



# - THE MESSENGER - FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

- HILTON HEAD ISLAND -

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## As We Start the New Year

### Wednesday Night Kickoff September 4th

Wednesday Night Dinner begins again at 5:00 PM, along with other Bible Studies and activities. Be sure to sign up for your dinner reservations using the form on the tear-off portion of the Sunday bulletin or by contacting Paulette Gardner via phone at 843-785-4478 or email, pgardner@fbchhi.org. See the listing below to see what your options are on Wednesday nights at FBCHHI.

#### Wednesday Night Schedule 2019-2020

**Kickoff Wednesday, September 4th.** Note that some classes officially begin September 11th.

**Kickoff Celebration Water Slides will be open from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM.**

**Wednesday Night Dinner** - (Begins September 4th.)

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Family Life Center Multi-Purpose Room (Make your reservations by Monday 5 PM.)

**Children's Choir Rehearsal** - (Children's Choir begins Wednesday, September 11th - Water Slide Kickoff September 4th.)

5:30 PM - 6:10 PM - Children's Building, Rm #1, Ages 4 - 5th Grade

**Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal** - 6:15 PM - 7:45 PM - Music Suite

**Awana** - (Awana begins Wednesday, September 11th - Water Slide Kickoff September 4th.)

6:20 PM - 7:30 PM - Children's Building, Atrium

**Student Ministry** - (Student Ministry begins Wednesday, Sept. 11th - Water Slide Kickoff Sept 4th.)

6:30 PM - 7:45 PM - Student Building - Grades 6th - 12th

**Co-Ed Adult Bible Study** - (Continues September 4th.)

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Family Life Center, Rm #4, led by Dr. Dan Wheeler, ***A Continuing Book by Book Study of the Bible***

**Men's Bible Study** - "Examining the Contemporary Culture from a Biblical Point of View," (September 4th Class -

DVD entitled "Worldviews: Behaviors, Beliefs and Values", by Alex McFarland)

(Beginning September 11th) - "Altar Ego, Becoming who God says you are," by Craig Groeschel

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Family Life Center, Rm #3, led by Dr. Chuck Staab

**Women's Bible Study** - (Begins September 11th.)

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Children's Building, Rm #8, led by Angela Wade, "***Discerning the Voice of God***," by Priscilla Shirer

**CORE Bible Study for Parents** - (Beginning Wednesday, September 11th, so you can be with your children at the water slide on September 4th.)

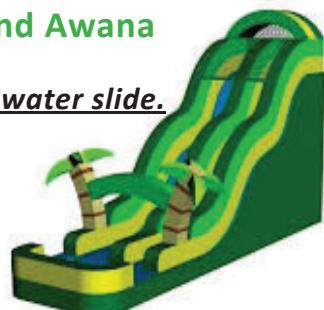
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Children's Building, Rm #7, led by a teaching team, Pastor Brett Myers and others, "***Effective Parenting in a Defective World***," by Chip Ingram. Call Paulette Gardner by 9/3/19 to register for this class so a Study Guide to be ordered for you.

**Look for the FBCHHI Tent to Sign Up for Children's Choir and Awana  
Water Slides will be open from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**Parents are to accompany Preschool and Elementary children at the water slide.**

There is one for our Children's Department and one for our Youth Department.

Be sure your children and students wear something they can get wet and bring towels. The Children's water slide will be set up in the yard by the Children's Building by the back parking lot. The water slide for Middle and High School students will be set up in the front yard, in front of the Student Building.



# From the Pastor

Dear Church Family,

## Raise and Release Sermon Series

Beginning at Christmas last year, we began journeying through Scripture, unpacking the reasoning behind our church's strategy. This is not so much a study of our strategy as it is a study of Scripture that led to our church's strategy. We have unpacked both the Relate and Reach aspects, and over the next couple months we will continue unpacking the two that remain: Raise and Release. These are incredibly important aspects for any church body to understand, as we explore themes like discipleship, mentoring, personal spiritual growth, multiplication, and sending. And just a reminder, if you miss a Sunday, you can either listen to our sermons via the audio page on our website, or you can watch the entire service on the video page.

## Deacon Ordination

Going along with our theme of Relate, Reach, Raise and Release, I will be preaching about what it means to be a Deacon. We are beginning the selection process for next year's Deacons during September. The chosen men will take office in January 2020. When I preach on this subject, we will include a Deacon Ordination on that Sunday morning, September 8th. Mr. Howard Wright is the Deacon to be ordained.

This is a change in the way we normally do Deacon Ordinations, but we feel it will be good for the church to witness the ordination along with the message about what it means to be a Deacon.

## 10:02 Prayer / Who's Your One?

As you continue to set your alarm each day for our 10:02 Prayer (based on Luke 10:2), continue to pray for God to raise up workers for the harvest through our church and continue to commit each morning to be one of those workers as you go about your day. Also, as you continue to flesh it out, be in prayer about your "One." We launched this Who's Your One emphasis in July along with thousands of churches across North America. This emphasis is designed for us to pray over one lost person God has placed in our lives, and to look for opportunities to share the Gospel with them. Continue praying daily equipped with these two emphases, and let's celebrate what we see God do!

## Launching Wednesdays

**Wednesdays are back!** Starting September 4th, we get back into a great season of ministry as our Wednesday night ministries relaunch. Make sure you plug into a small group Bible study, plug your kids/grandkids into AWANA or youth, and let's grow together. These are great opportunities to invite neighbors, coworkers, or friends to come to church with you in what might be a

slightly less intimidating atmosphere for some. So, use these opportunities to reach out! You will see a notice elsewhere in this newsletter about a special event for our kids and youth ministries as we kickoff Wednesday nights with a get-together on September 4th. You don't want to miss this!

## Volunteer Opportunities

There are always volunteer opportunities in a church, and I fully believe God is always leading people to fill them, especially when they have great purpose and power in helping us to attain the mission and vision God has given us. Here are a few:

- **Nursery:** God is blessing us greatly with new babies on the way! As we have several new little ones coming, we have a greater need for workers during Children's Church to begin a nursery, as our Children's Church currently starts with 1-year-olds. If you are gifted with babies and littles and are willing to help out, let Wendy know that you are willing as the need arises for us to begin a nursery ministry during Children's Church.

- **Wednesday dinners:** These are one of my favorite times as both a pastor and church members! I love the fellowship that happens around our tables on Wednesday nights. We cannot have this incredible fellowship opportunity without our awesome volunteers. If you are able, plug yourself in to help with Wednesday night dinners. Call Paulette Gardner at 843-785-4478 to see how you can help.

- **Sunday morning fellowship time:** We are transitioning our wonderful Sunday morning coffee fellowship time and beginning to use a volunteer rotation for it. This is a great non-intimidating time for new people before Sunday School classes begin to come and get to know people, and it's a great time for the many classes we have to fellowship across class groups. If you can help out as a volunteer with this rotation, please let Paulette Gardner or Lynda Hopkins know ASAP!

Church, I am so proud of you! I have met so many people in the last 17 months out in the community, who, in the course of a conversation, said that they knew a family that comes to our church and expressed a great appreciation for the members of our church. If we want to impact our community, that is what it's going to take. We need to not just DO church on Sundays... we need to BE the church the other 6 days. You make a difference in this community. You are to be the light of Christ to your coworkers, neighbors, classmates, and friends. And watch what God does as you simply live changed lives. I love you, church, and I'm so proud to be your pastor!

