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First Baptist News & Views

March 2022



Getting to know God more fully. Making Jesus fully known.

Join us for worship this month as we continue the sermon series "**3-D** *Jesus*" and learn all about the breadth and depth and vibrance of the **personality of Jesus** of Nazareth—the Christ. *The more you know about who He really is...the more you'll love Him!*

We've already looked at Jesus's playfulness, fierce intention, humanity, generosity, and disruptive honesty. We'll continue the series in March by looking at His scandalous freedom, cunningness, and humility. *Invite your friends and family to join us as we rediscover the beautiful and colorful personality of our Lord!*

Return Service Requested

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CHURCH UPDATES

Odds & Ends

(or...where else do we put this...?)

We are excited to welcome Mr. Danny Back, his wife Brittany, and their children Elijah (9), Ethan (7), and Evan (7) to the First Baptist Church family! They are a blessing and an answer to many prayers. Danny was overwhelmingly approved by the congregation at our February 27 Business Meeting to serve as our **new full-time Worship & Youth Leader**. Please be in continued prayer for their family as they make preparations to move to VA, and pray for the ministries they will lead and serve at FBCH. We need your support and participation to make those ministries successful for the glory of the kingdom!



The recent proposal for our Constitution & Bylaws was passed at our February 27 Business Meeting! One large area that was addressed is related to our how our committees and teams function, and changes are intended to unleash and empower those who serve to do the jobs to which they have been entrusted. Our hope is that YOU (yes, <u>you!</u>) will consider serving in those areas where you are passionate, gifted, and/or experienced. The body of Christ is meant to work in unity when <u>all</u> of our members' diversity is brought together in the common goal of serving King Jesus! Contact the pastor or a member of our Nominating committee to see where you can serve...and be ready to serve when they call you, because God has already called you to serve!

The Women's Sunday School class taught by Elizabeth Yon and Carolyn Grigg is meeting on Sunday in Room 307 upstairs. *This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in your discipleship!*

Our next **Fellowship Lunch + Business meeting** will be March 27 following Worship Service. Please join us for a great time of fellowship, great food, and a great opportunity to take part in God's continuing work through this church!

FBCH Bible Study takes place Wednesdays @7pm & Thursdays @10am. Come learn, grow, and have fun! Beginning in March, we will be taking a close look at all we know about the Disciples, based on the book *Twelve Ordinary Men* by John MacArthur. You won't want to miss it!





Submit requests to the Church Office no later than 3pm on Wednesday for that Sunday's bulletin. Submissions should be less than 350 characters (including spaces) or 60 words.

FBCH reserves the right to correct or adjust submissions as needed.

WE NEED PICTURES

nd ministries!

We'd like to show and tell the congregation and community how God is working in and through our church. Please send pictures and descriptions of your church activity or ministry to office@ibchillsvilletorg so we can let our light shine!

If you are interested in providing content for our MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:

Please submit your content to *office@fbchillsville.org* by the 20th of the month for the following month's newsletter, including your desired content, any relevant contact information or dates, and pictures (if any). Let us help you get the word out!

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"Stephen was the first Christian martyr." (from question p5)

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

POINTS TO PONDER



Stock the Food Pantry:

- March 6 Pinto beans & Cornbread mixes
- March 13 Soups & Crackers
- March 20 Canned meats & Canned fruits
- March 27 Cereals



March - Toothbrushes

DO NOT INCLUDE items that are:

Used or damaged, war-related (toy guns or military figures), glass, liquid, toothpaste, or candy.



We are collecting for **Children's Backpacks**!

Food items needed: Apple sauce, nabs, juices, granola bars, pop tarts, pudding, small containers of spaghetti, mac & cheese, ravioli and individual cups of fruit.



Please pray for the workers in the field...

JoAnn Yon—missionary to Nicaragua

Bryan Macadangdang—missionary to Philippines

United Christian Missions—leads Educate -a-Child program and Pastor's School in Jinotega, Nicaragua

Eric & Wendy Harbinson—missionaries in Matagalpa, Nicaragua

From the Pastor's Pen...

Dear FBCH Family,

I hope that you are as encouraged as I am to see the church buzzing with activity!

With the approval of changes to our Constitution & Bylaws in February, we will begin working on transitioning our committees and teams structures. Expect some phone calls from our Nominating Committee members to discuss where your gifts, experiences, and passions can best be put to use in the church in serving Jesus. When we all work together and do our part, there's no doubt we'll see God continue to do great things through this church family!

I'm also excited to welcome Mr. Danny Back to our Ministry Team as a full-time Worship & Youth Leader! We anticipate he and his family joining our FBCH family in mid-to-late April. He will need our full support if his ministries are to be successful, so please consider serving as a volunteer in our Worship & Youth programs as opportunities become available.

The sky is the limit in 2022, and God is blessing our church as we faithfully and joyfully serve. To God be the glory in all that we do, and *keep up the good work church family*!

Gripped by grace, Pastor Ryan

Scripture of the Month

LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things planned long ago. Isaiah 25:1



A DEVOTIONAL WORD...

"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing." (John 15-5)

Many years ago I memorized this Scripture verse while taking a discipleship class. It has been a favorite of mine ever since that time. Later, I did a word study of the word abide. I realized then that when I abide in Jesus, I am a more useful servant for Him.

This verse stresses the importance of placing Christ at the very center of our lives. We must be connected to Him (the vine), filled with the Holy Spirit, and immerse ourselves in His Word. We, the branches, cannot bear fruit without being connected (abiding) to jesus. He abides in us as we abide in Him. In an abiding relationship we can be a successful witness for Him and serve Him more fully. We will pray more earnestly and fervently for His will to be done. Only when we are abiding in Christ can we do His will. Celebrate the joy of abiding in Christ!

