

# The Encourager

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## Service Times

### Sunday Service

Sunday School.....	9AM
Morning Worship.....	10 :25AM
Discipleship Training.....	5PM
Preschool & Children 's	
Classes.....	5PM
Youth Connect	
Groups.....	5PM
Evening Service.....	6PM

### Wednesday Service

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

## "An Attitude of Thankfulness!"

"Giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ..." Ephesians 5:20

Paul wrote this letter to the Ephesians while in prison! How could Paul have an attitude of gratitude, or an attitude of thankfulness while sitting in a prison cell?

For one thing he was thinking about the new followers of Jesus Christ in Ephesus. He said in Ephesians 1:16, "I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers." All His efforts to share the Good News of Jesus the Messiah, even in the face of opposition and persecution had not been wasted! There was a thriving church in Ephesus with people who were carrying on Christ's kingdom work. Also, as we see in Ephesians 5:20, Paul always kept in mind that he belonged to Almighty God through his faith and trust in Jesus Christ! All the power of Rome couldn't hinder that. As a matter of fact, Paul knew he would be vindicated on the Day when Christ judges all nations (including Rome) and all mankind.

As he sat in his prison cell he could be thankful that "There is therefore now no condem-



nation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1). I recently ran across this familiar poem that seems so appropriate every day of the year, and especially during the Thanksgiving season... "I cried because I had no hat till I saw a man who had no coat.

I cried because I had no coat till I saw a man who had no shirt.

I cried because I had no shirt till I saw a man who had no socks,

I cried because I had no socks till I saw a man who had no shoes.

I cried because I had no shoes till I saw a man who had no feet.

I cried because I had no feet till I saw a man who had no legs.

I cried because I had no legs till I saw a man who had no life."

How can we maintain an atti-

tude of thanksgiving? As in all things, the answer is found in God's Word. Philippians 4: 4-8. "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things."

Giving Thanks to God for You!  
Bro. Neil

## FIRST CAL



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%**

## Report

## October 2015

Lottie Moon

\$208.50

Annie Armstrong

\$125.10

Georgia Barnette

\$62.55

David Terry

\$20.85

Total .....\$417.00

FIRST CAL  
STUDENT MINISTRY

BOO! Oh, Hey...

## School Has Kicked Off!

How are you setting an example in your life for others to see Christ in you? How do you think you represent Christ? *"Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity."* ~ 1 Timothy 4:12

Discipleship – The "1 on 1" discipleship program has started! This program is to help students invest in student lives, adults invest in student lives, and adults invest in adult lives. Please consider participating by either being a disciple or disciple-maker. We are pumped to be obeying scripture as we make disciples and pray that you will join in with us! For More info contact Bro. Joey

YEC – November 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> @ the Cajundome in Lafayette, LA. Forms Available in Youth Room or From Bro. Joey.

Future Events to begin planning for!  
 5<sup>th</sup> Quarters – Schedule @ MTVBC, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ FBC Cal, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> @ MTVBC, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> @ FBC Cal,

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> @ MTVBC

YEC– November 23-24

Cost: \$80 + Meals

**Winter Missions- Decem-  
bers Cost: \$65**

You can pay for any of the above trips in advance, or begin paying for them now. Turn your money into Bro. Joey and we will keep a record of how much and to what events you are pre-paying for. Also, we will be doing some fundraisers for Cross Camp and for Summer Missions.

**Connect groups!** Come and grow in your faith and grow in community. We meet in the youth room @ 5pm every Sunday!

Weekly Schedule

Wednesday Worship from 6:00 - 7:15pm.

Sunday School from 9:00 - 10:15am

Sunday morning worship service @ 10:25am.

Monday Night Basketball – 6:30-9:00pm

**Connect Groups** – Sundays @ 5pm

All of this is on our facebook page so keep up with us, come hang out with us, and come grow with us! Love you guys and praying for you Love, Peace, and Chicken Grease!

Bro. Joey  
 Student Pastor,  
 First Baptist Calhoun

Regular Schedule

## Sundays

Sunday School.....9:00am  
 Morning Worship.....10:25am  
 Connect Groups.....5:00pm  
 Evening Worship.....6:00pm

## Monday

Basketball.....6:30pm

## Wednesday

Worship.....6:00pm

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Things to Check OutMusic:

"Church Songs" Vertical Church Band

"Worship Initiative" Volume 10 Shane and Shane

Books:

"Purity Principle" Randy Alcorn

"The Case For Christ" Lee Strobel

Books of the Bible:

New Testament: 1 John

Old Testament: 2 Kings



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## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone that made our Fall Festival possible, you are awesome. None of our ministries in the church or to the community can happen without all of the church stepping up to what God has called us to do.

I read chapter 2 of the book of Numbers today, God had a specific plan for the children of Israel. First, He had Moses and Aaron number all of the men 21 and over for the armies. Once the census was finished God told them to set up camp in a very specific pattern around the Tabernacle. Just like the Children of Israel, God gives us all very specific instructions for life and ministry or service; do you know what your service to God is? Are you fulfilling what God has asked you to do?

As the holidays approach, look for ways to help others less fortunate than you.

