

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 Movie Night, 6 p.m.	6	7	8 Women's Bible Study, 9 a.m.	9 Stewardship Mtg. 6 p.m.	10	11
12 Sunday Night Life, 6 p.m.	13 Deacons' Mtg, 7 p.m.	14	15 Women's Bible Study, 9 a.m.	16	17	18
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD DROP-OFF						
19 OCC Collection Day Thanksgiving Stewardship Lunch	20	21	22	23 Office Closed	24 Office Closed	25
26 Sunday Night Life, 6 p.m.	27	28	29	30		

Monthly Summary September 2017	
Monthly Offering.....	\$35,416.99
Monthly Budget.....	\$48,748.58
Year-to-Date Offering	\$366,029.71
Year-to-Date Budget	\$438,737.22
Year-to-Date Expenses.....	\$367,062.25
Designated Receipts.....	\$6,696.00
Sunday School Average Attendance	168
Worship Attendance	166

Wednesday Regular Schedule:
Southern Manor, 10 a.m.
Fellowship Supper, 5:45 p.m.
Youth Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.
Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m.
Preschool Music & Missions, 6:30 p.m.
G.A.s & R.A.s, 6:30 p.m.
Worship Choir, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Regular Schedule:
Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Night Life, 6 p.m.

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"Contentment in God's Glory" FALL STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS November 5th, 12th & 19th

Come and discover biblical principles on stewardship as Pastor Kevin concludes his preaching series from Philippians with a focus on experiencing true contentment that brings glory to God.

There will be three stewardship messages on November 5th, 12th & 19th. **November 19th is our Commitment Sunday** and will include a **Thanksgiving Stewardship Lunch** following the service.

The church will provide turkey and dressing and everyone is asked to bring side dishes, salads or desserts.

Following Jesus
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Loving Others
~
Impacting the World!



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**Watch the Movie! - Sunday, November 5th
@ 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**

Bible Study Sessions on November 12th & 26th and December 3rd & 10th

Nursery, Children's Ministry and Youth study will also be provided.



Words from Walt

“Thanksgiving” prompts the spirit of humility; genuine gratitude to God for His mercy, His abundance, His protection, His smile of favor. At this holiday, as at no other, we count our blessings and we run out of time before we exhaust the list. And best of all, for a few moments, life simplifies itself.

From the annals of our rich heritage, there has been preserved this announcement which was made 394 years ago, It says it all:

To All Ye Pilgrims

In as much as the great Father has given us this year an abundant harvest of Indian corn, wheat, beans, squashes, and garden vegetables, and has made the forests to abound with game and the sea with fish and clams, and inasmuch as He has protected us from the ravages of the savages, has spared us from pestilence and disease, has granted us freedom to worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience; now, I your magistrate, do proclaim that all ye Pilgrims, with your wives and little ones, do gather at ye meeting house, on ye hill, between the hours of 9 and 12 in the day time, on Thursday, November 29th of the year of our Lord one thousand six-hundred and twenty-three, and the third year since ye Pilgrims landed on ye Pilgrim Rock, there to listen to ye pastor, and render thanksgiving to ye Almighty God for all His blessings.

-William Bradford

Governor of Plymouth colony, 1623



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

2017 Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection week will be here soon. Our community has blessed tens of thousands of children over the many years that FBC has been a shoebox collection center. We're quickly approaching this year's collection week of Nov. 13th-19th. Our church family is encouraged to begin now in packing your very own shoeboxes and have them ready for our Collection Sunday, November 19th. The FBC Shoebox Team would like to challenge each family at FBC to provide 2 shoeboxes - which translates into your very own family sharing the Gospel with 2 children who may come to know Jesus Christ as their personal savior through a shoebox full of Jesus and joy! A small investment for eternity with Christ! Our church goal is 100 boxes.



GEORGIA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION WILD GAME SUPPER

A Wild Game Supper and training for Men's and Women's Ministries at FBC Fellowship Hall will be Thursday, November 2nd at 6:30 p.m. Come join us and bring your favorite wild game dish to share with everyone. We will provide drinks, bread, and desserts. Invite your men and women to join us. Glen McCall and Jackie Hardy will be our guests.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

The Week of Prayer for International Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will be December 3rd-10th. We will have our special emphasis program on Wednesday, December 6th at the Prayer Meeting hour. Our speaker for this evening will be Jerry Claxton, missionary to Israel. He was with us last year and gave an entertaining and informative presentation on Southern Baptist mission work in that country. He has just returned from Israel and will have updated information on efforts to spread the Gospel there. A Chinese meal will be provided by the WMU and we invite everyone in our church to attend this special evening. There is no charge for the meal, but we will collect a love offering to give to our missionary. Please sign up on your Connection Card so that we will have plenty of food.

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

Contributions have been made to the Pre-K Ministry in memory of Dorla Adams by Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Callaway.

Contributions have been made to the Troupe Harris Scholarship Fund in memory of Jane Newsome by Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sherrer, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Newsome, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. Pug Nelms, Mr. and Mrs. David Hunter, McCormick Messenger, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Burton, Dr. and Mrs. Gene Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Burton.

A contribution has been made to the General Fund in memory of Jane Newsome by Mr. and Mrs. Kerry McAvoy, Sr.

A contribution has been made to the World Hunger in memory of Dorla Adams and Laura Smathers by Dr. and Mrs. M.R. Clayton.

A contribution has been made to the Youth Ministry in memory of Jason Chapman by Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Moss.

A contribution has been made to the Georgia State Missions in honor of Ruth Holes by the Volunteer Sunday School Class.

