



First Baptist Church of Wallace, NC

First Family

September 2017



Tried and True, and Something New!

-- Our Fall semester offers ways for us to go deeper and reach wider as God's people!

Wednesday Night Dinners and Bible study resumes!

As summer shifts into the rear view mirror, our fall ministry semester begins! That includes resuming our Wednesday Night dinners, prayer time, and Bible study.

Our first Wednesday night meal and prayer time will be on the first Wednesday after Labor Day: September 6. The schedule will be:

5:30p - Dinner
6:00p - Prayer
6:15p - Study

Just like before, our meal will be catered by the same folks for

\$5.00 per meal. Meals should be paid for in advance.

Watch for the first sign-up sheet on Sunday, August 27 (to catch those who might be away Labor Day weekend).



Community Outreach Bible Study @ Sensation

Something new begins in Wallace this fall. **Wednesday mornings** First Baptist Church will be sponsoring the Wallace Community Bible Study at Sensation Farmhouse Restaurant (by Walmart).

This gathering will include fellowship and prayer, followed by a study time. There are several goals behind this new ministry:

First, this group is designed to reach people who have no connection to a local church, and help them connect with local believers.

Second, we want to bring the larger Christian community together for fellowship, unity, and a shared witness.

The restaurant opens at 10 am, so we will begin at 10:30, and plan to finish around 11:45, allowing people to have lunch together if they wish. If you're available, please help us launch this new ministry!

Homecoming 2017: Christian Author /Story-teller Jason Canady

Our Homecoming worship will be a combined service at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary. Like last year, we won't have Sunday morning Life Groups.

With both our choir and our worship band leading worship, a special speaker, and a great covered dish lunch, Homecoming is a great time to invite friends and neighbors to meet your First Baptist Church family and discover the blessing that awaits them week after week in both our 9:00 and 11:00 worship gatherings.

Our speaker this year is Jason Canady. Jason is a North Carolina native, a resident of Fayetteville, and a talented writer. Jason will be talking about the importance of

passing faith down from older to younger generations.



**Christian author
Jason Canady**

Worship

Try Money God's Way

Most of us have tried it our own way, and we have the horror stories to tell about how it turned out. Stress, disappointment, conflict... and even if we're getting by OK, are we finding the joy that God intends? ...the victory, the freedom, the FUN?



Through the month of September, we are focusing on God's plan for our finances and for all of the "stuff" in our lives. It's a plan designed to do so much more than meet our needs. It's a plan designed to lighten our burdens, to increase our joy, to unify our direction, and to change our world.

So join us as we "Try Money... God's Way."

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| September 3 - | Less is More |
| September 10 - | Stress is Bad |
| September 17 - | God Has a Plan |
| September 24 - | Special message on Giving
by Christian financial guide
and author Dave Ramsey |

Homecoming

This year's speaker...

This year's homecoming speaker is a Christian author named Jason Canady. Jason has written much about the stories and examples of faith passed down from older to younger generations.



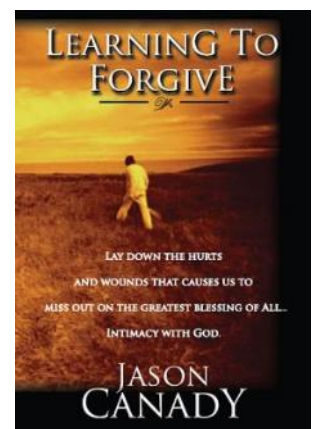
Jason is a follower of Jesus, a Fayetteville native, and a U.S. Navy vet, as well as an artist, writer, and poet. His writings have been published in the *Fayetteville Observer*, *The Olive Press* (the literary journal of the University of Mount Olive), the Christian magazine *Tapes*, and *Carolina Country* magazine. He is also the author of the book *Learning to Forgive*. He is currently working on his B.A. in writing at Methodist University in Fayetteville. When he's not writing or studying, he's spending time with his wife and three children or playing a tune on his fiddle.

Jason will share stories from his childhood and young adulthood about how his family's faith shaped his own faith, about the ways we can pass our faith down to the younger generations, telling some great stories, and -- *maybe* -- playing a hymn for us on his fiddle.

We will have a combined worship gathering at 10:00 a.m. that Sunday, followed by the usual big covered dish meal in the fellowship hall and the overflow tent in the church yard. I've asked Jason to also bring copies of his book, *Learning to Forgive*, that you can purchase and ask him to sign.

If you know someone who loves great, encouraging stories and delicious food, go ahead and start inviting them now to Homecoming Sunday at First Baptist Church...

Sunday, October 1
at 10:00 a.m.