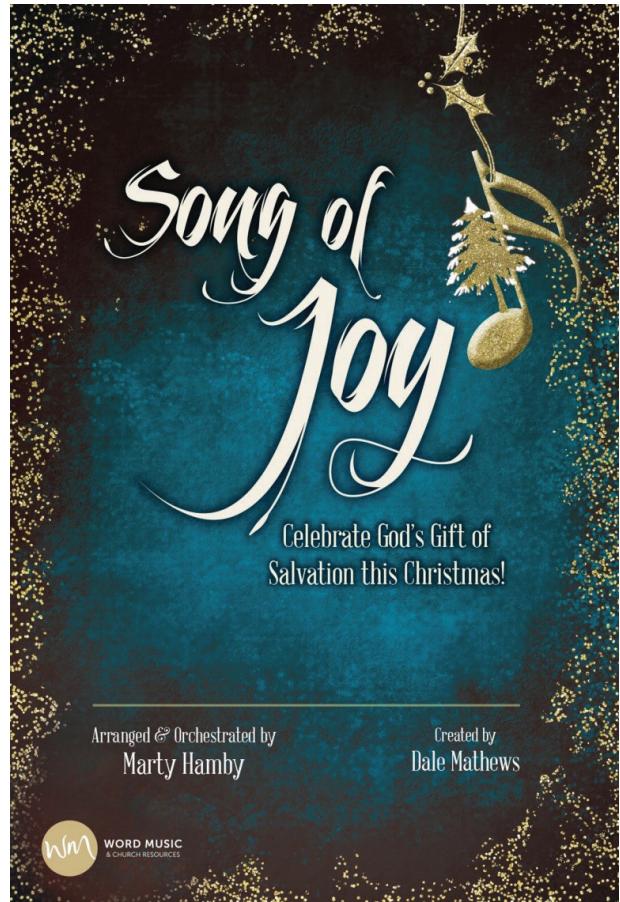
In Christ,

*Pastor Brett Myers*

An Invitation from the Music Department for YOU!



# CHRISTMAS MUSICAL PREVIEW! *(AND PARTY!)*



Come join us in the FBCHHI Choir Room as we kickoff a new year of music ministry by previewing our new Christmas musical and sharing in a time of food and fellowship!

**Wednesday, September 4th at 6:15 PM.**

**SEE YOU THERE!!**

# FBC Hilton Head Island Student Ministry

Well, we all survived summer and now it's back to the grind. We're looking forward to all the exciting things ahead this school year.

## Events headed your way...

### September 4th, 6 PM - 8 PM

**Fall Kickoff:** When we Kickoff Fall, this year, I wanted to make sure it looked like a **Kickoff**. Don't miss our Kickoff to our Fall schedule, because we will have water slides for all the kids to enjoy. Our middle and high school student's water slide will be set up in the front of the church, the preschool and elementary children's water slide will be set up between the FLC and the Children's Building. Please make sure your students are inviting their friends. This is a great way to invite kids who may be on the fence about coming to church. Who doesn't want to come do a water slide? Come to hang out and enjoy getting to laugh with our youth.

**How can you help?** Send your students in something they can wear to get wet, have them bring a towel, come hang out, laugh, and encourage them to invite their friends.

### September 11th, 5:30 PM

### **2nd Youth Ministry Team Meeting - Fall Schedule**

This is for not only our **Ministry Team**, but also for everyone excited or interested in working with our students. It's what you've all been waiting for... another meeting. Really, it won't be that bad, it will be engaging with thought-provoking discussion about student ministry. We held our first meeting at the beginning of Summer, but with everyone running hard, I knew we needed to wait for the next meeting until we could return to a routine. We'll be looking at the partnership between parents and students, and also looking for feedback on what we do well, and asking the question, "What can we improve?"

**How can you help?** The best way you can help is if you have been invited to participate in this group, carve out this time from your busy schedule to be there and be engaged in the discussion. For those parents who have not been a part of these meetings, our team is currently made of the volunteers who teach Sunday School, those who serve on Wednesday nights, and a few parents. As a student pastor, I'm in constant need of feedback from parents and teachers about what they are seeing or hearing from students. The only way for me to quickly get it is for us to have these conversations, and it's the best place for everyone to hear the vision about where I think God is leading us. We want to be the best we can be for all our students.

If the student ministry team is somewhere you'd like to serve, and you are not currently serving elsewhere...here is how you get plugged-in. First, I need you to come to be a part of the conversations we're having. This is only the 2nd meeting, so this is a great place to jump in. There will be a series of at least 4 meetings. Why do we do that? I know everyone has a limited amount

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## Coming Soon...

### **Winter Camp**

I'm currently praying through our options for a winter camp while pondering when we think our little guy will show up in the month of December. Right now I have my eye on the Xtreme Winter Conference in Gatlinburg, TN, December 29th - 31st.

I've personally taken groups to Xtreme for the past 14 years now. For the price and what it affords our group, it's amazing. Obviously, it was great to hold camp here at the church on the island this summer. It gave us a great time together to just hang out and learn more about one another, while learning more about God's Word. This allowed us to provide a very affordable camp.

Summer camps are always pricey. If you want to attend a bigger one, then you come out better financially attending a winter camp. Xtreme winter will have about 9,000 students. We stay in hotel rooms all over Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge, right in the heart of the Smokies.

Please be in prayer as I pray over our options. I want to be a good steward of the money the Lord has given us but also give the kids memories that last forever doing the thing that always will last, worshiping the King.

The cost will most likely be around what it was for summer camp. I'll let you know as soon as I hear from our ministry team and make decisions. Please let me know if you have any concerns with this plan as I need your feedback.

Here is what I'll need if we go... my prayer is we will have 30 or more kids, and an adult for each room. I'll need plenty of Chaperons probably 8-10. Just prayerfully consider if you may want to go and see this big camp that God will use to bless students.

Check out this link to see the line up, schedule, and to get an idea of what xtreme winter is all about.  
[www.xtremeconferences.com](http://www.xtremeconferences.com)

of time, but we just need everyone hearing my heart, engaging scripture together, and creating more leaders. If student ministry hinges off of what I can do myself, we will be very limited in our reach. I also want you to be able to use the spiritual gifts God has blessed you with. We just need to have the opportunity to make sure the council we're seeking and sharing is mature and biblically sound. The only way we know that is by spending time together. I take the responsibility of being the filter to what goes forward for our students seriously, and I want to make sure we're giving them what I feel I see in scripture they need.

### **Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM**

**Student Ministry Wednesdays:** Don't forget, our Wednesday student ministry time is centered toward helping our students navigate the decisions they make as teenagers. We began to lay a good foundation scripturally last year, and now we're looking at some topics our students have real questions about. Don't miss the opportunity to allow them to come to have some fun and also be challenged to learn.

I understand there are a hundred activities they may already be scheduled for. Please make sure you give your student the opportunity to come grow and be challenged in their faith with their friends.

### **Sundays @ 9:15 AM**

**Sunday School:** Everyone has his or her opinion and experience with Sunday School. We try to keep it fun and engaging. We story through the Bible with the use of a curriculum produced by Lifeway called the Gospel Project. I'm not always a fan of the prepackaged, mass-produced curriculum. However, the Gospel Project allows us as a group to follow Israel's story through the Old Testament and really connect the dots on how all the stories of scripture are connected. It also allows us to see how these Old Testament stories point to Jesus.

