

## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Church Family,

What excites you? For some, it comes with the birth of a new child or grandchild. For some, the reality of thirteen National Championships provides great excitement. Still others can find excitement in that special gift or family trip. Let me ask the question in a slightly different way. Are you excited in your Christian walk with the Lord? I am. Can you get excited about the prospect of reaching more people for Jesus? I can.

God's church here at First Baptist stands at a pivotal point in time. Our leadership is excited about the potential we have to see more lives touched with the Gospel of Christ. In order for this to happen, we need the enthusiastic and faithful support of all our members. As your pastor, I want to invite you to a prayer meeting this Sunday evening at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary as we ask for God's favor and blessing. We have our greatest power when we are on our knees in prayer. If you are able, please come and join us in this important time together. If not, would you take the time to stop wherever you are at 6:00 pm and join with us as we lift our prayers to Jesus?

*"The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."* James 5:16b

Praying with you,

*Bro. Bryan*  
Bro. Bryan

*Sanctity of Human Life Day  
Sunday, January 24*

*Remember the  
Etowah Pregnancy Testing Center  
in your prayers.*

## JANUARY 17

10:30 am  
"How Deep Is Your Love"  
*John 13:31-35*

### *Weekly Records - January 10, 2010*

Sunday School		Stewardship Records	
Enrollment .....	435	Budget Needs .....	\$14,741.52
Attendance		Tithes Received .....	\$11,133.20
Members .....	159	Designated .....	\$100.00
Visitors .....	1	Needs to Date .....	\$29,483.04
Total Attendance .....	160	Received to Date .....	\$19,752.70

Rev. Bryan Blass .....	Pastor
Rev. J. T. Harrell .....	Minister of Music
Rev. Eric Sexton .....	Minister of Students
Mrs. Marsha Johnson .....	Director of Weekday Education
Mrs. Connie Jones .....	Director of Children's Ministries



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*The Chimes*



JANUARY 17, 2010

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2010~10:30 A.M.

MEMBERS & GUESTS: Please fill out the enclosed registration form and place in the offering plate.

Prelude Mr. George McSpadden

Welcome Rev. Bryan Blass, Pastor

Call to Worship "This Is the Day" Hayes

Invocation Rev. J.T. Harrell

Song of Praise "How Great is Our God" Tomlin

*The splendor of the King clothed in majesty, Let all the earth rejoice, let all the earth rejoice. He wraps himself in light and darkness tries to hide. It trembles at His voice, it trembles at His voice. How great is our God! Sing with me, How great is Our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God! Age to age, He stands and time is in his hands, Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End. The God-head three in one, Father, Spirit, Son, The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. How great is our God! Sing with me, How great is Our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God! Name above all names, Worthy of all praise. My heart will sing how great is our God!*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

Pastor's Pals Pastor

\*Hymn 12 "Great Is the Lord" GREAT IS THE LORD

Offertory Prayer Mr. Jim Dawson

Piano Offertory "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Whittier

The Doxology OLD 100TH  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Anthem "A Mighty Fortress" arr. Allen

Message "How Deep Is Your Love" Pastor  
John 13:31-35

Hymn of Response 285 "Wherever He Leads I'll Go" FALLS CREEK

Choral Benediction "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Lutkin

Postlude Mr. George McSpadden

*\*Children through third grade are invited to Children's Church.*

## IN MINISTRY

### DEACONS MEETING SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 17

Deacons meeting will be held at 7:30 am in the Arts and Crafts room. All active and inactive deacons are urged to attend.

### SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 6:00 PM

We will be having Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

### SPECIAL CALLED MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

A special called meeting will be held at 6:15 pm, January 27. The purpose of the meeting is to share about a new ministry opportunity at FBC.

## STUDENT MINISTRY

### TO SAVE A LIFE MOVIE PREMIER

The Gadsden Mall will be showing the Christian movie, To Save A Life, starting January 22nd. The movie addresses the reality of the social pressures that our teens are dealing with today. This movie is eye opening for students and parents alike. Help support faith-based movies coming to the Gadsden area by attending this movie. This may not be suitable for young children.

### THANK YOU FROM STUDENT MINISTRY

Thank you for your support of the Student fundraiser at Chick-fil-A Monday night. So many of you participated and we appreciate your generosity.

## WEEKDAY MINISTRY

### FEBRUARY ENROLLMENT DAYCARE

February is "in house" enrollment month for our weekday ministry. Before enrollment is open to the general public, we open it to our parents who are already in our program and to our church family. February is your time to enroll!!! If you, or someone you know in your family, is interested in enrolling a child 6 weeks through K4 in our weekday preschool program, please have them contact me as soon as possible. My office phone number is 547- 8853. Thanks so much! Marsha

## THIS WEEK

**Sunday, January 17**  
7:30 am Deacons Meeting  
9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Morning Worship\*  
6:00 pm Prayer Meeting  
8:00 pm Rebroadcast\*  
\*Comcast Cable Channel 5

**TV Ministry**  
Jon Cook, Billy Dillard  
David Goodwin

**Volunteers in Preschool**  
Jan Flowers  
Angela McCraw

**Monday, January 18**  
8:00 am Ladies Exercise

**Tuesday, January 19**  
6:30 am Men's Prayer Group  
9:30 am Homebound Visitation

**Wednesday, January 20**  
8:00 am Ladies Exercise  
12:00 noon Prayer with Pastor  
5:00 pm Fellowship Supper

*Spaghetti  
Salad, Breadsticks  
Dessert  
Coffee & Tea*

5:30 pm Mission Programs  
New Voice  
Adult Bells

6:15 pm Prayer Meeting  
Graded Choir  
Ladies Bible Study  
Student Life

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

**Thursday, January 21**  
10:15 am He Keeps Me Singing Choir

**Friday, January 22**  
8:00 am Ladies Exercise

## TAKE NOTE

*Absent from the Body,*

*Present with the Lord*

Bonnie Sisty  
January 10, 2010

### Christian Sympathy

is extended to Ray and Marie Dover in the loss of her sister, Lillian Frances Johnson.

is extended to the family and friends of Bonnie Sisty.

is extended to Mrs. Cecil Blackwood in the loss of her brother-in-law, Daryl Watson.

is extended to Mrs. Ernestine Padgett in the loss of her son-in-law, Charles Wayne Vice.

### The Alabama Baptist Renewal Time

If you would like to subscribe or renew, please contact the Church Office. The cost is \$12 for one year. Thank you!

### Preschool and Enrichment Fair

**Saturday, February 6**

The Mom's Club of Gadsden is hosting a Preschool and Enrichment Fair at FBC in the Family Life Center from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. This is a great opportunity for parents to see all that is offered in the local area for their preschooler's needs.

### **Minister on Call**

Call the church office, **547-6828**, to contact the minister on call. You may call that number at any time after regular office hours and they will be notified and return your call.