

### First Baptist Church of Wallace, NC



## Focusing on Our Ministries for Women Ways you can support Women's Ministry and Join in...

#### Women of Joy Fundraiser Meal: Sunday, Feb. 4 @ 12:00 p.m.

Please make plans to join us for our First Baptist famous pork loin meal with those delicious mashed potatoes, seasoned just right green beans, heavenly yeast roll and awesome homemade dessert.



The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 10 and under. There are sign up sheets around the church or you can call the church office.

The money raised is helping offset the cost of the trip for any attendee that needs assistance.

So don't miss the chance to support this time of worship, fellowship, and growth for our women... while also enjoying a delicious meal, and great fellowship with friends!

### Women of Joy RESCUED Tour, May 4-6, Myrtle Beach

He reached down from heaven and rescued me; He drew me out of deep waters – Psalms 18:16.



Ladies, make plans to join us for this life-changing, fun, fulfilling and unforgettable weekend! We are leaving Wallace at 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 4, and returning Sunday, May 6, around 4:00 p.m.

The cost for the weekend is: conference \$109; lodging for two nights \$30 or less; and the cost of your meals. A \$25 deposit made payable to the church, is due by Sunday, February 11. You can take your deposit by the church and give to Kim, our secretary. Also, we need to know if you will be driving or riding with others in the church van.

# Get a "LIFT" Women of Joy Video + Snacks Sunday, February 11 4:00-5:30 p.m.

LIFT stands for *Ladies in fellow-ship Together*. This is a periodic event (you are not committing to being part of a group). We just want to offer opportunities for women at First Baptist and our community to fellowship and grow with each other and Jesus.

We encourage you to reach out and invite someone that could use a fun relaxed outing. If you have time bring a finger food or dessert and we will supply the drinks. If you can't bring snacks, please don't let that keep you from coming. It's the togetherness that matters most!

If you would like to play games afterwards and you have a favorite, bring it as well.



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For the last several weeks, we've been focusing on God's call for us to be people of grace in our character, our actions, and our words.



February 4 will be our commitment service. All those present in worship will have a copy of our "A Place of Grace" commitment form which describes what we know we need to do in order to be people of grace who form a place of grace. Some of you were so ready for this commitment that you've already signed and brought back your commitment sheets. That's exciting!!

#### February 4 - Commitment Service Grace Invests in Others

2 Corinthians 8:1-9

Then we begin a new series that focuses on God's truth and healing for the pain we experience in life. The series is entitled "Everybody Hurts."



Take the time to listen and you'll find that everybody has experienced some kind of pain in their lives, and many are going through that pain right now. The good news is that God's word speaks to our pain, offering understanding and comfort.

As we strive to be a place of grace, we also want to grow in our understanding of the pain of others, and willing to walk through that pain with them in God's love.

#### February 11

When Wounded by Someone Close Psalm 55:12-14, 20-23

#### February 18 When Pain is Prolonged Job 3

continued, next column

#### February 25

When God Disappoints Us Psalm 73

#### March 4

When Life Doesn't Make Sense Psalm 73

#### March 11

When Pain is Our Teacher 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

### **Prayer Requests**

Those in our community whom God has called us to lead to Christ and minister to in His love. Bobby Batts. Wendy Bed-Lois Benton. narz. *Forrest* Cavenaugh.



Joyce Forbes, Vernon Hardison, Gil Norris, Aaron Pereira, Linda Peterson, Gene Pierce, Edith Pratt, Buddy Smith, Velma Spell, Melinda Stampe, Terry Temple, Stephen Thompson, Pauline Tooley, Ashley Tucker, Nina Williams, Law Enforcement and all service members deployed around the world.

#### Sympathy to:

The bereaved families of Max Teachey, Cathy Baker Brown, Olga Lien (Louise Woods' Mother), Shirley Casebolt (Shandi Herrera's Grandmother), and Charlie Cave (Greg Cave's Dad).



### Congratulations



### Senior Adults

#### **Senior Adult Ministries**

If you aren't participating in our Senior Adult Ministries, you are missing out! We have a great time together, whether we are at one of our covered dish lunch meetings or off on a trip somewhere. You have several opportunities to join us in February for fun and fellowship!



First up is a Valentine's Party and Lunch on Tuesday, February 13 beginning at 10:30 a.m. to around 12:30 p.m. We will have fun, games, a photo booth with some crazy props, and, of course, delicious food! The cost is only \$5.00 so grab a friend and sign up! What better way to spend a few hours on a Tuesday morning?

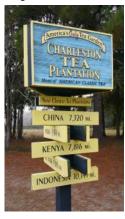


On Thursday, February 22, at 11:30 a.m., we will meet up at the Rose Hill Restaurant to have lunch together. The food is always delicious and the friendship, warm! So call a friend to join you and sign up today. We don't want you to have lunch alone!



And lastly, you will want to sign up for our next big trip to Charleston, SC! We will board a comfortable tour bus on Wednesday, May 16 and return on Friday, May 18. The \$395 per person price (\$420 for

non church members) will cover 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners, transportation, and all our sight seeing trips, which include a guided tour of Charleston, the city market, Fort Sumter, the Magnolia Plantation home tour, a tram ride through the Magnolia Gardens, a harbor cruise, and the Charleston Tea Plantation. Wow! We're going to cram a lot into a few days! Don't delay! Call the church office and sign up today.