Sunday mornings are our opportunity to really study the stories of scripture but still be very personal for how this connects to our life. Each week in Sunday school we have the opportunity to hear from our students about how God is speaking to them from these passages, and how we can pray for them during the week. If your student is missing Sunday School, they are missing an intentional piece of what we do with student ministry. Wednesdays, we try to be engaging and let scripture hit them on topics they want to hear about. On Sunday, we connect history, context, and application so they can be self-feeders. Let's face it - our students are only a few years from being on their own. They have to take ownership and have some skin in the game on their own. Our students are making decisions now that will affect them for the rest of their lives. Please be sure you're challenging them to be committed. "I don't want to," is not a valid excuse.

### **Things to know...**

### **Summer Reading...**

Two words that make me cringe... summer reading! The Summer reading I'm talking about though is the Parable story set I sent to your homes before Summer got into full swing. Were you able to do this with your students? Did you like it? Was it helpful? Did it allow any spiritual conversations?

One of our goals is to always partner with parents. Please let me know if you found the story set helpful or pass along any suggestions if we choose to offer another one in the future. The story sets require a lot of my time, but I'm happy to do it if they are accomplishing the goal of what we're trying to do. Please just give me some feedback as to whether it was helpful at all. One thing I know I should have done better was to have had a big launch and get books straight to parents and followed up with a few more reminders to share it with your students. I'll try to step up my game next go-round.

### **Current Series- Soul Detox**

Just to keep you in the loop and to help with questions that might challenge your students, our current Wednesday series is called "**Soul Detox.**" We're talking about the current toxins that we're exposed to culturally, and how we can avoid them. Please be asking your students what they are learning, and about how God is challenging them to be different?



# Student Pastor Thoughts

"Take every thought captive."

*Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.* 1 Peter 5:8 ESV

*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.* John 10:10 ESV

The Bible makes it clear we have an enemy -- one that is for the destruction of our families. There are many examples of scripture encouraging us to be alert, watchful, careful, and attentive. With this in mind, it comes as no surprise to us that the world is a scary and dangerous place for our children. The enemy desires nothing more than for us to be complacent and comfortable with the cultural norms all around us. One of the major concerns for all of us as parents is the content that our children will encounter. We wish we could shield them from everything, but sadly we know we can't. So what do we do as parents, how do we prepare them for some of the negative things they'll have to filter through in life?

## 1. We speak the TRUTH...

As parents, we are to be speaking with our children about God constantly. Deuteronomy 6 reminds us that everywhere we go, in everything we do, we should be talking to our kids about God. Psalm 78 says because we talk to this generation it is what ensures that the next generation not yet born will hear the truth about God. Take one moment to think about that. What your kids understand about God right now is what they will give your grandchildren. How much more do you need to tell them, what else do they need to hear?

What do I mean by Truth? The only true thing in this life is God, His Word. We share the Word of God with our kids. Now I'll be the first to admit this is easier said than done, but if you're not going to, who will? To share truth with our kid's, we need to know truth. Don't feel like you have to read the Word every time, don't feel like you have to have extremely deep emotional conversations with your kid's every time. Just be faithful telling them a story from the Word, a scripture you just read, or what God is teaching you. Just speak the truth one suggestion I have is to read through the Gospels, tell the story you read to your child, and ask them "What do you think about this story?"

## 2. Help them take every thought captive...

We need to understand everything is after our kids' minds, and the battle we face is helping them think correctly. They get hit with so much information so fast. They're constantly trying to figure

everything out. So much of it is very negative too. So how do we help?

(Provide the filter) teach them they should self-evaluate everything they see.

### Situations

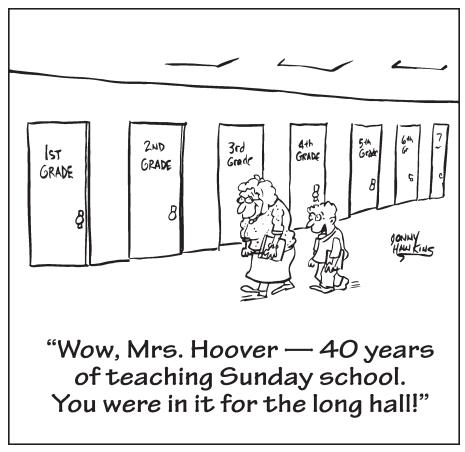
What does God say about this?  
Am I being entertained by sin?  
Does this bring me closer to God?

### Ourselves

What does God say about you?  
Are you comparing yourself to others?  
What things feed your mind?  
Does media consume you?

These are just a few examples of how we need to help our students know that just because it's a social norm or common does not mean that it is beneficial. Everything they touch, read, watch, listen to effects them. So make wise choices and seek things that are above.

**If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above not on things that are on earth.**  
**Colossians 3:1-2 ESV**



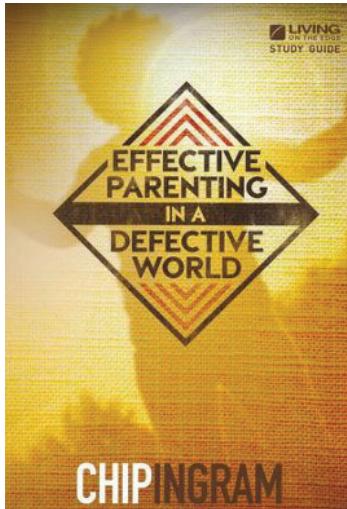


**CORE** will resume meeting on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm in Room #7 of the Children's Building. Parents, pre-parents, and past-parents are invited to join this class. Rev. Brett Myers will be leading the class along with some other leaders who will rotate duties.

In the CORE class this Fall, we will take the first 8 weeks of the Fall semester to watch and discuss the video series "**Effective Parenting in a Defective World.**" In this series, Chip Ingram discusses what the Bible says about raising kids in today's world. In this day and age, children face a far more defective world than the children of previous decades. Every day they are bombarded with the pressures and influences of drugs, sex, and violence. Often, parents feel helpless when the corrupt principles of this defective world seem to contradict every godly principle they try to instill in their children. But the truth is, God has a plan for effectively raising your children and you can learn it.

Pastor Brett will have study guides for all those attending. Please register with Paulette Gardner at 843-785-4478 or pgardner@fbchhi.org so we can have enough study guides ordered. There is no extra charge for your study guide.

This class will begin Wednesday, September 11th, so that you may attend the Kickoff Water Slide Celebration with your children on Wednesday, September 4th.



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## FBCHHI Discovery Class for New and Potential Members

If you are interested in learning more about the Baptist Faith and First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island, you are invited to join a class specifically designed for this purpose. Anyone requesting membership in our church (6th graders through adults, is to complete this class before being named an official member of FBCHHI (children will have a different class to attend).

This is a three-week membership course that helps new people learn more about the church, our beliefs, vision, mission, key values, our ministries, and opportunities to plug in, and communicates information about the campus. It is a very open class for discussion and questions. On the final day of the class, those who have attended will have the option whether or not to join our fellowship, with no pressure. We just want people to know upfront who God has called us to be as a church.

We have several families ready to go through this course on their way to membership in FBCHHI. Classes will be held during the Sunday School hour, 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM, on three consecutive Sundays, September 29, October 6 and October 13, meeting in Room #7 of the Family Life Center. If you cannot make these classes, an alternative arrangement can be made available.

On the final day of class, the pastor and his wife, Kristin, will invite those who attended to join them for dinner in their home.

Please call Paulette Gardner at 843-785-4478 to add your name on the list of those attending so we can make sure enough materials are prepared.



