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And finally, pray with and pray for your family often. Pray that your children and family will come to know Christ. Pray that they will have a passion for the Bible and for the church. Pray that they will be surrounded by Christian influences. Pray that they will be protected from the attacks of the evil one. Pray that they will receive God's wisdom and discernment in their decisions and actions. Pray that they will be passionate about telling others about Jesus. Pray that they will enjoy abundant and joyful life in Christ.

"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith" (Heb 12:2). "Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus" (Col 3:17). Let us put the focus on Christ . . . in our families. Always remember: Jesus Loves You and So Do I!

Pastor Jimmy



Needs for the Help Center

The Federal Point Help Center is in need of the following items: Canned meat, mayonnaise, peanut butter, cold cereal, jelly or any other canned or dry goods are gratefully accepted.

Please place your items on the table in the sanctuary.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Each Sunday evening at 7 pm FBCCB hosts the "Only Today" group of AA, which follows the Speaker Meeting format and is open to all.



Martha's Kitchen Every Tuesday, 6 – 7 PM

Everyone is invited to participate in our weekly ministry of offering a warm, free meal to members of our community. You can help by just coming out on Tuesdays at 6 pm to pitch in wherever needed, interact with our guests, join a team or put together a new team, or donating supplies. Contact Bob Hodge (458-4302) for info.



Mentoring Men for the Master

Every Tuesday at 6:45 pm in the Library. All men are invited to participate in this ministry that aims to support, encourage, and challenge men in their endeavors to live out godly lives and healthy relationships.



Do You Facebook?? Come and Join us!!

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When on Facebook go to First Baptist Church of Carolina Beach and become our friend...See what everyone is talking about, get the latest on day to day happenings at our church!!

Become a FAN of Category Five...

We have a page that we post all pictures, events and activities!!!

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Mission Statement

“First Baptist Church is committed to building a bridge to the community through outreach, education, spiritual and personal development. This is our mission.”

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Putting the Focus on Christ . . . In Our Families

Last month we were challenged to put the focus on Christ in our personal lives by: 1) entering into a personal and saving relationship with Jesus Christ, 2) committing to be Jesus’ disciples, 3) committing to learn, know, obey, follow, and live by Jesus’ commands, teachings, and example, 4) dedicating our days and activities to Jesus, and 5) investing in our friendship with Jesus.

This month, let’s talk about how we can put the focus on Christ **IN OUR FAMILIES**. Perhaps the most direct biblical teaching in this area is found in **Deuteronomy 6:5-9**: *“Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.”* First of all, make sure that your personal relationship with Jesus is strong, growing, and passionate. You can’t fake it. You can’t just go through the motions. It must be real; and it must be intimate.

Second, purposefully and actively talk about your faith with your children and family. Intentionally talk about Jesus, about faith, about the Bible, about church, about your convictions, and about your commitments. Clearly explain these principles and share why they’re important. At the same time, watch your negative talk and complaining, especially about other people.

Third, realize that your children and family are always observing you, so be intentional about being a positive witness and a good example. Speak to and treat others kindly, with respect and love. Respond to difficult situations and people with patience. Intentionally live out your faith. Let your family see you praying, reading your Bible, worshipping, engaging in Bible studies, fellowshiping with other believers, serving in the church, and sharing your faith.

Fourth, set your family priorities according to eternal principles and values rather than worldly ones. Jesus charged: *“Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness” (Mt 6:33)*. Just a question: during any given week, do you lead your family to participate in mostly worldly activities or spiritual ones? We need to take advantage of any organization that wants to help our children and families focus more on Christ. This church is absolutely committed to teaching about and helping foster a deeper relationship with Jesus, but it does you absolutely no good whatsoever if you don’t commit yourself and your children or family to participating in the various programs and ministries being offered (Sunday School, worship services, TeamKid, Category 5, Bible studies, etc.).

Fifth, take an active stand in guarding and protecting your family from worldly influences. Be diligent about filtering your children and family’s TV, music, movies, games, books, friends, and even schools. Whether intentionally or not, the things of this world effectively draw focus away from Christ.

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APRIL

NURSERY SCHEDULE

8:30 am Service

Hostess: Angie Qureshi

- 1 – Angie Qureshi & Caol Cox
- 8 – Peggy Creech & Beverly Setzer
- 15 – Donna Mitchell & Debbie Morris
- 22 – Dianne Wind & Angie Leary

11:00 am Service

Hostess: Jennifer Kitts

- 1 – Jeff & Jennie Gaskell
- 8 – Jim & Jennifer Kitts
- 15 – Barbara Bigley & Dee Lloyd
- 22 – Roxanna, Miki & Mandy Barker
- 29 – Marlies Treppel, Beverly Lovingood,
Rich & Becky Abeling

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

8:30 am Service

- 1 – Larry & Vickie Pridgen
- 8 – Melinda Latta
- 15 – Angie Qureshi
- 22 – Trae & Beverly Setzer

11:00 am Service

- 1 – Drew & Leslie Houston
- 8 – Roxanna Barker & Beverly Lovingood
- 15 – David & Veronica Basydlo
- 22 – Jeff & Jennie Gaskell

WELCOME TEAM

8:30 am Service

- 1 – Brian Dew & Peggy Creech
- 8 – DeWayne Guy & Glenda Hurley
- 15 – Ralph Guy & Mike Sanford
- 22 – Jeff & Debbie Rachel