> Thank you to Susan Naff for providing this month's devotional thought!

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

KEEPING IN TOUCH

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

LEONA LAYHER

Ridgecrest Assisted Living

2302 Ridgecrest Lane

Mt Airy, NC 27030

SHUT-INS

Laura Melton

Nina Goad

CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH NURSERY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

March	Pre-2nd	3rd-6th	7th-12th	Van 1	Van 2	Nursery: Worship Service
6	HELP NEEDED	Elizabeth Motley & Polly Sturgill	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp	Ed Naff	Paula Pulliam & Maria Record
13	Diane Allen & Merrilynn Butterfield	Elizabeth Motley & Polly Sturgill	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp	Ed Naff	Audrey Mills & Victoria Sweeney
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Ushers	See Pat Sharp to volunteer
Deacon of the Month	Ed Naff

We are in need of volunteers for the

Nursery during Sunday School at 9:30 am and Worship Service at 10:30 am. Please contact us at office@fbchillsville.org to serve in this important ministry!

It takes all of the members of the church for the body to be whole!

We are in need of your help to fulfill our Children's Ministry needs, which include both nursery workers and Sunday School teachers. To serve God and your church in these critical ministries, please contact the church office at office@fbchillsville.org or (276) 728-7801. Thank you!

		nindays!	
Becky Adams	1	Judy Thompson	15
Beth Graham	1	Elizabeth Brooks	15
Glenna Blevins	4	Judy Huff	16
Merle Goad	4	Bobby Adams	19
Jennifer Beasley	6	Wade Sechrist	19
James Slusher	6 🧹	Ashtyn Sharpe	19
Glenda Yonce	72	Ed Naff	20
Marc Ogle	8	Leona Layher	21
Reva Brown	11	Steve Pulliam	22
Shernell McGrady	12	Amanda Webb	23
Jill Sharpe	13	Jackson Thompson	26
Chuck Thompson	14	Cathy Sweeney	31

March Birthland

Mindy Cox Doris Childs Joe Mina Glenna Blevins **Dorothy Semones**

March Annivers	aries!
Randy & Sabrina Webb	12
Ryan & Audrey Mills	13

FBCH would like to WELCOME new members Barry & Barbara Iroler and Rick & **Maria Record** to our church family! *Thanks* for joining us in this crazy joyful journey!

Bob & Evelyn Wright

Marc & Lynn Ogle

CONTRACTOR OF



Who is Stephen in Acts of the Apostles? (answer p11)

Zelma Goad	Glenda Yonce
Kyle Nester	Joyce Bowman

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Remembering

FBCH MINISTRIES

In Remembrance February 2022

First Baptist Church offers our condolences, prayers, and support to the families of Charles Hall, Coy Kimble, Richard Record's father.

IN MEMORY OF	<u>GIVEN BY</u>	<u>FUND</u>	
Wayne Sowers	Tom & Allene Tabor	Budget	
Rex Hancock	JoAnn Hall	Budget	
Coy Kimble	Diane Allen	Budget	
Coy Kimble	Ed & Susan Naff	Cemetery Fund	
Wayne Sowers	Ed & Susan Naff	Cemetery Fund	
Coy Kimble	Betty Williams	Shoe Box Ministry	
Eddie Ring	Jim & Norma Ring	God's Handy Helpers	
IN HONOR OF	<u>GIVEN BY</u>	FUND	
Dan & Judy Huff	William Smyer	God's Handy Helpers	
Bonnie Kimble	Betty Williams	Shoe Box Ministry	
Betty Williams	Margaret Broadstreet	Budget	
God's Handy Helpers	Marcella Smith	God's Handy Helpers	
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FBC Friends,

God bless you,

loe & Reva Brown

Thank you so much for the cards, and

prayers during my heart procedures.

You have been such a blessing to us.

Thank you FBCH family for all the phone calls, cards, food, visits, and prayers, and the beautiful flowers in the passing of my husband, Coy. Thanks to Pastor Ryan for his visit and prayers. It was such a blessing to me and my family.

Bonnie 5 the Kimble Family



God's Handy Helpers is one of the service and outreach ministries of FBCH, seeking to help those in need with small carpentry tasks, seasonal and vardwork. similar projects. Anyone is invited to participate... and everyone ends up having a great time of fellowship in service!

If you'd like to be a part of our next project, or if you'd like to suggest a project, *please contact Team Leader Dan Huff at blueridgetandem@gmail.com*! "Thank you!" to all who attended our open *Meet & Greet* with Mr. Danny Back (*our candidate for the full-time Worship & Youth Leader position*) and his family on Saturday, February 12. We all got to enjoy getting to know this wonderful family, and after joining us for worship that Sunday, we are pleased to announce their acceptance of our invitation to become a part of the FBCH family!

We look forward to their family joining ours in mid-to-late April. Please join us in welcoming the Back family to Hillsville and to the ministry at FBCH!





MARCH 2022

HIGHLIGHTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	3/13—Daylight Savings Time
27	28	1	2 7pm Bible Study	3 10am Bible Study	4	5 9am God's Handy Helpers	3/20 —First Day of Spring
							3/23—Church Council meeting 3/27—Fellowship Lunch &
6 9am Prayer meeting 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service	7	8 1pm Sew Journers	9 7pm Bible Study	10 10am Bible Study	11	12	3/26 —God's Handy Helpers
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