## Wednesday Night Dinner Begins September 4

Wednesday night meals begin again in our Family Life Center on Wednesday, September 4. We hope you will make plans to join us for the fellowship shared around the tables and enjoy a good meal before going to Wednesday night activities. Meals are served from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM.

Weekly menus are printed in the bulletin every Sunday. Complete the tear-off form and place it into the offering plate to make your reservations, or call the church office at 843-785-4478 by Monday at 5:00 PM..

We provide a weekly hot meal from a local catering business that includes an entrée, vegetable, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. Part of this meal is prepared in our kitchen every Wednesday, so volunteers would be appreciated beginning around 3:00 PM to help with preparations, and clean up help is also a plus.

To help keep our meal costs as low as possible, we will continue to use weekly volunteers for serving dinners on a rotation basis through our Sunday School classes. Please view this as a way to be of service to your church family.

Besides a weekly hot meal, we will also continue to offer Dinner Salads (**which must be ordered in advance**) consisting of a plate of salad greens, chopped chicken, boiled eggs, cherry tomatoes, sliced cucumbers, shredded carrots and cheese, with your choice of salad dressing and dessert.

Our pizza meal consists of two (2) slices of Pepperoni Pizza, an applesauce cup and dessert.

Beverage choices are coffee, tea (sweet and unsweetened),

coffee (regular and decaf), lemonade, and water.

Our pricing structure is changing for the coming year due to our catered meals cost are rising slightly. Adult meals will be \$1.00 more, moving up to **\$8.00 per person**. Youth & Children will continue to have either a hot meal or pizza dinner free of charge (**Free youth and children meals do not include a dinner salad**). Even though we have a price increase, this is still an excellent value for a delicious meal.

For us to be prepared and not wasteful of the church's money, please help us by making sure you have a reservation in place by Monday of the week you will be eating, but equally important is to make sure you cancel your reservation if you will not attend. If we have a reservation for you and you do not show for the meal, the church must pay for it anyway and that does not make us good stewards of our finances.

Thank you to everyone who will be helping us provide this ministry to our church family on Wednesday nights. Enjoy your meals and fellowship with the family of FBCHHI every Wednesday night.

### Sunday School Servers Rotation

We investigated hiring outside servers, but with having to pass that cost onto those eating dinner, we feel the required increase in price is too much.

As in years past and to keep the price of our meals down, we are asking our Sunday School classes to provide serving volunteers on a rotating basis once a month.

Thank you for helping us continue to offer this special ministry. A schedule will be given to each Sunday School class so they can gather their volunteers. Serving in the kitchen is lots of fun and is a great way to get to know other people in the church.

### Volunteers Requested

We would appreciate having some additional volunteers to help us in the kitchen before the meal and after the meal with clean up. Please call Lynda Hopkins at 843-785-4478 to find out how you can help.





## Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship

Our Sunday morning coffee fellowship will continue as it has been this past summer, with lighter fare than in years past and with volunteer teams preparing it each Sunday morning. Our menu will be assorted donuts, and some fresh fruit. Beverages will be, of course, decaf and regular coffee, water, and orange juice.

This ministry will continue to operate through the donations collected on Sunday mornings so your kind donations will allow us to defray the cost to the church's budget.

If you would like to be part of this team being of service to your church family, please contact Lynda Hopkins at 843-785-4478 or [lhopkins@fbchhi.org](mailto:lhopkins@fbchhi.org).



## Thank You Kitchen Clean-Up Volunteers

We thank these wonderful cleaning volunteers who made our kitchen sparkling clean either before or on the Kitchen Clean-Up Day in August. Thank you, Richard and Rosa Lewis, Tom Beretta, Wendy Gudz, Deb Malone, Sherry Myers, Brian Parker, Chris Wilkinson, Marian Hart, Tina Havard, Carol Wheeler, Cathy Brown, and Lynda Hopkins for their expert cleaning and organizational skills. The kitchen is now ready for another year of serving delicious meals to our congregation at all of our fellowship gatherings. Wednesday Night Dinners begin again Wednesday, September 4th, from 5:00 PM serving until 6:00 PM.





FBCHHI Kids



Care...  
Prepare...  
Share...



## Children's Church Ministry August 2019

### Promotion Sunday:

Our children continue to grow every year. We watch them daily but do not realize it sometimes until we have those milestone days like Sunday School Promotion Day. We recognize the following students that have been promoted this year:

Milana Kelca and Faith Morgan

to the Youth Department Sunday School

Brooks Beck, Charlotte Morgan, and Jackson Voelkel  
to 3rd - 5th grade Sunday School

Each child was given a daily devotional guide from the church to help them with their walk with the Lord.

### Sunday School:

September is a great time to get back into the routine of attending Sunday School each week. Please bring your children so they can continue to grow in the Lord. Our teachers are very dedicated and prepare good Bible lessons each week. The children's Sunday School began The Gospel Project curriculum last fall. It is theologically based and walks the children through the Bible chronologically in three years. Each week's lesson develops God's plan of salvation for His people and shows the relevance of each person and event to His plan. What better gift to give your child than the opportunity to learn more about Jesus?

### Children's Church: Learning God's Word is exciting, fun and interesting.

The age group of babies - 2nd Grade meet for Children's Church every Sunday during the 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM time frame. We need additional volunteers for this important worship time just for children. Can you volunteer to help our children grow in the Lord by coming to help us in Children's Church once-in-a-while?

### AWANA:

Awana will kick off with a water slide event on Wednesday, September 4th from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Have your children wear something they can get wet and bring a towel. Awana will then

officially begin September 11th, Wednesday from 6:20 PM to 7:30 PM, meeting in the Children's building right after the Children's Choir rehearsal.

Awana clubs are broken into age groups. The Puggles club is for ages 2-3 years old, Cubbies is for ages 4-Kindergarten, Sparks - Grade 1 & 2, T & T - Grade 3-5.

Samantha Neville and Sheila Kelca deserve a BIG thank you for leading this program.

### Children's Choir:

Does your child LOVE to sing? Then they need to join our Children's Choir so they will have the opportunity to learn the mechanics of music, and sing in a choir or maybe a soloist setting, in performances for a church service or spring musical production.

Children's Choir will begin on September 11th, Wednesday from 5:30 PM to 6:15 PM, and for children ages 4 years old through 5th grade. See more about Children's Choir on the next page.

### Children's Ministry Volunteers Needed:

We need you! 85% of people who accept Christ do so between the ages of 4 and 14, so we must do all that we can to engage these children both inside and outside our walls. If you can serve once a month for 1 hour on a rotational basis for Children's Church, or want to volunteer in other ways like Sunday School or Awana, please email Wendy at [wgudz@fbchhi.org](mailto:wgudz@fbchhi.org).

### Thank You Volunteers:

We have amazing leaders in Sunday School, Children's Choir and Awana. FBCHHI Children's Ministry would like to thank each of our excellent volunteers for your dedication to this ministry. Please invite your friends and neighbors to come to AWANA.

"Kid's matter to God and FBC."

