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*Congratulations guys for memorizing scriptures and earning your Sonic Blast card
 1st and 2nd Grade Sunday School Boys!*

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- January**
- 11- James Ward
 - 12- Kiersten Nolen
 - 14- Wayne Haymon
 Billy Taylor
 Khrystian Hoffpauir
 Travis Hillman
 - 15- Kay Brown
 Verna Jones
 - 17- Mac Waldrop
 William Cain
 - 18- Glenda Beebe
 - 20- Tim Tuck
 Steve Woods
 - 23- Angelo Fazio
 - 25 - Walter Corn
 - 26- Shirley Ward
 - 27- Billy Johnson
 Brittany Grammar
 - 28- Christopher Robertson
 - 31- Brandi Manasco
- February**
- 2- Linda Cedars
 Bro. Craig Forque
 - 3- Cady Brack
 - 5- Jessica Racca
 - 6- Elizabeth Haymon
 Jules Brown

Deacon on Call

Randall Smith
 January 6-12
 337 238 1558 (h)
 337 375 7607 (c)

Roger Rolon
 January 13-19
 337 238 9352 (h)
 337 208 7124 (c)

James Ward
 January 20-26
 337 239 6964 (h)

Asa Skinner
 January 27-March 2
 337 238 1951 (h)
 337 208 8161 (c)

Sunday
 Sunday Bible Study for all ages: 9:30 A.M.
 Sunday Worship Services: 10:45 A.M. (CLC)

Sunday Evening
 Children's Choir 5-6 PM 2nd-6th Grades
 RA's & GA's 6-7 PM 1st-6th Grades
Sunday Evening 6 PM in the CLC

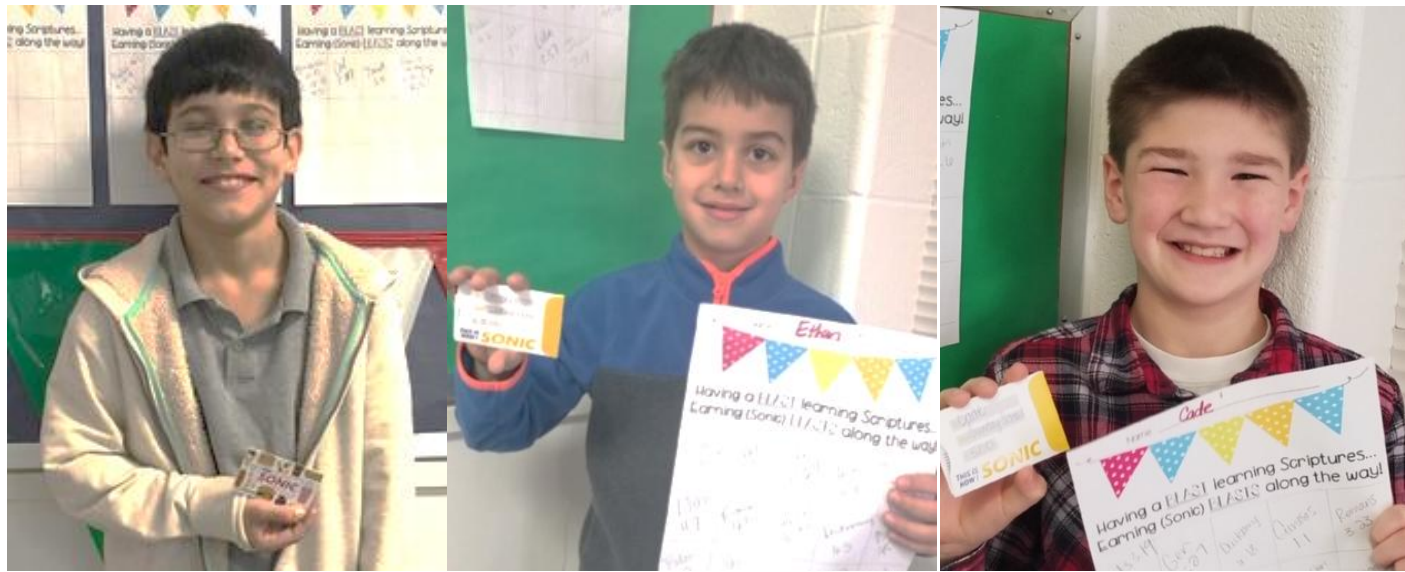
Wednesday
 Awana 6-7:30 PM
 Youth & Adult Bible Study @ 6:00 P.M.-CLC
 Adult Choir @ 7:00 P.M.