Senior Adults

Music Ministry

Wow! It's hard to believe that the summer is nearly over and that fall is right around the corner! I can taste the pumpkin everything already, which also means that it's about time for our choirs to get back up and running! Or maybe I should say singing! If you've thought about trying one of our choirs, now is a good time to start! We have a couple for you to choose from.

We have a choir especially for our senior adults called the **Sunshine Choir**. While this group is comprised mostly of senior adults, we will let anyone who would like to join us do so! This is a fun group who will welcome you warmly and be excited you are there. We will be singing in worship services as well as in other programs here at the church. So join us for our first practice on **Tuesday, September 5, at 10:30 a.m.** We'll look forward to seeing you there!

Our **Chancel choir** will also resume practices this month! We would love to have you join us! Don't think you can sing the parts? No worries! We will help you learn your part and will try to seat you next to someone who is experienced to help you along. Still not sure it's for you? Come join us for the fall/Christmas season to see if you like it. If after Christmas you decide it really isn't for you, we will thank you for trying! We will have our first rehearsal following the summer hiatus on **Tuesday evening, September 5, at 6:45 p.m.** I look forward to seeing all our regulars back and hope to see some new faces as well.

Senior Adult Ministries

Our senior adults are busy people! And this month will be no exception. In addition to our weekly choir practices we will have several opportunities for you to fellowship together!



We will have our regular Keenagers covered dish lunch together on Tuesday, September 12, at 11:30 a.m. If you love good food, great friends, loads of fun, and maybe learning a little something too, this group is for you! This month we will have as our guests some ladies from the Raptor Center in Rocky Point. They will join us for lunch, then teach about and show us some of the birds in their care. The work they do is fascinating and the birds are amazing and beautiful. So make your favorite recipe and join us in the Fellowship Hall!

We will also have our regular "lunch out" at the Rose Hill Restaurant on Thursday, September 28. This is a relaxed dutch treat, order from the menu lunch. It will happen right after our folks get back from their trip to Canada, so I'm betting we will hear some great stories! Reservations are needed so I can let the restaurant know how many are coming, so sign up in your Sunday School classrooms, at our Keenagers meeting, or by calling the church office.



We have started sign ups for our Tuesday, December 12, Christmas trip to the Alabama Theater in Myrtle Beach. We will catch the 2:00 show then head over to the California Dreaming restaurant for dinner where you can choose from chicken breast, oven roasted salmon, sliced prime rib, or fried shrimp. The cost for the theater tickets, dinner, tip, and travel is \$60 for members and \$65 for non-members. Sign up for non-members begins September 20. Half the available tickets are already signed up for, so don't delay. Payment is due no later than Sunday, December 3.

Any of these events are perfect times to bring a friend! You know you know someone who would benefit from the friendships and fun we have here at First Baptist. Don't let them sit at home alone! Invite them to join us!



Friendship is a reflection of the character of God.

WEEK 1

Key Question: What makes someone a good friend? At this phase in their life, kids are starting to experience the ups and downs of friendship. That's why we start with a foundational question to help them wrestle with what God says about having strong friendships with others. If they can recognize the qualities God desires for friendship, they'll not only choose friends who exhibit those, but hopefully will put them into practice for themselves.

We start the month with something Jesus said in John 13:34, *I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you, (NirV)*. Along with that, we'll take a look at one of the most famous friendships in the entire Bible: **David and Jonathan**. These guys went through a lot together. From making a promise to help each other to escaping the dangers of Jonathan's own father, King Saul, they showed us exactly what it meant for friends to love each other.

Bottom Line: Friends love one another. Loving our friends often means putting aside what we want to give our friends what they need. We pray that kids will learn how they can show love to their friends in everyday situations at home and school.

WEEK 2

Key Question: What does it mean to accept a friend? Even kids will tell you that some people are easier to get along with than others. But just because we get along with some people better than others, doesn't mean we ignore them or treat them poorly. We'll help kids figure out how they can be friendly and accept others in a way that honors God.

In Romans 15:7, Paul writes, *Christ has accepted you. So accept one another in order to bring praise to God, (NirV)*. We see this played out perfectly through **Paul and Barnabus**. Paul had a terrible reputation, one that was well deserved. But after his encounter with Jesus, Paul changed. Barnabus believed that about Paul, accepted him, and stood up for him as he introduced Paul to the rest of the apostles.

Bottom Line: Friends accept one another. We pray that kids start to realize that regardless of how people dress, what they own, or are able to do, we are called to accept them and show them how much God loves them with our friendship.

WEEK 3

Key Question: When a friend hurts you, how do you respond? When kids are tweenagers, it doesn't take long for best friends to become worst enemies. We hope to guide them through figuring out strategies for how they can respond when they get hurt by a friend. It's inevitable that friends will get into an argument, but when kids are equipped with how to respond, forgiveness might be an easier option for building bridges in the broken relationship.