## **Children's Choir Begins September 11th**

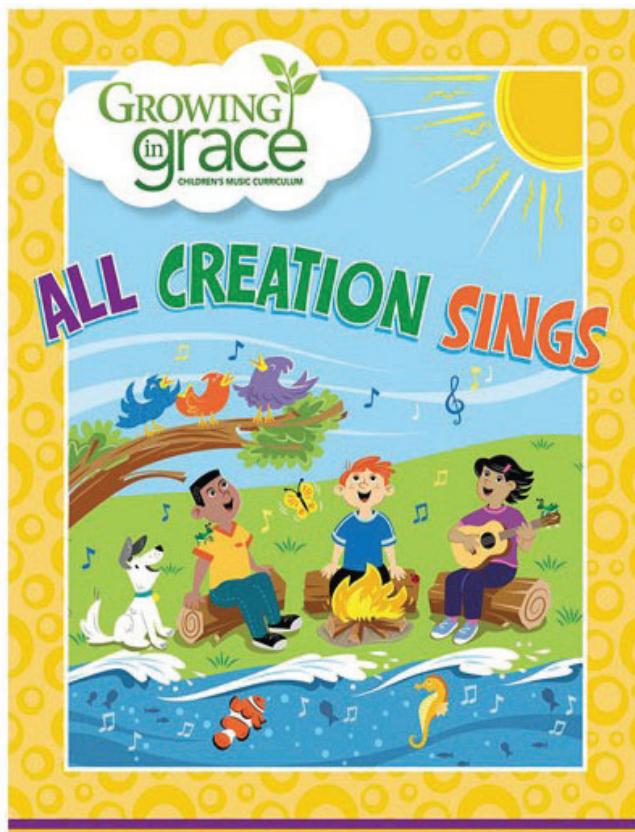
Children's Building  
Room #1  
5:30 PM - 6:15 PM

Children's Music Leaders:  
Paula Duncan and Frances Hunt

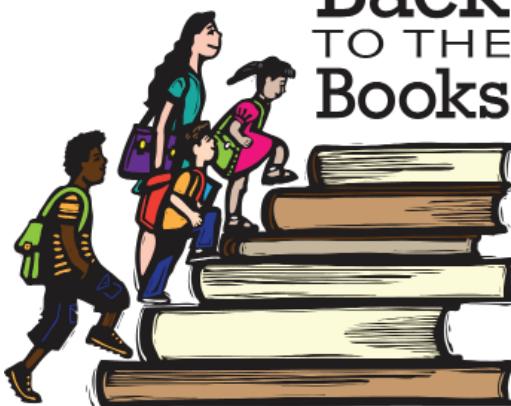
Bring your children to Children's Choir rehearsal every Wednesday night. They will learn the fundamentals of music through musical exercises, games, playing and singing. They will even get some theatrical experience as they prepare for their annual spring musical.

Through this year's curriculum, "All Creation Sings", the children will not only learn new Christian songs to sing but also Biblical truths.

Music and singing is a great way to put God's Word in your heart. So bring your children to Children's Choir every Wednesday night and then have them stay for Awana. These two Children's activities at FBCHHI can have a lasting impact on them as they grow stronger in stature and wisdom every day.



## **Back TO THE Books**



### **Back to School Blessing**

For all the children returning to school, send your Holy Spirit as their guide and protector.

Keep them free from danger and unnecessary harm. Put our sons and daughters in the right place, at the right time, to receive your grace.

Let them learn and grow strong. May the presence of your Spirit fill their hearts.

Help us mature as parents and caregivers.

Bless every family, Lord.

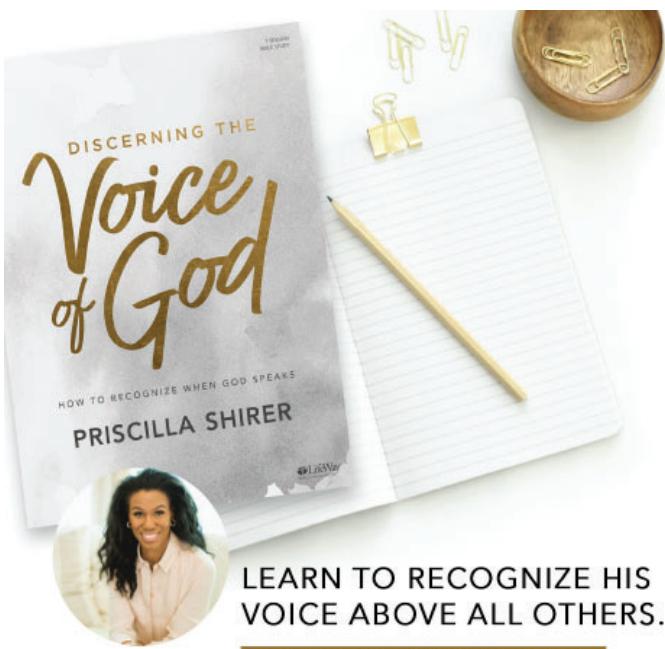
We entrust our children to you, dear God. Since they are yours, from the beginning, to keep.

In the name of the greatest son of all, Jesus Christ.

Amen

**"Church is my College,  
Heaven is my University,  
the Holy Spirit is my Teacher,  
Angels are my Classmates,  
the Bible is my Study Book,  
Trial and Temptation are my Exams,  
Winning Souls are my Assignments,  
Prayer is my Attendance,  
Crown of Life is my Degree, and  
Praise and Worship is my Motto.  
Enroll today, there is room for all.  
Tuition is FREE."**

# Women's Ministry - Bible Studies and Connection



LEARN TO RECOGNIZE HIS VOICE ABOVE ALL OTHERS.

**JOIN US IF YOU WANT TO:**

- Challenge yourself in the discipline of daily Bible study
- Gain practical advice for knowing and understanding God's voice through His Word
- Learn to recognize the Holy Spirit's character, language, and tone of voice
- Experience a deeper relationship with God, and strengthen your daily walk with Him

## Wednesday Night Bible Study for Women

Join Angela Wade in the Children's Building in Room #8 from 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM on Wednesday evenings each week. She will be leading a Bible study for women, "*Discerning the Voice of God*," by Priscilla Shirer. The cost of the book is \$15.00.

The first class will meet on Wednesday, September 4th and all women are welcome to attend. Contact Angela if you have questions at 813-523-1669 or wade9190@hargray.com.



## WOMEN'S Connection

Connection Groups meet the third Monday or Tuesday of each month at the church or in various homes in Hilton Head and Bluffton on various days at various times.

This is a great way for women to build community within the church and meet other like-minded women. Call the church office at 843-785-4478 to find a way for you to get connected!

## "What are you Chasing?" Connection Kickoff

### Join us at our Connection Kickoff, Monday, September 16th at 6:00 PM in the Family Life Center

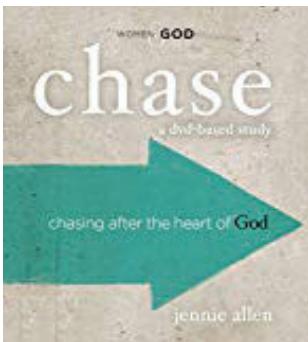
We are serving dinner free of charge to the women of our church who would like a night set aside to get to know other women of our church and to also hear about our women's ministry, Connection.

You do not have to join a Connection group to enjoy the fun. If you are new, join us to meet some new ladies of the church. You will hear about our Bible study for this year, "***Chase, Chasing after the heart of God***," by Jeanie Allen. You will be able to purchase your book for \$6.00 each.

You will also be able to review the list of groups, where and when they meet and choose a Connection group to attend. You can sign up for your preferred group that evening if you decide to join a group.

### *Reservations are necessary.*

There is no charge to attend but we do need reservations, no later than Wednesday, September 11th. Call Paulette Gardner at 843-785-4478 to make your reservation. Feel free to invite friends to join you, just make sure we have a reservation for them.



This year, the Connection group as a whole will be studying a book about David, "Chase, Chasing after the heart of God," by Jeanie Allen.

