

The Messenger

"God's People on Mission in Marion County and Around the World"

Foxworth First Baptist

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A NOTE FROM THE HEART OF YOUR PASTOR



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CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Tyler Chavis

Worship Leader: Donovan McComb

Choir Director: Ellen Ball

Associate Pastor: Jonathan Pittman

REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE SUNDAY

9 am - Small Group/Sunday School for all ages
10 am - Gathered Worship
5 pm - Adult and Children's Choirs
Discipleship Training for Students and Adults
6 pm - Gathered Worship; Pre-Bible Buddies;
Bible Buddies (1st-3rd); Bible Drills (4th-6th)

WEDNESDAY

5:15 pm - Fellowship Meal (Donations only)
5:45 pm - Children's Kick-off Celebration
6:10 pm - Kids groups, Student Ministry
(FLIGHT), Adult Mid-Week Bible Study and
Prayer Time

Do you know that God has a plan for your life? Collectively, our plan involves worshipping the Lord with all that we are and bringing Him glory, but God also gets specific with each of us. God has a specific plan for you, just as He has a specific plan for me!

We see this throughout the pages of God's Word. It is not coincidence or chance. It was *God's plan* for Noah to build the ark - and he followed in obedience. It was *God's plan* for Abraham to be made into a great nation - and he followed in obedience. It was *God's plan* for David to serve the people as king - and he followed in obedience. *God's plan* led Daniel to the den of lions. *God's plan* caused a virgin to give birth to the Savior. *God's plan* called out the disciples. *God's plan* led the spotless lamb, Jesus, to the cross to pay the debt of sinners.

God's plan is perfect! We can see from the pages of Scripture that oftentimes God's plan leads people to places and through circumstances that they may not choose for themselves. It was hard work to build an ark and troubling to see the world destroyed. Daniel knew the power of the lions. The disciples left all they had ever known. Jesus suffered the wrath of God that only he could satisfy. But through it all we see men and women who followed God in faithful obedience.

So, what is God's plan for your life? Are you following in faithful obedience? This Christmas season, as we remember an aspect of God's perfect plan unfolding in the coming of the Christ Child, let us be sure to remember that God has a specific plan for each of us. May we follow Him - committed to faithful obedience of following our Father in Heaven.

Blessed are those who keep his testimonies, who seek him with their whole heart. Psalm 119:2, ESV

May it be so! May we Behold the King of kings & Lord of lords and be captivated by His glory, and...

May the LORD bless & lead us as we seek Him.
Friendly. Faithful. Focused. For the Glory of the LORD!

Pastor loves you!

And I'm honored to serve HIM alongside you.



“For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given...” Isaiah 9:6a
Have a blessed Christmas!

Announcements

December is Lottie Moon (IMB) Missions Offering Emphasis

- Dec. 2 – **Circle of Prayer Christmas Celebration** – The fellowship will be hosted at Kim and Paula Ramshur’s home. Everyone is invited to bring a favorite finger food or dessert.
- Dec. 4 – **Tri-County Joyful Hearts Fellowship** – Will be hosted at First Baptist Church Columbia from 11 am – 1 pm.
- Dec. 6 – **Benefit for Chad Becnel** – Spaghetti plates will be available for \$12 in the FLC from 10 am. – 3 pm. For tickets, see Edie Walley or Lisa Becnel.
- Dec. 6. – **Scenes of Christ** – Slated at Improve Baptist Church from 5-8 pm.
- Dec. 7 – **Kidzville/MVP** – Takes place during preaching portion of morning worship. Children are welcome to bring an offering.
- Dec. 7 – **Children’s Christmas Musical** – The children’s program will begin Sunday evening at 6 pm.
- Dec. 7 – **Steve and Angela Harper’s Anniversary**
- Dec. 21 – **Adult Choir Christmas Musical** – The program will be held during the morning worship service. (No activities or service that evening.)
- De. 18 – **Bro. Donovan and Joy McComb’s anniversary**
- Dec. 24-25 – **Christmas Holiday Schedule** - Church office will be closed for the holiday. No Wednesday night service or activities on Christmas Eve.
- Dec. 25 – **Have a Blessed and Merry Christmas!**
- Dec. 30 – **Chad and Edie Walley’s Anniversary**
- Dec. 31 – **New Year’s Eve**- No evening service or activities.

Upcoming...

- Jan 1 - **New Year’s Day** - Church office will be closed for the holiday.
- Jan. 1 - **Roger and Jo Ellen Carr’s Anniversary**
- Jan. 4 - **Kidzville/MVP** - Children are welcome to bring offering.
- Jan 5 - **Agenda Day** - Business items to office by 12 noon.
- Jan. 6 - **Circle of Prayer** - Set for 6 pm in FLC.
- Jan. 7 - **Regular Business Meeting** - Begins at 6:10 pm.
- Jan. 11 - **Observance of the Lord’s Supper** - Held during morning worship.
- Jan. 11 - **Ladles for Lottie** - Set in the FLC following the morning service.
- Jan. 16-18 - **Disciple Now Weekend**
- Jan. 19 - **R.L. and Jamie Hilburn’s Anniversary**
- Jan. 26 - **Vitalant Blood Drive** - Set in the fellowship hall.

Nursery

Dec. 7: Cheryl Rankin & Joyce Morgan
 Dec. 14: Hanna & Bryan McCain
 Dec. 21: Candice Thomas & Edie Walley
 Dec. 28: Patty Dykes & Tracy Windham

Financial Summary

November
General Fund
 \$ 26,296.54

Family Life Center

Given to Date: \$803,720.00
 Given in November \$680.00

Wednesday Night Supper Menu

Dec. 3: Chicken Pot Pie
 Dec. 10: Vegetable Beef Soup
 Dec. 17: Everyone to bring their favorite finger food
 Dec. 24: Christmas Eve (No Meal)
 Dec. 31: New Year’s Eve (No Meal)

December Birthdays

- 1: Joy McComb
- 2: Deborah Fortenberry & Bobby Nichols
- 3: Amanda Ramshur
- 4: Jesse Elmore, Jr. & Janice Hudson
- 5: Bonnie Bean & Kayla Robertson
- 6: Maxine O’Bryant
- 7: Gaston Beard, Jr.
- 9: Hugh Gene Smith
- 10: Jason Spiers
- 12: Jamie Rogers
- 13: Kaley Courville & David Spiers
- 14: A.J. Holmes
- 18: Shane Stokes & Mandie Gibson
- 19 Gloria Hensarling & Jasper Stringer
- 20: Sylvia Martin
- 21: Tracy Windham
- 23: Jory Haddox
- 25: Charles Forbes
- 27: Wanda Johnson
- 28: Roger Carr, Jr., Cade Heurtin & Alana Maliden-Neal
- 29: Autumn Baughman & Briley Sullivan
- 30: Brittany Regan