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CHILDCARE 15  
MINUTES PRIOR TO  
CHOIR & PLAY  
REHEARSAL  
THROUGH  
DECEMBER 5TH

### REGULAR SCHEDULE

#### **Sunday Morning**

Sunday School.....9am  
Snacks.....10:05am  
Children's Church....10:25am  
Preschool Church....10:25am

#### **Sunday Evening**

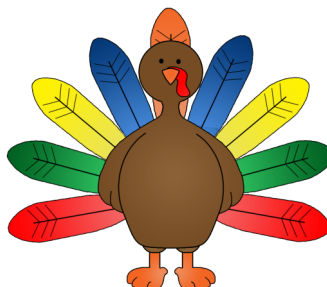
Children's Choir.....5:00pm  
Preschool Music & Bible  
Study.....5:00pm  
Childcare.....6:00pm  
Preschool Activities....6:00pm

#### **Wednesday Evening**

Children's GA & RA Programs.....6:00pm  
Preschool Mission  
Friends.....6:00pm

*During all services we provide a nursery for all preschoolers ages 2 and under. Come check us out.*

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November 4  
Hamburger  
Steaks  
Rice/Gravy  
Baby Lima Beans  
Roll  
Dessert

November 11  
Chicken N  
Dressing  
Purple Hull Peas  
Broccoli  
Casserole  
Salad  
Dessert

November 18  
Taco Bar  
Corn  
Salad  
Chips N Salsa

November 25  
No Wednesday  
Night  
Services



# November 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b><u>1</u></b> Fall Back  Deacon Meeting 3pm	<b><u>2</u></b> Basketball 6:30pm   Chisholm, Chad E. Duchesne, Jeannie kilpatrick, James Ellis Murphy, Lacie	<b><u>3</u></b> Ladies Prayer 9am  FAITH Visitation 6pm  Head, Ken Rieger III, J. P.	<b><u>4</u></b> WNS Menu Hamburger Steaks Rice/Gravy Baby Lima Beans Roll Dessert  Martin, Shelly	<b><u>5</u></b>     Rieger, Jason Stanley, Diane Tolbird, Savannah	<b><u>6</u></b>    Duke, Sarah Beth Franklin, Suzy Mcclain, Dustin Rieger, Nicholas	<b><u>7</u></b> Free Flea Market 7am   McGee, Rheanne Reynolds, Dixie Tanner, Frankie
<b><u>8</u></b> Church Council Meeting 3pm   Brown, Beth	<b><u>9</u></b> Basketball 6:30pm  Mcdowell, Will Staples, Charlie Thompson, Holly	<b><u>10</u></b> Ladies Prayer 9am  Cooper, Brandon Smith, Alex Stephenson, Brett	<b><u>11</u></b> Veteran's Day  Young ay Heart 10am WNS Menu Chicken N Dressing Purple Hull Peas Broccoli Casserole Salad Dessert Cook, RICHARD	<b><u>12</u></b>   Holton, Jimmy Towns, Cheyanne	<b><u>13</u></b> JP Rieger Band 5pm   Jones, Alicia Lenard, David Towns-Williams, Jeari	<b><u>14</u></b> Desiard Street 3:30pm   Green, Ima Nae Weaver, Chris
<b><u>15</u></b> Finance Committee Meeting 3pm   Craighead, Chris Dray, Nicole	<b><u>16</u></b> Basketball 6:30pm  Halley, Dude Herrington, Makayla Minter, Alicia Neal, Justin	<b><u>17</u></b> Ladies Prayer 9am  Vining, Donna Williams, Sara	<b><u>18</u></b> WNS Menu Taco Bar Corn Salad Chips N Salsa  Wilbanks, Randy	<b><u>19</u></b>   Nance, Stephanie	<b><u>20</u></b> Edgar, Tina Frost, Tiffany Hutchinson, Jo Johnston , Julian McGaha, Fred Petch, David Streeter, Rachel Taylor, Sonya	<b><u>21</u></b> Threads of Love 9am   Goforth, Amanda Machen, Nancy
<b><u>22</u></b> Youth YEC  Lifeshare Blood Drive 4pm  Personnel Commit- tee Meeting 4pm	<b><u>23</u></b> Youth YEC  WMU Lunch Plate Sale 11am  Basketball 6:30pm	<b><u>24</u></b> Youth YEC  Ladies Prayer 9am  Crain, Ethan Summerville, Brandi	<b><u>25</u></b> <b>No Wednesday  Services</b>  Retz, Joellen Rieger, Lyn	<b><u>26</u></b> Thanksgiving Day  Church Office Closed	<b><u>27</u></b> JP Rieger Band 5pm  Hanging of the Greens Benson, Breanna Lockhart, Andrew	<b><u>28</u></b> Hanging of the Greens  Pepper, Aaron Petch, Matthew Sanguinetti, Darling Turner, Shirley
<b><u>29</u></b> Men & Boys Break- fast 7:30am	<b><u>30</u></b> Basketball 6:30pm  Blakeney, Gloria Frazier, Don Guntharp, Michael	<u><b>Birthdays</b></u>  <b><u>22</u></b> Naron, Ronny  <b><u>23</u></b> Diaz, Jonathon				