

First Baptist Communiqué

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February Events . . .



Sunday, February 7th
Communion -- PM Service

Sunday, February 21st
Communion -- AM Service



The Gideons International

Sunday, February 14th

Gideon Presentation,
Bruce Chadwick -- AM Service
(We will be taking a special Offering for The Gideons)

Baptism/Membership - PM Service



MISSIONS CONFERENCE 2016

Theme

Facing A Task Unfinished

Conference Verse



“¹⁴And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”
Matthew 24:14 (ESV)

Missions Conference Schedule (Continued on Next Page)

February 28 - Flag Ceremony & Devotion - AM Service

International Potluck - After the AM Service - (Sign up begins Jan. 31st)

No Sunday School, No PM Service



Missions Conference Schedule

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March 6

Steve Barnes, (France), Biblical Ministries Worldwide-AM & PM

March 13

David Levy - The Friends of Israel SS, AM & PM

March 20

David Zemmer - (Brazil), ABWE AM & PM



MISSIONS CONFERENCE PROJECTS

During the entire month of March you may give money for special projects for the Barnes', Levy's & Zemmer's. Please mark your giving envelope "Missions Projects."

At this time we do not know what their projects are. Please watch the bulletin and missions brochure for that information.



Missionary Closet Shower

- Twin & Queen-size sheet sets
- Socks (all sizes and sports type)
- Mattress pads
- Bath Towel Sets
- Modular Storage Sets (Name Brands)
- Travel Games for children

You may give these items to Laurie Ordway or place them on the Mission Closet Table in the gym for three Sundays, March 6th, March 13th, and March 20th.

GIFT CARDS - You may give a gift card (suggestions: Amazon, Pre-paid Visa, or gas cards.) There will be a box on the Missionary Closet and Tool Shower table. You may also place your gift card in the offering plate in an envelope marked "Missionary Closet" or "Tool Shower."

Tool Shower

Here are suggestions of items needed: Craftsman tools are always welcome because of the warranty on their tools.

- Skill Saws
- Cordless Drills 12V or more
- Wire Connectors
- Electrical Testers/Ohmmeters
- One Hand Quick Clamps (very popular)
- Socket Sets - metric or standard
- Wrench Sets - metric or standard
- Metric Tape Measures
- Files (wood, metal, etc.)
- Stud Finders
- Drill Bits
- Tool Boxes
- Flashlights



GIFT CARDS

You may also give Amazon or Pre-paid Visa gift cards or gift cards to Lowe's, Home Depot, and Sears.

There will be a box, similar to the box we use for the Missionary Christmas Offering, on the Missionary Closet or Tool Shower Table in the gym for three Sundays, March 6th, March 13th, and March 20th. You may also place your gift card in the offering plate in an envelope marked "Missionary Closet" or "Tool Shower."



Cookies in Gym

If you would be willing to furnish cookies during the weeks the Book Tables are set up in the gym, please watch for the sign up at the Information Area.



Book Table

We have new books for Adults and Children. The tables will be set up in the gym for three Sundays, March 6th, March 13th, and March 20th.

There will be many new Children's books and all 13 DVD's of the Torch Lighters Series. Be challenged and encouraged with one of our new books Bring Your Eyes and See, the story of Steve and Marie Goode and God's work in SE Asia. We will also have books from Israel My Glory. David Levy, one of our missionary speakers has written a study book on Revelation that is excellent. May your vision be broader and your prayers world wide from the reading choices that we offer.



“BY THE WAY, WHAT IS OUR POLICY ON.....”

Baby & Bridal Showers . . .

The pastoral staff of First Baptist Church made a decision in January 2014, that Bridal Showers and Baby Showers are best handled privately by individuals in the church rather than having the church “sponsor” showers.