In Colossians 3:13, Paul writes, *Put up with one another. Forgive one another if you are holding something against someone. Forgive, just as the Lord forgave you, (NirV)*. Towards the end of the book of John we see through **Jesus and Peter**. After denying Jesus three times, Peter was feeling guilty and ashamed. But Jesus still had plans for Peter. Jesus forgave Peter and restored the broken friendship. And when we put our faith in Jesus, Jesus offers that same forgiveness to us. In turn, we can offer forgiveness to others.

Bottom Line: Friends forgive one another. While it's true that people will do things that hurt us, we need to be willing to let it go and forgive because God forgave us first.

WEEK 4

Key Question: How can you be a friend this week? At some point in a person's life, he or she is going to need someone they can trust to help them through it. Kids know what's happening in their friends' lives. However, they don't always know how to help. Through the discussion this week, we hope to help kids come up with simple ideas they can put into practice to encourage those friends no matter what they're going through.

We close out the month with something Paul said in 1 Thessalonians 5:11, *So encourage each other with the hope you have. Build each other up. In fact, that is what you are doing, (NirV)*. When **Job** experienced trial after trial, his friends decided to help. They didn't bring meals or tell jokes. Rather, they came along side and grieved with Job. Now, we find out they didn't always get it right, but for that first week, they let Job know that they were there for him.

Bottom Line: Friends encourage one another. Kids might not always know what to say or do when it comes to helping cheer up their friends. We pray they discover that they can encourage each other even if it simply means being a shoulder to lean on.

Shoeboxes

Operation Christmas Child

Our item for this month is a toothbrush. You may buy a toothbrush cover if you would like. Two important changes for this year: we will no longer be collecting candy or toothpaste because of custom regulations. Also, the shipping donation amount is \$9.00 per box because of increasing processing, shipping, and distribution cost.



If you prefer to write a check or give cash we will be happy to do the shopping for you. Please make checks out to First Baptist Church with OCC on the memo line. If you have any questions, please ask Maggie or Marie Casteen. Thank you.

Congratulations

New Member: Samantha Tucker

Baby Boy: Gatlin Reed Davison

Parents: Reed & Kirby Davison

**NEW
MEMBER**



*Grandparents:
The Rev. Dr. Steve
& Vicky Flockhart*

*Great-Grandparents:
Gil & Carole Norris*

Just for Laughs

A doctor tells of the time when one of his surgery patients was just waking up from the anesthesia. The hospital was located near a church, and the church bells were playing. As the woman awoke, hearing the bells, she said, "I must have died and gone to heaven!" Then, opening her eyes, she said, "Oh, no, I can't be in heaven. There's my doctor."



A man was visiting his brother, and found his young nephew baking cupcakes in the kitchen. The adults all went to the family room to talk while the boy finished up his baking. When he was done, he brought a tray of cupcakes for everyone to enjoy.

As the boy's uncle finished his first cupcake, he exclaimed, "These are really delicious! Can I have another?"

His nephew pass the tray to him again, and he took a big bite out of his second cupcake. The uncle remarked, "The icing just glistens! How did you get the icing so smooth and shiny?"

The nephew replied, "I just licked them all."



Kids Café Volunteers Needed

Are you looking for a way to make a difference? Do you want to be the hands and feet that Jesus calls us to be? Do you have just a few hours a week or a month to volunteer? If you answered “Yes” to any of these questions, then REJOICE! We have just the thing for you.

Become a volunteer with Kids Café. It is a wonderful way to spend your time. You will meet kids that just melt your heart. You will offer some help with homework, be there for arts/crafts/devotions/playtime. If your calling is to help with food prep and clean-up, then we will plug you in there.



You have the opportunity to help children in OUR community to succeed. You have the opportunity to SHOW them the love of Jesus. Believe me (ask any of our volunteers), you will be blessed by your participation more than you know.

Kids Café is tentatively scheduled to start on Sept. 26. We are here on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00-5:30 PM. Call or email Donna Marshburn at 285-6341 or 289-8392 or donnamars@hotmail.com. You can also call the church office at 285-2534. Make a choice to be a positive role model for a child today!



Those in our community whom God has called us to lead to Christ and minister to in His love. Bobby Batts, Donald Brooks, Forrest Cavanaugh, David Copeland, Paula Herring, Ivey Jones, Gene Pierce, Barbara Rivenbark, David Sikes, Stephen Thompson, Dorothy Williams, Louise Woods, Law Enforcement and all service members deployed around the world.

