

The First Baptist Connection

October 2016

News and Updates for our Family in Christ

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Nursery Care

2 nd	Marlen Flynn & Shianne Ritter
9 th	Jennifer & Kelsey Moody
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23 rd	John & Mary Bailey
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Birthdays

2nd Kim Keller
3rd Norm Sullivan
4th Bob Templeton
6th Joe Burcham
8th Bob Holt
9th Betty Baker
Kyle Doane
Rex Kirchoff
10th Jean Boyer
11th Steve Ham
Delene Weeks
12th Alan Brown
Malea Toon
14th Jean Burcham
Paul Stewart III
18th Rodney Roark
Kent Rollison
19th Nancy Brinson
22nd Jackie Vandeventer
24th Brenda Nichols
29th Zachary Hudson
Brixton Groomer

Prayer Concerns

On-Going Prayer Concerns

Bright Beginnings Daycare and Preschool
Jerry & Jean Boyer
David & Lydia Hunter
Tyler & Georgene Lunberry
Mary Jane Parker
Kay & Don Pierce
Peace seeking in Iraq & Afghanistan
American Baptist missionaries

Glenburn Nursing Home

Charlie Farmer

Owen Valley Health Campus

(W State Road 46, Spencer)
Charlotte Humerickhouse

Lyons Rehab Center

Nancy Canty

Anniversaries

7th Warren & Paula Bartlett
9th James & Heather Malone
11th Steve & Sandy Clark
12th Charles & Mary Jane Parker
18th Jeff & Teresa Coffin
20th Brenda & Randy Flanagin

FBC News & Activities

Family Fridays

Friday, October 14

People are Special!

Come as a family! Enjoy dinner, devotions, discussion, and fun activities together as a family!

THIS MONTH: *Campfire & Hayride!*

Registration @ 6:00 PM

Dinner @ 6:15 PM

Closing @ 8:15 PM

“...we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD...” Psalm 78:4, NIV

First Baptist

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Call the church by 12:00 PM Thursday to schedule transportation!

A Note from Pastor Nathan

On Sunday morning, October 2nd, we will hold a healing service. After a scripture reading, some worship songs, and a few words of instruction, you will have an opportunity to come forward and receive prayer for any area of healing needed in your life. These requests will be anonymous unless you want your need announced. Even if you do not come forward, you will have the privilege of praying silently from your seat for those who do. After the time of healing, we will share the Lord's Supper together. The service will be simple but it will also be an opportunity for us to experience a fresh, meaningful encounter with the Holy Spirit together.

When we think of healing, we almost always think first of physical healing – from a broken bone, or from cancer, etc. And I do believe that the Lord will respond to our healing service by bringing physical healing to some who come. But there are lots of varieties of healing that the Lord may complete, or begin, at this service.

We are complex beings, with physical, spiritual, emotional, mental, financial, material and relational needs. God is interested in the comprehensive healing of His people and of His creation. You and I who belong to Christ can and do expect complete healing one day. And it will endure forever!

Sometimes, as a sign of the cross, God allows us to walk through suffering and hardship. When this happens, His grace is sufficient, and His power is perfect for our weakness. God takes no pleasure our pain, but He has not yet entirely removed it. God has integrity in this, because He came to suffer with us on the cross, He remains close to the brokenhearted, and He will be with us always.

But at other times, as a sign of His kingdom, God brings healing to our places of brokenness. God's healing in our lives now serves as a hint of the glorious healing which is to come. When this occurs, we rejoice with thanksgiving! God delights in showing His power and love to His people and to a hurting world.

I encourage you to pray that the Lord would show you any healing He wants to bring in your life. You may be all-too-well aware of it already. Naming our need for healing involves painful recall of things we might rather forget. But confessing our need for healing frees us up to receive it.

You may need to examine your heart before the Lord. There are times when our areas of brokenness arise directly from our own sins. Not always, but sometimes. So there may be need for confession and repentance.

But even when I have been wounded by another person, I have often made the subtle but devastating shift from victim to judge. In my heart I have tried to get even with those who hurt me. As long as I hold a vengeful or judgmental spirit toward them, I probably won't receive healing in those wounds. The Holy Spirit needs to remove layers of callousness from my heart. Maybe He does from yours as well.

As we approach this healing service, I sense a great need for relational healing, between church members, with family members, co-workers, friends, or people from the past. Words have been said. Things have been done. Resentments are being held. Hard-heartedness in any of our relationships is a threat to all of our relationships.

Jesus asked one person He was about to heal, "Do you want to get well?" That seems like a silly question. Of course we want to get well. But sometimes the process of receiving God's healing requires a response from us. Are we honest enough before the Lord to name our places of pain, to confess any role we've had in the process, and to ask Him to set us free? Are we willing to be instruments of His healing, no matter what that means?

Pray that the Lord would prepare our hearts for this special service. Thank Him for the healing He will bring.

Grace and peace,
Nathan

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Communion Healing Service	3	4 6:30 Trustees	5	6 6:00 Time to make the noodles!	7 Apple Festival	8
9	10	11	12	13 6:30 Deacons	14 6:30 Family Friday	15
16	17	18	19	20 6:30 Church Council	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 6:30 Songfest @ Tulip Church	31					

Deacon of the Month <i>Tasha Hudson</i>	Trustee of the Month <i>Eric Moody</i>	Usher of the Month <i>Charles Porter</i>	Greeter <i>Karla Pruett & Clifton Beck</i>
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<u>Reoccurring Weekly Activities @ FBC</u>			
Sundays: 8:00 a.m.	Handbell Practice	Wednesdays: 10:30 a.m.	Enhanced Fitness - FH
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Mondays: 10:30 a.m.	Enhanced Fitness - FH	Thursdays: 6:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast
6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts - FH	10:30 a.m.	Enhanced Fitness - FH
6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts - FH
Tuesdays: 6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts - FH	6:30 p.m.	Gideons (3 rd Thurs. each month) - FH
6:30 p.m.	Cottage Prayer Group		

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