#### **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

#### JANUARY 2019

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Hello First Baptist Family,

I hope and pray all of you had a great holiday season and your hearts were joyed as you gathered with friends and family and were able to reflect on the true meaning of the season: **the coming of Christ to save his people form their sins** (Matthew 1:21). As you know, we have spent the last several months walking through our newly adopted church motto <u>LOVE.</u> <u>GROW. COMMIT. GO.</u> I hope that you have enjoyed a deeper look into this mission statement and how it relates specifically to our church. I have personally been greatly encouraged to see

many of you putting in to action what we have discussed and look forward to seeing what else the Lord might do both through and for us.

To that end, we will look finally at the last word <u>LOVE</u>. Although it is first in sequence, I have chosen to focus on it last because it encompasses and grounds all the rest. Peter writes to us in Scripture, "Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins." (1 Peter 4:8). Love for God and love for others really is the foundation for all we do as individuals and as a church. So, in this article, let's focus on what it means to love God. The reality is that for you and me – love for God and love for others is not something that comes naturally to us. Sure, we may find

it easier to love those who are good, kind, and provide for us but surely Biblical love calls us to love more than just loving those who treat us well. Certainly, love for God is not natural to us either. Paul tells us in Romans, the natural mind, that is our mind apart from Christ – (before we know him), *"is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot."* (Romans 8:7). Therefore, scripture tells us **"we love because he** first loved us" (1 John 4:19). In other words, part of what it means to know Christ as Savior and put our faith in Him for salvation is that God overcomes the rebellion of our hearts to the extent that we no longer love ourselves and the things of the world but instead love Him and the things closest to His heart. It is this type of love - love for God - that must be the basis for all that we do as a church and as individuals. When we have this as our source, then we can begin to love others and commit ourselves to the principles we have been discussing.

If you do not know this kind of love we have been discussing (love for God and devotion to him), let me say to you friend, you can know it. The good news of the gospel – Christ came to save His people – is good news for you. I would love to have a conversation with you about what it means to know Christ as Savior and know this love for Him. If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Because He Lives, *Sastor Chance* 



What a wonderful year 2018 was for us at First Baptist! We began 2018 in an interim period between pastors and ended the year celebrating Christmas with Bro. Chance, Brittany and Layli for the first of many Advent seasons to come.

Now as we begin 2019 it is time to remember new challenges will face us in this new year. Challenges can be a welcome time in the life of a church. Consider the challenges

we have faced in the last year. We started the year in the interim period between pastors, praying for God's direction, and freezing on Sunday mornings with services being moved to the



fellowship hall for warmth. As the year moved on the men found great joy in the Tuesday morning "Coffee with Carl" time at the Tea Cup. Then as the year continued to march on, we saw God's hand with the Pastor Search Committee that brought Bro. Chance to us in July.

Now, I am not one to get wrapped up in New Year's Resolutions. My feeling is if you need to make a change in your life, make it when the conviction comes to you and not put it off. However, despite my feelings on the subject, the beginning of the year is a great time to make changes.

So here is my challenge to each of you this year. As we strive to grow in our personal relationship with Christ, grow as a church family, and reach out to the community around us, let's all find a way we can serve through the ministries of First Baptist in a new way this year.

There are so many ways each of us can take part and serve. Of course, I am a little biased, but serving in the Choir, Worship Team, and other musical aspects of the church would

be a great way to get started. Also, the children and youth ministries always need workers and volunteers. Vacation Bible School will be coming up before we know it and there will tons of needs

there as well. But maybe those aren't your thing? Maybe you flourish more behind the scenes. I promise you there is a place for you to serve! If you don't know where you would like to serve this year, that's OK, you can ask for direction from myself, Bro. Chance, or any number of people. We will be happy to help you find a place of ministry right for you. The important thing is we all find a way to serve the Lord in 2019!

#### Happy New Year! Bro. Carl

# Happy New Year

A new year is about to unfold With new opportunities to explore Doors will open for new experiences, New adventures with the Lord

Remember not the former things, The things of this past year, The Lord will do new things in us, Much more than we are aware.



It is time to update the Church Directory! Universal Church Directories will photograph friends and families of First Baptist in the Fellowship Hall on February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 8:30 p.m. If the Thursday and Friday times do not work with your schedule, Saturday February 9<sup>th</sup> appointments are available starting at 10:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x10 portrait and directory!