1. The Sponsor (Person putting on the shower) must be a member or regular attender* of First Baptist Church.
2. The sponsor can reserve an area of the church building by submitting a Facility Usage Form and paying the appropriate fee. **However.....beginning February 1, 2016, a fee will not be charged for the building if the following is true:**
 - **Bridal Showers – The Bride (Bride to be) or the Groom (Groom to be) is a member or regular attender* of First Baptist Church.**
 - **Baby Showers – The Mother or Father of the baby is a member or regular attender* of First Baptist Church.**
3. The church does not furnish paper products for showers. All items needed for the shower should be furnished by those putting on the shower in the same manner that items are furnished for a graduation open house, a family gathering, etc.
4. Bridal and Baby Showers will not be published in the church newsletter or church bulletin. The promotion of the Shower will be handled by those putting on the shower.

*The definition of regular attender is: a person who has been attending First Baptist for at least one year and attends regular church services at least twice per month.



90th Birthday Card Shower For Al Law

Al Law will celebrate his 90th Birthday on Wednesday, February 10th. If you would like to encourage him with a card his address is:

Al Law, Room S-71
Hazel Findlay Country Manor
1101 S. Scott Road
St. Johns, MI 48879



Beacon of Hope Update

Christmas Shopping Day THANK YOU!

Many thanks to everyone who was involved in making the Beacon of Hope Christmas Shopping Day a huge success! As a church, we all worked together to create a compelling community by:

- Providing gifts
- Offering a beautiful and meaningful Christmas worship service
- Watching the children of participants so they could shop
- Assisting with shopping, tracking gifts purchased and credits spent, and wrapping gifts and carrying them out to vehicles

Sixty participants shopped that day. Not only were many thanks given by participants that day, but on the first day that Beacon reopened in January, many told us that they would have had nothing for Christmas if it were not for Beacon of Hope. So, thank you for showing the love of Christ to those in need in our community.

Transportation to Church

It has been exciting to see some Beacon participants visiting First Baptist on Sunday mornings over the last few months. However, there are those who would like to visit but do not have any way to get to church. If you are willing to provide transportation on a Sunday morning, please contact Karen Leif.

Bibles Needed

Beacon accepts used Bibles in good condition. Large and Giant Print NIV 1984 or ESV Bibles are especially appreciated by those with vision problems. Leave them in the Beacon box outside the building, give them to Karen on a Sunday, or call her to make other arrangements.



Mentoring Moms
Thursday, February 11th, 6:30 pm
(Office Level-Conference Room)





AWANA GRAND PRIX

Scheduled for
Saturday, February 6, 2016
First Baptist Church Gym



Has been postponed to a later date

A new date will be announced after we send out a survey of possible dates. Only a few clubbers utilized our car cutting on January 6th, so we decided it would be best to postpone the Grand Prix. Look for an upcoming notice that will give more details and a new date for our 2016 Awana Grand Prix. Any questions or if you need more information, please contact Bonnie McCorvie or Annette Wood.



Mighty O.A.K.S.



MIGHTY O.A.K.S.

On Tuesday, January 12th, the Mighty O.A.K.S. braved the cold, wind, and snow to come together for good food and fellowship.

Mary Simon shared her testimony. Afterwards, Jen Simon and her students took us back to school. The children demonstrated their math learning skills and read us a paper they had written. The students went through part of the Bible Time Line, complete with music and sign language. We were impressed and a little afraid we might be called on! We appreciate being able to be a part of the day in home school.

Our next carry-in luncheon will be Tuesday, February 9th, at noon in the gym. Please bring a dish or two to share. Tableware and beverage will be provided. Pat Lutz will be sharing her testimony and singing. L Quinn Lincoln-Keon, Director of Clinton County Habitat for Humanity, will be providing us with information about Habitat and the ReStore. Please sign up at the Information Area.

Come & bring a Friend!!



Dinner Ministry

We have a wonderful opportunity to minister to ladies who have been in the hospital overnight and for ladies having a baby by providing a meal for them. We also provide funeral dinners for members, regular attenders and their spouses.

It has been over two years since Dinner Ministry List has been updated. We would love to add more ladies who would be willing to help with this ministry. You would not be asked to provide the entire meal, only a part of it, i.e. main dish, salad, dessert, rolls, etc. Please sign up at the Information Area beginning January 31st. List your name, phone number and any specific item you would not like to furnish, so Pam Snyder will not ask that of you; i.e. potato salad, pie, veggies, etc. If you have any questions, contact Pam Snyder.