### What are you chasing?

We're all chasing after something, something that we think will make us happy—comfort, success, a bigger house, or someone's approval. But if we are all honest, it feels like trying to catch the wind.

A man after God's own heart... as David's life weaves throughout the pages of Scripture, we see he was a man who spent his life chasing after God. "**Chase**" explores the events that defined David's life and the Psalms that flowed out of those experiences. Through David's example, we'll discover what God really wants from us.

The lessons in this study guide are simple yet deep and very interactive, offering Bible study, stories, and projects to dig into Scripture and deeply engage the mind and heart. God has carved out a space in each of us that only He can fill. So whether you are running from God or working your tail off to please Him, David's journey will challenge your view of God.

God is invisible, and yet He is the only thing we can chase that won't leave us feeling more empty.

Sessions include:

- chase
- identity
- courage
- obedience
- belief
- repentance
- surrender
- chased down

The Connection group meetings will begin the third week in October, on either Monday or Tuesday, at various times and places. See the next column for information.

Join us September 16, at 6:00 PM, in the Family Life Center at the church for a Kickoff and decide which group may be best for you.

*Find a group and time that suits you best.*

Meetings third Monday of the month  
10:00 AM

Esther Group led by Becky Eikenberry and Gloria Stewart  
Hostess Home: Joan Wheeler and Linda Fick  
30 Magnolia Blossom Drive (Colleton River Plantation) Bluffton  
*This group is full and can take no more members at this time.*

Meeting the third Monday of the Month - 7:00 PM  
Lydia Group led by Lynda Hopkins  
Hostess Home: Sherry Thompson (Port Royal)  
2 Ensis Road  
Hilton Head Island

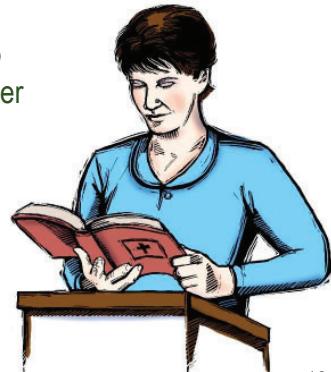
Meeting the third Tuesday of the Month - 10:00 AM  
Ruth Group led by Sherry Myers  
Hostess Home: Sherry Myers  
6 Gloucester Road (Shipyard Plantation)  
Hilton Head Island

Meeting the third Tuesday of the Month - 11:15 AM  
Anna Group led by Nancy Staab  
Hostess Home: Student Center at FBCHHI  
100 South Forest Beach Drive (At the church)  
Hilton Head Island

Meeting the third Tuesday of the Month - 6:30 PM  
Deborah Group led by Paulette Gardner  
Hostess Home: Paulette Gardner  
125 Cordillo Pkwy, #57, Hilton Head Island

### New Women's Bible Study Will Meet Tuesday Mornings in October

Nancy Staab will be leading a new women's Bible study this fall titled "**Biblical Womanhood in the Church.**" It will be held on Tuesday mornings at 11:15 AM beginning Tuesday, October 1st in the Student Building. These classes will not be held the week of Connection's meetings. There are no materials for anyone to purchase or bring to class.



## Men's Bible Studies

Sponsored by FBCHHI



### Monday - 6:30 PM

Meeting Place: Panera Bread Company

Located in: Tanger I Outlet

Address: 1264 Fording Island Rd, Bluffton

Bible or Book Study Name/Title:

**"The Church in Babylon (Heeding the Call to Be Light in the Darkness),"** by Erwin Lutzer

Led by Chuck Gunsallus

Contact: 843-816-1150 or chuckgunsallus@gmail.com

### Tuesday - 7:00 AM

Meeting Place: IHOP in Bluffton

Located in: Kroger Plaza

Address: Belfair Towne Village

11 Towne Drive, Bluffton

Bible or Book Study Name/Title:

**"Fearless,"** by Max Lucado

Led by Richard Duncan

Contact: 864-680-6218 or rtd5315@outlook.com

### Wednesday - 6:30 PM

Meeting Place: First Baptist Church

Room #5 in the Family Life Center

Address: 100 South Forest Beach Drive

Bible or Book Study Name/Title:

**"Contemporary Culture from a Biblical Worldview"**

Led by Dr. Chuck Staab

Contact: 843-342-6416 or drchuckles3@aol.com

### Thursday - 7:00 AM

Meeting Place: Dunkin' Donuts

Address: 4 Southwood Park Drive

Hilton Head Island

Bible or Book Study Name/Title:

**"Against the Flow,"** by John C. Lennox

Led by Chuck Staab

Contact Chuck: 843-689-6811 or

drchuckles3@aol.com

### Additionally:

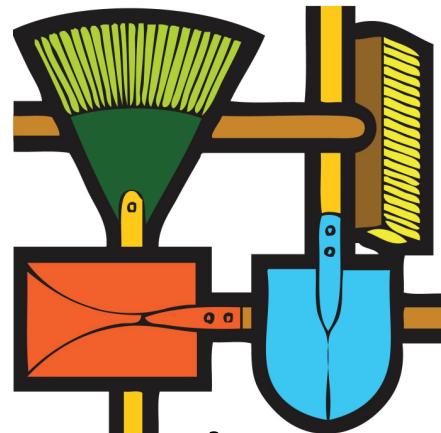
Join Dr. Dan Wheeler at a co-ed Bible study in Room #4 in the Family Life Center on Wednesday nights.

Bible or Book Study Name/Title:

**A Continuing Book by Book Study of the Bible**

Led by Dr. Dan Wheeler

Contact: 843-715-0441 or cwhe922360@msn.com



## Landscape Day

Saturday, September 28

8:30 AM - 12:00 Noon

We'll be serving Breakfast Biscuits at 8:15 AM in the Family Life Center

Volunteers needed for our Landscape Work Day.

If you have the following, please bring them that day, but if you do not have them, come anyway and you can use some of the extras that will be available.

Chain saws, safety glasses, work gloves, shovels, rakes.

Work for the morning includes planting new bushes in front of the office, trimming low hanging limbs from trees and laying some pine straw.

Please let Paulette Gardner know by calling 843-785-4478 that you will be coming to help so we can have a breakfast biscuit waiting for you that morning.



Church offices will be closed Monday, September 2nd, in observance of the Labor Day Holiday. Offices will reopen at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, September 3rd.

# 2020 New Deacon Selection



It is time to select deacons for our 2020 year. Now is a good time to begin praying for the Deacons that will be active next year. Deacons serve a three-year term.

We will be replacing four deacons this year. Ballots will be available in the Sunday bulletins September 8th and 15th. Prayerfully consider your selections from the list of eligible men, mark your selections and return to the church office via the Sunday offering plate, or deliver to either of the church offices no later than Monday, September 17.

Andy Arruza, Dave Fedor, John Richardson and Dan Wheeler will rotate off the Deacons this year and will not be eligible for re-election for one year. Red Brown, Heath Duncan, Richard Duncan, Tim Fick, Henry Goss, Curtis Hart, Tommy Myers, Parrish Neville, Chuck Staab, and Howard Wright will remain to continue their terms.

The list of men presented to the church for deacon nominations will adhere to the guidelines as outlined in the bylaws of First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island. See the excerpt regarding Deacon Elections in the next column.



