

**Welcome**

We hope you find your time at First Baptist meaningful. Please take a moment and register your attendance with us today.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Age Range in Family (please circle)  
 0-5 6-12 13-17 18-25 26-32 33-45 46-55 55+

I am interested in knowing how to become a Christian  
 I would like to speak with a minister

**Worshiping Together**

Music for Worship Preparation		Pianist & Organist
Welcome		Dr. Stephens
Fellowship and Singing, No. 571		"This Is the Day"
Hymn No. 526		"Cry of My Heart"
Hymn No. 556		"We Fall Down"
Special Music	<i>Bow the Knee</i>	Worship Choir
Prayer		Dr. Stephens
Hymn No. 96		"Great Is thy Faithfulness"
Hymn No. 28		"To God Be the Glory"
Music Message	<i>On the Rock I Stand</i>	Worship Choir
Message		Dr. Stephens
Invitation, No. 412		"The Savior Is Waiting"
Benediction		Deacon of the Week

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Find this morning's Sermon notes at: [bible.com/](http://bible.com/)  
 Or use the "YouVersion" Bible app on your phone or tablet

*Wireless Hearing Assistance receivers are available at the Welcome Center.*

**OFFERING**

Ushers will be at the exits with offering plates at the close of the service this morning to receive your tithes and offerings. Thank You.

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

<u>Sunday</u>	
9:00 am	Worship Service
10:30 am	Sunday School, <i>Bible Study for all ages</i>
4:00 pm	Worship Choir; Youth Bible Drills
5:00 pm	Youth Choir; Children's Bible Drills
6:00 pm	Pastor's Bible Study
6:00 pm	Youth <i>Ignite</i> Bible Study
<u>Monday</u>	
6:30 pm	Stewardship Committee Meeting
6:30 pm	Women's Committee Meeting
<u>Tuesday</u>	
6:30 pm	Creative Movement Team
<u>Wednesday</u>	
10:00 am	Bible Study
5:00 pm	Family Supper (by reservation)
6:00 pm	Team KID (Preschool to 6th grade)
6:00 pm	Prayer Meeting; Adult Discipleship
6:00 pm	Youth Cross Talk
<u>Thursday</u>	
2:30 pm	Kid's Beach Club, Harper McCaughan
6:30 pm	Weekday Preschool Committee

**E-Mail Newsletter**

We would like to add you to our e-mail list! Please go to our website, [www.fbclb.com](http://www.fbclb.com), and find the link at the bottom of our homepage to "Sign-up for our Email List."

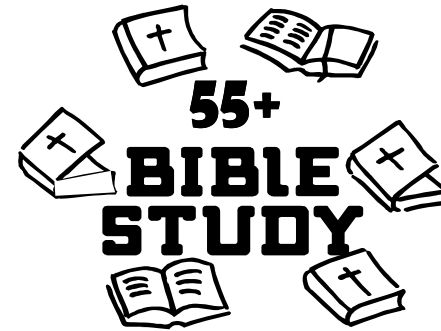


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 It's easy, convenient, flexible and effective! Go to our website and click on the "Give" tab on the top menu bar. We can accept credit cards, or direct transfers (ACH). Please call the Church Office if you need help.  
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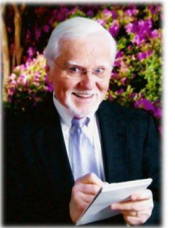
February 18, 2018



**March 1**  
**10:30 a.m.– 1:30 p.m.**

Special Guest Teacher  
 Dr. Joe McKeever  
 Lunch will be served  
 for \$5.00

Everyone is welcomed.  
 Come and enjoy a special day of  
 Bible Study and Fellowship.



*Please join us to celebrate the  
 Retirement Reception for  
 John and Ginger McCall  
 Sunday, February 25, 2018  
 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
 Everyone is invited - Your presence is  
 all that is required.*

## Heart to Heart

**Welcome to worship!** I'm so proud we can be together today. We are here to acknowledge the importance of our relationship with the Lord God. We sing together and we pray together. We read from God's Word and we respond appropriately to His Word. We reflect upon our life together and we renew our devotion to the Lord together. And I am delighted that we can be together for worship today. Welcome to worship.

**Next Sunday will be Bro. John McCall's last Sunday as our Music Minister.** He and Ginger are entering retirement. Please plan to join us in worship to share this special day with Bro. John and Ginger. A Retirement Reception is scheduled for next Sunday afternoon, February 25, from 2:00-4:00. These will be two very special experiences for us with Bro. John and Ginger. Let's continue to pray for our friends as they make this transition. The Lord has blessed us tremendously through their lives and ministries.

