



BUDGET/FINANCE UPDATE

(As of 12-31-15)



Members: Treasurer: Jim Wind, Jerry Johnson,
Beverly Lovingood, Connie Lowe, Donna Mitchell.

WHERE DO WE STAND

1. Monthly Budget \$24,027. YTD Budget \$288,329.
2. December 2015 general fund offerings: \$20,663. December offerings were under budget by 16%. We closed 2015 \$43,208 behind budget.
3. However, actual operational expenses for 2015: \$240,897 vs. \$288,329 Budget. We spent \$47,432 less than budgeted for 2015.
4. Total 2015 Expenses were \$293,163; Total Income from all sources (including Rental, restricted and unrestricted income) \$305,939.
5. Year to Date general fund offerings: \$245,121. Year to date offerings are 82.37% of YTD budget. In comparison;
 - 2014 was 96.5% of budget
 - 2013 was 98.3% of budget
 - 2012 was 1.7% over budget
6. Unrestricted cash on hand as of December 31, 2015 was \$64,948 (Compared to \$64,549 for November).
7. Designated fund offerings for December were \$ 5,704. YTD Designated offerings: \$44,386.
8. Account 1039 Martha's Kitchen has \$63,847 designated cash available.
9. Account 5115 CBFNC Mission Resource Plan (our church 10% tithe) paid for December.

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)



VOLUNTEER NEEDS

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.



Welcome Team Volunteers

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



Audio/Visual Volunteers Needed

The church needs volunteers to help with Audio/Visual elements during the worship services and musical rehearsals. Training will be provided. If interested, please contact the church office



We're building AN ARK!

The Children's Committee, along with Paul Agrillo and Dara Newberry, are planning a 3-D extension of our Ark mural in the large room on the second floor of the Education Building. This moveable, wooden extension is a canvas-roofed central area, positioned against the mural wall that will serve as a stage-like space for teaching, putting on skits, singing, or reading scripture. Perimeter wooden bench seating for the children will enable the children to experience what it might have been like on the Ark.

The vision for the Ark extension is to help our children better and more deeply engage with the Biblical world. This imaginative, welcoming space will immediately convey to children and their families that we are committed to loving, teaching, and nurturing them in their walk with Jesus

- Nuts and Bolts: The Ark extension and seating will rest on the carpeted area and will not impede the walkway to other classrooms. The seating is fully moveable and the "stage area" extension is also moveable, but will require more than one person to do so. The Scouts, the Youth, and the Children all use this space and will be able to put the Ark to use in their activities.
- Dollars and Cents: The materials for the Ark are priced at approximately \$850; labor has been donated (Thank you, Paul Agrillo for the hard work--and Maria, too!). The Church Council approved moving forward with building the Ark extension. Both the Youth Committee and Children's Committee approved funds coming from their budgets. Jim Wind, our Treasurer, will work on those details.

Some of our church family has already given \$436 toward this specific ministry project—thanks be to God!! If you'd like to invest in our children and the Ark project, please mark "Children's Church--Ark" on your envelope. If you have more questions, please contact Dara Newberry!



Cub Scouts

Each Monday night, our church hosts Cub Scout Pack #230 at 7 pm in the Education Building.



Our Young Adults

If you are college age(ish) and would like to join us, please contact Melinda Latta!!!



Riptide Believers Youth

All youth are invited!! Questions? Please call Dara Newberry (262-1137)



RIPTIDE BELIEVERS YOUTH HAVING FUN!!! PIE IN THE FACE GAME!!! ALL YOUTH ARE INVITED!!!!



Meet Our New Deacons for 2016



CV Bailes



1) *Tell us about you and your family.* Baptized by Rev. RG Lee, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis, TN, May 1954. Married to Juanita Wilkins Sept 22, 1957 (58 Years); 4 children, 13 grandchildren. Retired from Carolina Power and Light (now Duke Energy) as Vice President in 1994. Moved to Kure Beach in 2013. We always wanted to live at the beach.

2) *What brought you to FBCCB?* We visited First Baptist Church of Carolina Beach several times before we joined for the following reasons 1. The church is affiliated with Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. 2. The congregation was warm and friendly. 3. The pastor preached the Bible and was a strong leader. 4. We felt we would be able to contribute.

3) *What are some of your favorite ways to serve here and in our community?* In the past, I have served on several Pastor Search Committees, participated in mission trips to Belize and Alaska, and was a member of the board of directors of the NC Baptist Foundation for eight years (Chairman of the Board and President for two terms). The Lord has provided many opportunities for service through the years for Juanita and I and we have been blessed beyond our imagination. We know that God has other plans for us and perhaps another mountain to climb. We pray that we may be useful and productive when those plans are revealed.