FBC State of Affairs

2018 Monthly Budget Required	\$40,033.00
Received December 2, 2018	\$13,778.32
Received December 9, 2018	15,819.85
Received December 16, 2018	12,612.04
Received December 23, 2018	2,431.00
Received December 30, 2018	10,143.21
Total received for Dec. 2018	66,241.50
Total received Year 2018	556,504.30

Sunday School Report

	12/2	12/9	12/16	12/23	12/30
Members Present	133	125	147	115	127
Visitors	20	22	12	8	14
Worship Attendance	153	124	136		



Aidyn Hoffpauir Ethan Ghazanchian Cade Moore

2019 REAL Women's Conference



Worship
 Kellie & Kristen

Speaker
 Nicki Koziarx

Cost \$50.00 to be paid to Tapestry by
 February 1, 2019

True Woman 101: Divine Design

A 9-week study beginning
 January 9, 2019, 9:30-11:30 AM,
 VBA office

Led by Rhonda Mann
 Workbooks \$21.00 or you can order
 from Amazon to purchase a like-new
 workbook for significantly less.

RSVP to 337 238 0442 if you plan to
 attend

Bro. Craig's Notes

Happy 2019. It is hard to imagine that another year has already come and gone. Every opportunity that was offered to us by 2018 is passed. That can be a heavy thought, but the idea that 2019 lies before us can be an encouraging prospect. For each of us the new year has the possibility of opening our eyes to clearly see the tasks that God puts before us. Let's make this a year that finds the Lord transforming our lives and using us as His instrument in revolutionizing the world around us.

I hope everyone had a fantastic Christmas. It was a particularly good time at FBC. The Adult Choir performed two musicals. The first, "If Christmas Doesn't Come" featured acting by Glenda Beebe, Creek Smith, and Pam Nunn. The next one, "Bethlehem Night" featured narration by Roger Rolon. The choir did an amazing job on each, as did the actors. Then on December 16, the Children's Choir sang, "The Christmas Express". Their performance was one of my favorite hours of the Christmas Season. Then on December 24, we had the annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service full of soloists and narrators, who each did wonderfully. Thanks to both choirs, to actors, to accompanist, Elizabeth Cyr, to sound and computer technicians, Curtis Brumley, John Brumley, Tim Cyr, Karen Robertson, Debbie Smith, and David Long, to Sean Slate for leading music, and to each soloist and narrator. You all ministered to our hearts.

Also, in December, we welcomed Angie Gilcrease as our newest member. I look forward to God using this accomplished school teacher in our midst. Let us all endeavor to be the kind of church that provides her abundant opportunities to grow.

I want to thank the church for their faithfulness during the renovation of the sanctuary. As we have a few more weeks before it is complete, let me encourage everyone to continue in attendance. We have been blessed during our time in the CLC to still have a number of folks visiting our services and to have actually added 5 new members. Thank God for His blessings. Inside the church so far, the painting is done, the carpet is laid, most of the pews are upholstered, and the stained glass is operational (and beautiful). I look forward to moving back in soon.

Also, please remember to mark on your calendars the date of February 24 as the date of the rededication of the building. It will be a wonderful day of thanksgiving and worship and will feature some of our former staff members. The service will be preceded by a coffee and followed by a special luncheon.

Homebound Visitation will be Thursday, January 10. As the leader of this ministry, Mrs. Loretta Poe, will be unable to participate this month, let me implore each of you who is available to come help us visit our members who are homebound. You will be blessed as much as they. We will meet in the CLC at 9 AM.

Then, our monthly DMA meeting will be Thursday, January 24. We will meet for games at 9:30 and the program will be at 10:30, Everyone bring a side dish and/or dessert.

Finally, let me express condolences to the family of Mrs. Pat Martin. Mrs. Pat, and her late husband, Lynn, were longtime faithful members of FBC. Mrs. Pat went to be with the Lord on Friday, December 21. Also, I want to express Christian sympathy to James and Shirley Ward in the homegoing of James' sister, Joy Rodriques. Please continue to pray for these families in days to come.

May God fill all of your homes with His peace and His presence in 2019, and may He bless you more abundantly than you could ever hope or expect.

Welcome New Member



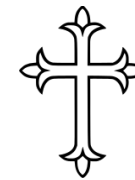
Angela Gilcrease



*Tapestry Christmas Party 2018 at Bill & Ellen's
Thank you for sharing your home with us again this year!
If you are not attending Tapestry, consider this your personal
invitation to join us the second Tuesday of each month in the
CLC @ 6 PM. You will be welcome!*



Great job children's
Choir! Thank you
Karan and
Elizabeth and all
who had a part in
this performance.



Love and condolence to the family of Mrs. Pat Martin who passed away recently. Ms. Pat was a long time member of FBC and will be missed.

And to:

James Ward and family in the death of his sister, Joy Rodriques.

Thank You

*The First Baptist Church staff
would like to thank the
church for the generous
Christmas bonus. It was
greatly appreciated.*

Thank You

I would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who helped make this year's Awana Christmas Store a success. Whether it was donations, monetary or time you spent, it was very much appreciated. I appreciate all you do throughout the year. I couldn't do any of this without you and most importantly without faith in God!
Thank you again