Appointments may be scheduled by signing up at church. A schedule will be available on the table outside the church office and in the foyer of the sanctuary on Sunday morning. You may also schedule appointments online. Go to www.ucdir.com, click on "Schedule your Photography Session" on the right side. Enter <u>ky319</u> in the Church Code field and enter <u>fbc</u> in the Church Password Field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If

you have 6 or more people in your family, please use two consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time. For more information, contact Judy Bowman.

### Send A Great Revival In My Soul



**Reverend Mark Williams** 

Coming now to Thee O Christ my Lord, Trusting only in Thy precious word. Let my humble pray'r to Thee be heard And send a great revival in my soul.



**Reverend David Scott** 

The spring revival will be held on March 24-27<sup>th</sup>. Reverend Mark Williams of Walnut Street Baptist Church will share the word

of God in each service. Mark is a native of Shelbyville, Kentucky.

In 2006, Mark graduated from Boyce College, a school of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. In 2010, he earned his Master of Divinity degree at Southern Seminary. In July 2014, Mark was called as Pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church. He and his wife Jessica have two children, Madelyn and Noah.

Leading the music for revival will be Reverend David Scott of Ormbsy Heights Baptist Church in Louisville. David, a native of Evansville, Indiana has served churches in Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee. He earned his Bachelor of Music Education degree at The University of Evansville and his Master of Church Music degree at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He and his wife Karen have two grown children, Emily and Ben.

In the time leading to the Revival, please begin to pray for the Revival Team and Services. This month the focus is **"Spiritual Preparedness"**. That we, with God would begin now to prepare our hearts spiritual for what God will do personally and within our church - what he would reveal to us and how we might be responsive.

Send a great revival in my soul (in my soul) Send a great revival in my soul (in my soul) Let the Holy Spirit come and take control And send a great revival in my soul.



## Victory Road Hilltop Trio

In Concert Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. First Baptist Church







### GOTCHA!

After many years of prayer, Pastor Chance and Brittany were blessed with a beautiful baby daughter Layliana Joy born on May 22, 2018. Layli joined her parents on June 11, 2018. The same week her dad preached his trial sermon at First Baptist! Layli's adoption was final on December 13<sup>th</sup> in Nashville just in time for the McConnell Family to celebrate their first Christmas together! Layli becomes the youngest child to ever live in the church parsonage!





### Empty Spools Quilt Friends

The Empty Spools Quilt Friends enjoyed a Christmas Social at the home of Lvonne & Bob Gilbert on Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. Jane Waits shared a devotion before a delicious brunch was served. Everyone made a Christmas ornament with the guidance of Edie Judd. Others attending included Janet Barnett, Monica Cox, Marilyn and Ruth Ann Sweazy.



### It's Back!!!

The front steps of the church are much safer once again! A new middle handrail was installed on the front steps of the church during December! The handrail was removed several years ago due much needed repairs.





### The Lawson Family Trio

Brothers Murrell and Bob Lawson, along with Bob's daughter Kerri provided special music during the morning worship service on December 23<sup>rd</sup>. the EEDCEE STUDENT & LEADERS CONFERENCE GATLINBURG, TN -

### January 19 - 21, 2019

Please pray for First Baptist Youth & Leaders as they attend the Edge Conference.

### **IMPORTANT DATES!**

### <u>January 6</u>

YOUTH RETREAT PARENT MEETING Immediately Following Morning Service

<u>One parent or guardian of all Youth</u> <u>attending **Edge Conference**</u>

MUST BE in attendance.

### January 13

All **Edge Conference Paperwork** must be returned to Bro. Carl.



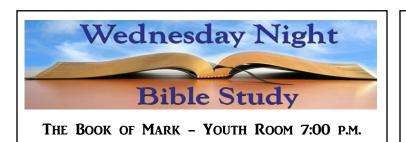
### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

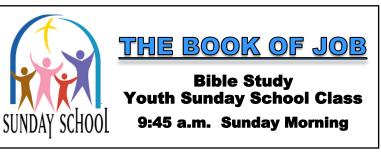
Abigail Shouse will be inducted into the National Honor Society on Monday, January 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the Spencer County High School Cafeteria.

The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to recognize those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since its beginning in 1921.

Four main purposes have guided chapters of NHS from the beginning: to create enthusiasm for scholarship; to stimulate a desire to render service; to promote leadership; and to develop character in the students of secondary schools. These purposes also translate into the criteria used for membership selection in each local chapter.

Abigail is the daughter of Joy & Joe Shouse and the Granddaughter of Edwin & Lillie Shellburne. She is a member of the Junior Class and plays the clarinet in the Spencer County High School Band. Congratulations Abigail!





