our world mission offering is designed to make donating to Georgia Barnette, Lottie Moon, Annie Armstrong, and David Terry easier.

When you donate money to the World Mission Offering a percentage will go to each of the above listed missions on a monthly basis. See the breakdown of percentages listed below.

- Lottie Moon.....50%**
- Annie Armstrong.....30%**
- Georgia Barnette.....15%**
- David Terry.....5%**

**Below are the World Mission amounts for the dates of:
3/1/19-2/29/20**

Lottie Moon.....	\$1,657.50
Annie Armstrong.....	\$994.50
Georgia Barnette.....	\$497.25
David Terry.....	\$165.75
Total for World Mission.....	\$3,315.00

June Birthdays

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| 1 | Fay Holloway |
| | Sarah Johnston |
| | Marilyn Tolbird |
| 2 | Trisha Smith |
| 4 | Amanda Aldridge |
| 5 | Chloe Halley |
| 6 | Stan Chamblee |
| 9 | Nicole Caldwell |
| | Abram Edwards |
| 10 | Shawn Mizell |
| 13 | Linda Chapman |
| | Lillian Wallace |
| 14 | Gracie Turner |
| | Alex Magana |
| 15 | Addilyn Blakely |
| | Bobby Gilbert |
| | Eddie Hogan |
| | Peyton Johnson |
| | Bubba Rieger |
| | Miriam Stephenson |
| 18 | Robert Lovell |
| | Pat Wallace |
| 20 | Lynne Davis |
| | Max Johnson |
| | Taylor Sullivan |
| 21 | Teresa Willis |
| | Buddy Gilmore |
| 23 | Luke Johnston |
| 24 | Austin Lockhart |
| | Patsy Brownlee |
| | Jacob Petch |
| 25 | Renee Bingham |
| 26 | Debbie Everett |
| | Brad Williamson |
| 28 | Summer Lively |
| 29 | Johnnie Traxler |
| 30 | Danielle Kent |