There will be a Ladies Mug & Muffin Fellowship at the home of Pam Sischo (6845 Winfield Road, Ovid) on Thursday, February 18th, from 7-9 pm. Bring your mug for a relaxing time of conversation, coffee and a craft. Please sign up at the Information Area beginning Sunday, January 31st. Sorry, no childcare is available.



NEXT MONTH . . .

Church Ministries Conference 2016

March 11-12, 2016

Calvary Baptist Church

Grand Rapids, MI

“Behold Our God”

Keynote Speakers: Dr. Paul Nyquist, President of Moody Bible Institute & Dr. Winfred Neely, Professor of Pastoral Studies at Moody Bible Institute

Our Beacon of Hope Director, Karen Leif and Gail Perez will be conducting a workshop, “Reaching the Hard to Reach with the Word of God.” First Baptist Church will pay the registration fee for any ministry leader or worker who would like to attend this event. Brochures and a sign up sheet will be at the Information Area. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, February 21st. For more information you can also go to their website: www.churchministriesconference.com.



Save the Date...



June 20-24th





MISSIONS UPDATE:

BUSY HANDS FOR MISSIONS

On December 1st there were 6 ladies present and we filled 54 ditty bags for Youth Haven and prepared a quilt for tying. At that time we were in need of tooth brushes and combs.

On January 4th, there were only three of us and we filled 75 ditty bags and tied the quilt from last month. The mitten tree was a huge success with 27 hats, 31 mittens and gloves, 6 scarves, 4 hat & mitten sets and 1 hat & scarf set. Those and 200 ditty bags will be delivered soon to Youth Haven. Thanks to all who participated in the above.

Next month we will be needing combs, washcloths and tooth brushes. **We'll be meeting on February 2, at 9:30 AM** (unless the weather closes the schools). Maybe we can tie another quilt. Remember the dime banks, keep filling them...they will go to the Morse family this spring.

MISSIONS CLOSET

Blessings went out from the closet in December to **Sherri Jenks** for her birthday. A gift bag was sent filled with scrap booking supplies, hot pads, dish clothes and matching towels, a candle and body lotion.

In January a young couple starting university ministry; **Bryan and Kelli Morrison** chose a set of Uno cards, and they were given an Amazon gift card.

Steve and Sue Mayo visited our Sunday services bringing their box of books that they had accumulated while in their visit to the states for ABWE business. We mailed them back to Australia for them, including some dish cloths, a drying mat, and an apron.

Thank you to the two families who blessed us with their Christmas gifts for the closet and to each of you as you see items on sale or have an extra item that you can pass on to us.

You may put your items in the Lost and Found closet in a box marked "missions". Gift cards are also appreciated; please put them in the offering plate marked "for Missions". Current needs are quick clamps and files for the men and queen size sheets. In the month of January Tupperware Modular are off 40% or more.

THANK YOU'S FROM ELEANOR BRITTAIN AND SHERRI JENKS

"Thank you for the wonderful Birthday box you sent me. I have been using the lovely lap robe and the body lotion came just as I had one day left on the current bottle! Everything you sent is thoughtful and useful. Thank you so very much. God bless you". Eleanor

"Oh my, thank you so much for the box of goodies! I just love it all! I love the dish cloths. My grandmother made me some when I was first married. She is gone now so they will be very useful." Much love, Sherri

LANSING CITY RESCUE MISSION

Here is a list of some items the mission can use at this time: socks, t-shirts, underwear, napkins, deodorant, twin blade razors, towels, sheets, and twin XLong (white and colored sets). You can place these items in the yellow container located in the Lower Level - Classroom #12.

MISC. ITEMS

Collecting: Unopened "Happy meal" toys, cancelled commemorative stamps, old jewelry.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Book Table in the gym beginning March 6. There are a number of new children's early readers in the Jungle Doctor and Trail Blazer's series.





MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH: Pete & Nikki Blodgett (Chicago)

Address:

500 E. 61st Street
Chicago, IL 60637

Pete: 6/5/80

Nikki: 5/9/87

Married: 6/2/07

Children:

Jayla Nicole: 8/11/08 **Derek Jeremiah:** 10/9/12

Aaron John: 1/1/14

Phone Number: 773-904-9800 ext. 14 **Phone Number:** 773-501-1321 **Email:** pete@sunshinegospel.org

Mission Agency: Sunshine Gospel Ministries **Home Church:** First Baptist Church, Elkhart, IN

Supporting Churches: First Baptist Church, Elkhart, IN; First Baptist Church, St. Johns, MI; Springhill Presbyterian, Bozeman, MT

Major Ministry: Discipleship of youth, from 1st grade-high school; Pastor of Woodlawn Community Church

Pete grew up in a Christian home, the son of a pastor. All he ever knew was Christianity. He prayed the sinner's prayer when he was six but the idea of having a relationship with God never sunk in until he was thirteen. It was then that he rededicated his life to God. Since then, God has been growing Pete up in Him - constantly changing him and making him stronger in his faith.

He went to college with the desire to work with teens. While at Cedarville he began taking missions classes that God really used to work in his heart. At the time he was considering doing youth work overseas. Through these same classes, God eventually brought out a burden for the poor and for the city. It was through these classes and the professor, Dr. Jeff Cook, that God brought him to work in the city.

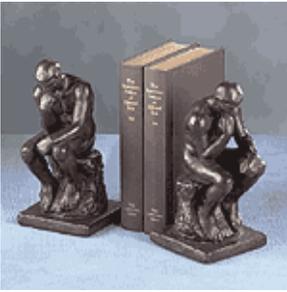
Pete serves as the Pastor of Woodlawn Community Church (WCC) in a south side Chicago neighborhood called Woodlawn. His week-to-week responsibilities include planning Sunday services, developing preaching series and schedules, casting vision, developing and implementing Bible curriculum for tutoring programs, and overseeing the Awana program and small group Bible studies. There are also various other activities, such as summer camps and outreaches, that give him a chance to spend time with families and strengthen those relationships.

Pete and Nikki were married in 2007. Nikki has been working part-time as the Assistant Manager of Greenline Coffee, the coffee shop that was started by Sunshine, since May 2014. She is also involved in organizing WCC's Children's Church, as well as the bi-monthly meals after service. Nikki has always been passionate about youth ministry, and continues to mentor several girls in the neighborhood.

The culture in their community is definitely American, but there are great differences than most of America. While struggling with poverty, joblessness, and crime, there is a strong sense of community within their neighborhood. There is great loyalty to family and to each other. There is quite a bit of joy within the culture and a real celebration of accomplishments and everyday things. Even though some negative things surround it, the culture itself is very bright and beautiful.



Food for Thought...A Challenge to be Thinking Christians



20 Ways to Refresh the Hearts of the Missionary Saints on Furlough

From the Blog of Kevin DeYoung

Guest Blogger: Jason Carter Jason Carter (Ph.D., University of Edinburgh) is a missionary professor at Instituto Bíblico “Casa de la Palabra” (IBCP Seminary) in Equatorial Guinea, the only country in Africa where Spanish is the official language (<http://ibcp.wecinternational.org/index.php/en/>). Jason is married with three children. He blogs occasionally at <http://thecarterteam.wordpress.com/>.

In my own experience, church members often appreciate missionaries, admire their sacrifice for the Gospel and think highly of their ministries. Yet it’s hard to understand that returning for furlough to one’s “home” country can be a highly exhausting and stressful experience for many missionary families. Between the tension-filled task of an international move, setting up a new place to live, a frenzied travel schedule and finding one’s missionary budget stretched to the limit, a missionary faces a multitude of challenges during furlough.

Many missionaries that I know get reprimanded by their mission leaders to physically rest, spiritually recharge, invest in their marriages and reflect on ministry practices during furlough. These are formidable challenges amidst busy schedules. To borrow a phrase from Henry Nouwen, many missionaries come home on furlough as “wounded healers” who desperately need the body of Christ during their home assignment.