Nelcome to my Kitchen	Keep warm on the cold winter days and nights in January with a bowl of delicious hot soup! All are kitchen-tested and family approved! Enjoy!
Weight Watcher Potato Soup 3 cans chicken broth 1 pkg of Pioneer Brand Country Gravy Mix 1 bag (28 oz.) Ore Ida O'Brien Potatoes Pour broth in pan. Add gravy mix. Wisk to mix well. Heat on medium with continuous stirring. After mixture is hot, add potatoes. Simmer for approximately 20 minutes. From The Kitchen Of Glynis Willis	Taco Soup1 lb. ground turkey or lean ground beef1 large onion chopped1 pkg. Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing Mix1 can pinto beans1 pkg. taco seasoning mix1 can whole kernel com1 can stewed tomatoes Mexican flavor1 can chili beans1 can stewed tomatoes any flavor1 can chili beansBrown meat and onions and drain. Mix Hidden Valley Ranch and Taco Seasoning into the meat. Without draining, add all other ingredients. Simmer one hour.From The Kitchen Of Marilyn Sweazy
Amish Chicken Corn Soup12 c. water2 lbs. chicken, small cubed1 c. onion, chopped1 c. celery, chopped1 c. carrots, shredded4 chicken bouillon cubes1 t. salt1 t. pepper2 cans cream style corn1/2 c. Butter2 c. uncooked egg noodles1/2 c. ButterMix and cook uncovered on medium boil for 30 minutes.Add the corn, noodles and butter and cook for anadditional 10 minutes.From The Kitchen Of Monica Cox	Miss Willie's Tomato Soup ½ lb. chopped bacon 1½ c. finely chopped celery 2 (11b.) cans crushed tomatoes 4 medium potatoes peeled and chunked In a stock pot or Dutch oven, sauté bacon, onion and celery on medium low for 15 minutes stirring occasionally until bacon grease is rendered. Do not drain. Add tomato juice and crushed tomatoes. In a separate sauce pan, cover potatoes with salted water. Bring to a boil. Turn down. Cook until potatoes are no longer hard when pierced with fork. Add water and potatoes to the soup. Simmer on low for 20 minutes. Salt and pepper to taste. Excellent to serve with grill cheese. From The Kitchen Of Kathy Spears
Jambalaya1 whole chicken2 celery stalks2 bell peppers1 large onion2 large cans diced tomatoes2 bay leavescreole seasoning2 T. brown sugarsmoked sausage2 lb. shrimp1 loaf of French breadIn a Dutch oven or big soup pot, cook chicken and de-bone;keep broth in the pan. In a skillet create your Creole by dicingand sautéing celery, bell peppers and onions. Bring chickenstock to a boil. Add cooked chicken, bay leaves, brown sugarand creole mixture to a full rolling boil. Then turn to simmer for 1hour. Add smoked sausage and simmer 15 more minutes. Addshrimp the last 5 minutes. Serve over brown rice with crustyFrench bread.From The Kitchen Of Karen Sweazy	White Chili1 lb. great northern beans, soaked4 c. diced cooked chicken breast meat2 c. grated low fat Monterey Jack Cheese6 c. low sodium chicken broth2 medium onions chopped2 4-oz. cans chopped green chilis2 cloves garlic, minced2 t. ground cumin1/4 t. ground cloves1/4 t. ground cayenneAdditional water as neededGarnish: Salsa to tasteFat Free Sour CreamIn large (4 qt.) pot, add soaked beans, garlic, onions, chicken broth. Bring to boil. Simmer until beans are tender. Add remaining ingredients except cheese and garnish. Simmer 1 hour. Add additional water if needed. Just before serving add cheese and stir well. Serve hot and garnish with salsa and fat free sour cream. Makes 8 servings, 400 calories per serving.From The Kitchen Of Karen Sweazy

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27 Business Meeting	28	29 Coffee With Carl 6:30 a.m. The Tea Cup Love My Neighbor	30 Faith Family	31 DARE CARE FOOD BANK	All Programs & Services on Faith & Family Wednesday will be cancelled if Spencer County Schools are closed on Wednesday due to weather.	



#### PLEASE JOIN TO HEAR GOD'S WORD & CELEBRATE



**MESSAGE FROM** 

### **BRO. CHANCE MCCONNELL**

#### Sunday - January 6 - 11:00 a.m.

NURSERY & CHILDREN'S CHURCH AVAILABLE

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 1 CORINTHIANS 11:26



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