Canada Trip

Trip Insurance

Please be advised that Medicare will not cover any medical expenses in Canada. Only a supplement policy such as C, F, or G will cover your medical expenses while in Canada.



If you are in need of extra coverage, the travel protection plan offered through the church will cover you for reimbursement **and medical expenses**. If you have not already done so, you can purchase this insurance until September 11, 2017, by calling 1800-388-1470. The site number is: 386097. You can also obtain the flyer from the church office.

Also, prescription medication must be in it's original container. Only bring the amount of medication needed while you are on the trip.

Volunteers

September Volunteers

10:00 a.m. Sunday Life Groups Nursery

Donna & Sammy Marshburn
(VOLUNTEERS NEEDED)

11:00 a.m. Worship Hour Nursery

Morris Andrews
(VOLUNTEERS NEEDED)

Sunday Ushers:

Connections Life Group

Tellers: Louise Woods &
Tammy Patram



October Newsletter Submission Deadline: September 15, 2017



Please email articles to
office.fbcw@gmail.com

Please make articles brief !

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On the Record

Attendance

Life Groups

7-30	8-6	8-13	8-20	8-27
107	112	99	116	95

Worship

169	181	187	174	212
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Budget and Receipts

2017 Budget \$483,029.00

Offering Receipts To Date 8-28-2017 **\$286,967.88**

Birthdays

1 Janet Bryan	18 Kiki Jenkins
5 Arnold Duncan	20 Wanda Powell
5 Doris Webb	21 Lois Carter
5 Harris Rivenbark, Jr.	22 Dickie Jones
5 Ray Spell	23 Jewrell White
9 Tyler Ross	24 Jason Bryan
10 James Earl Rich	24 James Copeland
10 Jordan Dees	26 Bertha Mae Rogers
12 Harrell Hall	27 Gordie McIntyre
14 Randy Brock	29 Nadine Bradshaw
15 Gladys Sikes	30 Susie Garriss
15 Gilbert Norris	
17 Pat Spell	
17 Tami Donnelly	
18 Ann English	
18 Hannah Wells	
18 Catherine Herring	


CELEBRATE
SEPTEMBER
BIRTHDAYS!

Office Hours

Mon.-Thurs.: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
(Closed 12-1 p.m. CHURCH LOCKED)
Fri.: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun.: Closed

First Baptist Events

September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
3 9:00 am-Life Café 10 am-11 pm-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship NO Wallace Students	4 Church Office Closed Labor Day 6:30 pm-Properties	5 10:30 am-SonShine Choir 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 5:00 pm-Worship Band 6:45 pm-Chancel Choir	6 10:30 am-Wallace Community Outreach Bible Study Begins at Sensation Farmhouse Restaurant 5:30 pm-Dinner 6:00 pm-Prayer 6:15 pm-Bible Study	7 10:00 am-REACH	1 Canada Trip Payments Due by 12:00 Noon	2
10 9:00 am-Life Café 10 am-11 pm-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 12:00 pm-Deacon's Meeting 12:00 pm-Sanctuary Reserved 6:00 pm-Wallace Students	11 10:30 am-WMU III, R303 6:30 pm-Scouts, FH 6:30 pm-WMU V, Rosemary Rest Home	12 11:30 am-Keenagers 1:30 pm-SonShine Choir 2:30 pm-Staff Meeting 5:00 pm-Worship Band	13 10:30 am-Bible Study 5:30 pm-Dinner 6:00 pm-Prayer 6:15 pm-Bible Study	14 10:00 am-REACH 7:00 pm-Bible Profilers	15 Newsletter Deadline	9 9 am-1 pm-Facility Reserved Fellowship Hall & Classrooms Downstairs
17 Canada Trip 9:00 am-Life Café 10 am-11 pm-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 6:00 pm-Wallace Students	18 Canada Trip	19 Canada Trip 10:30 am-SonShine Choir 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 5:00 pm-Worship Band 7:00 pm-Stewardship	20 Canada Trip Christmas Show Tickets Available for non-members 10:30 am-Bible Study 5:30 pm-Dinner 6:00 pm-Prayer 6:15 pm-Bible Study	21 Canada Trip 10:00 am-REACH	22 Canada Trip	16 Canada Trip
24 Regular Activities 6:00 Wallace Students	25	26 10:30 am-SonShine Choir 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 3:00-5:30 pm-Kids Café 5:00 pm-Worship Band 7:20 pm-Missions	27 10:30 am-Bible Study 5:30 pm-Dinner 6:00 pm-Prayer 6:15 pm-Bible Study	28 10:00 am-REACH 11:30 am-Senior Adults Lunch Fellowship, meet at Rose Hill Restaurant 3:00-5:30 pm-Kids Café 7:00 pm-Bible Profilers	29	30