4) *Have you served as a deacon before? Where? What did God teach you from that experience or other ministry experiences?* I was ordained at South Hartsville Baptist Church in Hartsville, SC, February 1961. I've also served as a deacon at Arden Baptist Church, Asheville NC; Adamsville Baptist Church, Goldsboro, NC and Roxboro Baptist Church, Roxboro, NC.

5) *Share with us one of your favorite Bible verses or passages.* John 10:10: "The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly."

Bob Hodge



1) *Tell us about you and your family.* I have been married to Ruth for 50 years and have two daughters: Shannon and friend Jan Ellen; Shauna and husband Danny, two grandsons Ryder and Rhane.

2) *What brought you to FBCCB?* We came to Wilmington in 1998 with Miller-Motte College. Moved to Carolina Beach in 2000 and loved former pastor Ron Poythress and joined FBCCB. But I used to spend vacations here as a kid. My parents bought a place here in early 60's. Ruth and I spent our honeymoon here and just have a lot of fond memories.

3) *What are some of your favorite ways to serve here and in our community?*

I teach Sunday School, lead an in-home Bible study group, and Co-Founded Martha's Kitchen, which offers a hot meal to anyone in need on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

4) *Where have you served as a deacon before?* I've served as a deacon for over forty years: Samaria Baptist in Raleigh, NC, Tomahawk Baptist, Midlothian, VA, and FBCCB and have served as chair at all three churches. I have seen the diaconate transition from being a true "Board" to becoming a Family Ministry. The Family Ministry approach taught me the true meaning of being a deacon, as opposed to running the church.

5) *Share with us one of your favorite Bible verses or passages.* Philippians 3: 13-16: "13: Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14: I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. 15: All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. 16: Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

Molly Malvern Painter



1) *Tell us about you and your family.* I moved from Richmond, VA to Wilmington, NC in April 1999, with my daughter Dara. I began a web-based ministry, www.jesuswithoutthejunk.com, in 2007. Currently, we are inching our way towards 1 million hits! We have had the privilege of answering prayers from as far away as India, Pakistan, and Kenya. In addition, this ministry does a lot of *local* mission outreach. The Island "Heart of Hope" Run for Hunger was instituted in 2013 and has sown over \$9,000 into fighting food insecurity right here. This ministry is a confirmation from heaven that Jesus Christ is truly real and does continue to speak to His children.

I babysit my grandson, JC, full-time, I am currently enrolled as a senior at Liberty University majoring in Religion full-time, and go to homes to perform pedicures and manicures for those who cannot otherwise leave their homes.

2) *What brought you to FBCCB?* My family (Painters/Erdmans) was attending FBC already so it was a natural move for my daughter and me to try it out, so to speak. The warmth from this particular church convinced me that I was to be settled here in my walk with Christ.

3) *What are some of your favorite ways to serve here and in our community?* I serve anywhere, from children to adults, in a situation where I believe that the Holy Spirit is leading. I have (through much prayer for fifteen years) continued to be a servant to Christ in this manner.

4) *Have you served as a deacon before? Where? What did God teach you from that experience or other ministry experiences?* This will be my first time serving as a deacon.

5) *Share with us one of your favorite Bible verses or passages.* Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6: in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

I Corinthians 5:17: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"

And I can attest that my life is nothing like it used to be!

Jim Wind



1) *Tell us about you and your family.* I am married to the lovely and classy Dianne Wind. We will be celebrating our 20th wedding anniversary this year. We care for three children: Keiley (18), Jaylin (16) and Kaylin (14). It is an adventure that is never dull, and we are constantly reminded that God does, in fact, have a sense of humor.

2) *What brought you to FBCCB?* We joined FBCCB in (2011 I think, but verify).

3) *What are some of your favorite ways to serve here and in our community?* I enjoy serving by sharing my life and business experiences with others where it is helpful, through conversation and music. God has taken me on an incredible journey over the last several decades, and no matter how bleak or desperate things seemed, He always had His hand out for me to hold. I didn't always hold tight, but I am learning.

4) *Have you served as a deacon before? Where? What did God teach you from that experience or other ministry experiences?* I was ordained as a deacon at Riley's Creek Baptist Church in Rocky Point, NC. The largest lesson I learned was how to emulate Christ. I learned this most by watching an incredible man of faith. To this day, Pastor Blake Hayes was the most Christ-like person I had ever met. He left an indelible mark on my soul, showing me, in a real, tangible and practical way, how to model Christ to others. Blake has since gone to be with Christ, but he taught me how to live and die with grace, faith and courage.

5) *Share with us one of your favorite Bible verses or passages.* Jeremiah 29:11: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."