

**The First Baptist Connection**

# November 2016

**News and Updates for our Family in Christ**

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*(2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays only)*

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## *Birthdays*

1<sup>st</sup> Maggie Doane  
4<sup>th</sup> Nolan Hughes  
6<sup>th</sup> Tena Doane  
7<sup>th</sup> Nathan Brooks  
8<sup>th</sup> Trent Lunberry  
9<sup>th</sup> Randy Flanagin  
10<sup>th</sup> Mary Jane Parker  
12<sup>th</sup> Mylee Manuel  
13<sup>th</sup> Marilyn Dallaire  
Adam Dean  
16<sup>th</sup> Brad Ellis  
Charles Porter  
17<sup>th</sup> Liz Brooks  
18<sup>th</sup> Christina Coffin  
Cole Thompson  
20<sup>th</sup> Kaya Campbell  
21<sup>st</sup> Andrew Weeks  
23<sup>rd</sup> James Malone  
Mike Stoner  
27<sup>th</sup> Lyndsey Coffin  
29<sup>th</sup> Anne Ellis  
30<sup>th</sup> Sara Ross

## *Prayer Concerns*

### **On-Going Prayer Concerns**

Bright Beginnings Daycare and Preschool  
Jerry & Jean Boyer  
David & Lydia Hunter  
Lois Kirchoff  
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*

16<sup>th</sup> Don & Virginia Hendrix

# FBC News & Activities


## Love Feast – November 13

It is time for our annual Love Feast. As Christians it is a time to celebrate the blessings Christ has given us. We invite you to come fellowship with us on November 13 @ 6:00pm in the Christian Life Center. Please circle the date on your calendar!

The Social Committee will furnish the turkey and drinks. Sign-up sheets for the main dishes will be coming through the Sunday school classrooms. If you haven't signed up for one of the main dishes, please bring a vegetable or dessert. They are needed and appreciated.

## Bright Beginnings Daycare Is Hiring

If you love children, are 18 or older and have a High School diploma or GED we want YOU! We are hiring full time and part time positions. Shifts are available between 6:30am-6:00pm Monday through Friday. Please contact Tammy Kirkman at 812-384-0400 x11 if you are interested.



**#GIVING TUESDAY**  
November 29, 2016

9 am to 4 pm

Linton Walmart

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## BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

I told the Children we were going to Thank God for the things and People he has given us. These are the responses they gave me on what and who they are Thankful for.

4 year old Wyatt - "I Thank God for making the whole big Earth and I love you God, thank you God for making the trees and animals. I am thankful for God and for T.V.'s."

4 year old Ellie - "Thank you God for presents. Thank you for my Mommy."

4 year old Emily - "I am Thankful I can love People, my Papaw is picking me up today you know, for giving us food, loving God, my Mommy and Daddy, my Aunt Sara she's my cousins Mom and my Aunt Carrie."

4 year old Keegan - "Toys cause I like them so much, I am thankful for you, my parents cause I like them and my friends and my fish, I don't have no fish, quit laughing it's not funny, and my Aunt."

4 year old Dylan - "I am Thankful he will make me a great big Farm when I grow up, and a tractor to move around the stuff right Ms. Tammy? For making the Earth and for making me and my Mommy and Daddy. He made the School here, the muscles that we use to walk around and stuff, trucks, cars and the derby cars do you know what derby cars can do? They smash I watched derby's before and for farm toys that I use."

4 year old Leo - "Food, my parents, my car, my Grandpa and Grandma and all my cousins that's all."

5 year old Avalyn - "The trees that fall down and the roses"

5 year old Aliza - "I'm thanking God for making me, I really thank God for making my whole Family. That's all."

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- 4 year old Keaton H. – “We pray to God, we pray for our food and we don’t hit, and we don’t kick, we don’t punch, we don’t go in the woods when we fly a kite. Is that all, can I go?”
- 4 year old Abram - “For giving us food and drinks, and people and houses.”
- 5 year old Lane - “For the world and for the pumpkin patch so we can carve Halloween pumpkins, for the nice day we have and that’s it.”
- 5 year old Reba - “My mommy.”
- 4 year old Amelia - “He loves us because he wants to make us and the road and grass, and the people in Heaven who eat. We eat in Heaven, and he says don’t be rude and don’t even be mean, he forgives us because he loves us.”
- 3 year old Brooklyn - “A horsey, a monkey, a lion, swings and a pen.”
- 4 year old Nathan - “My Mom, Grandma, I’m thankful for Mamaw and Daddy, and papaw and I love my PopPop, and my Sister.”
- 3 year old Kennedy - “A monkey, he was so silly, a giraffe that Giraffe was soooo funny, a shark, I saw him at the zoo.”
- 3 year old Ava - “Mommy, Daddy, Sissy”.
- 4 year old Turner - “A dinosaur, people, a Giraffe, an elephant”.
- 4 year old Melanie - “He gave me stuff and he made everyone, he gives me presents for my birthday, he makes me big. I’s thankful for friends, Wyatt, Keegan, Emily and Kennedy.”
- 3 year old Jackson - “Be nice. Everybody.”
- 3 year old Brody - “Mommy, God, animals, Lions, Daddy, Me, rocks, tigers.”
- 3 year old Katlind - “My Mommy my best friend. Mommy is always my best friend.”