Recently, Jason Helopoulos challenged us to be like Philemon in encouraging the hearts of the Lord’s people. The apostle Paul commended Philemon as embodying traits which refreshed the body of Christ: “Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the Lord’s people” (Philemon 1:7).

What would it look like for the body of Christ to refresh the hearts of missionaries on furlough? Here are a few practical ways that you can serve those who serve:

- If you are part of a bible study or small group, adopt a missionary family from the supported missionaries of your church. Pray for them regularly. Send care packages, birthday cards and encouraging letters.
- Buy a kindle for a missionary. Tell them to make a long list of books they want to read. Regularly buy kindle books for them when they return overseas.
- If you are a dentist, offer free or discounted dental work. If you are a lawyer, offer to update their last will and testament. If you are a counselor, offer free marital counseling (i.e. a marriage tune-up). Use your vocational gifts to bless the missionary body of Christ.
- Offer to host a dinner party where the missionary can share about the ministry. If there are financial needs, share those needs with the group so the missionary doesn’t have to.

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Food for Thought...(Cont.)

- Offer to keep in storage some of their earthly belongings while they are serving overseas.
- Send a missionary to a Christian conference or spiritual retreat where they will be equipped and re-freshed for the ministry.
- Purchase return plane tickets for the missionary's family. Two overseas trips in a short time frame (to the States & back to their field of service) are extremely expensive for most missionary budgets.
- Offer to give the missionary couple a date night every week or two. Instead of inviting the whole family to dinner, offer to take the kids for a night.
- Own a condo or time-share? Gift a week (and spending money) to a missionary family.
- Nominate yourself as Chairperson of their Furlough Committee. You might be a committee of one, but you can scout out housing in advance of their furlough, equip the place with some furniture and leave a Fruit Basket (or Krispy Kreme donuts) on their front step when they arrive from overseas.
- Loan (or give) a car to a missionary family to use during their furlough, and find a couple car seats for their children.
- Tell the missionary all the ways you have diligently prayed specifically for them.
- If the missionary family homeschools, offer to buy some curriculum or books for the missionary kids.
- Have your own kids adopt a missionary family. When the family returns overseas, encourage your kids to pray for the missionary kids' international or home schooling, friendships with national kids, foreign language learning, good health, and that the kids will come to love and serve Jesus Christ.
- Ask to see the pictures. All of them. Via photos, see their adopted clan, meet their missionary colleagues and get a feel for their ministry context. It's cathartic for missionaries when people are interested in their life and ministry.
- Ask the missionary family for a list of movies they want to watch during their next term overseas. Purchase 25 DVD movies so that the missionaries can enjoy a "movie night" during their next term of service. Netflix and quality DVD movies (gasp!) still are not available in many countries.
- Set up a home office for their furlough: desk, chair, computer and printer.
- Encourage your kids to invite the missionary kids over for playdates, play on their soccer teams and take them to youth group. Remember, while the parents may enjoy long-lasting friendships with members of their home church, missionary kids often experience all these new people as strangers.

Food for Thought...(Cont.)

- Let them know you are filled with joy at their service and sacrifice for the Gospel.
- Tell them all the ways you will be praying for them during their next missionary term.

One of least-helpful things people often say to missionaries on furlough is this: “Let me know how I can help.” That places the missionary in a difficult spot – is this person just saying that to be kind? Do they really want to hear about our deepest frustrations and concerns right now? Are they asking to be on our support team?

A better idea would be to choose 1-2 practical ways to refresh the hearts of the missionary saints among you. Pray for them. Invest in their ministry. Become personally invested in their lives and in their ministry. Take the challenge: dare to be a Philemon to a missionary. I bet you'll be glad you did.

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One scarf Two scarves Red scarf Blue scarves



From there to here, from here to there, Funny things are everywhere.

Some are old and some are new. Some are red and some are blue.

Some are square and some are round, I'm talking about things in Lost and Found.

