



## BUDGET/FINANCE UPDATE

(As of 2-28-15)



Members: Treasurer: Jim Wind, Tammy Dew, Carolyn Mahon, Donna Mitchell, Jane Walker.

### WHERE DO WE STAND

1. Monthly Budget \$ 24,027.42
2. February 2015 general fund offerings \$18,345. Year to date general funds offerings: \$ 35,142.
3. January general fund offerings were 76.35% of January's budget. Year to date general fund offerings were 73.1% of YTD budget.
4. Unrestricted cash on hand as of February 28, 2015 was \$ 64,258.
5. Designated fund offerings for February \$4,783. YTD offerings to designated accounts \$ 10,917.

Please be prayerful for the financial future of each other. Together we grow and prosper, and live out the plans that God has for each and every one of us.

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law.

Romans 13.8 (NIV)



### Office News & Deadlines

By Debbie

Deadline for the **May 2015 Newsletter is April 17<sup>th</sup>**. **Please email your articles to me by the deadline.**



### URGENT! Nursery Volunteers Needed

Our nursery rotation for the 11:00 service has recently narrowed down to 4 volunteers, which is just one nursery worker per Sunday. We **REALLY** need to add some volunteers to our rotation.

**EVERYONE PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER HELPING OUT WITH OUR NURSERY MINISTRY!!!!!!**

If you would be willing to help, please contact Tammy Dew (350-6747) or the church office.

### CHURCH "GET TOGETHER"



On the third Sunday night of each month at 6 pm, members and friends of the church are invited to meet at Rucker Johns Restaurant for a time of fellowship and meal. Our next Get Together will be Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

### Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request please email Sheila Long ([sheilarose.long@gmail.com](mailto:sheilarose.long@gmail.com) or 620-3549), call the Church Office (458-5134), or fill out a Prayer card from the pew and drop it in the offering plate.



### Facilities/Grounds Report

If any member sees or knows of anything that needs repair or our attention concerning the buildings or grounds, please contact, Eddie Coats

### Meals on Wheels



On the 4th Saturday of each month, our Missions Committee has a team that prepares and delivers meals in the community for the Meals on Wheels program. If you are interested in learning more about how this ministry works or if you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Lori Griffin (798-5857). We now have volunteers to make desserts. Thanks to all our Meals on Wheels volunteers! We couldn't do this without you! The next opportunity to serve will be Saturday, April 25 at 10 am.



### Cub Scouts

Each Monday night our church hosts Cub Scout Pack #230 at 7 pm in the Education Building. For more information on these groups, contact Scott Whitaker (392-7867)



### Martha's Kitchen Food Lion Pick Up

We need additional volunteers to join our Martha's Kitchen food pick-up teams. Teams are responsible for picking up the donated food from the store and delivering it to the church and putting it away in the freezers. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sue Berwald (910-458-9585).



### Martha's Kitchen Pig Cooker



The cooker is available to Church Groups at no charge, but individual church members are asked to pay a rental of \$60 a day or \$80 for weekend. We do ask that you bring it back clean and tanks full. For information contact Bob Hodge 458-4302.



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I know that Rev. Alicia Porterfield will do a great job of leading the church during the transition period. Her knowledge, wisdom, leadership skills, pastoral skills, teaching skills, and heart for the church will help you greatly as you continue to serve and worship the Lord during this interim period. You can trust her. And you can trust God to lead you through this time of transition – *“being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus”* (Philippians 1:6). I know that God already has your next pastor in mind and will, in His perfect timing, help the Search Committee meet the perfect candidate, discern God’s will, and extend the invitation. Your job in the meantime is to trust, hope, serve, love, share, and grow. I believe with all of my heart that the church’s best days are still ahead. God is surely going to bless you!

As I complete my service at FBCCB, I hope that you have seen the following traits in my ministry to this church: a total and unwavering commitment to God, to the church as a whole, and to you personally; the heart of a humble servant; compassion and love; determination; a hard worker; a commitment to teach the truth from the whole counsel of God’s Word, even when uncomfortable; a passion to proclaim the Gospel message of repentance and salvation by grace through faith in Christ alone; the obedient and faith-filled following of the Holy Spirit’s guidance; and the willingness to sacrifice for others. Above all, I hope that you have seen Jesus Christ in me. Thank you for sharing your lives with me. You will never know just how much God has used you to bless my family. Thank you for your patience, your trust, your encouragement, your support, your friendship, and your love. I LOVE YOU! YOU WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART! No matter where I may be, if there is ever any way I can serve you, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

I would like to close by sharing and applying two of the Apostle Paul’s prayers – one originally written to the church at Ephesus and one written to the church at Philippi. These prayers represent my heart’s desires for you: *“For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge - that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen”* (Ephesians 3:14-21). // *“I thank my God every time I*

*remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God’s grace with me. God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God”* (Philippians 1:3-11).

**Always remember: God Loves You and So Do I!**



### **Your Deacon’s**

It is a true blessing  
to have the opportunity  
to pray to, and praise an Almighty God  
and the Wonderful Creator of Life.

It is awesome to know  
that we, the body of Christ  
have been given the opportunity  
to pray for each other,  
especially those hungry, thirsty or in need.

But you know, it is also a Christ-like heart  
to love our brothers and sisters so much,

that we might ask them specifically,  
“What may I pray about for you?”

We are healed by our faith.

Our prayers are a great expression of our faith.

Your Deacon Body is praying for you.

Let them know what you need them to pray for.  
And ask those who God allows to cross your path,

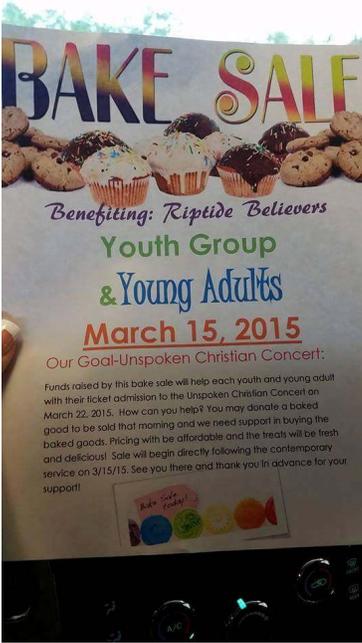
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# FAMILY BINGO NIGHT



# YOUTH BAKE SALE



# "UNSPOKEN" CONCERT