#### **Music Ministries**

January was a wild and crazy ride with lots of cold weather and SNOW! I bet you're ready to be outside the house, and where better to be than with friends preparing to lead in Sunday morning worship?

Our Senior Adult and Chancel choirs are up and running after a brief Christmas break, and would LOVE to have you join us. SonShine choir, the senior adult choir, meets on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. and our Chancel choir, open to all ages, meets on Wednesday evenings at 7:20 p.m. Both groups are working on some exciting new music and will soon begin work on some special pieces for Palm and Easter Sundays. Come join us! You will be glad you did!

### WallaceKids



God was kind to us even when we didn't deserve it. Even when we were still sinners, Jesus died for us. Because of God's great love for us, we can be kind to everyone. Jesus personified kindness in the way He lived and interacted with the people He met. But, as we read the Gospels, we find that Jesus didn't just model kindness. He commanded it. By treating others the way we want to be treated, we live out the way Jesus taught us to live.

#### WEEK 1

Key Question: What does kindness look like? While this may seem like a simple question, preteens need to start from a concrete idea before connecting that idea to their own life. When kids can identify the kindness of others, they have a better chance of replicating that in their own life. We want kids to figure out how they can show kindness to others based on the ways people have been kind to them.

We start the month talking about the foundation for our kindness. In **Titus 3:4-7**, Paul talked about God's amazing kindness towards us. God poured out His kindness when He sent Jesus to rescue us from the consequences of our sin. We can have life forever because of God's kindness and love.

Bottom Line: **Be kind to others because God is kind to you.** We pray that as kids learn about God's kindness through Jesus, they will see how they can reflect God's kindness to the people in their life.

#### WEEK 2

Key Question: When is it hard to be kind? If we're completely honest, we encounter situations when we don't feel like being kind. Preteens are starting to understand how to think about what they do and don't want to do. We hope they can work through the difficulties they face when showing kindness when they don't want to show kindness. If they can identify when it's hard to be kind, they can figure out a plan to help them show kindness anyway.

In Ruth 1 and 2, we find Naomi and her daughterin-law, Ruth. Their husbands have died and Ruth has the opportunity to return home to her family. Instead, she chooses to show kindness to Naomi and stay with her. Ruth's kindness doesn't go unnoticed. Boaz notices how Ruth is caring for her mother-inlaw. He goes above and beyond to care for Ruth and completely changes her life.

Bottom Line: **Be kind to your family and friends.** When it comes to our family and friends, we often find ourselves taking them for granted. We hope through the story of Ruth, kids will learn to show kindness to those we care about most.

#### WEEK 3

Key Question: Have you ever received unexpected kindness? Often the best kindness is the kindness that feels completely random. Help kids discover how they feel when someone surprises them with kindness. Help them figure out the unexpected ways they can show kindness to people in their life.

In Matthew 25:35-40,we'll revisit one of Jesus' teachings on kindness. For one reason or another, people are overlooked every day—no one even notices them, much less shows kindness to them. But Jesus says that when we show kindness to one of the least of these, it's as if we're showing kindness to Him. We hope to discover how they can show kindness to people who are overlooked in their world.

Bottom Line: **Be kind to people who are overlooked.** Everyone deserves to be treated like they're valuable, no matter who they are. We hope kids start to see people who have needs and work with the adults in their life to show kindness and meet those needs.

#### WEEK 4

Key Question: How can you be kind to people you don't get along with? There are times when we face people who we feel don't deserve our kindness. Most likely, preteens have a list of people who they don't get along with and why those people don't deserve their kindness. But Jesus tells us to love our enemies. Through this question, we hope kids start to discover how they can show kindness to people who fall into this category.

We finish out our month in **Matthew 5:43-48**. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus expands the scope of who deserves our kindness. Not everyone will be kind to us; some may be quite mean to us. Jesus says that we should love our enemies and pray for them.

Bottom Line: Be kind to people who aren't kind to you. As kids discover what Jesus says about loving our enemies, we pray that your kids discover ways they can show God's love and kindness to people they might not get along with all of the time. They don't have to be best friends, but they can be kind.

### Scholarships



#### WMU Powers Scholarship

Our Women's Missionary Union (WMU) Powers Scholarship Committee will start accepting applications February 12, for 2018 scholarships to be awarded during our early and traditional worship services on May 20.

Applications are due in our church office no later than April 18, 2018. This scholarship may be applied for by any young adult entering or returning to college or seminary who has been an active participant in our church's youth ministry or young adult ministry for at least two years.



An email with an updated application attached will be sent out the week of February 5, to our graduating high school seniors and last year's recipients of this scholarship. Any qualifying student who does not receive the email with the application form for this scholarship should request one from our church office.

The WMU Powers Scholarship was established in 1962 in memory of the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Powers. Our church members are reminded of this budget item when designating your monetary contributions, particularly in memory or in honor of someone, to ensure continuation of this scholarship in support of our young adults who are pursuing a higher education.