Twenty-one Bibles in all different versions, Study books and quotes from Charles Spurgeon.

Are you missing something? Think, think, think, perhaps one sock in the color of pink.

Oh me! Oh my! What a lot of funny things I've found,

A plush turtle, toy spider and ear buds for sound.

Sweaters, suit coats and jackets galore. But wait, I tell you, there is so much more.

Two ball caps, one boldly advertises "FORD"

And more study books to improve your walk with the Lord.

A beach towel and eyeglasses still in the case. A hair brush and lipstick to beautify your face.

An Awana book, two scarves and slippers that smell.

A purse, or European handbag, I really can't tell.

Missing jewelry? Don't sit there and pout, are those real diamonds? You better check it out.

Hats and gloves, bookmarks and a sippy cup, two clip-on ties, umbrellas, I'm not making this up!

Whether you are a pastor, layperson, elder or deacon,

Your unclaimed items will be donated to Beacon.

A whole roll of lace, a bleach pen, Enough is Enough!

A collar extension? Please come get your stuff.

Today is gone, Church was fun.

Next Sunday is another one.

Every day from here to there, funny things are everywhere.- Anonymous

Everything mentioned above (and lots more) are in our "Lost & Found". Please check it out. It is located at the West end of the Foyer, straight behind the Auditorium.

February Calendar

- Mon., Feb. 1 Shuffleboard -- 10am (Gym)
Men's Basketball -- 6:30pm (Gym)
- Tues., Feb. 2 Busy Hands for Missions -- 9:30am (Lower Level-Classroom #15)
- Wed., Feb. 3**
AWANA -- 6:30pm (Lower Level-Children's Wing)
24/7 Jr. High -- 6:30pm (Youth Wing-Jr. High Room)
High School Bible Study -- 6:30pm (Youth Wing-Sr. High Room)
Bible Institute Classes -- 6:30pm (Lower Level-Adult Wing)
Women's Bible Study Class -- 6:30pm (Lower Level-Adult Wing)
Prayer Meeting -- 6:30pm (Office Level-Classroom #1)
- Sun., Feb. 7**
Communion -- PM Service
- Mon., Feb. 8 Shuffleboard -- 10am (Gym)
Men's Basketball -- 6:30pm (Gym)
- Tues., Feb. 9 Mighty O.A.K.S. Luncheon -- 12noon (Gym)
- Wed., Feb. 10**
Elder Meeting -- 8:00am (Office Level-Conference Room)
Women's Bible Study Class -- 10:00am (Pam Sischo's home-6845 Winfield Rd., Ovid)
AWANA -- 6:30pm (Lower Level-Children's Wing)
24/7 Jr. High -- 6:30pm (Youth Wing-Jr. High Room)
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Prayer Meeting -- 6:30pm (Office Level-Classroom #1)
- Thurs., Feb. 11 Missions Committee Meeting -- 6:30pm (Rm. #2-Office Level)
Mentoring Moms -- 6:30pm (Office Level-Conference Room)
- Sun., Feb. 14**
Gideon Presentation -- AM Service
Baptism/Membership -- PM Service
World Missions Prayer Meeting -- After PM Service (Lower Level-Classroom #13)
- Mon., Feb. 15 **Same as February 1st.**
- Wed., Feb. 17** **Same as February 10th.**
- Thurs., Feb. 18 Deacons Meeting -- 6:00pm (-Lower Level-Classroom #8)
Mug & Muffin -- 7-9pm (Pam Sischo's home-6845 Winfield Rd., Ovid)
- Fri., Feb. 19 Released Time Class -- 12:30pm (Youth Wing)
- Sat., Feb. 20 Flag Ceremony Practice -- 1:30-3:00pm (Auditorium)
- Sun., Feb. 21**
Communion -- AM Service
- Mon., Feb. 22 **Same as February 1st.**
- Wed., Feb. 24** **Same as February 10th.**
- Sat., Feb. 27 Flag Ceremony Practice -- 9-11:30am (Auditorium)
- Sun., Feb. 28**
Missions Conference 2016 Begins
Flag Ceremony & Devotion -- AM Service NO SUNDAY SCHOOL NO PM SERVICE
International Potluck -- After the AM Service (Sign up at the Information Area)
- Mon., Feb. 29 **Same as February 1st.**