Sunday School

- 1 – Richard Bradsher
- 8 – Sue Williamson
- 15 – Marie Underwood
- 22 – Reggie Barnes
- 29 – Donna Mitchell

11:00 am Service

- 1- Bernie Mitchell & Inez Malloch
- 8 – Jerry & Dianne Johnson
- 15 – Leslie Houston & Polly Hodges
- 22 – Richard Bradsher & Barbara Bigley
- 29 – Jo Campbell & Lucy Bradsher

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Larry Pridgen, Margie Underwood,
Drew & Leslie Houston



Sunday Morning Worship & Sunday School



8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

9:45 Sunday School

11:00 Traditional Worship Service

Whichever time or style you prefer, come with hearts prepared to worship. Bring your Bibles and plan to spend time studying and discussing God's Word during the Sunday School hour. We offer classes for all age groups

WORSHIP  WITH US!

Nobody Sits Alone

To reflect the truth of God's Word that we the church are ONE BODY and ONE FAMILY, during worship services and other church programs and events, please be intentional about sitting with others, especially those who are sitting by themselves.



Name Challenge

To continue with our purposeful efforts to build a strong sense of community and unity in our church, we challenge you to learn the names of the people you sit near in worship services and other church programs and events. Knowing (and using) each other's names will go a long way toward building a sense of family and connection.

Nursery

During our worship service, the church provides a nursery for children 0-5 years old. Located on the first floor of the Education Building just behind the sanctuary.

Welcome Team

We would like to extend the opportunity for additional people to serve as Greeters, Ushers, and Contacters. If you would like to be a part of the rotation on Sundays, please contact the church office.

TELLERS

Jim Kitts & Jerry Johnson



April 3 – Chuck & Jeanne Ray
April 4 – Will & Marjorie Colman
April 9 – Sam & Cathy Prosser
April 17 – Drew & Leslie Houston
April 26 – Jeff & Lisa Eubank



**HOLY WEEK
WORSHIP
SCHEDULE**

Adult Choir Easter Cantata

The choir will be presenting its Easter Cantata, *The Song Everlasting*, at the 11:00 services in three parts: *Ministry* was on March 25, *Humility* on April 1, and *Victory* on April 8.



Palm Sunday (April 1)
Lord's Supper services.

Maunday Thursday (April 5)

Beginning at 6:30 pm we will have a catered meal (ham, potatoes, and string beans, and bread). We need everyone to bring desserts. To get an idea of how much food to prepare, we need you to register by filling out the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board or calling the church office by Sunday, April 1. We will also partake of the Lord's Supper together and engage in a foot/hand washing ceremony. Childcare will be provided.

Good Friday (April 6)

Beginning at 6:30 pm, we will watch the movie, *The Passion of the Christ*, in the sanctuary. Childcare will be provided.

Saturday (April 7)

Easter Fest from 11 am to 2 pm. We will have inflatables, games, food, and Easter Egg hunts. This will be a time of fun and fellowship for all ages. Plan on coming and invite a friend!

Easter Day (April 8)

Community Sunrise Service at the boardwalk, 6:30 am; **Easter Services** - 8:30 am and 11 am. We will be decorating the cross with flowers, so plan on bringing fresh or silk flowers with you that day.



5th Sunday Combined Service and Luncheon

Sunday, April 29 will be our next 5th Sunday Combined Service at 11 am and Luncheon immediately following. We need 10 people to make pasta salads/casseroles and everyone else to bring desserts. Contact Glenda Hurley if you will bring a dish - 910-619-3650, gghurley@charter.net. Everyone plan on coming that day and enjoying a time of great worship, delicious food, and excellent fellowship.

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request please call the Church Office (458-5134), or Frances Ray (458-8184) or fill out a Prayer card from the pew and drop it in the offering plate.



Join the Church Sunday

The church will be promoting a Join the Church Sunday during both services on Sunday, April 1st. Whether you have been attending for a long time or a short time, we invite you to officially join our church. Contact Pastor Jimmy if you have any questions about joining the church.

Proverbs Bible Study

Throughout the month of May, Rev. Alicia Porterfield will be leading us in a study on The Book of Proverbs during the Sunday School time (Sundays - 9:45-10:45 am). All the adult Sunday School classes will combine together in the sanctuary for this special study. Whether you typically come to Sunday School or not, you won't want to miss this excellent study, so make plans to attend.



Quarterly Church Conference

All church members are encouraged to participate in the Quarterly Church Conference in the fellowship hall on Wednesday, April 18 at 6 pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL "GET TOGETHER"

The Sunday school classes meet at a restaurant and have dinner together. It is on the third Sunday night at 6 pm. We always have a good time fellowshiping. Come join us.



Baptist Men's Breakfast & Projects

The Baptist Men Group meets the first Saturday of each month at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall. We have breakfast, fellowship, devotion, and set up mission projects to do in the community. All men are welcome to join us. The next breakfast & meeting is Saturday, May 5th.



The Baptist Men group would like to make itself available for service projects for our church members and community. If you have a need, or know someone with a need, contact Richard Bradsher.



**Ladies of All Ages
Come Join the WMU**

All women are invited to come out to the church on the second Monday of each month to join the Vera Harris Circle of the WMU as it focuses on missions education and prayer and plans missions projects in our community. The next meeting is Monday, April 9th at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