## 10:02 Prayer Emphasis

As a reminder, we are asking that all of our church members and regulars stop each morning for a brief few seconds at 10:02 to say a prayer based on Luke 10:2. This prayer should do two things:

1. Ask God to raise up workers (soul-winners) for the harvest through our church.
2. This should also be a prayer of committal for us to GO into the harvest, as Christ followed verse 2 with these words: "Now go..."

## Deacon Election Information from the Bylaws of First Baptist Church of Hilton Head Island

The Deacons shall at all times consider themselves as servants of the Church. It shall be their duty to look after the spiritual well-being of the members, support the Pastor and other officers of the Church in the furtherance of their duties, visit the sick and care for the needy, and perform such other duties incident to the office or properly required of them by the Church.

### Section 9.04 – Deacon Elections

The Church membership shall nominate Deacons. A list of candidates who have been a Christian for at least five years and a member of the Church for at least two years shall be provided to the Church on the second Sunday of September each year. The Deacons, along with the Pastor, shall review the nominee's qualifications. The Deacons shall present a final list of eligible candidates to the Church membership for election at the annual meeting in the year of their nomination.

Deacons shall serve a term of three years on a rotating basis. The term commences on the first day of January following the election. Each year, the term of office of one-third of the number of Deacons shall expire, and an election shall be held to fill the vacancies. In case of death, resignation, removal or incapacity to serve, the church shall, upon recommendation from the Deacons, follow the normal process of deacon selection.

In accordance with the meaning of the work and practice of the New Testament, Deacons are to be servants of the Church. The entire Bible shall serve as the guideline for Deacon Candidates (i.e. their selection and service).

The Deacons shall elect their officers and shall be organized to assist the Pastor, under his leadership, in all matters pertaining to the welfare and work of the Church.

## Financial Statement

YTD Budget Goal thru 8/31/2019	\$629,484
YTD Receipts thru 8/26/2019	\$683,083
YTD Expenses the 8/26/2019	\$667,695
YTD Building & Maintenance Fund 8/26/2019	\$4,348

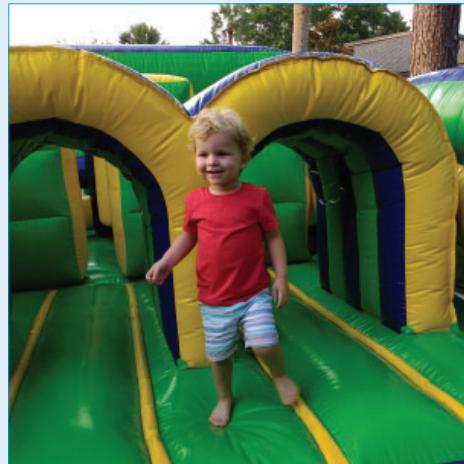
MTD Budget Goal for August	\$75,489
MTD Receipts thru 8/26/2019	\$82,607
MTD Expenses thru 8/26/2019	\$56,043

# **Summer Block Party with Casa de Gracia**

## **Highlights - July 31**

We had such an enjoyable evening with the Spanish speaking church that meets in our Family Life Center for Bible Study on Wednesday nights. We used the evening as an outreach event. FBCHHI invited our neighbors in the South Forest Beach Area and Casa de Gracia invited people from some of the island's Spanish speaking neighborhoods. The fellowship was fun! Thank you to our members who came out to support this event.





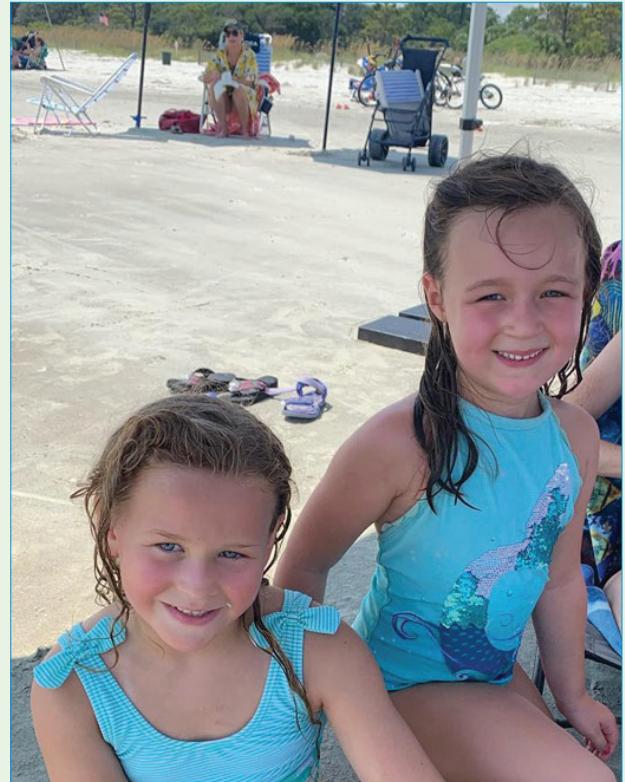


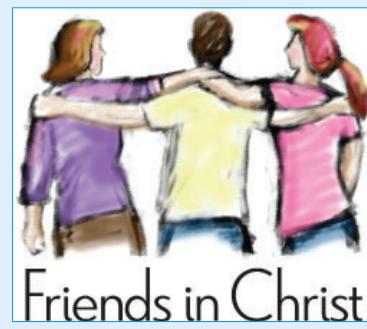
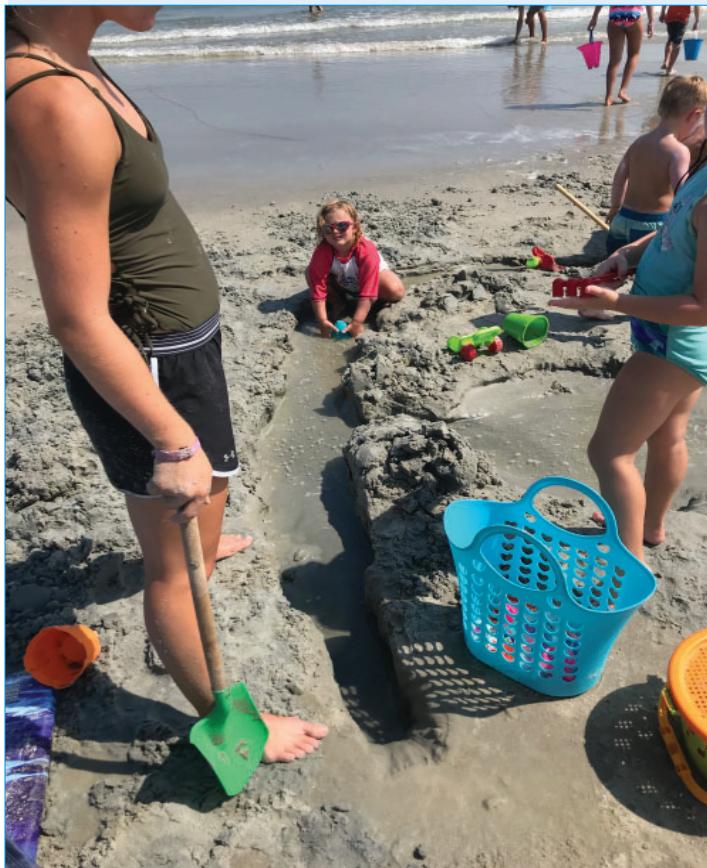
## FBCHHI FAMILY BEACH DAY

### Held Sunday, August 11th

All who attended our Church Family Beach Day had a wonderful time playing in the water and enjoying some fun in the sun - or under the shade of our FBCHHI tent.