FEBRUARY

01	Joe Bancroft Carolyn Henning	10	Al Law Monica Leif Kyle Lounds	21	Sharon Kidd
02	Ron Keilen Canden Schneider Dennis Whitlock	11	Bruce Baker Paul Halstead Jared Hyzer	22	Joyce Burk Levi Painter Trish Smith
03	Gertrude Atkinson Zeke Ely Bethany Marcotte Joe Ondrusek	12	Alice Davis	23	Erika Annis Erin Annis John Read
04	Joseph Harps Duane Haviland	13	Sharon Becker Leah Konieczny Debbie Lator Mandi VanZee	24	Benjamin Marcotte Nathan Simon Randy Tahvonen
05	Peter Mead	14	Natalya Breining	25	Emma Shackelford
06	Sarah Ely Samantha Prince Eric Staib	15	Mike Barrett Elyse Brun	26	MaryBeth Moldenhauer
07	Benjamin Case Alex Henning Austin Henning Erickson Hufnagel Bill Kidd	16	Earl Rogers	27	Baylie Dush Helen Kresge Katie Sawyer
10	Al Law Monica Leif Kyle Lounds	18	Jimmie Harps Ron Walter	28	Lars Andersen Joyce Woodhams
		20	Matthew Cornell Corban Painter Colton Peterson Pat Wright	29	Barbara Viges



FIRST BAPTIST THIS 'N' THAT

Please make these changes to your
FBC Phone Directory:

- Andrew & Elizabeth Davis
507 S. Traver Street
St. Johns, MI 48879
- Rick & Rose Davis
PO Box 27584
Lansing, MI 48909
- Nathan Feldpausch
Apt. 6
860 S. Bridge Street
DeWitt, MI 48820
- Preston & Stephanie Nichols
15879 Greenway Drive
Lansing, MI 48906
- Bob & Sue Smith
Email: bobsue726@outlook.com
- Jamie Smith
Email: jamjo17@outlook.com
- Pastor Ron Sischo
Phone#: (989) 277-4197
- Pam Sischo
Phone#: (989) 640-2003



Congratulations to Andrew & Elizabeth Davis on the birth of their son, Isaac James. Isaac was born on Friday, December 4, 2015. He weighed 7 lbs., 15 oz. His Grandparents are: Jim & Debi Davis and Steve & Eileen Feldpausch. His Great-Grandma is: Alma Davis.

Congratulations to Theron & Maggie Richardson on the birth of their son, Theron Lester III. Theron was born on Tuesday, January 5, 2016. He weighed 6 lbs., 2 oz. His Grandma is Bernadette Richardson.

Congratulations to Ethan & Kim Painter on the birth of their son, Zion Richard. Zion was born on Friday, January 8, 2016. He weighed 7 lbs., 5 oz. His Grandparents are: Al & Mindy Miller and Darrell & Cindy Painter. His Great-Grandparents are: Tony & Mart Feldpausch and Ted & Donna Herig.

Thank You!

Dear Church Family,
With this "Sundowns" thing I lost my spelling, math, and memory, but I am so BLESSED BY GOD! I can't

thank Father God enough for the Church family and my close friends who help me get to church and pay my bills.

In Christian Love, Lois Warner

My Dear FBC Family,

Words can hardly express how thankful I am for your comfort, love and concern for me over the last month. Losing Dave was a big shock for me as well as all of you who knew him. May God richly bless you for all your acts of kindness.

In Grateful Appreciation, Dee Chapman

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for all your prayers & support through out my mom's illness and passing. Your expressions of kindness and love were a true comfort during this difficult time.

The West Family

To My FBC Family,

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for your kindness to me as I anticipated hip surgery and now as I recover. Many said they were praying and I know God used you to give me peace. The words of encouragement both spoken and written in cards were so helpful and appreciated.