#### 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.

We are here on Tuesdays 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!

### Retirement

#### **Ivey Jones Retirement Recognition**

Ivey Jones has served our church for many years as our custodian. At the end of the year, he retired, and

we've got big shoes to fill.

We want to recognize and honor him for his faithful service, so our Social Committee has spoken with him and begun the work of planning a recognition. Ivey hasn't yet shared with us the best date for that event, but as soon as he does, we will let everyone know!



**GOBBLES & GRUNTS** presents Hank Parker

Feb. 9 @ 6:00 pm



Wallace-Rose Hill

High School Fine Arts Building Ticket Price: \$10 each / children under 5 free Includes a BBQ Sandwich, Chips, and Drink

Gobbles and Grunts is a local ministry that shares God's love with children and family through hunting, fishing, and other outdoor activities. Several of our church members are leaders in this ministry. For tickets, see James Earl Rich, or text/call him at 910-289-5230.

### **Thank You**

Dear First Baptist Church Family,

Thank you for all the kindness, love, and support extended to our family during the service for our Dad. We appreciated the delicious meal provided by the Bereavement Committee and wish to thank all of those who helped make everything go so smoothly during the service.

May God bless you,

#### **Just for Laughs:**

#### Valentines Humor:

One morning Emma woke up with a start. Her husband Jim asked what was the matter, she told him, "I just had a dream that you gave me a pearl necklace for Valentine's day. What do you think it means?"



"You'll know tonight," Jim said.

That evening, Jim home with a small package and gave it to his wife. Delighted, Emma opened it. It was a book entitled The Meaning of Dreams.

An older woman ran into her friend at the mall. "You're not going to believe this," she said. "I found an old lamp the other day. I rubbed it and a genie popped out. He explained that genies don't give three wishes anymore, but he did offer me a choice between one of two wishes: He could give me a better memory or turn my husband into the greatest lover ever."

"Tough choice," said her friend. "Which one did you choose?"

"That's the thing," she said, "I can't remember!"

### **Shoe Boxes**



The total number of shoeboxes for 2017 was 310! That is fantastic! I have wanted to take a group to the OCC processing center to work with the shoe-

boxes as they are being sent out in December. So...I wanted to find out if there was enough people interested in going. We would need at least seven people including a van driver. So just let me know by May and we will see if we can make this happen. If you have any questions please ask Maggie or Marie Casteen.



#### **February Volunteers**

10:00 a.m. Sunday Life Groups Nursery Marie Casteen & Lisa Hunt

11:00 a.m. Worship Hour Nursery

Angie Gurganus

Sunday Ushers:

**Hearing Impaired Class** 

Tellers: Sue Baker &

Ann English





#### **March Newsletter Submission Deadline:** February 15, 2018

Please email articles to office.fbcw@gmail.com Please make articles brief!

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### On the Record

#### **Attendance**

#### Life Groups

12-31	1-7	1-14	1-21
80	SNOW	109	93

#### Worship

189	SNOW	187	193

#### **Budget and Receipts**

2018 Budget \$449,385.00

Offering Receipts To Date 1-21-2018 \$18,346.55



### Feb. Birthdays

- 1 Steve Robinson
- 2 Scott Teachey
- 3 Jim Perry
- 7 Lynn Wood
- 7 Glenn Powell
- 8 Ray Garriss
- 10 Alexis Brown
- 11 Bobby Cavenaugh
- 11 Camden Christopher
- 12 Chandler Batchelor
- 12 Sarah Brinkley
- 13 Amanda Hawes
- 13 Sharon Boney
- 13 Jordan Patram
- 14 Jeff Hargrove
- 15 Sallie Davis
- 15 Tonya Prescott
- 15 Joey Williams
- 15 Hailey Chrisco
- 17 Anne Russ
- 17 Estelle Johnson
- 17 Morris Andrews, Jr.



- 17 Alyssa Bielby
- 18 Tommy Herring
- 18 Dot Baker
- 19 Trevor Padgett
- 19 Dale Stone
- 19 Emily Barnette
- 20 Jerry Boney
- 20 Donald Brooks
- 20 Harry Bradshaw
- 20 Jodi Sparks
- 20 Pete Blanton
- 21 Sandy McIntyre
- 23 Irene Rivenbark
- 23 Grace Farrior
- 23 Michael Blackburn
- 25 Cindy Farrior
- 26 Grace Russ
- 27 Sarah Lefler
- 28 Emily Jessup
- 28 Angela Richardson



**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.

### First Baptist Events

## February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Commitment Sunday 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-Fundraiser Meal, FH	5 6:30 Properties, R303 6:30 pm-Scouts, FH	6 10:30 am-SonShine Choir 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 3:00-5:30 pm-Kids Café 5:30 pm-Worship Band	7 10:30 am-Bible Study 5:30 pm-Dinner 6:00 pm-Prayer 6:15 pm-Bible Study 7:20 pm-Chancel Choir	8 10:00 am-REACH <b>7:00 pm-Bible Profilers</b>	9	10
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