It was fun seeing our pastors in something other than their Sunday attire. Children had fun digging in the sand and playing in the water. The church provided waters and games for extra entertainment. It's times like these where we can get to know each other better through Christian fellowship.





# Mission Trip to



## Mission Team to Canada - August 10 - 17, 2019

The members of this year's mission team are (l - r) Lynn Shaynak, Wendy Gudz, Dick Sanders, Sherry and Tommy Myers, Hannah Fedor, Nancy and Chuck Staab, Mary and Ron Seubert, Mikayla and Sheila Kelca. We ask you to pray for those they touched with the Gospel during their week of service in Calgary, Canada, that the children would follow through to become true followers of Jesus Christ. The photos show highlights of their time at the Junction Church, the host church that our pastor, Brett Myers, planted during his time in Calgary, and them working with children's in the sports camp. The weather was much cooler and a nice break from the Hilton Head Island heat!



# Calgary, Canada





Sunday, September 1	Regular Worship Schedule (See next page)
Monday, September 2	Church offices closed for the Labor Day Holiday
Tuesday, September 3	12:30 PM - Administrative Council Meeting, Family Life Center Multi-Purpose Room
Wednesday, September 4	5:00 PM - Deacons' Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2 <b>Wednesday Night Kickoff</b> 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Wednesday Night Dinner, Family Life Center, Multi-Purpose Room 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Awana and Children's Choir Registration and Children's Water Slide Kickoff Celebration, On the grassy area by the Children's Building in back 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Student Ministry Water Slide Kickoff, in the front of the church by the Student Building 6:15 PM - 7:45 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Men's Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #3 7:30 PM - Casa de Gracia - Hispanic Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #1 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM - Community Bible Study, CBS begins meeting on our campus every Thursday until May 2020
Thursday, September 5	
Sunday, September 8	Regular Sunday Schedule (See next page)
Tuesday, September 10	10:30 AM - Deacon Ordination Held During the Morning Worship Service 10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsals Resume, Music Suite 12:00 PM - Personnel Committee Meeting, Church Library 2:00 PM - Connection Leadership Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2
Wednesday, September 11	Deadline to Sign Up for the Connection Kickoff Celebration 4:00 PM - Missions Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2 5:30 PM - Student Ministry Team Meeting, Student Building <b>Regular Wednesday Night Schedule Begins</b> 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Wednesday Night Dinner, Family Life Center, Multi-Purpose Room 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM - Children's Choir Rehearsal, Children's Building, Rm #1 6:20 PM - 7:30 PM - Awana, Children's Building, Atrium 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM - Student Ministry, Student Building 6:15 PM - 7:45 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite 6:30 PM - Adult Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #4 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Men's Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #3 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Women's Bible Study, Children's Building, Rm #8 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - CORE, Parents and Family Study, Children's Building, Rm #7 7:30 PM - Casa de Gracia - Hispanic Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #1
Sunday, September 15	Regular Sunday Schedule
Monday, September 16	<b>6:00 PM - Women's Connection Kickoff Celebration</b> , Family Life Center, Multi-Purpose Room
Tuesday, September 17	10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite 4:00 PM - Building and Grounds Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2

Wednesday, September 18	4:00 PM - Stewardship Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2 Regular Wednesday Night Schedule
Sunday, September 22	Regular Sunday Schedule
Tuesday, September 24	10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
Wednesday, September 25	4:00 PM - Stewardship Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Room #2 Regular Wednesday Night Schedule
Saturday, September 28	<b>8:15 PM - 12:00 Noon - Landscape Work Day with a Biscuit Breakfast,</b> (8:15 AM) Begin in the Family Life Center Multi-Purpose Room for Breakfast (8:30 AM) Yard Work Assignments
Sunday, September 29	<b>9:15 AM - Discovery New Members Class, Children's Building, Rm #7</b> Regular Sunday Schedule

### Sunday Schedule

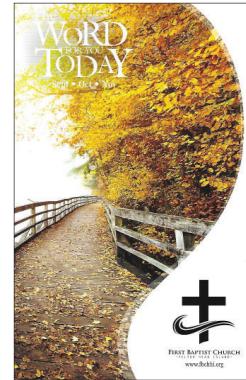
8:15 AM - 8:45 AM - Open Prayer Time and Devotional, Family Life Center, Room #7  
9:00 AM - 9:15 AM - Coffee Fellowship Time, Family Life Center, Multi-Purpose Room  
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM - Sunday School for All Ages, Various Buildings  
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Worship Service, Sanctuary  
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Children's Church, Children's Building

### Tuesday

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM - Ladies' Bible Study, Student Building (*Begins in October*)

### Wednesday Night Schedule

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Wednesday Night Dinner, Family Life Center, Multi-Purpose Room  
5:30 PM - 6:15 PM - Children's Choir Rehearsal, Children's Building, Room #1  
6:15 PM - 7:45 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
6:20 PM - 7:30 PM - Awana, Children's Building, Atrium  
6:30 PM - 7:45 PM - Student Ministry, Student Building  
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Adult Bible Study in the Family Life Center, Room #4  
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Women's Bible Study in the Children's Building, Room #8  
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Men's Bible Study in the Family Life Center, Room #3  
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - CORE, Parents and Family Study, Children's Building, Room #7  
7:30 PM - Casa de Gracia - Hispanic Bible Study, Family Life Center, Room #1



### The Word for You Today

The September, October, November Issue of "The Word for You Today" is now available.

Look for a copy in the foyers of the Sanctuary and Family Life Center. Free of Charge.

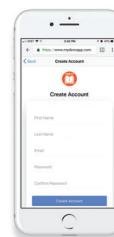
Or, follow the steps below to download their app.

## 4 SIMPLE STEPS TO GET STARTED WITH OUR APP!

You can also find these instructions on page 4 of your devotional.



**STEP 1:**  
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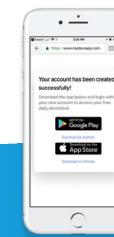


**STEP 2:**  
Create an account and connect with your organization to begin reading "The Word for You Today" on your device.



**STEP 3:**  
Find your access code on the back cover of the devotional.

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**Code:**  
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**STEP 4:**  
Download the app and login to enjoy the devotional.

# who's your ONE?

Pick up a **Prayer Guide**, a **40-Day Devotional**, along with a **Reminder Card** today in the Sanctuary or Family Life Center foyer. As you use these resources, be in prayer over who God is leading you to share the Gospel with. If you don't share it with them, then who will? Will you be the one to stand in the gap?

## who's your ONE?

Imagine if every believer could answer that question with the name of a person who is far from God—a person for whom they're praying and with whom seeking to share the gospel. That's the intention behind *Who's Your One*. We believe God's people don't merely need another method for evangelism—what they need is a white-hot passion to see people who are far from God experience the new life He offers through Jesus Christ.

Over the coming days, our church and countless others will prioritize personal ownership of the Great Commission as we each intentionally pursue one person with the hope of the gospel. At times, it seems the mission is simply too complex and too vast for churches like ours and people like us. While we can't do everything, we can do something. We can all take responsibility for *one*. And, because of God's power and the work of His Spirit, each of our *ones* can add up to make a significant impact for God's kingdom.

## Use These Tools

Find them in the foyers of the Sanctuary and Family Life Center  
Free of Charge

What are they?

- 40-Day Devotional Guide
- 30 Day Prayer Guide
- Reminder Card with Scripture Guide Bookmarks

Pick up one of each of these to help you with your journey as you pray for your ONE to be drawn to Jesus Christ.

### Who will tell them if we do not?