**It's not too late to sign up for one of our international mission trips.** Our trips are:

**Nicaragua, June 16-22**

**Haiti medical, June 16-22**

**Costa Rica, team meeting today at 5:00 [date TBA]**

Use the tab of your worship bulletin to give us your name, contact number, and the trip of your interest. We will follow up to discuss details with you.

**Connecting People to Jesus!**

**Bro. LaRue**

*Please be in prayer for Music Minister Search Committee: Jeff Andrews, Larry Fisher, Beth John, Stacey Mullins, Paula Preston, Eugene Sandberg, Scott Wedgeworth, and Robin Young.*

## STUDENT NEWS



**2018 Costa Rica Mission Trip  
2<sup>nd</sup> Interest Meeting  
February 25<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.**

MENU - Wednesday, February 21 Reservations due by Monday, 4:30 pm, please. Adults \$5      Children \$3		STEWARDSHIP REPORT		
Adults	Children	To date as of 2/11/18	Ministries & Operations	Debt Retirement
Baked Chicken	Baked Chicken	Received	\$ 367,717	\$ 71,092
Baked Potato	Tater Tots	Goal	\$ 371,031	\$ 96,770
Green Beans	Green Beans	<b>Over (Under) Goal</b>	\$ (3,314)	\$ (25,678)
Roll	Roll			
Dessert	Dessert			

## Education Updates

### Scholarship Program

We have been contacted by First Baptist Church of Milton, FL about a scholarship that has been named - **"David and Connie Spencer Endowed Scholarship for Christian Ministries"**. It is a scholarship at William Carey University for a student who is majoring in a church related vocation.

Preference will be given to students from the churches that Dr. David Spencer has pastored. They are looking for people who would like to contribute to this scholarship. You can go online to:

[indigo.wmcarey.edu/misc/donate.asp](http://indigo.wmcarey.edu/misc/donate.asp) or you can send checks made out to: William Carey University Spencer Endowment. Mailing address is: WCU Box 141, 710 William Carey Parkway, Hattiesburg, MS 39401. There are cards at the Welcome Desk for you to use to send with your check.



### New Exercise Class, Sisters in Sweat

Starts this Sunday at 5:00 p.m. in the Children's activity room. We'll be using "Walk the Walk" video by Leslie Sansone. Please join us for faith, fun, and fitness!

## ♪ MUSIC NOTES ♪

**Choir Festival!** You are invited to the coast-wide Choir Festival, Thursday, March 1, 7 pm, at Bel-Aire Baptist on Dedeaux Rd. Our Worship Choir will be participating along with other choirs from across the coast. Between the choirs' singing, there will be great congregational singing by all present. Make plans to come join us, and be blessed by a great time of fellowship and worship.

**This morning,** the Worship Choir is sharing two more of my favorite selections with us. "Bow the Knee" is a powerful reminder of the need for faithful praying in our daily lives. When we bow in prayer, we can "trust the heart of the Father, when the answer goes beyond what you can see." Then, "On the Rock I Stand" is a challenge to believers to stand firm on the Solid Rock of faith in Jesus Christ. "From the ends of the earth I call to You as my heart grows faint. Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I." (Ps. 61:2)

I pray that these two favorites will be a blessing to you and your worship today.

### LOOKING AHEAD...

Feb. 25 - Reception for John & Ginger, 2-4 pm  
Feb. 28 - Monthly Church Business Meeting, 6 pm  
Mar. 1 - 55 Plus, Winter Bible Study  
Mar. 1 - Choir Festival, Bel-Aire Baptist, 7 pm  
Mar. 2 - Youth Winter Jam  
Mar. 5-16 - Holy Land Trip

Mar. 11 - Daylight Savings Time begins!  
Mar. 22 - Weekday Preschool Auction  
Mar. 25 - Palm Sunday  
Mar. 28 - Spring Break; No Weds. Activities  
Apr. 1 - Easter Sunday

PRAYER REQUESTS  
The Pastor and Staff will pray for you and your requests, and will keep them in strict confidence. Thank You!

### WEDNESDAY SUPPER RESERVATIONS

\_\_\_\_\_ Regular Menu, \$5.00 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Children's Menu, \$3.00 each

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Check if this is a "Standing" Reservation for every week.

*Reservations/Cancellations are due by 4:30 pm on Mondays. Thank you.*