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*Then you will call on me and come and pray to me,
and I will listen to you. Jeremiah 29:12*

Matters of Prayer

*We are asking everyone to set aside a time each day
to pray earnestly for the needs listed below.*

*There is also a time set aside for corporate prayer
each Sunday Morning in the CLC from 9:10-9:30.*

Children's Director

Sunday School Teachers

Van Ministry Coordinator & Drivers

Youth Minister

Practical Mission Coordinator

Media Workers

Nursery Workers

Revival & Instrumentalists for Worship

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February

- 8 – Karen Skinner
- 11 –Hope Brians
- 12 –Grant Westerchil
- 14 Morgan West
- 16-Keyan Tuck
Trina Haymon
- 19-Sonny Pynes
- 20-Gryphon Cooley

Sunday

Sunday Bible Study for all ages: 9:30 A.M.
Children's choir (K-6th GR.) 5 PM
RA's & I GA's (1st – 6th GR) 6 PM
Sunday Worship Services: 10:45 A.M.

Sunday Evening 6 PM
(Beginning Jan. 8th in CLC)

Wednesday

Wed. Night Fellowship Suppers 5:00-5:45 PM
Adults \$5.00-Children to 12 yrs. \$3.00
Youth & Adult Bible Study @ 6:00 P.M.
Adult Choir @ 7:00 P.M.
Awana 6:00-7:30 PM

FBC State of Affairs

2017 Monthly Budget Requirement **\$39,352.00**
Received January 22, 2017 4,485.00
Received January 29, 2017 7,984.70
Total received January to date: 39,360.77

Repair & Renovation Fund Goal **\$140,000.00**
Received to date 91,679.00

Sunday School Report

	1/22/17	1/29/17
Members Present	154	155
Visitors:	21	22
Worship Attendance	170	192

Youth Minister Search Committee

Our newly elected Youth Minister Search Committee members are: Tim Tuck, Rodney Blackwell, Dustin Smith, Robbie Giles, Robin Brians, Rhonda Blackmon and Erin Lewis. Please be in prayer daily for this very important committee as they seek God's will for a youth leader.



Love and condolences to Bro. Jeff and family in the death of his Uncle, David Coleman in Mississippi.

A Note From the Pastor

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Philippians 4:6 (ESV)

Such an important verse for us to apply to our lives, but one that is so hard to carry through with. We tend to try and work things out for ourselves and then prayer seems to be our last resort. (or at least I do)

This past week, our staff and their spouses met for a day long retreat at Dry Creek.

I felt it was a wonderful experience and just the beginning to a united pursuit towards God's desire for this church.

In addition to worship and prayer and eating of course, we planned out the year's events and evaluated where we are in certain areas.

Out of this meeting, we listed some very important personnel vacancies we feel need to be addressed and the best way to go about this is to lift them up to God first. These roles will be listed on the web site and on our Facebook page for you to view and to pray about.

In addition to this, we have decided to open up the CLC every Sunday morning at 9:10 for prayer. We have had a small group praying for some time before Sunday School, but we need more people pouring out their hearts to God for our church and its ministry. So, if the Holy Spirit lays this on your heart, please join us beginning Feb 5th.

Also, I want to encourage each of you to please set aside at least 15 minutes each week for prayer. Mentioning these specific needs, we have on the list plus anything else the Lord lays on your heart. I will not set an appointed time for this because we all have different schedules, but please be faithful in setting aside time for this church-wide endeavor.

We would like to thank you for your prayers concerning the loss of my uncle. I was very close to him and actually am named after him, but he had a wonderful relationship with God and is no longer suffering, so thanks again.

Our verse this week comes from

Psalms 40:1 I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

Have a blessed week and remember to point someone to Jesus.

Music Notes from Bro Craig

Have you ever had someone to come visit you, only to stay on their phone the whole time? Chances are, if you have grandkids, you have experienced this phenomenon. Disheartening isn't it? You are excited that they care enough to come see you, but hurt that their attention is turned to something else. I wonder if this is how the Lord feels with our worship sometimes. We love Him enough to come to the place of worship, but when we arrive, are we actively engaged? Often, it is apparent that while we are in worship, our hearts and minds are turned to other concerns, struggles, and responsibilities. However, the old hymn still rings true. "Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in His wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace." I encourage you to join us for worship this week, and as Jeremiah 29 instructs, "Seek Him with all your heart." Then, just see what our Lord will do.

I want to thank all those who have participated in worship the last couple of weeks. Elizabeth Cyr has been doing an outstanding job as the pianist. It was good as well to have Jane Holton join her on the 29th with a wonderful job on the offertory, "I'll Fly Away." The Adult Choir has blessed us with "Praise Is Rising," "He Is Exalted," "Cross of Christ," and "Just As I Am." In addition, Leslie Moore was inspirational with her beautiful special. Thank you all for using your talents in the Lord's service.

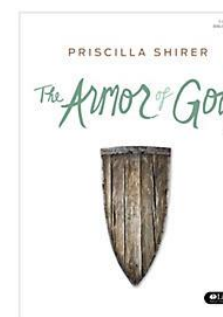
On the 29th were we privileged to recognize the family of Betsy Scoggins as we presented a couple of posthumous awards in memory of her. First, Betsy was given the title of accompanist emeritus, an honor which was also given to Jane Holton upon her retirement. Also, the choir has donated a brick in memory of Betsy that will be placed in the Memorial Prayer Garden of the Georgia Barnette Conference Center at Tall Timbers. Unfortunately, we missed the opportunity to present these honors while Betsy could enjoy them, but we hope that in some small way they acknowledge to her family just how much Betsy was loved and appreciated by all the folks here at First Baptist Church.

May God bless you all more abundantly than you could ever hope or expect.

Youth Activities through April 2017

- February 25 (Saturday) Youth Bon Fire @ Rodney & Tammy Blackwell's home 6:00-10:00 PM
- March 4 (Saturday) Youth Winter Jam in Bossier City, LA Leave CLC @ 1:00 PM
- March 26 (Sunday) Youth Gumbo Fund Raiser after AM Service in CLC
- April 12 (Wednesday) Fields of Faith @ LHS 6:00 PM-Leave CLC @ 5:30 PM
- April 14 (Friday) Annual Youth Cross Walk/meet @ 9:00 AM Hicks house yard.
- April 21 (Friday) Youth BBQ Fund Raiser
- April 23 (Sunday) Youth Country Cooking Fund Raiser after AM Service

Armor of God - Priscilla Shirer



*A 7-week Ladies Bible Study at
Vernon Baptist Association
Building*

Facilitated by Delain Prewitt

*Each Tuesday @ Noon
Lunch will be served*

Thank You

Olind and I wish to offer our heartfelt thanks for all the calls, visits, cards, food, etc. you gave us during his recent hospital stay. We are so very grateful for the love and support of our church family. God bless each and every one of you.

Our love to all,

Dixie & Olind Henexson

Dear Church Family,

I would like to thank you all for the prayers, calls, food, and visits when I had my knee surgery. I am doing good but have always go. Please pray for me as I continue to heal. A special thank you to Brother Jeff for being with my family during my surgery.

*In Christian Love,
Virginia Turick*



*When the baby bunny rabbits come to
Sunday School
we do get excited!!*



FEBRUARY 5, 2017 (SUNDAY)

**CHURCH WIDE SUPER BOWL PARTY IN THE CLC
AFTER THE EVENING SERVICE.**

**PLEASE BRING FINGER FOODS AND STAY FOR THE
GAME AND FELLOWSHIP!**