A special thank you to the children in the Awana program for the fruit basket given to us at Christmas. It was such a lovely, unexpected surprise!

Your Sister in Christ, Pat Lutz

Thank you for all the prayers said, kind words spoken, and cards received during the recent illness and passing of my dad - Jim Hinkley. And thank you for the Bibles donated to the Gideon's in his name. It means so much when one's earthy family lives a great distance away to have a church family that surrounds you with love and support at such a difficult time.

Karen Leif

We wanted to thank everyone who participated with cookies for the Clinton County Christmas at the Jail. We ended up with 240 dozen cookies from the surrounding area and had 219 inmates participate.

Carl & Michelle Hyzer, Forgotten Man Ministries

Missing from the Kitchen!!

Dish cloths and dish towels are missing. The drawer they are kept in is almost empty and is usually full. New ones were purchased to help replace the missing ones, and now they are missing. If you have them at home to wash, please bring them back as soon as possible. **Thank You!**

A metal cake pan with Dee Chapman's name on it is also missing.



SCHEDULES FOR FEBRUARY

NURSERY

- 03 Awana Carolyn Henning, Sue Bishop
 07 SS Emily Knaus, Sarah Thomas
 AM Michelle Hyzer, Tammy Underwood
 PM Annette Peterson, Holly Merignac
 10 Awana Carolyn Henning, Sarah Bouck
 14 SS Emily Knaus, Lori Knaus, Helen Kresge
 AM Andrea Bancroft, Valorie lung, **Isabelle Staib**
 PM Combine with Toddlers
 17 Awana Carolyn Henning, SuAnn Prince
 21 SS Emily Knaus, Bernadette Richardson
 AM Susan Marcotte, Sarah Thomas, **Kayla Mead**
 PM Becky Peterson, Karen Leif
 24 Awana Carolyn Henning, Eileen Feldpausch
 28 SS No Sunday School
 AM Carrie Schmidtman, Emily Brun, Megan Kay
 PM No Evening Service

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GREETERS

- 07 Foyer Mike & Tammy Underwood
 Office Jay & Becky Peterson
 14 Foyer Bryan & Trisha Feldpausch
 Office Todd & Mishelle Pagels
 21 Foyer Tom & MB Moldenhauer
 Office AM - Joel Seling
 PM - Diana VanOrsdol
 28 Foyer Roger & Rosanne Schafer
 Office Joe & Vicky Ondrusek

***Foyer-Stay until Sermon**

***AM Greeters please be at your door by 10am.**

***Everyone Greets in the PM Service Unless otherwise stated.**

TODDLERS

- 07 AM Lisa Crandall, Eileen Feldpausch, **Bethany Konieczny**
 PM Michelle Rosendale, Sarah Bouck
 14 AM Alan & Marie Hunt, Elayna Pagels
 PM Grace Kresge, Lori Knaus, Sarah Wood
 21 AM Tim & Sharon Becker, Hannah Marcotte
 PM Craig & Jen Simon, Ellen Kresge
 28 AM Mindy Miller, Cathy McCune, Marcia Feldpausch
 PM No Evening Service

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TODDLER COOKIES

- 07 Sarah Thomas
 14 Becky lung
 21 Sischo's
 28 Cindy Painter



USHERS

- 07 AM *Julius Motz, Shane Kidd, Norm Moinet, Mark Lutz, Rick Davis, Billy Gillean
 PM *Jim Ashenfelter, Nick Bancroft
 14 AM *Rick Davis, William Kidd Ryan Shackelford, Joe Ondrusek, Chris Bouck, Harold Lichte
 PM *Louie Simon, Dean Feldpausch
 21 AM *John Leif, Jeremy Thomas, Jason Holben, Ron Showers, Jimmie Harps, Jim Cyrus
 PM *Dell Schmidtman, Doug Merignac
 28 AM *Scott McCorvie, Derrick Ostrander, Andrew Davis, Phil Burkhardt, Duane Schafer, Dennis Eilert
 NO PM *John Glerum, Walt Knaus, Aaron Davis

*Captain