A contribution has been made to the Pre-K Ministry in honor of Ethan Hardy by Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hardy.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CentriKid camps

July 9th-13th

If you are interested in CentriKid,
please contact Amy Johnston or pick up
paperwork on the Information Table.
There is a \$25 deposit due now with
\$25 monthly payments.

Wednesday Night

Activities Begin

@ 6:30 p.m.

Preschool Music & Missions

(ages 3-5)

Led by Paula Stevens

G.A.s

(Girls 1st grade-5th grade)

Led by Michelle Smith, Paula Denard &

Paige Denard

R.A.s

(Boys 1st grade-5th grade)

Led by Bruce Bailey & Ed Pope



Youth Ministry

I just wanted to start by saying Thank You to the church for the love that was shown to Amy and me during Pastor Appreciation Month. It is an honor to serve at First Baptist Church and to be able to serve alongside each one of you. Thank you again and know that we love each one of you.

Wednesday Night Youth Bible Study

We are having Youth Bible Study on Wednesday nights in The Ark. We begin around 6:30 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited, so come even if you have practice or a game. I do not mind if you smell bad or if you are a few minutes late. We will not be having Bible study on Wednesday, November 22nd because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal

The youth will be preparing a meal for the church family on the second Wednesday night of each month. This is a fundraiser to help pay for MFuge. We will prepare hamburgers and hotdogs. You must participate in the meals to get credit to help pay for MFuge. The youth will be preparing the meal on November 8th. You need to meet in the kitchen at 4:45 p.m. or as soon as you possibly can.

Winter Retreat 2017

Winter Retreat 2017 will be in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The dates are December 30, 2017-January 3, 2018. We will be staying in a cabin and going to Dollywood on New Year's Day. The Medical Form and other paperwork needs to be turned in to Scott by Wednesday, November 15th.

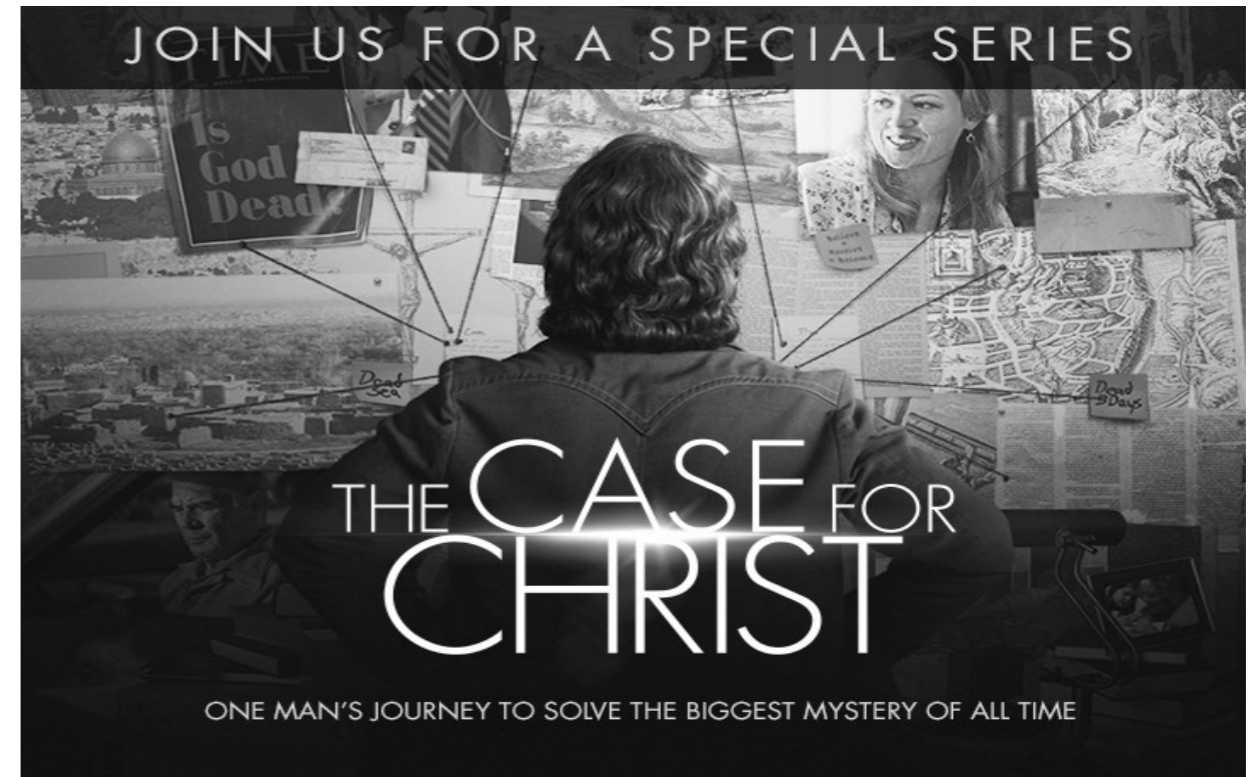
Sunday Night Life

Sunday Night Life will begin again for the youth on Sunday, November 5th. That Sunday, we will be meeting with the adults to watch the movie *The Case for Christ*. We will then meet in The Ark until December 10th. We will not be meeting on Sunday, November 19th because of the Stewardship/Thanksgiving Lunch.

In His Love,
Pastor Scott

UPCOMING SILVER STREAKS EVENTS

- ◆ Rock Gym Dinner Theater in Elberton on Saturday, November 4. Cost is \$37.45. Reservations must be made in the church office by paying by **Monday, October 30th**.
- ◆ A three-day, two-night trip has been planned to Myrtle Beach, SC, for November 13th-15th. You must sign up and pay for reservations in the church office by **Monday, October 30th**.



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