## **The School age wrote what they are Thankful for** (their spelling was left as is...)

- 7 year old Ben - “I’m thankfull that I have vibio games. I’m thankfull that I have a good Mom. I’m very thankfull that I’m a good prsun.
- 8 year old Samauryion - “I’m thankfahll for pizza. I’m thankfahll for toys. I’m thankfahll for people.
- 6 year old Johni Lynn - “ I Im thanttckol far God and food and flamley.”
- 10 year old Jessica - “Food, Family, and Friends”
- 10 year old Gabe - “Video, games, Food.”
- 10 year old Jarred - “Our Houses, Lord, Churches”
- 5 year old Braylon - “Mother and Dad, care about one another”
- 7 year old Bo - “Life food frends”
- 9 year old Zachary - “Food, life and fedm”
- 10 year old Alexis - “I am thankful for a home, siblings, and frends.”
- 11 year old Stephanie - “I am thankfull for warmness, shelter and food.”
- 6 year old Adam - “I love tammy I love that daycole I pray for the daycole”
- 6 year old Ayden - “Daycare food, earth”
- 10 year old Adalyn - “ Thankful for my friends and family and food, water, plants, and a place to live.”

# Family Fridays

## Friday, November 11

### god's Law Matters Most!

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

THIS MONTH: BRING A VETERAN WITH YOU!

*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

**500 Lincoln Dr.**

**812-384-8459**

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

# A Note from Pastor Nathan

The Chicago Cubs are playing the Cleveland Indians in the World Series. Nobody has gone longer without a championship than the Cubs, who last won in 1908. No team in the American League has waited longer than the Indians, whose most recent championship came in 1948. So this is historic.

To some of us it is also uncomfortable. I have hated the American League for some time. And I have hated the Cubs for longer (and stronger)! This is the ugly side of our national love of sports – hatred for our enemies.

Sports has been an arena for cultivating hatred in my heart for some time now. Back in the 1990s, I hated Patrick Ewing and the New York Knicks with bitter passion. Playoff series between the Pacers and Knicks were struggles between good and evil. That's essentially how I viewed things, whether I knew it or not.

I would venture to say that I am not alone. You who root for the Colts, have you affections for the Patriots? You who root for the Hoosiers, have you fondness for the Boilermakers? And I need not speak of the feelings between those who call themselves Wolverines and those who identify as Buckeyes. Yikes!

Let's broaden the scope. Republicans, how do you feel about Democrats? Democrats, how do you feel about Republicans? You who watch Fox News, how do you feel about MSNBC? You who watch CNN, what do you think of Fox News? Those of you who declare that "Blue Lives Matter" (which they do), how do you feel about those who insist that "Black Lives Matter" (which they do) – or vice versa?

I am getting controversial. But this is our America. We are polarized at almost every point. We have lots of hatred for the other side.

Sometimes we hate others because we are jealous. They keep getting what we want but can't get because they have it. The Atlanta Braves were cute when they leapt from last place to the World Series in 1991, but they were hated as they became the most dominant team in the National League for more than a decade. Who hates the Braves now? They played terribly this season. Some hatred is just plain envy.

Sometimes we hate others because they are different. The perceived differences become cornerstones of our identity, issues of right and wrong. Many of these differences are figments of our imagination. But to let down the hatred would be to surrender the things which we wish to be defined by. Cardinals fans fancy ourselves to have certain virtues which Cubs fans do not have. And it works both ways. Most of this is highly subjective or subconscious. But change the team names (or political party, issue, etc.) and see if this might be true of you.

Sometimes we hate because we've been hurt, perhaps badly. One of "them" did something awful. And so "they" are vilified in an effort to affirm ourselves. At a recent funeral in Dallas, former President George W. Bush said, "Too often we judge other groups by their worst examples, while judging ourselves by our best intentions." He is right. And we often use those skewed judgments to justify the hatred in our hearts.

Jesus commands us to love our enemies and to pray for them. I am concerned that we have cultivated a great deal of hatred that we are not even willing to acknowledge. We dismiss it as trivial – it is "just sports" after all. But there is real hatred inside us. And for the follower of Christ, hatred toward any person for whom Christ died is a serious problem.

With all sincerity I urge Cardinals fans to pray God's blessing upon Cubs fans. Republicans, pray for the Democrats. Ask God to bless the journalists and social activists with whom you disagree sharply. Pray for the person you can't stand in the least. You might try rooting for your team's biggest rival. Or the team from that other league. I am trying it. It is unfamiliar. And complicated. How do I root for the Cubs and the Indians at the same time? I don't know. But it is heart-healthy. Lord Jesus, set me free!

Grace and peace,  
Nathan



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 6:30 Trustees	2	3 6:30 Deacons	4	5
6 Communion	7	8	9	10	11 6:00 Family Friday	12
13 6:00 Love Feast	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving Church office closed	25 Church office closed	26
27	28	29	30			

<b>Deacon of the Month</b> <i>John Bailey</i>	<b>Trustee of the Month</b> <i>Greg Flinn</i>	<b>Usher of the Month</b> <i>Norm Sullivan</i>	<b>Greeter</b> <i>Paul &amp; Ginger Stewart</i>
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<u>Reoccurring Weekly Activities @ FBC</u>			
<b>Sundays:</b>	8:00 a.m.	Handbell Practice	
			<b>Wednesdays:</b>
			10:30 a.m. Enhanced Fitness - FH
			6:15 p.m. FLAMES - CLC
<b>Mondays:</b>	10:30 a.m.	Enhanced Fitness - FH	<b>Thursdays:</b>
	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts – FH	6:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice	10:30 a.m. Enhanced Fitness - FH
			6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts - FH
<b>Tuesdays:</b>	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts - FH	6:30 p.m. Gideons (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs. each month) – FH
	6:30 p.m.	Cottage Prayer Group	

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